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THE BANNER.

LET THE PEOPLE RULE.

CLANTON, ALA., THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1893 NO. 31

...F THE STATE ...IVE COMMITTEE.

...the state, in order to increase the number of officials and afford lucrative employment to, partisan henchmen.

...condoned and justified the raids on the school fund by failure to execute the law against ballot box stuffers who committed this fraud, by which white children in Black Belt county would get from $20 to $80 per capita, while the same fund to white children in white counties amounted to less than $1 per capita.

With the purpose of affording lucrative employment to political supporters this administration has caused an increase in the number of examiners of public accounts, so as to create the impression that a "business administration" was very zealous of the interests of the people, while the result shows the aggregate collections are very little in excess of the aggregate expenses, yet every official has been subjected to the suspicion of dishonesty, and, in every instance possible, has been grossly insulted without just cause.

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...just taxation...

...taxes for two years which has not equal, in administration, this piece of law, which, as its execution was proven to be a fraud on the ...Louisiana ...people ...of ...Democratic ...State ...of ...Democratic party ...upon ...a right ...to ...power ...by ...fraud, and ...a ...summary ...justice ...to ...all the people of the state to those liable to be arrested for ex...

It has failed and refused to pass an election law that would secure honest elections.

It has failed and refused to prosecute ...the ballot-box stuffers of public ...counties.

It has failed and refused to provide proper ...for blind, indigent and disabled soldiers.

It has discriminated in the administration and execution of the law against different citizens of the state, for political reasons.

It has failed to repress crime in the state by proper administration of the law.

By reason of its unjust system of taxation and corrupt political methods, capital is being deterred from

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MR STABLER SAYS

Local Treatment for Catarrh Does No Good

Mr. E. M. Stabler, Payne, Ohio, writes: "I had catarrh of the head, I tried a local catarrh remedy and it did me no good; I tried two different catarrh snuffs and they did me no good; I tried a catarrh balm and it did me no good; our home doctor and his medicine did me no good; I tried a Fort Wayne doctor and he did me no good. I gave them all up, for they were doing me no good. All they were after was my money, and they got it, and that was all they wanted. Then I got a Pe-ru-na Almanac. I read it all through and saw that Pe-ru-na was highly recommended for catarrh. I took eight bottles and they cured me sound and well. I am 59 years old and can I do a good day's work right along. I think Pe-ru-na is the best medicine that was ever got up for catarrh. I think every one that has catarrh should use it, as I believe it will do the same for others as it has done for me."

Send to The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio, for Dr. Hartman's free book on catarrh.

Ask your druggist for a free Pe-ru-na Almanac for 1893

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

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Lily Lyrics.

Christmas has passed, and the old year is gone, so now we will have to put it 1892. During the holidays the young people of this community have had quite a number of parties, dances, &c., and all seem to have a merry Christmas and now we wish all a happy New Year.

Mr. George Callaway of Coosa was through here last week, looking for a home, and will doubtless locate at Maplesville.

Miss Mamie Young, a charming young lady of Plantersville, spent the holidays here among friends.

Miss Mattie Lenoir has secured a school at Strasburg and will begin teaching next Monday.

All the young ladies that were ...d teaching are going to collect ...great Xmas at home to the delight ...of their hearts.

Mr. John Wright's little girl, ...

Mr. J. C. Edwards is as smiles this Xmas over the new comer at his house, who arrived Christmas eve, and says furthah for Santa Claus.

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Free of Charge to Sufferers.

Cut this out and take it to your druggist and get a sample bottle free of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and colds. If he do not ask you to buy before trying. This will show you the great merits of this truly wonderful remedy, and show you what can be accomplished by the regular size bottle. This is no experiment, and would be disastrous to the proprietors, did they not know it would invariably cure. Many of the best physicians are now using it in their practice with great results, and are relying on it in most severe cases. It is guaranteed. Trial bottle free at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store. Regular size 50 cents and 1.00.

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Jemison, Jan. 3, 1893.

Editor Banner: A happy new year. Ninety seven is gone. The people have realized many bereavements and grievances with untold disappointments. Many have been blessed with health and prosperity along with pleasant surroundings. Some have been unmindful of the source from which all blessings flow. Let us forget past troubles and cherish the pleasures. May we enjoy the present and hope for the future. As we start out with the new year, may we study what our duty is and perform it, and thus make others and ourselves happy. What a meaning!

Mr. Kellett Campbell is ... by convalescing from a seve... attack of pneumonia.

Miss Malisa Pierce and Mr. Alfred Burnett were happily married on the 2d inst.

In our recent suggestions in regard to small manufactories, the type made me say "springs" instead of "spindles." We are blaming no one, however, being glad that the thought is before the people, which should arouse new life and energy which has slumbered so long to the discredit of southern people.

Now as the Editor of the cherishing BANNER enters upon another year of arduous labor for the benefit of his many readers, we truly hope he will enjoy a full measure of health along with financial enjoyment. An Editor cannot live on ice and gas any longer than we can. MRS. IRA CAMPBELLE.

Planters CUBAN RELIEF ... Nervalgia and Toothache ... five minutes. Sour stomach and Summer Complaints. Price, 25 Cents.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, ... system, dispel colds, ... fever, habitual constipation ... Cascarets. Please buy and try a box ... Sold and ... by druggists.

NOTICE.

To the Tax-payers of Chilton county who have not as yet assessed their taxes for the year 1892, I will not be at the Court House during the month of January as heretofore stated on the BANNER, but will keep my office open to receive assessments at my residence during the month of January, 1893.

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.

The progressive ladies of Westfield Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1846. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlin's Cough remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by J. S. Johnson Jr. Druggist.

Notice.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY

CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

Now that so many brewers have been elevated the House of Lords, English wits are beginning to term that august body the "Beerage."

Bohemian "sportsmen" during the year 1895 shot and killed fifty men, women and children, and wounded 104 persons, chiefly gamekeepers.

Recent attempts to introduce professional foot ball into Mexico have ended in failure. These manly sports will have nothing less refined than a bull fight.

One of the dry goods stores in Boston has substituted the cry "seller" for "cash," to the great delight of the local purists who seem to think it a choicer word for use in a cultured city.

A codfish four feet long has been caught on the New England coast. This does not, however, settle the mooted question whether codfish salt the ocean or the ocean salts the codfish.

More than 40,000 of the soldiers whom Spain has sent to Cuba are now in the hospital, and of the 150,000 sent to the island during Weyler's leadership only 80,000 are at the front today. These are mere fragments from the history of the gloomiest military tragedy of the century.

...vel mountain railway has been ...n Germany, the track of which ... of a single T-shaped rail, on ...ar runs which is drawn up ...cline by a captive balloon. The ... this railway on a ... on successful, and ... is being built ... sullen, ...

DAY'S DOINGS IN ALABAMA.

Another Big Steel Plant Is Proposed for Birmingham.

A BOY FALLS FROM A TREE TO HIS DEATH.

An Old River Pilot Passes Away—Big Damage Suit Filed—Accidentally Shot—Another Cigarette Victim. Other Brief State News.

James T. Burns, of Pittsburg, Pa., is in Birmingham, with a view to establishing a plant for the manufacture of his steel. Mr. Burns claims that by his process the highest grade of steel can be made from any iron. He has been in conference with a number of the leading iron producers of the district and will bring the matter before the Commercial club. Mr. Burns is a practical mining engineer, and was for a long time in the employ of the British government as inspector of fortifications at Gibraltar and in the Bermuda islands. He has made a proposition in writing by which he agrees to erect a plant at a cost of $750,000 to $1,000,000 if his company is granted 100 acres of land in close proximity to Birmingham, and if the citizens of that city will subscribe from $150,000 to $200,000 stock in the enterprise. Maj. John Johnston, agent of the Commercial club, has the matter in hand, and he and Mr. Burns are endeavoring to negotiate matters so that the proposed plant can be located. It is calculated that the proposed plant will employ about 1,500 men.

Death From a Fall.

Ephriam Posey, the 15-year-old son of G. B. Posey, of Remlap, Blount county, fell from a tall poplar tree in his father's yard on Sunday afternoon and sustained injuries from which he died ... Sunday morning.

... company with several ... playing in the yard ... to climb the ... over of the tree ... companions, ... the boy ... topmost ... brake. ... was ...

His Brother in Play.

...ooga, Tenn., Edward ...nged 17 years, while ...us and firing blank ...rother, picked up a ...m at his younger ...nd pulled the trig- ... was heavily load- ...nd simultaneously ...e gun the younger ...h the whole side ...

...terfeits.

...certificates of ... been discov- ...vice and pro- ...t perfect imi- ... As a result of ... Gage decided ...n all $100 sil- ...ich there are ...unding.

...ille.

... well as New ...ation, and it is ... By an act of ...ago the three ...nd old Knox- ...the city now ...00 people, ... city in ...

CUBAN CABINET MINISTERS SWORN

Many People Witness the Ceremony. General Fitz Lee Honored.

Many people assembled at the palace in Havana Saturday to witness the swearing in of Senor Rafael Montero, Marquis of Montelo, Senor Francisco Zayas and Senor Laureano Rodriguez, secretaries of the provisional government. Marshal Blanco, the captain-general, escorted by a number of high Spanish officials, the consul corps, army and naval officers, politicians, etc., reached the throne room at 9 o'clock a. m. A new Bible was open on the table and upon it the secretaries took the oath of fidelity to the queen, the monarch and the Spanish government, placing their right hands on the Bible and kneeling as they repeated the words as required.

After the conclusion of the ceremony all present attended the celebration of mass by the bishop in the chapel of the palace. All knelt down at the elevation of the post excepting the British and German consuls.

When bidding good-bye to the consular corps, General Blanco took both of General Lee's hands. He shook them warmly, saying in broken English, "I thank you," a distinction which the captain-general did not confer upon any of the other consuls.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies, the captain-general remitted the death penalty imposed upon persons who had been convicted of common crimes.

KILLED BY FALLING BUILDING.

A Floor Gives Way and Thirty People Meet Death.

At London, Ontario, 2,000 people were assembled in a hall to hear the address of the successful municipal candidates. Just as the first speaker mounted the platform to begin an ominous crackling of timber was heard, and the raised platform on which the mayor and newly-elected aldermen were seated seemed to pitch forward to the floor. There was a sagging of timbers, and the next moment 150 people were hurled twenty feet to the floor below. A beam running twenty feet along the center of the hall had given way and the crowded mass standing above that section of the floor was thrown in a heap to the bottom.

The scene that followed, mingled with the cries and groaning of the dying was fearful. When the wreck had partially been cleared thirty persons were taken dead from the debris, and many injured.

Although the platform on which the ...eakers of the evening were standing ...apparently the first thing to give ... the mayor-elect and aldermen ... the death that overtook so ...ers who followed them in ... portion of the building.

GREAT SUFFERING IN CUBA.

A Conspiracy Against the Spanish Unearthed in Panar Del Rio.

CHEERING FOR THE UNITED STATES.

A Letter From an Insurgent Chief Says 150,000 Insurgents and Reconcentrados Have Died in Western Cuba and Santa Clara Provinces.

Havana, via Key West.—Details have been received from Spanish sources of a conspiracy against Spanish rule, said to have been discovered in the province of Pinar Del Rio. It is now stated that 1,500 men employed in the fields of Clay, Brook & Co., tobacco growers, and who had been disarmed, conspired to join the insurgents. Their leaders were imprisoned in Moro Castle.

Christmas night there were riots similar to those which occurred at Havana, Matanzas and other towns. The demonstrations were intended as a protest against autonomy.

At Matanzas the crowds cheered for the United States, President McKinley and annexation.

The majority of conservative mayors have been removed from the towns in the interior. They represent 75 per cent of the taxpayers.

A letter from an important insurgent chief says about 150,000 insurgents and reconcentrados have died in Western Cuba up to Santa Clara. He also expresses regret at the suffering endured by the insurgents in the field.

Dr. Delfin calls attention, in Dietro de la Marina, to the necessity of sending about fifty physicians into the interior of the island, provided with medicine chests and vaccine. This step, he says, is to save from death innumerable human beings who are dying of hunger and neglect.

Dr. Delfin adds that over 500,000 persons, mostly women and children, have died of famine in the fields. The reconcentrados are suffering from dysentery, smallpox, cholera, etc., which threaten extermination. Therefore, Dr. Delfin says, it is necessary to send medicines with food and physicians.

It is reported that an important engagement occurred last Monday in the Mulata mountains, province of Pinar del Rio, and that large numbers were killed on both sides. One prominent insurgent was captured and brought to Havana, where he was imprisoned in the communicado.

LOWERING THE WAGE SCHEDULE.

The Reduction Will Be General Throughout the East.

The action of the cotton manufacturers in New Bedford and Rhode Island in deciding to join the movement to lower the wage schedule in January, which was inaugurated by the big corporations of Fall River, makes the reduction practically a general one throughout the New England states. Cotton mills in Fall River, Lowell, Manchester, Salem, Suncook, N. H., and a number of smaller places have already posted notices of a reduction amounting to from 10 to 11 1-9 per cent. In New Bedford it is understood the cut down applies to the cloth mills only. As far as known the reduction in all the mill centers applies to treasurers, superintendents, overseers and clerks, as well as to the spinners and other operatives.

WILL LOOK AT THE CANAL.

Prominent Contractors on Their Way to Nicaragua.

Fourteen of the most prominent contractors in the United States will go to Nicaragua to inspect the survey of the proposed canal. If the work is deemed practical, these men will form a company and bid for the job. The party is under the direction of E. L. Cooley, chief engineer of the Chicago drainage canal. Most of the contractors were associated with Mr. Cooley in that immense undertaking. From the meager information in their possession Engineer Cooley estimates the maximum cost of the Nicaragua canal at $25,000,000. The army engineers say this is ridiculously small and predict an excess of $80,000,000. Others have variously estimated the cost of the project from $60,000,000 to $150,000,000.

NEW POSTAGE STAMPS.

The Government Will Advertise for About 12,000,000,000.

The postoffice department has prepared advertisements which will soon be issued inviting proposals for furnishing adhesive postage stamps for the government for the four years beginning July 1 next. The issues advertised for include the ordinary stamps, news and periodical stamps, postage due stamps and those for special delivery. The number required per year approximates 3,000,000,000.

Increase in Receipts.

The forthcoming weekly statement of the government receipts and expenditures will show a material increase in the receipts from both customs and internal revenues. The income from customs this month will probably exceed November by $3,000,000. The returns from internal revenue sources will probably reach an excess of $1,000,000 over November.

Y. M. C. A. Secretary.

At Selma the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian association elected T. S. McGill, of Louisville, Ky., general secretary. He is now assistant secretary of the Louisville association.

NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK.

Carefully Collated in Brief and Pointed Paragraphs.

The Comptroller of the Currency has authorized the Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago, Ill., capital $1,000,000, to begin business.

Unknown persons dynamited the court house of Wilkes county, N. C., damaging the foundation and superstructure and wrecking every window.

Governor Charles A. Culberson, of Texas, has announced himself a candidate for the United States senate to succeed Roger Q. Mills, whose term will expire in 1899.

The American consul at Barcelona, Spain, is unable to keep the stars and stripes flying from Uncle Sam's vessels, owing to the bitter feeling of the Spaniards against the United States.

Pedro Escureo, who was minister of justice during the empire of Maximilian, and who was the author of the civil code and one of the most eminent of Mexico's jurists, died Friday at the age of 80.

Southern Express Agent P. H. Mabry, at Brunswick, Ga., has absconded with $14,000 of the company's funds, which a few days before had been shipped by Savannah bankers to Brunswick.

The action of the operatives conference committee of the Fall River, Mass., cotton mill employees indicates that no strike will be declared, a poll of the members showing 12 to 6 against it.

Jim Redd and Alex Johnson, the condemned murderers of W. F. Skipper, did not hang at Monticello, Ark., Friday as scheduled. The supreme court has issued a stay of execution pending an appeal.

Twelve business houses were destroyed by fire at Lebanon, Tenn., the past week. All the contents of the buildings, which were retail stores, were totally destroyed. The loss so far is estimated at $60,000.

Thomas B. Gresham, formerly of Macon, Ga., now of Baltimore, offers to donate $10,000 to build an annex to the Macon city hospital as a memorial to his father, the late Judge John G. Gresham, of Macon, who was one of Georgia's wealthiest and best known men.

The secretary of the treasury, with the approval of the president, has issued regulations under the act of congress, prohibiting the taking of seal skins by American citizens except on the Pribyloff islands and prohibiting the importation into this country of pelagic sealskins.

It is officially announced at Calcutta, India, that the recent famine cost the treasury 800,000 pounds, while loans to agriculturists and suspensions of taxes, mainly repayable, absorbed another 4,000,000 pounds, irrespective of charitable contributions, approaching 1,750,000 pounds.

One of the largest ore deals ever consummated in this or any other country has just been closed by James W. Miller, of Pittsburg, Pa., at London, England, with the Cardiff Iron Founders Company, limited. It is an order for 4,000,000 tons of 64 per cent Cuba iron ore, representing more than $20,000,000.

CABINET NAMED BY BLANCO

Under the Regime of Autonomy for the Cubans.

It is asserted that the following have been accepted by Governor-General Blanco as members of the first Cuban colonial cabinet under the regime of autonomy:

President of the cabinet—Senor Jose Maria Galvez.

Minister of finance—Senor Rafael Montero, marquis of Montero.

Minister of the interior—Senor Antonio Govin.

Minister of education—Senor Francisco Zayas.

Minister of commerce—Senor Artuzo Amblard.

Minister of post and telegraphs—Senor Laurenno Rodriguez.

It is understood they will take the oath at the palace on Saturday next after attending the celebration of mass.

The under secretaries will then be nominated, together with the chief subordinates of the permanent staff.

General Fitzhugh Lee has asked the authorities at Washington for medicines, clothing and other assistance for the reconcentrados on the conditions agreed upon between Madrid and Washington.

WORKING FOR OFFICE.

Kentucky Spoilsmen Organize to Fight Civil Service.

An effort is being made at Lexington, Ky., to organize a state lodge of the secret society called "Americans," which has for its object the destruction of civil service.

The promoter is a prominent New York man who held a high place in the Harrison administration at Washington.

The Lexington republican who told of this secret movement against civil service is thoroughly reliable.

It is a national order and there will be county, congressional, district and state organizations all amenable to the national organization.

Forced to Kill Him.

At noon Friday George Bush and Enoch Tyler, two employes of the Hamburger mills at Columbus, Ga., met in front of the mills and grappled each other. During the struggle Bush fired two shots into the body of Tyler, killing him almost instantly. One ball entered the breast and the other the shoulder. Both parties were mere boys, each being only 17 years old.

Captain-General Blanco has ... an order permitting the export ... to ... from Cuba.

MONETARY COM...

Made by Authori... Business M...

The report of ... mission appoint... the convention ... in Indianapolis ... been made publi... standard on which ... done since 1879 is ... ground the in... mand certainty as ... and shall be. To ... that the United States ... all uncertainty as to ... "coin" in its obligations ... ing the taxpayer by the ... row at a lower rate of ... attempt is made to ... ing silver dollars, nor to ... legal tender qualities, on the con... a place is provided for them in ... circulation by forbidding the issue ... any paper money of less than silver certificate denominations below $10.

It is regarded by the Commission as dangerous to maintain the present practice of using Government bonds as money.

The Commission, therefore, strongly urge the Government to withdraw its demand obligations now in circulation, decline to provide gold for exporters, and put the burden and expense of maintaining a redeemable paper circulation upon the banks. In order to meet the demand obligations, the present reserve of $100 in the Treasury furnish a sufficient sum to be set aside in a Division of Issue and Redemption; and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to sell bonds whenever the reserves need replenishment. In this way, or from surplus revenue, the demand obligations, that is, United States notes and Treasury notes of 1890, can be retired in such a way that the cost to the country can be reduced, with the result of strengthening our currency, and leading to confidence in the continuity of our standard. By the plan of the Commission the withdrawal of Government paper is so arranged that contraction cannot possibly take place, if United States notes are canceled their place will be taken by the gold paid out for them, or by the expansion of bank notes.

The demand obligations of the United States were not a money based on property; they were only a debt. On the other hand, a bank note is never issued (fraud, of course, excluded) except for a consideration in negotiable property of equal or greater value. The bank note comes forth as the equivalent of a business transaction, and is based on the active property of the country which is passing between producers and consumers. This property is always negotiable and always equal to the duty of meeting the note's liability. Bank notes are as sound as the business transactions of the country. The currency of the country, moreover, should increase as the transactions of the country increase; hence the rigid unchanging issues of the Government make them an inelastic part of the circulation, while by the very process of their issue bank notes alone can be automatically adjusted to the changing transactions of the business community.

In amending the present national banking system, the Commission were actuated by a desire to secure absolute safety to the note holder; to make the notes uniform and of equal currency in all parts of the country to create an elastic system, which, while expanding in response to increasing transactions, should healthily contract when transactions diminish, and which would help in a better distribution of banking facilities throughout the Western and Southern States.

While providing for the partial use of bonds for securing notes (twenty-five per cent of the capital) the Commission propose that notes beyond this should be issued on all, instead of a part of the resources of a bank; and within a few years that no special bond security should be required. Banks may issue notes up to sixty per cent. of their capital without restraint; for issue beyond sixty per cent. and up to eighty per cent. they pay a tax of two per cent.; for those beyond eighty per cent. and up to 100 per cent. they pay a tax of six per cent. These notes would be a prior lien upon all the resources of the bank, and, in addition, upon the stockholders' liability. Moreover, all banks issuing notes contribute five per cent. of their circulation as a permanent guaranty fund. For daily redemptions, banks are required to keep a five per cent. redemption fund in the hands of the Comptroller of the Currency. Banks of $25,000 capital may be established in places of 4000 inhabitants, and branch banks are also permitted.

High Handed Proceedings.

The steamer Albion arrived at San Diego, Cal., from a cruise down the coast and her passengers tell of a rather high handed proceeding at Clipperton island on the part of the Mexican gunboat El Democrata, being no less than the hauling down of the stars and stripes by an armed force sent for that purpose, and in spite of the protests of the men there employed and the raising of the Mexican flag.

Not Too Old For Romance.

A special from Versailles, Ky., says: The most romantic wedding in Versailles' history was solemnized Friday, when J. B. Haggin, the New York multi-millionaire and turfman, led to the altar Miss Pearl Voorhis, of this city, niece of his former wife. Mr. Haggin is a white bearded veteran of ..., while his bride ...

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...dismal moan.

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...et Permiller used to tag 'em,
...The bunch an' John in corners dark,
...hair,' the maiden used to fag 'em,
...Tire 'em out an' raise a lark.

...hen the bumblebees was drowsin'
...all in the flowers was in bloom,
...en the lilac bush was groanin'
With the scent of its perfume,
Then the young folks used to patter
Up the stairs a long ago—
Up the stairs to raise a clatter
Underneath the rafters low.

Seems to me I'm sometimes dreamin'
Of the things that used to be,
Till the old life comes a-streamin'
Back ag'in to you an' me.
Then I hear the young folks patter
Up the stairs they used to go,
There to raise a garret clatter
Underneath the rafters low.
—Waverley Magazine.

IRENE.

HOPS and offices were pouring their streams of life into the crowded streets. It was 6 o'clock at evening. At a corner where a human tide swept like a torrent from a broken dam a woman stood under a lamp post. She was tall and dark, and so motionless that she might have been a statue. Her arms were folded under her cloak. A policeman, edging his way through the crowd, asked her a question. She shook her head slowly, and did not look at him. The policeman passed on, and the next moment there were two quick pistol shots, a scream, and a stampede. The officer ran back, fighting his way through the swirling crowd. He found the woman, pistol in hand, bending over a man lying upon the pavement. The officer seized her wrist, and, looking at him with a strange smile, as she relaxed her hold on the pistol, she said:

"I am a woman, and I demand to be treated as such."

When she had been taken to the station and asked to make a statement, she said: "My name is Irene Roma. The name of the man I shot is Roy Campbell. I shot him because he ought to be killed. He was engaged to marry my sister. He did not keep faith with her, and she died of a broken heart. He is a brute, and ought to be dead."

Campbell was taken to a hospital. His wounds were pronounced dangerous. An effort was made to interview him. But all he would say was: "I suppose she thought she had a right to shoot me." He asked if they had put her in jail, and appeared to be pleased when told that she had been allowed out on bail.

Three weeks later the wounded man was sitting propped up in bed, when a card bearing the name of Irene Roma was handed to him. He looked hard at it, rubbed his eyes, held it further away, then closer, and then remarked: "I don't understand why she should want to see me. Let her come in."

With a timid, awe-struck air the woman approached the bed. She coughed in embarrassment as she seated herself on a chair which the nurse placed for her. She put back her hair, made aimless motions in her confusion, and then, looking straight at Campbell, said:

"I am awfully sorry I shot you."

Campbell smiled. "And are you sure you haven't come to shoot me again?" he asked.

She frowned in reproof. "You know I haven't. If you had thought that you would have told them to keep me out."

"No, I wouldn't. You have come so far out here that I couldn't have found the heart to disappoint you."

"A plaster of sarcasm won't draw out a soreness, Mr. Campbell. I have suffered so with remorse that I have come to see if I could not find some sort of consolation. You don't know how I have suffered. And I must go through a hateful trial, too, with everybody looking at me. Oh, I do wish I hadn't shot you!"

"Yes," he drawled, "I rather wish so myself. So, you see, we have something in common. But you needn't be worried over the trial. I shall not appear against you."

The nurse had withdrawn. They were alone. She put back her hair again, and he followed the movement of her graceful hand—the hand that had shot him. "No, I will not appear," he went on. "It is something of a distinction to be shot by the handsomest woman in Liverpool." He hesitated as he saw the tears gathering in her eyes. "I take it all back," he said. She wiped her eyes, and sat looking far away through a window. The mystery that lies in the cloudland was reflected in her eyes, and he gazed at her. She turned her eyes upon him, and the mystery flew from them.

"Yes, I am sorry I shot you," she said, "but I hope you will never can forgive

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"Brute!" she said. "I almost wish I had killed you."

"When a woman almost wishes a thing, she wishes it doubly," he replied.

"I don't know but there is some truth in that," she assented. "But what a beast you were to treat Florence so. How could you?"

"Because I was a beast, I suppose."

"Yes, you were. She was taken ill with fever shortly afterward, but it was a broken heart that killed her." Her eyes shot shafts of hatred at him. "But I didn't come to reproach you," she said.

"Then why did you come?" he asked.

"To ask you why you could have been so heartless. I simply want to know. Was it because you have no heart at all?"

"It was because I had too much heart."

She darted a fierce look at him. "Ah! it was because you loved another woman."

"Yes. Florence made me promise to tell her if—if I should love any one better than I did her. It was not my fault if another woman set my soul afire, when Florence had only warmed my heart. God knows I fought against it with all my strength, all my philosophy. But at last I had to tell her, and I left it with her whether or not I should keep my promise of marriage. Then she drove me from her presence."

"Ah! And then you went to the other woman and told her of your love, and she spurned you."

"No, I did not tell her. Indeed, I was determined that she should not know."

She looked at him searchingly. "You killed my sister, but you are more of a man than I thought."

He smiled sadly. "A man is always more or less of a man than a woman thinks."

"If you hold so poor an opinion of women, I don't see how you could love one."

"I don't see, either."

"Fool!" she said.

"Yes; I'm a man."

She smiled at him, and then after a silence she said:

"Do you intend to tell the woman of your love?"

"No."

"If you do, and she loves you, I will shoot you again."

"That's consoling."

"Then let it console you. But really I am sorry for you—for your weakness. You ought to have had more strength than to let that other woman—and I know she is a fright—win your love. You ought to have known that she was playing with you."

"Reason addresses the brain, but it cannot reach the heart. I told you that I fought——"

"Yes, I know." And after a long silence she said: "I wish you would tell me the name of that woman."

"Irene Roma."

She sprang to her feet with a cry, and a nurse ran into the room. She found the visitor on her knees by the bedside. "Leave us," the man said, and the nurse withdrew. He put his hand on her head, and she sobbed under his touch. "And that was the reason I could not keep faith with her," he said. "You set my soul on fire, and in the flames I could see your smile." She had caught his hand, and it was wet with her tears. "And for that love I was willing to die," he said, unable now to see her, kneeling beside him, but feeling the warm tears upon his hand.

"O, don't—don't say that!" she sobbed. "In my despair I hated you because I loved you so."—Princess.

He Was a Clever Thief.

While a well-to-do Parisian was returning recently by train from Havre, during the first hour his only fellow passenger in the compartment was a young man, who made himself very agreeable. Then others got in, and talk was general. Finally the Parisian dropped asleep. Presently the young man, turning to the other passengers, with a wink toward the sleeping man, said, in an undertone, "I'll play a good joke on my uncle," and he unfastened the strap by which a small traveling bag was slung over the shoulder of the sleeper. "I'll change into the next compartment at the first stop, and my uncle will wake up and think he has been robbed. It will be fun to see his face, and I can watch through the little glass in the partition. Don't give it away."

The others grinned appreciatively, and the young man presently slipped out with the bag. Soon after the owner of the bag woke up. He missed his pooch from the strap, and jumped up in great excitement, exclaiming, "I've been robbed!"

The response from his fellow passengers was a roar of laughter. This added anger to the victim's excitement, and he stormed furiously. Finally one of the passengers assured the angry man that his bag was all right; his nephew had it in the next compartment.

"My nephew!" shouted the bewildered man; I haven't any nephew. I never had a nephew. I don't know anything about any nephew."

Then it was the turn of the other passengers to be dumfounded. But the thief got away, and there were several thousand francs in the bag.—Tit-Bits.

Worked-Out Hunting Ground.

Game and fur-bearing animals are rare along the Yukon, as it is an old hunting ground and has been drained by constant traffic for more than half a century.

When a girl tells you that she can't sing don't try to coax her, but let it go at that.

A man never cuts much of a figure in history until after he shuffles off this mortal coil.

When a man freely admits that his wife is not stubborn, he can afford to more or less hood praying that

ALABAMA GLEANINGS.

Pertinent Paragraphs of the Late News of the State.

Squire Joel Hardee, of Monroe county, fell dead at the dinner table.

Suicide at Greensboro.

David J. Castleman, one of the oldest residents of Greensboro, committed suicide Thursday night by shooting himself through the heart.

Burned to Death.

Mrs. Lizzie Wilson, an aged woman of Eufania, was so seriously burned as to cause her death. Her clothing caught from an open fire.

Killed Himself Accidentally.

William Cade, a resident of Paducah, Ky., was found dead near the house of his son in Wilcox county. A gunshot wound was the cause of his death, supposed to have been accidental.

Crushed Between Cars.

While Car Inspector Henry Smith was working between two cars on the Southern railway, at Selma, one of the drawbars was broken, the switch engine backed on him, crushing him between the two cars. It is thought he is fatally injured.

Assignment at Montgomery.

The doors of the Builders' and Painters' Supply company, of Montgomery, one of the largest dealers in its line of goods in the state, were closed Monday. The liabilities and assets are not yet known.

Wants Its Capital Stock Reduced.

A petition has been filed in the probate court signed by sixty-five stockholders representing two-thirds of the capital stock of the South Anniston Land company, asking that the capital stock of the company be reduced from $1,000,000 to $75,000.

Repentance and Death.

A special from Guntersville says John L. Lovelace, a well known farmer, went to his home near Union Grove, after having been on a spree during the Christmas holidays, and, in a fit of repentance, seized a Colt's derringer and blew out his brains.

Big Day for the State Treasury.

The last day of the year was a big day in the state treasurer's office, there being certified into the treasury $113,000. Of this Judge Jones, as attorney of the Louisville & Nashville, paid to the credit of the counties through which the road runs $42,000.

Setting a Business-Like Example.

The farmers of Madison county are beginning to set a business-like example before the other counties of the state. Instead of running their large farms at a loss, as many have done, they are beginning to cut them up into forty, eighty and 100 acre tracts and to sell them to the thrifty farmers from the Northwest, who are settling in that part of the state.

Charter for New Railroad.

The Southern Railway company has filed an application for a charter at Jasper, Marion county, Tenn., asking to be allowed to extend its line through that county. This means that the Southern will build a direct line from Stevenson into Chattanooga, a distance of about sixty miles. Owing to the mountainous country the work will be quite expensive. The new road will pass through four different counties, which now have little or no railroad facilities.

To Change Alabama School Laws.

The committee on educational status of the State Educational association met in Birmingham and drafted a plan to secure needed changes in the state's laws, whereby the public school system can be improved and school funds be increased. It was decided that the committee draft an entirely new school law, and, after submission for approval and amendment to the next annual meeting of the association, present same to the next legislature for adoption.

Populist Convention Called.

The executive committee of the people's party met in Birmingham the past week and issued an address to the voters of Alabama, in which the keynote is, no compromise with the democrats, state or national.

The address charges the democrats with playing traitor to every pledge, and knifes Governor Johnston for his crusade against the dishonest county officers. It says that the democrats are untrue to the Chicago platform, the free silver plank of which was a snare to delude the people. It says that the democratic administration of the state has been untrue to the people in almost every particular, and with the ring of the old-time populist calls on all lovers of honest elections and honest administrations to come to the support of the people's party.

The populist convention will be held on the first Wednesday in May, 1898, and while it has not been definitely decided, Birmingham will likely be the place.

Disastrous Fire at Hayneville.

Hayneville was visited by one of the most disastrous fires in its history Thursday morning at 1 o'clock. It originated in the warehouse of W. T. Brightman & Co., and with a northeast wind the flames spread rapidly. The next building that caught was a livery stable of J. E. Miller. Fifteen horses and mules were burned. Efforts were made to save them without success. Next was the livery business of B. F. McWhorter, who saved his vehicles and horses. The general mercantile establishments of Dr. W. P. Russell and Pritchett & Rudolph were also consumed, as well as the stock of D. Goldstein, who occupied a storehouse of Dr. W. P. Russell.

The loss is as follows: W. T. Brightman & Co., $200; J. E. Miller, $500; B. F. McWhorter, $200; W. P. Russell, $5,200; Pritchett & Rudolph, $1,700; J. C. Light, $300; Pritchett & Merriwether, $3,000; Joe Lloyd, $300. The insurance will cover about one-sixth of the loss. The fire is supposed to be of incendiary origin.

AN EXCELLENT RECORD.

Notes From Montevallo's and Alabama's Famous School for Girls.

About twenty-five new pupils have engaged scholarships in the Girl's Industrial school for entrance after the holidays. This will make the enrollment between 360 and 400. Over 300 of these are boarding pupils and come from various portions of the state.

About 250 pupils in the school spent the holidays at their homes and are now coming back, many of whom bring new girls with them.

Out of the class of last session who graduated in the school of typewriting and stenography, seven out of nine have nice paying positions.

Quite a number of Mrs. Hudson's pupils in telegraphy can receive and send messages nicely. This is the only school in the state connected with the outside world by telegraph. The day before the school closed for the holidays over forty messages were handled through the college office.

Miss Mamie Guy, one of the most proficient pupils in the school of dressmaking, has an offer from a house in Kentucky to take charge of their dressmaking department as soon as she obtains her diploma in this line.

The pupils in the dressmaking department made $130 clear in November and nearly a hundred dollars in December. This money goes direct to the pupils earning it. This is all done in connection with their other studies and does not in any way conflict with them.

One girl who graduated in typewriting and stenography last year now has a position that enables her to keep her younger sister in the school this year.

BREVITIES.

A cotton seed oil mill is to be built early in the spring at Lafayette.

The Reid Hardware Company of Montgomery has made an assignment.

A steamer line between Mobile and Portersville will be inaugurated soon.

The North Alabamian will be resuscitated at Tuscumbia by W. S. Keller, son of the late editor and publisher, Capt. A. H. Keller.

Farmer Seals, a conductor on the Selma division of the Southern railroad, had his arm cut off while coupling cars at York. He was dragged about twenty-five yards under the car.

F. F. Conway, editor of the Bridgeport News, received as a Christmas present an appointment as assistant doorkeeper of the house of representatives at Washington at a salary of $1,000 per year.

Friday morning Collector James Bingham announced the following appointments: James F. Files, of Townley, Walker county, storekeeper and gauger. John B. Hammond, of Attalla, Etowah county, Deputy Collector for the Montgomery District.

During the past few days revenue officers have made several big raids upon illicit distilleries. The biggest raid was reported from Round Mountain island, Limestone county, where an 80-gallon still and a quantity of material was destroyed on an island in the creek.

S. P. Locke, a prominent Memphis business man, lost his life near Jasper in a mysterious way. He secured a berth in a sleeper at Memphis and asked to be awakened at Jasper, and when the latter place was reached he was not on the train. Subsequently his remains were found on a trestle.

W. B. Witherspoon, editor of the Piedmont Inquirer and Alabama Cumberland Presbyterian, has perfected all his plans to move to Anniston, and will probably move by the 1st of January. Mr. Witherspoon will move the Alabama Cumberland Presbyterian there and will also issue a weekly to be known as the Anniston Inquirer. The Piedmont Inquirer will continue to be published at Piedmont.

Island Seized by the French.

The admiral of the French fleet in Chinese waters has located the French flag on Hai Nan island. The Chinese offered no opposition. Hai Nan island is off the coast south of China and separates the Gulf of Tonquin from the China sea. It has an estimated area of 12,000 square miles and a population of a million Chinese, exclusive of the wild tribes in the interior.

It is stated that the Marquis of Hertford will succeed the Earl of Aberdeen as governor-general of Canada.

At Port au Prince, Hayti, Thursday night, a fire which assumed considerable proportions on account of lack of water to supply the pumps, broke out and destroyed 800 houses, including a number of warehouses, a hotel, the Church of St. Joseph and its parsonage. About 3,000 people were rendered homeless.

The Merchants' and Traders' bank of Brunswick, Ga., has failed. A majority of the stockholders are solvent and the depositors will be paid in full if the court expects to assume all the cash [illegible]

TEMPERANCE TOPICS.

NOTES OF INTEREST TO THE ANTI-LIQUOR LEADERS.

Our Wellington at Waterloo—Echoes of the Anti-Alcohol Congress—The Greatest Temperance Reformer of the Age

The Train Wrecker.

HERE is danger ahead!" Through the darkness of night,
Hark! a voice full of anguish is calling;
Who can blame the brave heart for its moment of fright,
As the far reaching gleam of the engine's headlight
On a vision of horror is falling?
But the hand at the throttle does not falter or fail;
Hard down goes the lever; though the cheek may turn pale
At the thought of a death so appalling.

"There is danger ahead!" See, each moment more near;
God of mercy! how fast they are going.
Though the brakes on the wheels grate harsh on the ear,
While the echoing valleys and hills, far and near,
Catch the sound of the shrill whistle's blowing.
And the onlooker questions, with fear-bated breath;
Will they stop or go down in the river of death,
That so near at the moment seems flowing?

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"There is danger ahead!" Rushing swiftly along,
Our Republic drives onward, unheeding
God of love! is there none to arouse the mad throng?
Shall no cry reach their ears 'midst the laugh, jest and song?
Are they deaf to all warning—all pleading?
Mighty God! give the strength; give the courage we lack,
Give us manhood to hurl the Rum Power from the track.
Bare thine arm; give the power we are needing.

Our Wellington at Waterloo.

The last day of the Anti-Alcohol Congress at Brussels was devoted to an excursion to Antwerp, but the writer went, instead, to one of the world's greatest battlefields where the trend of this country was decided. First, we were shown the bust of Wellington and the memorial slabs of his officers in the village church of Waterloo. Our visit here seemed a little untimely, for we surprised a peasant under the direction of a priest, in the act of cleaning the saints (or their statues) with soap and water, irreverently applied with a modern kitchen scrubbing brush. Across the street was an inn where Wellington slept that rainy night before the battle. Three miles farther, and we were on that famous battlefield, and noted the positions of the contending armies as pointed out by our guide from the top of the mound surmounted by the British lion which has one paw on a globe as though he expected the earth, and his face turned toward France.

Numbers, military experience, all were on the side of Napoleon. We saw the house where he slept on that fatal night before June 18, 1815, and where he breakfasted at morning, expecting before the night closed in that vanquished England would be his. We came next to that desolate, old walled castle, which now is a farmyard—Hougeront. We passed peacefully through the very door that would have given the morning of this century to a military despotism if Napoleon's army could have made an entrance there. The heavy oaken door that was red with both French and English blood on that day, has given place to a new one, and now lies inside against the old wall, each bullet hole telling its own story. We saw the well that became a sepulchre, the old chapel that was a charnel house for dying soldiers and over the door its crucifix with the blackened feet of the wooden Christ which refused to burn when the chapel was fired. We stopped and picked buttercup leaves that were peacefully nodding in the breeze in the orchard where that awful combat deepened until the turf was softened into mud with human gore. We cut a rose leaf from a stray branch that had mounted the garden wall, which witnessed the terrible tragedy where six French soldiers who had penetrated thus far, withstood for a quarter of an hour two hundred Germans before yielding themselves to death. We were shown the spot where Wellington took out his watch and said, "Five o'clock, Blucher or night." We turned our eyes to the distant [illegible] where the Prussian bayonets [illegible] saved the day were seen coming. We saw the spot where the peasant boy told Napoleon that there were no obstacles in the way of his reserves, and we caught a distant glimpse of the hollow road of Chain into which his guards plunged; the spot where Napoleon was held back by his men from riding between the Prussian and English artillery with breast bared to their bullets when he knew that all was lost. We felt for an instant the despair of that man of destiny, and wondered that he could have been beaten. Victor Hugo says: "Only by remembering that Napoleon, as conqueror of the [illegible] was out of harmony with the [illegible] teenth century, can we understand the battle of Waterloo—Waterloo, the hinge of the nineteenth century. The disappearance of the great man was necessary for the advent of the great age, and He who cannot be answered took undertook the task. It was the catastrophe of human genius contending with divine [illegible]

"Out of [illegible] century," [illegible] prowess [illegible] world [illegible]

Such men as General Dow are [illegible] in advance of public sentiment, and their ardor often leads them to [illegible] policies which to conservative [illegible] ments seem mistaken; but [illegible] kindle and exemplify moral [illegible] lasm, and public sentiment [illegible] more rapidly than it would without their leadership.

saloon, its crowded graveyards, and mothers in tears; and it, too, must go!—Mary H. Hunt, in Union Signal.

A Great Temperance Reformer.

General Neal Dow, who died recently at Portland, Me., in the 94th year of his age, was the most conspicuous leader in temperance reform in this country.

The idea of wholly prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage originated in Maine, and was first embodied in what for many years was known as "the Maine law."

It is just sixty years ago that Neal Dow and his associates appeared before the Maine legislature, bearing a memorial drawn by General James Appleton of Portland, asking for the enactment of that law. The memorial was rejected. Neal Dow kept up the agitation, however, and was greatly helped by the excitement attending the so-called Washingtonian movement, the object of which was to reclaim the intemperate. The difficulty of trying to reform drunkards, while nothing was done to restrain the saloons from making drunkards, impressed so many minds that Neal Dow's demand for the legal proscription of the traffic found increased support.

He traveled about the state, urging the reform, and did not abate his zeal, though he was several times threatened with violence. In 1851 the legislature passed through all its stages, in a single day, an act which outlawed the liquor traffic and made liquors liable to seizure and destruction wherever found.

The law was repealed in 1856, only to be re-enacted the following year with more stringent penalties, and in 1884 the principle of prohibition was incorporated in the state constitution.

General Dow accumulated wealth in business, but his habits were simple. He had a vigorous and striking personality, and was susceptible no more to ridicule than to threats. He began his exertions for temperance at the age of 21, when, as captain of a fire company in Portland, he made a strong and successful opposition to the practice of providing liquors for the firemen.

Through all his long life he was a total abstainer. He was twice elected mayor of Portland, and twice a member of the legislature, and in 1880 was the prohibition candidate for president.

General Dow's military [illegible] was gained in the civil war, in which he served with distinction, especially in the attack on Port Hudson, where he was twice wounded, and was after captured and taken to Libby prison.

Alcoholism and Insanity.

The close relation of alcoholism to insanity is shown by the statement of a specialist—Krafft Ebing—that all forms of insanity, from melancholia to imbecility, are found in alcoholism. It is artificial. It begins with a slight maniacal excitation, thoughts flow lucidly, the quiet become loquacious, the modest bold. There is need of muscular action. The emotions are manifest in laughing, singing and dancing. Now the aesthetical ideas and moral impulses are lost control of, the weak side of the individual is manifested, his secrets are revealed. He is dogmatic, cruel, cynical, dangerous. He insists that he is not drunk just as the insane insists on his sanity. Then his mind becomes weak, his consciousness dim, illusions arise. He stammers, staggers, and, like a paralytic, his movements are uncertain.

The principal character of these mental disturbances consist in a moral and intellectual weakness. Ideas become lax as to honor and decorum. There is a disregard of the duties of citizenship. Irritability is a concomitant. The slightest thing causes suspicion and anger which are uncontrollable. There is a weakness of will to carry out good resolutions, and a consciousness of this leads some to request to be placed in an asylum, for they are morally certain in advance that they cannot resist temptation. Thus one has been known to have his daughter carry his wages home as he could not pass a saloon on his way without going in if he had any money with him. Now, it is weakness of memory, a difficulty in [illegible] in of thought and a weak per- [illegible] until imbecility is reached.

[illegible] may be disturbance in brain [illegible] tion, causing restless sleep, anxious dreams, confusion, dizziness and headache. Such circulatory disturbances [illegible] the sense organs can give rise to hallucinations. There is a trembling in hand, face, lips and tongue. In short, there is a gradual mental and bodily degeneration.

Temperance and Long Life.

About a dozen years ago the British Medical Association appointed a "committee of inquiry" to ascertain the [illegible] among as large a [illegible] sons of 50 [illegible] The committee [illegible] particulars [illegible] 800 and 900 [illegible] 100 years of [illegible] 1887. What [illegible] found that, [illegible] no fewer than [illegible] abstainers [illegible] was an [illegible] how com- [illegible] total [illegible] of life [illegible] per [illegible] about [illegible] had [illegible] the [illegible]

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THE prize of Ten Dollars offered by THE BANNER to the paid up subscriber making the nearest guess to the number of bales of cotton marketed at Clanton up to December 31, 1897, has been won by Mr. John Edwards, of Kincheon, and we shall be pleased to hand the Ten Dollars over to him whenever he calls for it. It will be noticed that Mr. Edwards' guess of 3,575, although the highest received, was 1,100 less than the correct number. The lowest guess we received was 2,650.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify thar the number of Bales of cotton mrrketed in Clanton, season of 1897-8 up to and including December 31, 1897 was 4685 bales, and that the guess of John Edwards of Kincheon, in the Banner's guessing contest was 3575, and this being the nearest the correct number is awarded the prise of ten dollars offered by the BANNER.

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THE BANNER is pleasd to state that suggestion that a mail car be attached to the accommodation train has been acted upon, and Clanton and the other towns between Montgomery and Birmingham now has two mails per day instead of two heretofore. It is now possible to mail a letter to Montgomery or Birmingham in the morning and receive a reply the same day. This is a grert improvement and is much appreciated by all citizens in this section.

The children of Lowndes county have been counted, and instead of there being about twenty thousand there are only thirteen thousand. And hereafter Lowndes will draw four thousand dollars lee as its portion of the fund from the State, than for years it has secured by false enumeration of the childen. Now, if a fair count of the votes of Lowndes could be obtained, we all might be contented. It seems that somebody ought to be required to pay back the State a great many thousand of dollars that Lowndes has falsely and wroungfully secured.—Birmingham Times.

On Monday next Clanton will elect a mayor and four councilmen for this year. It is a high tribute to the outgoing mayor and council that no organized opposition to their unanimous re-election is appearent. If there are any citizens dissatisfied with the conduct of the municipal authorities they are keeping wonderfully quiet. [illegible] habitant of the town, may [illegible] pleased with the advance [illegible] has made the last year, and the administration deserves the thanks of the community. But although a good start has been made our citizens should bear in mind it must be followed by more improvements. [illegible]ich remains to be done for the upbuilding of Clanton, and this year it is more necessary the affairs of [illegible]ld be in competent [illegible] that the [illegible] While our [illegible] great ma[illegible] town can [illegible] city funds [illegible]e as they [illegible] BANNER [illegible] ma[illegible] offi[illegible] be[illegible] it [illegible] p[illegible]

FOURTH DISTRICT CONTEST.

The prompt action of the committee on Elections No. 1, of which Robert W. Taylor, of Ohio, is chairman, in proceeding to inaestigate the contest of Willam W. Aldrich, against Thomas S. Plowman, from the Fourth Congressional District of Alabama, indicates that the committee proposes to take up first those cases which point to fraud in the casting of the votes, the counting of the returns, or the illegal issuing of the certificate of election, and especially where this is accompanied by threats and intimidation of voters.

It is well known that the Democratic Legislature gerrymandered this Alabama district and made it about forty miles wide and 200 long, so that it extends from the northeast to the southwest corner of the State. It is known as the "Shoe String District," and was thus made with the only object of trying to compel the election of a Democratic member of Congress, where the legal voters have wished otherwise or even cast their votes in the majority against the Democrat, nevertheless the Democrat has received the certificate of election just the same.

This is a district with a history, not the least part of which deals with congressional contests. In years past, when the Democrats knowingly, wilfully and maliciously counted the vote in the "black counties," so called, because of the overwhelming Republican colored vote they gave the lame excuse that the "white counties" had voted for the Democratic candidate and they felt justified in counting the colored Republican vote different from the way it was cast to save themselves from utter defeat. But in the case now before the committee this flimsy excuse and subterfuge is completely knocked from under them, for, aside from the gross frauds in several of the white counties, W. F. Aldrich has a majority even in the white counties. The Democrats, equal to any desyerate emergency, concluded to transfer the overwhelming Republican colored vote of about 3000 majority over to the Democratic candidate, thus making a virtual change of about 6000 votes in this one "black belt" county, and thereby securing the certificate of election to Mr. Plowman with an apparent handsome majority.

It will also be remembered that at the time of the gerrymander of this "Shoe String (Fourth) District" it had been practically agreeb that the Democrats should control the local and county offices in the entire district, but that the Republicans having a majority of more than 20,000 voters in the district, should have the Congressman. This was lived up to for several years, the district being two or three times permitted to be represented by legally elected Republicans, but the Democrats again become greedy and determined that the Republicans should not have a single Congressman from the state of Alabama; hence, fraubs sufficient were committed to apparently secure a solid Democratic delegation. They have become emboldoned and now, are carrying on their fraud against the corner stone of all parties, the primary election.—Washington Post.

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Mr. G. W. Shaw, our prosperous farmer, has had his dwelling [illegible]ver hauled. He says he intends to keep his cotton until he gets seven cents.

Having been in company with the county officers [illegible]ne, I must [illegible]n to be [illegible]g, and they [illegible]ir faithfulness [illegible]st.

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Political Pointers.

People's Press Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 5, 1898.

The bulk of our purely Populist news comes generally from Kansas. There, happily, the Populists have a chance to carry out their theories and very few weeks pass that we are not able to chronicle something of interest to the reform world from that locality. Just now the question of Jerry Simpson's re-election is one of great importance. It is generally conceded that he will be returned, as the common people are anxious to show their approval of his work in congress, but the Populist politicians are opposed to him. Charles Bucher, the democratic leader, who has been suggested as a good man to run against Simpson, declares that he will not permit his name to be used and favors the democratic support being given to Simpson.

State Superintendent of public schools Striker of Kansas, who is credited with springing some suggestion on the public every week, now proposes that each county should establish an educational paper to be published weekly. He believes that such a paper would greatly increase the interest of both pupils and parents in educational work.

A year ago, on account of doubt of the debt-paying power of the state, Kansas seven and eight per cent bonds not find buyers in the east, whereas now six and seven per cent sells readily whenever offered. Municipal or school bonds are taken up greedily in the east. There has also been a good sale of school lands in the west part of the state and as a result of this the state school fund commission will have $250,000 to distribute to the public schools of the state the first of February. And still the republican papers assert that the Populists have ruined Kansas.

Governor Holcomb of Nebraska, has sent an interesting letter to the Advocate and News of Topeka, Ka., in reply to the request that he should give his opinion as to what the reform forces can expect to accomplish during the coming year and along what lines they should work. After pointinf with pride to the marvelous growth and wide acceptance of Populist principles the last few years and reviewing briefly the failures of the present administration, he urges first that all Populists use all fair means to unite all elements opposed to the single standard and corporation control. "Wise, energetic, united action should result in large gain for the advocates of our principles in the congressional delegations and pave the way for success in the presidential canvass of 1900." He believes that the re-election of Senator Allen and a full reform congressional representation is assured.

A movement is on foot to unite under one banner all the labor organizations in the world. The proposed by laws are free from all visionary crudities oppose violence and strikes and strikes and advocate educational work. All religous prejudice will be excluded although the almalgamated organization is to be secret.

Senator Mason of Illinois, has assured for himself a niche in the temple of fame by offering a bill limiting the period of debate in the august body of which he is a member.

On account of the row that his single standard views have arroused in the republican camp Secretary Gage recently tendered his resignation to President McKinley. He was assured that the president desired him to retain his position as he entirely agreed with the gold standard views expressed in Secretary Gage's recent mes-age.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1898,

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In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, North-eastern Chancery Division. December 14, 1897.

W. M. Pylant, complainant, vs. Fannie Pylant, defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of A. C. Smith, Esq., that the Defendant, Fannie Pylant, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, and that her post office address and residence are unknown to affiant and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring her, the said Fannie Pylant, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 17th day of January 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against her in said cause.

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"Moneys are of great varieties. The impalpable characteristic which distinguishes money from the numerous subjects that resemble it, but which are not money, is its mark of authority, signifying that it is issued, circulated and made payable for debts, services, fines, taxes and commodities by virtue of law."—Alex Delmar in Science of Money.

"Money is a value created by law (a statutor law). The value of metallic money is created by law."—Henry Cornuschk.

"The legislation assumes that in contemplation of law, money of every species has the value which the law fixes on it; that congress has the constitutional power to say that ten penny-weights of silver shall henceforth be the dollar and do the office heretofore done by sixteen penny-weights, four and one-half grains."—Attorney General U. S. (12 Wallace, U. S. Supreme court report, page 519.)

NORMAN RAPALEE'S NUBBINS.

If this is prosperity, save us from adversity.

You can't down the trusts by voting as they do.

Human rights are more sacred than property rights.

A national debt is a blessing to the national bankers.

This is a government by the people—the rich people.

The more money there is, the more happiness we have.

These are prosperous times for the men who have money.

We are taking the "gold cure" now. How do you like it?

People are still anxiously looking for that promised prosperity.

Government ownership of railroads would let the water out.

More money! That is a plank upon which every man can stand.

No, bub, a public office is not a public trust. It is a private snap.

That wave of prosperity must be the private property of the bankers.

You can't whine away an evil. Stiffen your backbone and vote it away.

What we need most is honest statesmen, and then we'll have honest dollars.

Notice to workingmen out of employment—get off the earth or be shoved off.

"Times are picking up." We notice that tramps are becomi[illegible]er-ous.

A silver dollar may n[illegible] but 40 cents, but it will buy [illegible] bushels of corn.

Making "honest" dol[illegible]s consists in taking the debtor's property and conveying it to the credit[illegible]

While the bankers [illegible]tinue to control the currency they [illegible]l grow richer and the people poore[illegible]

The farmer who se[illegible] five bushels of corn for one dollar ha[illegible] the satisfaction of knowing that the d[illegible]llar is "good."

Sou[illegible]position.

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THOUGHTS OF THINKERS.

Not on them the poor rely,
Not to them looks liberty,
Who with frowning falsehood cower
To the wrong, when clothed in power.
—Whittier.

You will never be worthy of happiness or escape wage-slavery while your hatred of capitalists proceeds from your mad wish to be capitalists in their stead.—Zola.

Leaving politics to politicians, whether in national or municipal affairs, is as fatal to a country as leaving the defense of its territory to mercinaries.—Joseph Chamberlain.

If men want to abolish crime, let them provide their fellows with decent surroundings.—Ben Tillett.

What pastor in any great city can put his hand on the causes of sins, and not say that fully one-half of these sins come from frightful poverty or from an overabundance of wealth—or from efforts to escape the one or acquire the other?—John Brisbane Walker.

We cannot get along without capital and capitalists. On the contrary, we ought to have more of the latter. In fact there ought to be at least 69,999,999 capitalists out of 70,000,000 people in this country instead of only so many thousands.—W. J. Steigleder in Chicago Tribune.

The poverty of the world is a gruesome fact. No other phase of our life seems to me so sad. Every tenth child dying in New York City is buried at the public expense. In every city of the world it is much the same. Each contains caravans of people, not especially dissipated, indolent or thriftless, who are very poor, never free from fear of want, doomed for life to the alternative of hard labor or starvation, as thoroughly cut off from all means of culture, as completely precluded from rational living, as were the helots of old Sparta.—President Andrews, of Brown University.

Partisan Census Figures.

The taking of the next census will shortly necessitate the appointment by the President of a force of experts to make arrangements for the work. It will cost fully $10,000,000 to take the census, which will proceed, moreover, contemporaneously with a presidential campaign. It is greatly to be feared that the work will be very partisan. If we ever get a genuine census the results will amaze the country. Heretofore the complaint has been that the very subjects upon which information has been most desired have been neglected. For example, the distribution of wealth in this country has been a matter of much speculation, but all who look into this subject agree that the census is taken in such a way that no particulars of value can be obtained through the medium of the report. The Republicans always take a census from the point of view of the tariff. The experts on census subjects have discovered that we get figures of no moment, and President McKinley has placed the patronage of the preliminary committee entirely at the disposal of General Grosvenor of Ohio. This man is quite destitute of the qualities that go to make the statistician, for all he has ever done in the way of figuring is to calculate the size of Republican majorities. The Populists in Congress ought to take hold of this subject.

Some Fashion Notes.

An observing young man of Rochester, N. Y., has contributed the following comments upon fashions of the day:

It is still fashionable for a great many people to be hunting for employment.

It is still stylish in England to employ women to pull canal boats; they are much cheaper than mules.

Some women in this city are so poor that they have adopted the epicurian fashion of eating refuse out of garbage barrels. We have seen them.

It is still fashionable for labor unions to be led by labor fakirs who feather their own nests out of the funds; and who tell the members to keep out of politics.

It will be very stylish at the next election, like many previous ones, for workingmen to vote for what they don't want, and get it.

It is getting more and more fashionable to make statistics show just what the capitalists want the working class to believe. They like the working class to enjoy imaginary prosperity while they steal the reality.

Two Great Political Weapons.

The vast volume of legislation is at present the main obstacle in the way of liberty. Even to know what laws are passed in one legislature would occupy more than all a man's leisure time. Nearly all these laws are in somebody's special interest and as no one can have a special privilege except at the expense of the rest, nearly every such act has some advocates more or less informed and active.

That 600 to 800 laws, nevertheless, go through the New York legislature each year is due to the improbability and futility of opposition by the many who have a small interest in each matter, to the few who have a great interest in it.

By putting a weapon in the hands of the leaders of the inert majority, direct legislation, [illegible]ally the referendum, would [illegible]tion to private laws [illegible] combined with pro[illegible]tection, it seems to [illegible]ce legislation to the [illegible] is necessary for the [illegible]olton Hall in New [illegible]

TO THE PENSIONERS.

PROF. CHITTENDEN TALKS ABOUT MONEY.

The Old Soldiers Should Not Close Their Eyes to the Conditions That Cause Haggard and Discouraged Poverty to Stare on Every Side.

The report of the secretary of the pension bureau gives us an aggregate of nearly one hundred and fifty millions of dollars paid from that office last year.

The distribution of that amount of money is widely disbursed—falling into the little rills and pools of commerce—reaching the hamlets, the home town, the home store, office, schoolhouse, church—all this fertilizing of the very roots of the social tree and the industrial is an incalculable blessing. In that aspect of the public welfare we are pleased; and by that single aspect of the case we are deceived. What might be a blessing pure and unqualified, is, under the present monetary system, a great evil and hard to bear.

We will not make an indiscriminate complaint against the soldier. Let him have care and honor according to his deserts; but we wish they might all be willing to confer with the reformer and learn of a better way of providing pensions—a way more just to their neighbors ten years younger and the children of their neighbors as well as their own—none of whom were eligible as soldiers, and who have with himself equal rights to a living.

In my somewhat extended acquaintance with the little rural towns of this section of the country, I observe a very interesting fact—that the ones who are "doing" well are nearly all drawing either interest money or soldier pensions.

These pensioners are good people, but they are like other people made up according to human nature, and are not beyond the reach of a very handy and subtle temptation to "let well enough alone" when we attempt to talk with them about our monetary sufferings. That the "well enough" for them is very bad for the rest of the people does not seem to be a visible thing to their eyes. "Why should we not be satisfied with our dollars which have been nearly doubled in value by the legislation of our rival parties?"

So says the Republican ex-soldier to the Democratic ex-soldier, or perhaps only to themselves very privately. My soldier friend, that is not fair. Why is it so difficult to get your attention and your assent to certain plain monetary principles when I talk with you as a neighbor? Your children are inheriting a curse along with mine, and the day will come when they will wonder that your eyes were so easily befogged.

1. If your pensions have been very much enlarged by the appreciation of dollar values, then you are receiving so much more than the law intended.

2. If the process of increasing the value of a pension has crippled the industries and increased the difficulties of obtaining a living by labor, then your advantage is obtained at your neighbors' disadvantage.

Now there is a better way of doing all that is right and avoiding the part that is not right—and very wrong. When the greenback circulated in full volume, at the close of the war and after, no soldier complained that he did not have full commercial value in every one of those currency pieces. Then also his neighbor who depended entirely upon the labor of his hands found ready employment or ready sale of his products. You soldiers remember that distinctly. Your neighbor was willing to see you favored with a pension. He did not covet your reward of merit, because he also and his children had a chance to live. The large increase in the volume of money made the war tax and the after war tax easy to carry—so easy that he became careless and did not watch the doings of his agent in congress. What a monstrous wrong was being hatched under the specious phrase of "guarding the public credit," by returning to specie payment—first coin redemption, then gold redemption!

Three hundred soldiers met in Denver a year or two ago and denounced these scoundrel acts of legislators. It was a grand declaration they made and did honor to the veterans of the whole nation.

Now we are willing to make our tale of bricks for the old soldiers and their families; but it is just exactly too bad to be obliged to make the bricks without straw. We are willing to divide with them to the last morsel; but we do think they ought to lend a hand politically and help to lighten the common burden. This is the simple way to do it. First, don't say that the pension money comes through the tariff revenue and hurts nobody. It does hurt in that very fact. The trade tax revenue is a vicious substitute for an equitable system which we almost adopted (thanks to Mr. Cleveland for that one good endeavor).

"But we must raise a revenue."

Very true; we must. And how very simple a thing it would be to do it in the annual increase of the money volume. How much more money do the people need every new year? Not less than ten per cent addition to the last year's volume.

How much would that vary from the annual aggregate of the public budget? Suppose, however, that the annual money increment were just large enough to cover the pension orders: about $150,000,000. How very simple (now let ignorance laugh) a thing it would be to bless the old soldier and his neighbor by the same act of the treasury department.

If we cannot agree at once to adopt this way of increasing paper money we ought not to lose the blessings of the natural increase of coin money. The loss of silver was a stroke against nature. She was ordained to supply metalic money until the consensus of mankind should adopt something better. Until the better is adopted, it is suicide to abandon the primitive source. The soldier who is too easily satisfied with a pension on the gold basis ought to reflect that such a "basis" of the public debt leaves millions of the people with no basis at all. While his house survives the catastrophe and shines with a new coat of paint, poverty—brown bread, fenceless and defenceless poverty—glares haggard and discouraged on every side, and his own children are striving with hih neighbor's children for a place and a job under conditions—simple monetary conditions that make the laborer a wage slave and gold the slave driver.

A. J. CHITTENDEN.

VERSE OF THE HOUR.

Men of Labor.

Men of labor, why for others
Ever toil?
Men of labor, be ye brothers,
Not the spoil
Of the vampires, who are taking
All the wealth that ye are making;
Of the serpent that would crush you in
its coil.

Why be slaves? Why wait ye longer?
Be ye free.
Than your tyrants ye are stronger.
Liberty!
Shout that watchword unto heaven;
Shout it till your bonds are riven;
Shout it till the sounds ring over land
and sea.

Make Equality the beacon
To the earth;
Until Tyranny shall weaken,
And a birth,
Bright as the bright dreams of sages
In the past and vanished ages,
Of Fraternity and Liberty come forth.

Speak! The weary world is waiting
For your call;
Never in your zeal abating
Until fall
All the Greed and Wrong that bind
us,
Wrecks upon Time's shore behind
us;
And a new day shed its beauty over all.
—J. A. Edgerton.

A Real Democrat.

"Debs is all right!" Well! I guess so;
A man who will madden men, by showing them their villainy,
Is right, up to date. A man who will
love well
The "rag-tag and bob-tail"—no fear
of hell—
Why! he is up-to-date good, I tell you.
Gods! to be right, now, to some, means
to squint and to squirm
About "law" and "religion," and all
that sort of thing;
It means to deck the hide with feathers, and folderol,
And play goodie to the "poor devils."

Why poor? oh, there are many reasons:
Some won't work, some can't, and some
don't know how;
But what is work, anyhow?
P'raps 'tis to saunter round lookin'
lots,
And gettin' lots for lookin'.
Who knows?
Work may be to trace marks on a
"margin,"
Thus waterin' somethin' called
"stocks."
What's work, anyhow?
Blackin' boots, is it? Or preachin'
"the will o' the Lord?"
Be it what it may, by the hilt of my
father's sword!—
(And he was a revolutionist—he fought
in '76)—
Debs is all right, and if you don't believe it,
Why! wait till the crack of doom—
God's will, not mine—sets our sham
republic
A spinnin'—the Lord knows where.
Some of us have eyes, and we see; ears,
and we hear,
And the roar of a mighty change is
soundin' out clear.
So, think up a little, back numbers in
line,
We live in ninety-seven—and soon in
ninety-nine.
—Cleveland Recorder.

The Fight Is on Gold.

If the lawless, irresponsible dictators of industry and commerce are successful, then liberty, constitutional government and personal security are at an end, civilization is derailed into an abyss, and retrogression displaces progress through another age of barbarism. Gold becomes the only God, and bayonets the only prod to duty. The university, the press and the pulpit will all be made permanent attachments to the one despotic machine which is to control every source of communication and instruction, and stifle all thought and aspiration that does not strengthen the ruling power. On the other hand, the people's victory will end class rule forever, and gradually abolish all special privileges and monopolies by means of which one man holds an unjust advantage over another.—Walter Vrooman in New Democracy.

An Embarrassment of Riches.

The wealth of John D. Rockefeller has now reached the sum of $244,000,000, and furthermore is increasing at the rate of $1,500,000 a month, or $50,000 a day, or $2,083 an hour, or $34.50 a minute, or 57 cents every second of time, day and night, Sundays and holidays. No wonder the man calls on the churches and colleges to relieve him of some of his riches.—Utica Press.

VIEW OF THE FIELD.

SHOWING THE WORKING OF THE YEAST.

News and Notes from Washington and Elsewhere—The People Are Many and Plutocrats Few but the Latter Supply Our Rulers.

The national Republican platform declared for the freedom of Cuba, but the administration people, including Mr. Reed, who carries the house of representatives in his pocket, have experienced a change of heart. The government is giving all the aid possible to Spanish tyranny because a lot of Boston capitalists who own sugar plantations succeeded in getting troops enough detailed by Weyler to give adequate protection to their plantations without paying either troops or insurgents. In return they were able to show what seemed to be proof of ability to influence Washington sentiment against recognition of the insurgents. They expect the same protection under Blanco with the same equivalent on their part. The arrangement is a good one for the Boston capitalists, though it bears very heavily on other Americans whose capital is invested in Cuban sugar plantations. The Bostonians, in addition to getting their sugar marketed cheaper than their American competitors can possibly do, bring back American gold, which is received in payment, change it into Weyler's script at a handsome profit and pay the laborers on the plantations in this script. The whole transaction has been so profitable that their plea against the United States intervening in Cuban affairs, on the ground of humanity to the starving country people, was undoubtedly sincere. Intervention on any ground would interfere with the increased dividends which the little group of Boston capitalists has been able to make out of the misery and the gnawing distress of Cuba. They have assurance of labor enough for their plantations, though the rest of the country population of Cuba may be exterminated.

The house committee on postoffices intends to vigorously push the infamous Loud bill for the curtailment of second class rates in the interest of the plutocratic daily papers. Every Populist should send his protest to some representative or senator. The Loud bill stops the mailing of sample copies of newspaper and economic libraries at second class rates, and is designed to suppress political agitation and prevent competition with existing papers.

Senator Allen of Nebraska introduced in the senate a resolution declaring it to be the sense of the senate that congress should, with all due convenient speed, acknowledge by appropriate act the political independence of Cuba.

The McKinley prosperity has at last, after many delays, reached Fall River, and the Cotton Manufacturers' association as a result has voted to reduce wages in all the mills of the city.

Senator Butler, of North Carolina, spoke at length Monday upon amendments he had offered to the bill previously introduced by him providing for a postal savings bank system. Such a system would, in his opinion, insure greater comfort in the homes of the plain people of the land, as a great majority of them would certainly become depositors in such banks.

What Keeps Reed There.

Speaker Reed will hardly thank his friend Augustus G. Paine for the naive manner in which the latter gentleman explains the speaker's decision to remain in Congress instead of resigning and engaging in law business in New York. "It is true," says Mr. Paine, "that the pressure of a large commercial interest has been brought to bear on Mr. Reed to induce him to retire from Congress and come to New York. Other large interests, however, feel that Mr. Reed should remain at the capitol." The admission that Mr. Reed lives and moves and has his being by the grace of "large commercial interests" both as speaker and in his private capacity, is frank and commendable, but it is hardly creditable to Mr. Paine's discretion. The speaker will be justified in feeling that his friend has violated confidence in giving to the public arrangements of a private nature.—Arizona Gazette.

Beware of the Money Power.

The United Trusts and Syndicates, by experimenting constantly and pushing forward all along the line and at the same time by convincing the United States not to EXPERIMENT, succeeds in approaching the same relation to its rival government that a live ant sustains to a dead worm. By incessant and fearless activity, and by using our constitution, traditions and flag as a blind, this irresponsible despotism is fast nearing the time when it hopes to throw off its mask and publicly usurp supreme power.—Walter Vrooman in New Democracy.

Here Is a Pointer.

When the people attempt to defeat a new aggression on the part of the trusts by carrying out the plan of some renowned thinker, known to be uninfluenced by special interests, the emissaries of the trusts scatter the people by crying: "EXPERIMENT," "An untried and Utopian scheme," "Innovators." While the patriots argue as to whether their plan is really an EXPERIMENT, the enemy captures a new position.—Walter Vrooman in New Democracy.

POINTS[illegible]

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With a steady[illegible] [illegible] business fa[illegible] [illegible] government [illegible] would it not be we[illegible] [illegible] to take up the [illegible] for a while?—Sprin[illegible]

[illegible] reports [illegible] [illegible] wanting [illegible] sufficient [illegible]

[illegible] safe to say the [illegible] of Congress will be [illegible] are now after the Ha[illegible] [illegible] matter has been d[illegible] [illegible] Miner Index.

If any reasonable doubt remains [illegible] the expediency of the Govern[illegible] owning and operating the Kansas [illegible] [illegible] would be removed by [illegible] of Senator and [illegible] Attorney Thurston of Nebra[illegible] San Francisco Star.

A people who will turn over the [illegible] financial system to the control [illegible] private corporations and sell themselves into slavery are unworthy to [illegible] free commonwealth.

"Money," says the Rev. Mr. Howard, "is condensed opportunity." Yes, and the opportunity is often so condensed that the trying to grasp it is a very Tantalus-job.—Fresno (Cal.) Republican.

The latest issue of Bradstreet notes a sharp decline in business in the South, and ascribes it to the yellow fever. Just so. When famine abroad creates a great demand for breadstuffs, thus stimulating business, the improvement is at once placed to the credit of the McKinley administration. When pestilence checks business in the South, the blame is laid at the door of God. That is about the average gold bug's idea of fairness.—National Bimetallist.

The Bethlehem, Pa., iron and steel works made a 10 per cent cut on the wages of its employes which went into effect the 1st inst. The company makes the queer statement that by thus reducing the wages it hopes to be able to keep the men at work steadily. Probably if the company would pay nothing it would be able to keep the men at work double shift right along. What a wonder it is that the gold-bug statesman didn't think of using that logical argument in the recent campaign?—Bessemer Indicator.

During the campaign of 1896 and the late fall elections the Republican party pledged itself to secure the independence of Cuba. Elections are now over, and this important pledge is repudiated. Cuban bondholders, who helped to make up the twenty million corruption fund, now have the ear of the administration. The struggling patriots of Cuba are to be sacrificed and the wishes of the American people ignored in order to keep faith with the money power.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

The "Fiat" Goes.

After the discovery of gold in California and Australia, Germany and Austria demonetized gold; in 1871 Germany demonetized silver and remonetized gold. To a "fool greenbacker," it would appear as if neither gold nor silver is money without the "fiat" of a government behind them to make them such. If the United States were to demonetize both gold and silver, would they still be money? And if it were to issue full legal tender greenbacks, with the "fiat," wouldn't they still be money and the world still move. The trouble with you is that you don't know what money is, and it is doubtful if your saw dust filled cranium will ever be able to grasp the truth. Wealth is the product of labor; money, its legal representative, is a product, not of labor, but of legislation, and only when it is supplied by a government in ample volume does it benefit a people. Restrict its issue below the needs of the people for exchange and unjust rates of interest are possible; increase the issue so that the supply equals the demand, and prosperity comes, gold or no gold, silver or no silver.—People's Tribune.

Fight Every Day.

Every time General Grant ordered an attack on the forces defending negro slavery, he tried an EXPERIMENT. Never could he tell exactly what the result would be. There might be more dead Union men than Confederates, or there might possibly be more dead Confederates than Union men. The one thing of which he was certain, however, was that his duty consisted in going ahead, and, when defeated he gathered his troops together and tried again. He knew that, if followed long enough, his plan would crush the Confederacy.

So each attack on the white slave power to-day is an EXPERIMENT.—Walter Vrooman in New Democracy.

Surgeon or Corpse, Which?

When the victimized people declare their independence, through their own government, of the despotism of the trusts, it will necessarily be an EXPERIMENT.

The important question for [illegible]zens of the United States [illegible] is simply [illegible] PER[illegible] to[illegible]

Rheumatism
Is permanently cur[illegible]
By Hood's Sarsapa[illegible]
Which neutraliz[illegible]
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Thousands who were[illegible]
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THE BOYHOOD OF JESUS IS THE SUBJECT OF DR. TALMAGE.

The Sixth of the New York Herald's Competition Sermons Is on "The Power of Gentleness"—Rev. Dr. Talmage Discourses on Christ as a Village Lad.

TEXT: "Thy gentleness hath made me great."—Psalms, xviii., 35.

There is little in the popular idea of gentleness to make it desirable for God or man. We think of it as lacking in vigor and a long way removed from greatness. So suggestive is it of weakness and softness that we want very little to do with it.

Our ideas of gentleness need rectifying. We speak often of a gentle horse. What do we mean by it? That horse is gentle that is nervy and full of mettle, able to pass anything on the road, and yet so easily subdued that the voice of a little child would bring him to a standstill at once. That man is gentle who has the strength of a Hercules and the tenderness of a woman. Gentleness is power withholding itself and spending itself in goodness.

A good illustration of gentleness was ... on a Spanish battle field. A gallant French soldier's sword was uplifted to strike his foe to the earth, but he saw as the ... was about to descend that his antagonist had but one arm. Instantly he stayed his sword, brought it to a salute and rode on.

Gentleness in a woman is love's mighty magnet and will attract its own from the ends of the earth. A woman without it is a monstrosity, a warrior with it is greater far than he who shows his power by burning villages, destroying crops, executing prisoners. The great general at Appomattox considering the interests of the men in gray, treating them as his countrymen, ... the salute already under way to ... victory lest they should be further humiliated, and sending the defeated ... well fed and equipped for labor ... farms, declaring himself a gentle ... as well as a great soldier, and did more in that hour to make his country great than other great men have done in a ... Grant could have crushed the ... in that hour; instead, he caressed it ... her weak and wayward child, ... it to tears.

We speak often of the power of God, but ... the gentleness of God that works the greatest wonders. It is this that mak... ... great. See the gentleness of God at the beginning. It is not the strong arm, ... tender heart, that reveals itself with fallen man. It is not a king's voice that we hear in Eden, but a father's, ... that, "Adam, Adam, where art thou?" When God came down in human flesh to save a lost world He came in the ... A still and quiet night it was ... the Saviour was born. The stars ... down peacefully upon the shepherds as they watched their sheep. The world was wrapt in slumber. It was into this stillness and quiet that God's angels came and God's glory shone around. Gentle words those were the angels spoke: "Be not afraid," so sweet and gentle was the music ... the angels' best that no one save the shepherds heard it.

The spirit of the Gospel is the same. It ... up in the words: "A bruised reed will He not break; the smoking flax He will not quench." It is by gentleness that God seeks to win the world to righteousness and truth. "The Lord God is a sun." Sooner or later cold and icy hearts must give way before Him. We need more gentleness before the earth can become like heaven—gentleness on the part of parents. You can shout at your children and bring them into trembling submission; you can thrash them into obedience; you can starve them into submission. The strong can bring the weak to terms for a while by any of these methods. But if you want to show your child the sweet reasonableness of your position and to make him docile, obedient, trustful, sit down and talk gently with him and seek to make his heart your own.

We need more gentleness on the part of preachers. "The servant of the Lord must not strive, but be gentle toward all men." ... of Preacher was so gentle that Simon the Pharisee asked him to dine with him; the poor harlot lingered near His feet ... Zaccheus and Matthew, the publicans, became His loyal disciples, and even a thief, in the agony of crucifixion, cried, "Lord, remember me." The world needs nothing more than it needs gentleness and love. Human hearts are hungry for the music of gentle voices and the touch of tenderness. Why should we not all try to show that we are the sons and daughters of the gentle God?

Rough, rude boys have been made great for time and eternity by the sweetness and gentleness of mothers and sisters. Dull, ... scholars have been made ... and earnest by the tender patient love of self-denying teachers. Souls ... mean, selfish, sinful, have been made great by the gentle, faithful labors of those not willing that any should perish. The night of life is coming on apace. It will be sweet to have the gates swing inward at our approach to the city eternal, and to be welcomed by some watching for our home coming, and to hear from joyful lips such words as these: "Thy gentleness hath made me great."

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CHRIST AS A VILLAGE LAD.

Dr. Talmage Discourses on the Boyhood of Jesus.

TEXT: "And the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him."—Luke xi., 40.

Concerning what bounded the boyhood of Christ, the preacher said, we have whole libraries of books and whole galleries of canvas and sculpture, but art and poetry ... have, with few exceptions, ... the village lad. "Yet, by ... evidences," he said, "I think we can come to as accurate an idea of what Christ was as a boy as of what Christ was as a man.

"First, we have the Bible account of His boyhood. Then we have the prolonged account of what Christ was at thirty years of age. We have besides an uninspired book that was for the first three or four centuries after Christ's appearance received by many as inspired, and which gives a prolonged account of Christ's boyhood.

"The so-called apocryphal Gospel, in which the boyhood of Christ is dwelt upon, I do not believe to be divinely inspired, and yet it may present facts worthy of consideration. Because it represents the boy Christ as performing miracles, some have ... down that whole apocryphal book. But what right have you to say that Christ during certain ... at ten years of age ... as at thirty ... was in boyhood ... as divine as in manhood ... He must have had the power to work miracles, whether He did or not work them. When, having reached manhood, Christ turned water into wine, that was said to be the beginning of miracles. But that may mean that it was the beginning of that series of manhood miracles.

"In a word, I think that the New Testament is only a small tract ... of what Jesus said and did ... liberty to believe or reject these ... apocryphal Gospel which say that when the boy Christ with His mother passed a band of thieves, He told His mother that two of them, Dumachus and Titus by name, would be the two thieves who afterward would expire on crosses besides Him. Was that more wonderful than some of Christ's manhood prophecies? Or the inspired story that ... Christ made a fountain spring ... of a sycamore tree so ... washed His coat in the stream ... —was that more unbelievable than the manhood miracle that changed common water into a marriage beverage? Or the uninspired story that two sick children were recovered by bathing in the water where Christ had washed. Was that more wonderful than the manhood miracle by which the woman, twelve years a complete invalid, should have been made straight by touching the fringe of Christ's coat? Is that more wonderful than the manhood miracles by which Christ reanimated the dead again and again without going where they were or even seeing them?

"From the naturalness, the simplicity, the freshness of His parables and similes and metaphors in manhood discourse I know that He had been a boy of the fields and had bathed in the streams and heard the nightingale's call, and broken through the flowery hedge and looked out of the embrasures of the fortress, and drank from the wells and chased the butterflies."

Dr. Talmage referred to Christ in the mechanic's shop, having been taught the carpenter's trade by His father, Joseph. "His hammer pounding, His saw vacillating, His axe descending and the perspiration from His work standing on His brow."

Then said the preacher: "I show you a more marvelous scene—Christ, the smooth-browed lad, among the long-bearded, white-haired, high-foreheaded ecclesiastics of the Temple."

Following other events recorded in the apocrypha, the preacher asked if they were more wonderful than events recorded in the New Testament.

"If Christ were divine was He not able at ten or twelve years to describe the human system as well as though He had been fifty years standing at an operating table or in a dissecting room? In other words, while I do not believe that any part of the so-called apocryphal New Testament is inspired, I believe much of it is true, just as I believe a thousand books, none of which is divinely inspired."

"A child twelve years old, surrounded by septuagenarians, He asking His own questions and answering theirs. Let me introduce you to some of these ecclesiastics. This is the great Rabbin Simeon! This is the venerable Hillel! This is the famous Shammai! These are the sons of the distinguished Betirah. The first time in all their lives these religionists have found their match, and more than their match. Though so young, He knew all about that Temple under whose roof they held that most wonderful discussion of all history. He knew the meaning of every altar, of every sacrifice, of every golden candlestick, of every embroidered curtain, of every crumb of shew bread, of every drop of oil in that sacred edifice. He knew all about God. He knew all about man. He knew all about heaven, for He came from it. He knew all about this world, for He made it. He knew all worlds, for they were only the sparkling morning dewdrops on the lawn in front of His heavenly palace.

"Put these seven Bible words in a wreath of emphasis: 'Both hearing them and asking them questions.' I am not so much interested in the questions they asked Him as in the questions He asked them. He asked the question not to get information from the doctors, for He knew it already, but to humble them by showing them the height and depth and length and breadth of their own ignorance. The radiant boy with any one of a hundred questions about theology, about philosophy, about astronomy, about time, about eternity, may have balked them, disconcerted them. Behold the boy Christ asking questions, and listen when your child asks questions. He has the right to ask them. The more he asks, the better. Alas for the stupidity of the child without inquisitiveness! It is Christ-like to ask questions. Answer them if you can. Do not say: 'I can't be bothered now.' It is your place to be bothered with questions. If you are not able to answer, surrender and confess your incapacity, as I have no doubt did Rabbis Simeon, and Hillel, and Shammai, and the sons of Betirah when that splendid boy, sitting or standing there, with a garment reaching from neck to ankle, and girdled at the waist, put them to their very wits' end. It is no disgrace to say 'I don't know.' The only being in the universe who never needs to say 'I don't know' is the Lord Almighty.

"But while I see the old theologians standing around the boy Christ, I am impressed as never before with the fact that what theology most wants is more of childish simplicity. Why should you and I perplex ourselves about the decrees of God? Mind your own business and God will take care of His. In the conduct of the universe I think He will somehow manage to get along without us. If you want to love and serve God, and be good and useful and get to heaven, I warrant that nothing which occurred eight hundred quintillion of years ago will hinder you a minute. It is not the decrees of God that do us any harm; it is our own decrees of sin and folly.

"You need not go any further back in history than about one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four years. Something occurred on that day under an eclipsed sun that sets us all forever free, if with our whole heart and life we accept the tremendous proffer. Do not let the Presbyterian Church, or the Methodist Church, or the Lutheran Church, or the Baptist Church, or any of the other evangelical churches spend any time in trying to fix up old creeds, all of them imperfect, as everything man does is imperfect. Our own denomination made itself absurd by trying to revise its creed made hundreds of years ago. You might as well try to revise your grandmother's love letters. I move a new creed for all the evangelical churches of Christendom, only three articles in the creed, and no need of any more.

"If I had all the consecrated people of all denominations of the earth on one great plain, and I had voice loud enough to put it to a vote, that creed of three articles would be adopted with a unanimous vote. This is the creed I propose for all Christendom:

"'Article first—God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'

"'Article second—This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners, even the chief.'

"'Article third—Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive blessings and riches and honor and glory and power, world without end.'

"But you go to tinkering up your old creeds, and patching and splicing and interlining and annexing and subtracting and adding and explaining, and you will lose time and make yourself a target for earth and hell to shoot at. Let us have creeds not fashioned out of human ingenuities, but out of scriptural phraseology, and all the guns of bombardment blazing from all the port holes of infidelity and perdition will not in a thousand years knock off the church of God a splinter as big as a cambric needle. What is most needed now is that we gather all our theologies around the boy in the temple, the elaborations around the simplicities, and the profundities around the clarities, the octogenarian of scholastic research around the unwrinkled cheek of twelve-year juvenescence. 'Except you become as a little child you can in no wise enter the kingdom;' and except you become as a little child you cannot understand the Christian religion. The best thing that Rabbis Simeon and Hillel and Shammai and the sons of Betirah ever did was, in the temple, to bend over the lad who, first made ruddy of cheek by the breath of the Judean hills, and on his way to the mechanic's shop, where he was soon to be the support of his bereaved mother, stopped long enough to grapple with the venerable dialecticians of the Orient, 'both hearing them and asking them questions.' Some, referring to Christ, have exclaimed: Ecce deus! Behold the God. Others have exclaimed: Ecce Homo, Behold the man. But to-day, in conclusion of my subject, I say: Ecce adolescence! Behold the boy."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JANUARY 9.

Lesson Text: "Jesus Tempted," Matthew iv., 1-11—Golden Text: Hebrews ii., 18—Commentary on the Lesson For the Day Written by Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

1. "Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted of the devil." From the beginning to the end He was under the guidance and control of the Holy Spirit most fully. The Father having testified to the fact that He was His beloved, well pleasing Son, the Spirit now leads Him into this great conflict with the devil, at the very beginning of His public work, that He may meet the adversary face to face and overcome him. And now, in that He Himself hath suffered, being tempted, He is able to succor them that are tempted (Heb. ii., 18). He had been subject for thirty years to all the temptations of an ordinary human life, but this is something special, and, as Dr. Weston says, has to do with Him as Son of "Man," Son of God and the Messiah.

2. "And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was afterward an hungered." Luke iv., 2, says, "In those days He did eat nothing." This was not a new thing on the earth, for Moses passed through it twice and Elijah once (Deut. ix., 9, 18; I Kings xix., 8). On the Mount of Transfiguration we find the three who fasted forty days. There must be some wondrous significance connected with it which we have not yet had revealed to us. In Mark xi., 12, we read of another occasion on which He was hungry, and one of His last utterances on the cross was, "I thirst" (John xix., 28), but what an awful thirst that must have been!

3. "And when the tempter came to Him he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." God had testified, "This is My Beloved Son," but the devil questions it to His face, with this "if." As in the garden of Eden he questions the word of God with his "Yea, hath God said" (Gen. iii., 1), and has ever since been doing the same thing, so he does not hesitate to face the Son of God Himself with his devilish doubts. Think it not strange, then, if he oft approaches you in this way, but receive not his doubts; it is better not to listen to him.

4. "But He answered and said, It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Not the gratification of our desires, but the will of God, is the great thing. Just as in our words we show our loved ones our hearts, so God in His word has given us His heart for us, and God is love. Shall we be satisfied with His heart and His way and thus live on His word, or shall we insist on having all things minister to our comfort at all costs?

5. "Then the devil taketh Him up into the Holy City and setteth Him on a pinnacle of the temple." Up to Jerusalem, the city of the great king (chapter v., 35). Do not stop to ask how, but simply believe and consider the temptation and the victory and ask the Spirit to apply it to your own soul. The wilderness and the hunger, and the stones suggest the hard and lonely and commonplace things in daily life, but the Holy City, the temple and a pinnacle thereof suggest holy things and the heights thereof not so common, but far more dangerous ground because more holy.

6. "And saith unto Him, if Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down, for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning Thee, and in their hands they shall bear Thee up, lest at any time Thou dash Thy foot against a stone." The devil can quote Scripture, and sometimes quite freely and at great length, but never to glorify God nor to help a soul to know Him. He always perverts it with the purpose of working ruin. The man who thinks that because he is a child of God and controlled by the Spirit therefore he cannot sin, nor even make a mistake, is on a pinnacle of the temple listening to the devil. He would do well to consider these words. "If a man think himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself." "If any man think that he knoweth anything, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know" (Gal. vi., 3; I Cor. viii., 2).

7. "Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." Scripture never contradicts Scripture, but explains it and instructs us how to avert its abuse. Jesus quoted it from the heart to the glory of God, believing every word, but the devil uses it only wickedly. We may be said to tempt God when we make a self-willed demand for His help, or in any way claim His promises for selfish ends. Our Lord lived that the Father might be glorified, and taught us that when we are willing to live thus we can ask what we will and receive it.

8. "Again the devil taketh Him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth Him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them." The first temptation was to satisfy His physical need, to satisfy Himself, on the ground that He was entitled to it; the second was to show Himself and what a great one He was; the third was to accept the world without the way of the cross. The prince of this world offers it simply on condition that it be accepted as from him and that he be thanked for it.

9. "And saith unto Him, All these things will I give thee if Thou wilt fall down and worship me." The time will come when the antichrist, the man of sin, the beast of Rev. xiii., will accept this offer of satan and for a brief period will do wondrously, but, oh, how brief his dominion; how fearful his fall and how awful his eternal doom, the lake of fire and brimstone forever! (Rev. xix., 20).

10. "Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, satan, for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve." True worshipers worship the father in spirit and in truth, for the Father seeketh such to worship Him. "God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth" (John iv., 23, 24). The word of God is the only guide, the Holy Spirit the only teacher, the Lord Jesus the only way to God the Father; so to worship in spirit and in truth means that in all things Jesus is acknowledged as Lord to the glory of God the Father, and that all is done in accordance with the word and in the power of the Spirit.

11. "Then the devil leaveth Him, and behold angels came and ministered unto Him." Luke iv., 13, says that the devil departed from Him for a season. How thankful we should be that our Lord did not conquer satan in what we might call a miraculous way, but in such a way as He will through us conquer him also. He has left us His sword, the Word of God, and we are told in Eph. vi., 16, 17, that these, the shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit, will surely overcome the adversary.—Lesson Helper.

W. K. Burkholder, of San Francisco, has gone to Alaska to erect an electric transmission plant to operate an electric road over the Chilkoot Pass. The plant is expected to be in working order in about three months, when it is supposed that Chilkoot Pass will lose all its terrors.

Fitting Out Three Expeditions.

There are three expeditions fitting out for Cuba, one at Plant City, one at Bartow and another at Punta Gorda, Fla. All the channels are guarded and two more revenue cutters are expected.

Tyler Inaugurated.

At Richmond, Va., J. Hoge Tyler was inaugurated governor of the Old Dominion Saturday in the presence of the two houses ...

Queerest Town in England.

The most curious town in England is Northwich. There is not a straight street, nor, in fact, a straight house in the place; every part of it has the appearance of having recently suffered from the visitation of an earthquake.

Northwich, as every one knows, is the center of the salt industry. On nearly all sides of the town are big salt works, with their engines pumping hundreds of thousands of gallons of brine every week.

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Right in His Line.

"How long," inquired the Eastern potentate, "has the young man been in the treadmill?"

"Two weeks, O conquering king. And he told me yesterday that he was having a fine time, although the scenery was getting monotonous."

"Two weeks? Great Allah! Who is he, anyway?"

"He claims he is an American bicycle scorcher, but what that might be I know not."—Puck.

It keeps some men so busy telling what they are going to do to-morrow that they haven't time to do anything to-day.

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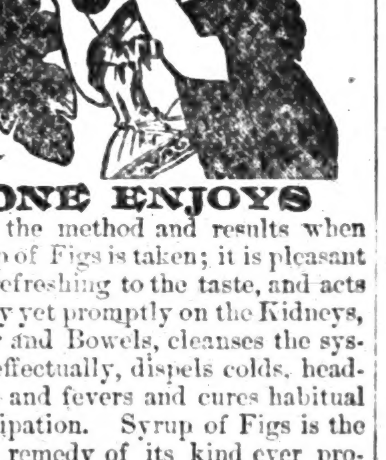

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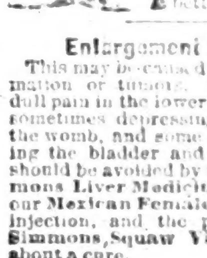

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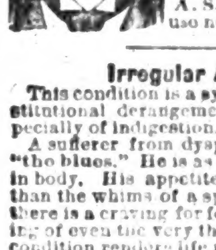

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Moral: Don't "tamper" with frauds!

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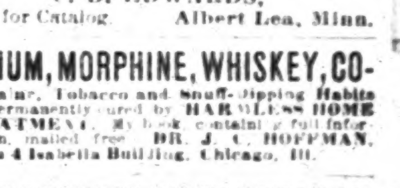

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[illegible] The book from which the sentence is taken [illegible]

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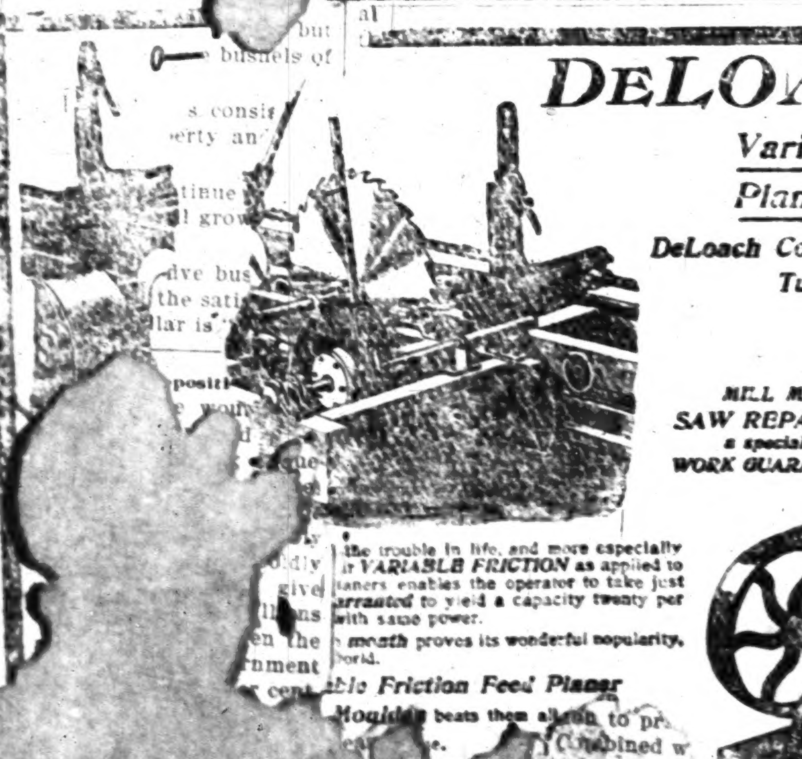

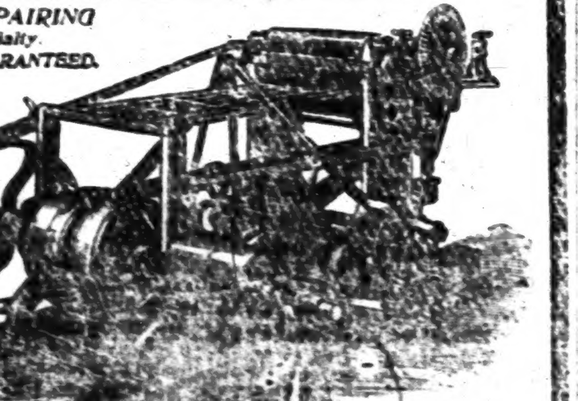

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The New French Em[bassador]

M. Jules Cambon, the [new] embassador, who has ju[st] [illegible] from a family of diplomat[s] [illegible] M. Paul Cambon, [illegible] embassador at Constantin[ople] [illegible]

M. JULES CAMBON

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Palms at K[ew]

While acres of fern[s] [illegible] ered with all the plan[ts] [illegible] stand the English clima[te] [illegible] others from more sunn[y] [illegible] must have the protec[tion] [illegible] and heat. [illegible] —E. Walsh in Lippincott's.

Brain Trouble.

Mamma—Why don't [you learn] your lessons as Tommy S[mart does?]

Johnny—If I studied li[ke Tommy] Smart does, I'd be afrai[d of having] brain trouble like he has.

THE BANNER.

LET THE PEOPLE RULE.

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QUEROS OF THE DAY.

Captain David L. Brainard, who has been selected to take charge of the Kellett relief expedition, is very appropriately connected with the subsistence department of the United States army and is well fitted by experience for the task. He was second in command of the Greely expedition. It was Brainard to whom the scant food supply of the starving remnant of that unfortunate company was intrusted, and it was due to his careful husbanding of the precious stores that the lives of those who survived were prolonged until relief came. That he might add to the food he daily fished through the ice, keeping this up until he was exhausted and lay down to die. His was one of the most heroic deeds of arctic exploration. Captain Brainard enlisted in the army as a private and has seen some service among the Indians.

CAPTAIN DAVID L. BRAINARD.

The New French Embassador.

M. Jules Cambon, the new French ambassador, who has just arrived, comes from a family of diplomats. His brother, M. Paul Cambon, is the French ambassador at Constantinople, where he has made a brilliant record. Jules comes to us direct from Algeria, over which French colony he has held sway as governor general for several years. In order to show that his service there has been entirely satisfactory to the French government he has been appointed honorary governor of the colony, an unusual honor. The change from northern Africa to our beautiful national capital is said to

M. JULES CAMBON.

be a most acceptable one to M. Cambon, and he hopes that his stay in Washington will be a long one. Both he and Mme. Cambon are fond of society, and they have leased the house formerly occupied by M. Patenotre with a view to extending generous hospitality to members of the diplomatic and official circles. Poor M. Patenotre, who offended his government by marrying Miss Ellverson of Philadelphia, has been packed off to Madrid and will do penance for making an undiplomatic marital alliance by serving a term at the divary Spanish court.

Palms at Home.

While acres of fertile soil are covered with all the plants that can stand the English climate, there are others from more sunny climes that must have the protection of glass and heat. The palmhouse, which accommodates the ferns and palms of priceless value, is 362 feet long, 100 feet broad and 66 feet high. It is the largest and most elegant structure of its kind, fitted up with all the modern inventions to make plant life strong and vigorous. A spiral staircase conducts the visitor to a high room or platform where all the exquisite greenery and graceful forests of plants can be viewed. The view is a glimpse of fairyland, a veritable illusion of the senses, a midsummer night's dream.—George E. Walsh in Lippincott's.

Brain Trouble.

Mamma—Why don't you study your lessons as Tommy Smart do?

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure: 25 cents.

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Oakmulgee, Ala, Jan. 8, 1898

Editor BANNER: Christmas over, and not over either. If you had been here you could not have told by our young people whether cotton was worth five or fifteen cents per pound, but you may be sure the older ones of us could feel the difference. However, it is said that where there's a will there's a way, but the way gets to be hard to find. Our portion of the country is the shortest in way of a crop of any year in thirty, but we have to go some way.

I guess I can tell the best fish story. Byard Grillin got a few carp fish four or five inches long three years ago, and caught one recently weighing fifteen lbs. sure.

Our people are beginning to talk politics some. I have been at a loss to know what the G. O. P. folks would have to tell, but all at once I thought of it and I do not mind telling it. They will each accuse the other of ruining the country, and oh, how true it is! If a Democratic administration in full force could save the country by putting cotton down as low as four cents, and a republican administration, with no excuse only to save the country from bankruptcy, put cotton down to four and one-half cents, all to make what Grover and William and John Sherman call sound money. For the life of me I cannot see what promise they will come to the people with. But they are coming. I for one will be ready for them with a few questions, such as what have they done for the country, etc. Above all things we must avoid division among ourselves; select our best men and go for them to all intents and purposes, leaving off self, work for the good of our party and for the saving of our country, is now a serious question. We must have no straddlers but strait middle of the roaders on our ticket. No country can ever rise under any contraction system. As the currency is the life blood of any nation, they cannot live without it in sufficient quantity to transact business in a legitimate way. Yours truly,

W. A. FOUNTAIN.

SEVEN DOCTORS FAILED.

A Case of Systematic Catarrh in Its Worst Form Cured.

Invalids would do well to read the following letter recently written to Dr Hartman by Mr. Abe Miller, of Stilesville, Indiana. Not only read it, but ponder on it. Not only ponder on it, but act upon it. He writes: "A word of praise to your medicines. I began taking Pe-ru-na the 20th of February, 1897. I was all worn out. My weight was 134 pounds I was weak and almost ready to go to bed. I had catarrh, asthma and kidney trouble. I have taken ten bottles of Pe-ru-na and I weigh 161 pounds I feel as if I could do as much work as any man on earth. I had tried seven doctors; some of them as good as there were in the state. But none of them did me any good. At last I saw Pe-ru-na advertised. Then I began taking it and it has cured me. So I recommended it to my neighbor and it is doing the work for him. He has gained four pounds from the use of three bottles.

Send to The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio, for a free book on catarrh written by Dr. Hartman.

List for a free Pe-ru-na 1898.

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Turn-Round Topics.

On Sunday morning, January 2, Mr. P. H. Connell and Miss Martha J. Howard were joined for life by Rev. A. L. Pattillo. The contracting parties are well and favorably known, and happiness reigns supreme.

As the weather was so disagreeable Christmas day most people spent the day quietly at home. In the evening the weather cleared up and a good crowd turned out to see the Christmas tree at Mr. T. C. McKinney's. The tree was beautiful and the children's hearts were made glad by the numerous presents.

On Friday evening Miss Janie Oden entertained a number of friends at her mother's home and a most delightful pleasure it proved to all. Throughout the evening there was a constant flow of music rippling amongst the congenial company, whose jolly laughter was an index of the pleasure they experienced.

Walter Kendrick returned Sunday from a trip to friends in Stanton, Plantersville and Selma.

W. H. Kendrick and family returned to their home at Speigners, Tuesday after spending the holidays with parents here.

M. C. Williams visited Robinson Springs last week.

Miss Vena Pyron is visiting Mrs. Evans, at Mallory's Road this week.

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Household Gods.

The ancient Greeks believe that the Penates were the gods who attened to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshiped as household gods in every home. The household god of to-day is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds and for all affections of the Throat, Chest and Lungs it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure, or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Free trial bottle at J. S. Johnson's Drug store.

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Jemison Jems.

Generosity in bloom. Just before Christmas Mrs. Henry Durben decided to have a little cake party for the benefit of our preacher, whom all admit to be a true Christian, laying aside sectarianism. Mrs. Durben had the room beautifully decorated, and after the voting, and the distribution of cakes, sweet songs were sung in honor of the good old preacher, who has never been heard to call for money in all his long ministerial service. Well, enough was realized to buy him a nice suit of clothes, and a kind neighbor, who is never behind on such occasions, furnished him with a fine new hat.

Mr. B. M. Gentry is busy, moving his saw mill from Thorsby to Bibb county, on the midland railroad.

Mr. Peter Quigley has left the county poorhouse, of which he has so long been the able superintendent, and is now snugly ensconced in his new home, happy and jovial.

MRS. IRA CAMPBELL.

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Concert at Longstreet.

The concert for the benefit of the Unity Presbyterian Church came off with great eclat on the night of the 30 ult. The program was well rendered by the pretty maids and graceful lads of the community.

The audience went away highly pleased. The chief good done was in the expansion of the minds of the youth and elevation of the standard of society. Miss Kate Garner deserves the praise and respect of every good citizen for the advancement of education and uplifting of the intellects of the people of that community, for by her efforts chiefly was the concert formulated and produced.

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Clanton Primary Alliance will meet on Saturday, Jan. 22. All members come.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels. Cleanse the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Your druggist guarantees a cure or refund of money.

NOTICE.

To the Tax-payers of Chilton county who have not as yet assessed their taxes for the year 1898, I will not be at the Court House during the month of January as heretofore stated in the BANNER, but will keep my office open to receive assessments at my residence during the month of January, 1898.

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.

The progressive ladies of Westfield Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlin's Cough remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for Sale by J. S. Johnson Jr. Druggist.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Governor of Alabama to remit the Forfeiture, made final at the Fall Term, 1897, of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, Alabama, in the case of The State vs. Gorman, as Hutto, Crossby, eight, against B. Rodgers, J. M. Merchant, William Martin, W. H. Conway, J. P. Givvan and Hand Brothers.

H. B. ROGERS.

Clanton, Ala., Jan. 13, 1898.

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A Cure for Lame Back.

"My daughter when recovering from an attack of fever was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes Louden Grover, of Sardis, Ky. After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's pain balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. Sold by J. S. Johnson jr. Druggist.

During about 700 years the Latin language was the language of court, camp and polite society from the river Tweed in Scotland to the Euphrates in Asia, and from the Crimea, or Chersonesus, in the Black sea to the Pillars of Hercules at the western extremity of the Mediterranean.

The Chinese wear a skirt, knee breeches, cap and sandals. As winter comes they increase the number of garments rather than their thickness, so that the circumference of a Chinaman in midwinter often exceeds his height.

The favorite drink in Nubia is made from fermented dhurra bread. It is called ombulbul, because it makes the drinker sing like the nightingale.

The proportion of people in Norway who speak English is larger than in any other country of the world.

Wives are bought and sold in China, and the average price is $250.

The Egyptians cooked meat as soon as the animal was killed.

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An Uncertain Disease.

There is no disease more uncertain in its nature than dyspepsia. Physicians say that the symptoms of no two cases agree. It is therefore most difficult to make a correct diagnosis. No matter how severe, or under what disguise dyspepsia attacks you, Browns' Iron Bitters will cure it. Invaluable in all diseases of the stomach, blood and nerves. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, wherein I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Robert Christian and Minerva Christian, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Robert Christian and Minerva Christian I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Two Mules, One Buggy and Harness.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama during the legal hours of sale, on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1898,

all the right, title and interest of the above named Robert Christian and Minerva Christian, in and to the above described property.

Dated at Clanton, this 14th day of [illegible], 1898.

J. T. [illegible]

Clanton Locals.

Clanton is to be treated to a high class entertainment on Friday evening 21st inst. 7. p.m, at the Court House. Ralph Bingham, of Philadelphia, the well-known and popular platform entertainer and impersonator will give an entertainment for the benefit of the Baptist church, filling a program which is highly entertaining and instructive, delighting the audience with wit and song. The admission is 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children under twelve years of age.

At the regular meeting of the Senior Epworth League last week the following officers were elected for the ensuing half-year: President Mrs. J. A. Dudley; Second vice pres, Mrs. W. B. Dennis, Third vice pres, Miss Annie Lamar; Treasurer, H. I. Honeycutt; Secretary Leroy Watts.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a the mortgage executed by W. R. Mims, Victoria Mims, Crawford Mims and Ady Mims to T. E. Gilchrist (now deceased) on the 21st day of December, 1895, and duly recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton County, Alabama, in Vol. 36, Pages 405 and on, the undersigned will proceed to sell, at the Court House in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1898,

to wit: The Island in the Coosa River known as the Johnson Island, and containing 78 acres more or less.

ISABELLA A. GILCHRIST,
Administratrix of Estate of
T. E. Gilchrist, deceased.

By WM. A. COLLIER, Attorney.
Clanton, Ala., Dec. 23, 1897.

Non-Age—Notice of Filing Petition to Remove.

State of Alabama }
Chilton county }

In Chancery at Clanton, 7th District, N. E. Chancery Division.

Petition ex parte, of John Dawson, as father and guardian of Louis Dawson and Eliza Dawson.

To all whom this may concern—Greeting:

Whereas, a petition has been filed in this Court by John Dawson, father and guardian as aforesaid, for the removal of the disabilities of nonage of the said Louis Dawson and Eliza Dawson: Therefore notice is hereby given to all parties in interest, that the matter of said petition will be heard before the Honorable James R. Dowdell, Chancellor of the district aforesaid, at LaFayette, Chambers County, Alabama, on the 7th day of February, 1898.

W. E. STEWART Register.
BALDWIN & FOSHEE, Solicitors.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19,358.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 2, 1897

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on January 15 1898, viz.: Johnson Zimmerman, Homestead entry No. 26, 622, for the nw ¼ of sw ¼ section 2, tp 21, n of r 14 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: J. R. Kemp, William Kemp, Henry Culver, A. C. Oats, all of Clanton, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19,368.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 8, 1897

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on January 15, 1898, viz.: Ellis Mims, Homestead entry No. 25,715, for the e ½ of nw ¼, section 36, Tp. 23, [illegible] R 15 east.

He names [illegible] witness[illegible] to prove his [illegible] on and cultivation of said land, viz.: Jefferson Trawick [illegible] George Mims, W[illegible] Clanton, Ala.

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General Yamaji, who has just died in Japan, was known as "the one-eyed demon." He was a type of the old Oriental warrior, fierce, cruel, vengeful, fearless, and only happy in battle. He did not hold an independent command in the late war, having been attached to the army of Field Marshal ant Oyama, but he had charge of e assaulting columns at Port Arthur, here he added to his old reputation for courage. General Yamaji was a ater of foreign innovations and was the most intense degree a reaction- ist. Few like him are left in Japan.

nique utilization of railway cars tions is reported from a packing centre in Kansas. The road-bed local trolley line is not of the and it occurred to a milkman had been pretty well banged t by the lively oscillation of the on which he was riding that there enough power going to waste to k a set of capacious churns. He ed the experiment and found that it ked to a charm. Now the owners cows in the vicinity of packing ouses in the city set their churns on front end of a car. One round s almost more than enough to do ork, and the motorman takes butlk in payment for the mechanical tion imparted to the cream. This obably the first time that the ons of railway cars have been ed to any useful purpose. Their ects are well known to physicians. rious case of paralysis of the limbs was recently developed in oman as the result of the con- olting and the incessant sway d jarring motion of the cars on h his duties lay. He had to go to spital, where he remained for months. Finally his physician ted to electricity in sundry forms om a battery and induction coil an electrostatic machine. The ical massage toned up the limbs roved an actual specific for the t produced by the mechanical ns on the train, and the man e back to work.

e Chicago Tribune calls attention e fact that "one of the noteworthy litions affecting industrial enter es in the States of Pennsylvania liana and Ohio is the alarming de se in the supply of natural gas in States. For several years past reater part of the natural gas used ais country has come from the States above named, and at one time the supply was thought to be inexhaustible. The error of this supposition, however, may be clearly shown by comparing the total output of natural gas to these States for the past year with the total output for preceding years. In 1896 the value of all the natural gas produced in Pennsylvania aggregated only $5,528,610 against the enormous valuation of $19,282,375 put upon the product of 1888. Ohio has ver been such a prolific generator natural gas as Pennsylvania, but figures for the Buckeye State show rresponding diminution. In 188 produced $5,215,639 worth of ral gas, whereas at the present her total output is valued at only 29,400. Of the States producing l gas Indiana is the youngest. y a few years have elapsed since resources of the State in this direction were first discovered, but the total valuation of Indiana's yearly supply of natural gas has gradually diminished from $5,718,000 in 1893 to only $5,043,635 in 1896. As the Indiana gas fields are much younger than those of Pennsylvania and Ohio, [illegible] that they will continue to yield a eral supply of gas for some time to come. Of course it is difficult to judge of what is underneath the earth's crust, but, from superficial indications, the natural gas industry in the United States is doomed to ultimate extinction.

This is furthermore shown by The figures for the entire country. In cor 38 the value of all the natural gas in of the United States aggregated $22,620,375, whereas [illegible] aggregated only $13,0[illegible] position only, from these figures in the U[illegible] gated to [illegible] of supply [illegible]

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HAPPENINGS IN ALABAMA.

The Week's News Gathered and Told in a Brief Way.

ALABAMA AT FLORIDA FISHERY CONGRESS.

The End of a Noted Will Case—Courtland a "Dry" Town—Many Negroes Duped by "African Charley"—Interest in the Good Roads Convention.

Alabama at the Fishery Congress.

It is the wish of Gov. Bloxham, of Florida, that as many of the citizens of Alabama as possibly can, will attend the National Fishery Congress to assemble at Tampa, Fla., on the 19th day of January, 1898. The array of learned and gifted men who will participate in the deliberations of this important industrial congress are seldom assembled in any state or country. It is hoped that the citizens of the southern states will appreciate the aims and objects of this congress and will avail themselves of the educational features which it will promulgate, and point to sources for the enrichment and happiness of the people.

Prominent men, delegated from distant California, Oregon, New England, the western states and foreign countries, will attend this congress.

It is earnestly desired that Alabama send exhibits of marine products to place in the exposition building, which will be a feature of this congress.

Will Contest Ended.

The will of Captain Duncan Dew of Eutaw, who died last October leaving an estate worth a quarter of a million dollars, has been admitted to probate, a compromise having been reached between Joe J. Dew, second cousin of the deceased and sole legatee, and fourteen first cousins in Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Mississippi and Texas, contestants.

By the terms of the compromise the contestants get $90,000 in cash, the three Alabama contestants receiving $8,000 each and the remainder to be divided between the other eleven, while valuable farm lands in Bibb, Wilcox, Tuscaloosa, Blount and Greene counties, Alabama, lots in Birmingham and five farms in Texas go to Joe Dew.

The contestants charged forgery of the dead man's name to the will, and the trial was about to begin when the compromise was effected.

Negroes Swindled.

The negroes in and around Ramsey, Sumter county, have been buncoed out of about $800 by one of their race who operated an African colonization sell. The perpetrator of the swindle has successfully worked other part of the state. He is an ordinary, medium-sized negro, known as "African Charley." His scheme was to collect $2 from each negro who wanted to go to Africa. For that sum "African Charley" would promise his dupe free transportation to the dark continent and land and a home on his arrival. About 400 negroes were swindled. All of the negroes were told to meet at Gainesville on January 1 where boats would carry them to Mobile and thence to Africa. "African Charley" has disappeared and no boats have been reported at Gainesville for the emigrants.

Courtland a "Dry" Town.

The saloons of Courtland, numbering three, have been closed since the beginning of the new year, and from every indication it seems that it will be a dry town. The ladies recently took the matter in hand and are determined that no whisky shall be sold there. It has been learned that it is impossible for the saloonists to secure signatures of a sufficient number of the freeholders to obtain a license, the majority of them having signed the petition for the ladies against the sale of liquor.

Interest in the Good Roads' Convention.

Much interest is being manifested throughout the southern states in the Good Roads Convention to be held in Anniston in February. Nearly every line of railway in Alabama has signified its willingness to give free transportation to delegates to the convention, and it promises to be one of the largest attended and most enthusiastic meetings ever held in that city or state.

Impeding Navigation.

The United States government has caused the indictment of a number of saw mill owners above Mobile for impeding navigation in the Alabama river with their logs and rafts. It is charged that navigation on the river has been rendered absolutely dangerous of late by the careless rafting of timbers, and District Attorney Wickersham says that he intends to prosecute the cases with vigor.

Will Pay the Teachers.

The public school teachers of the state will be paid for the quarter ending January 1 before the end of next week. The money is already in the treasury. Governor Johnston and Treasurer Ellis have pushed tax collectors into remitting their collections about a month earlier than for some years past.

NEWS ITEMS OF OUR OWN STATE.

Democratic Committee to Meet.

Chairman John B. Knox, of the democratic state executive committee, has issued a call for that body to meet in Montgomery, Tuesday, February 22, for the purpose of fixing the time and place of holding the next state convention.

Alabama Postmasters.

The following were appointed postmasters Monday in Alabama: William H. Stacy, Jr., Central, Elmore county; William C. Powell, Dexter, Elmore county; R. J. Tomlinson, Five Points, Chambers county; B. H. Reynolds, Fredonia, Chambers county.

Accidentally Shot.

At Montgomery Master Jimmie LaPrade, who was accidentally shot in the knee while loading or cleaning his gun, died of his wound. The little fellow suffered greatly and finally died of lockjaw. His little companion, who was with him when the accident happened, is greatly distressed, though it was not his fault.

Large Land Purchase.

One of the most important of recent southern land purchases has been made by Messrs. J. J. Flowers, F. A. Flowers and J. D. Flowers, of Bolling. These gentlemen have purchased 60,000 acres of finely timbered land southeast of Bolling, near the Georgia-Alabama line, and will soon erect upon it an immense plant similar to the one at Bolling.

To Klondyke's Tempting Gold.

Six Alabamians left Birmingham Monday night for the Klondyke gold fields, Alaska, to seek their fortunes. There were in the party Joe W. Biddle, Jim Biddle and John Neal, representing the Klondike Mining company, of that city; R. W. Stapleton, representing the letter carriers of Birmingham, and Charles L. Smith, looking out for "No. 1."

Crushing Moonshiners.

Deputy Collector Logwood has recently destroyed seven illicit distilleries in the northern part of the state. One was destroyed in Madison county, one in Lauderdale, three in Limestone, and two in Cullman. Thos. J. and Tilden Walker of Plevna, Tom Lanier, Dempsey Smith, Green Sharpley and Jim Sharpley, of Battleground, were among the moonshiners arrested for operating the stills.

Libeled For Filibustering.

At Mobile the steam pilot-boat Somers N. Smith, which was seized a few days ago, as per instruction of the secretary of the treasury, was libeled in the United States circuit court for conveying men, arms, ammunitions and provisions to the insurgents in Cuba. The bill sets forth that the boat made two expeditions to Cuba between August 26 and October 29. She was fitted out here, having come from Pensacola, ostensibly for repairs. She is a vessel of seventy-nine tons.

Wreck on the Western Railway.

Saturday night a freight train on the Western Railway of Alabama was wrecked two miles south of LaGrange. The Cannon Ball for New Orleans could not get by and a train was made up to take its place, consisting of engine, two coaches and a sleeper. When one mile south of Shorter's station, twenty miles from Montgomery, a bridge gave way under the train and it was wrecked. The engine passed over in safety, but the cars were badly damaged. Captain H. M. Law, conductor, and Will Pope, flagman, were badly injured. Pope not having yet regained consciousness. A number of passengers were injured.

Later news announces the death of Captain Law from the effects of his wounds.

Return of Youth to an Old Woman.

Limestone county has an interesting phenomenon. Mrs. Polly Emry, aged eighty-seven years, a white woman of a highly respectable family, appears to have fallen heir to another maidenhood. For a quarter of a century she has been an old woman, with white hair and no teeth, and the weight of years was apparent in her wrinkled face and enfeebled movements. Twenty-seven years ago every tooth was extracted from her mouth.

About a year ago her health commenced to materially improve. Her strength rapidly returned, her figure became more erect, her eyes brighter, her movements more elastic. Her hair also became perceptibly darker. Her gums commenced to swell and finally new teeth appeared. The change in a year is said to be astonishing. Her hair is now black. She has a new and substantial set of teeth as white and strong as a maiden's. Her vitality is greatly increased; her strength has returned and her appearance is said to suggest her age as forty instead of more than twice that number of years.

Joseph J. Williams, independent democrat, was elected mayor of Memphis, Tenn., over Hon. Lucas Clapp, the present incumbent, by a majority of about 500 votes. The entire independent ticket also carried by reduced majority.

Debs to Tour the South.

Eugene V. Debs has left for a trip through the south in behalf of the social democracy. He has an engagement to occupy the Rev. Thomas Dixon's pulpit in New York city April 17. He says that in every state in which an election will be held this year the social democrats will have a ticket in the field.

A Liverpool syndicate is making arrangements to build an immense [illegible] at Birmingham; disbursements, from 1896, $33,- [illegible] Bolton [illegible]

SEMINOLES ON WAR PATH.

Great Excitement Prevails in the Indian Nation.

THREATS OF A GENERAL UPRISING MADE.

Indians Are Seeking to Avenge the Death of the Two Seminoles Who Were Burned at the Stake For Murdering Mrs. Leard.

A special from Kansas City, Mo., says: General alarm exists throughout the southwest owing to the persistent rumors of a Seminole Indian outbreak which have poured in from various parts of the country since nightfall. The stories vary from the threatening war-dances to massacres, in which a score or more settlers are said to have lost their lives, and it is not probable the real state of affairs will be known until tomorrow. Since the burning of the two Indian murderers near Maud, Oklahoma, last Friday, the Seminoles have become greatly excited and trouble has been feared for several days. Specials from the various stations of the Indian country follow.

Trail of Blood.

A telegram received at South McAlester, I. T., Tuesday morning by the train dispatcher of the Choctaw, Gulk and Oklahoma reports a band of 150 Seminole Indians is on the war path and is leaving behind it a trail of blood. A telegram was sent by the railroad agent at Earlboro. The brief information conveyed was that the Seminoles were avenging the work of the mob that burned two Seminole Indians at Blake Shaw, at the stake on Friday last, and that the infuriated Seminoles had already massacred twenty-five men, women and children.

People Fleeing.

A special received at Wichita, Kan., from Shawnee, O. T., says: Tuesday the train from the east brought to that city a car containing every woman and child at Earlboro. The passengers confirm previous reports and say a pitched battle between the Indians and settlers took place this afternoon near Maud, resulting in the wiping out of several families. A later dispatch from Shawnee says:

A message calling for men and arms has just been received from Earlboro, a town of about 100 inhabitants, saying that nearly 300 Indians have sworn vengeance on the town and are moving towards the place, declaring they will burn the place. Grave fears are entertained for homes-traders on the border. A special train was made up from here of 150 men armed to the teeth, and left for the scene. The whole country is aroused.

MILLER'S STORY OF SUFFERING.

He Arrived at Dawson From Circle City Badly Frozen.

A letter from Dawson City, dated December 9, says: "Joaquin Miller arrived at Dawson from Circle City, December 4, at 11 o'clock. He was badly frozen, having lost a part of the great toe of his left foot; his left ear was sloughing off, and both cheeks were frozen. He left Circle City thirty-five days ago, in company with Harold Canovano, of the coast survey. They started from Circle City without dogs, having been unable to secure them. They pulled their outfit on a sled. Mr. Miller brings a story of great suffering all along the river by parties caught in the ice on their way to Yukon. He also reports the death of Charles Anderson, a young man from Brooklyn, N. Y., who accidentally shot himself while in a boat, about fifty miles below Circle City.

A Doctor Wants a Pardon.

Application has been made to the governor of Alabama for the pardon of Dr. Sullive Baldwin, the young Bullock county physician who is in the penitentiary serving a sentence for the murder of Wade Edson, at Fitzpatrick, two years ago. At Dr. Baldwin's request, Governor Johnston paroled him during the yellow fever epidemic at Montgomery to attend the sick, and he rendered substantial service, reporting back to the prison at the close of his term of parole. His friends will make a diligent fight for his pardon, but the friends of his victim will as earnestly protest, it is said.

Steamer Willie Call Launched.

The new steamer Willie Call, built by Peter Wagon, of Ball Play, Ala., was launched Tuesday for her maiden trip between Rome and Gadsden. Government experts declared her to be the finest boat that has navigated the Coosa river in twenty years.

Village Improvement Society.

A village improvement society has been organized at Huntsville, Ala., with the following officers: W. R. Rison, president; S. R. Cruse, treasurer; Mrs. M. W. Bolling, secretary. The society will set earnestly to work to improve the appearance of the city.

New Cotton Seed Oil Mill.

The cotton seed oil mill at LaFayette, Ala., is an assured fact. Messrs. C. C. and L. L. Torbet have contracted with Messrs. G. E. McGehee and Charles Schnessles for the mill, and work will begin on it early in the spring.

Governor Appoints a Sheriff.

Governor Johnston has announced the appointment of M. C. Grant as sheriff of Covington county, Ala., to succeed Hart, who recently resigned as [illegible] of the Dunston sensation.

TRADE WITH JAMAICA.

The South's Brilliant Commercial Prospects in the Semi-Tropics.

Mr. Robert G. Mallett, of Kingston, Jamaica, is in Birmingham. Since his return to the South Mr. Mallett has exposed his views on the trade relations between the South and Jamaica and is of the opinion that an immense market in the semi-tropics is knocking at the door of the South and is ready to take her goods, wares, merchandise and manufactures as soon as the proper steamship arrangements and trade relations can be established. He had a partner in Mobile and took from that port any amount of grain, flour and provisions, sending back by return cargo such things as limes, cocoanuts, bananas, spices, etc., etc. The yellow fever interfered a great deal with the trade last fall and gave him an opportunity to return home for a rest. Mr. Mallett grows enthusiastic whenever he talks about the remarkable field the South is going to have in the virgin countries in the semi-tropics. He says the South is going to grow rich by selling to its Latin neighbors in the South as the North and East have grown rich by selling their manufactures to the South. In other words, he believes the trend of growth and development in America is toward the South and that Alabama, with proper regulations, is going to get the lion's share of the future wealth to be obtained by dealing with the semi-tropics.

COLORED SWITCHMAN WON

In a $10,000 Suit Against the L. & N. Railroad.

There was a decision rendered in the supreme court at Montgomery, Ala., Tuesday of more than ordinary importance. It was a case taken on appeal from Jefferson county to the highest court. The plaintiff was Alexander Thornton and the defendant was the Louisville & Nashville railroad. Thornton was a colored man employed by the road as switchman.

He was on duty in the yards of the road in Birmingham, when, by some peculiar accident, he was thrown from a car and had both legs cut off.

The decision handed down by the supreme court makes it the first opinion with so large a judgment that has ever been rendered in the South against a corporation in favor of a colored man. The decision of the higher court carried with it a judgment of $10,000 and interest from the time of rendition of the original judgment in the lower court, more than a year ago.

POPULISTS IN CONVENTION.

Will Formulate the Policy to be Followed at Coming Elections.

Populists of national renown are assembling at St. Louis to take part in the conference which convenes Wednesday of the people's party national committee and national reorganization committee. Chairman Milton Park of the reorganization committee, which was appointed at the Memphis convention of the middle-of-the-road populists, speaking of the purposes of the conference, said:

"We wish to come to an understanding on matters relating to the calling of a national nominating convention and also the policy to be followed at coming elections. None of the middle-of-the-roaders favor fusion with the democrats, and I am pretty certain that populists everywhere will have nothing to do with fusion. The conference, which will probably last two days, will be behind closed doors and nothing will be given out until its conclusion."

MARCUS A. HANNA

Has Been Elected to the Senate to Succeed Himself.

Senator Marcus A. Hanna, of Ohio, has been re-elected to succeed himself in the United States senate, unless a change occurs Wednesday when the two houses of the legislature meet in joint session to cast the final vote. There is yet a possibility of his defeat, as the factional war against the senator will not be over until Wednesday.

Senator Hanna received 73 votes, a majority of one in a total membership of 145. The senate voted 19 for McKisson and 17 for Hanna. The house vote stood: Hanna, 56; McKisson, 49; Willey, 1; Warner, 1; Lentz, 1, and one absent. The only absent one was Representative Cramer, the democratic-populist, who is seriously sick.

Nominations Sent In.

The president Tuesday sent the following nominations to the senate:

Treasury—John Landis, of Pennsylvania, coiner of mint at Philadelphia.

To be consuls—W. Maxwell Greene, of Rhode Island, at Doublin, Ireland; Henry D. Saplor, of Pennsylvania, at Matanzas, Cuba.

Anchor Line Assigns.

The Anchor Line, operating a line of steamships between St. Louis and Southern points, has made an assignment. Their assets are given at $98,000, but no statement as to liabilities has been made. St. Louis is the company's headquarters.

Shot in the Leg.

Dr. R. B. Champion, a prominent dentist of Troy, Ala., while out in a boat fishing, happened to a very serious accident. His gun was in the bottom of the boat and was accidentally discharged, blowing Champion's leg almost off. It had to be amputated below the knee.

J. P. Mudd Dead.

J. P. Mudd, the well-known stock and bond broker of Birmingham [illegible] Tuesday.

TERSELY TO[illegible]

Mrs. Ballinger[illegible] so dangerously [illegible] in a critical [illegible] The nurses [illegible] are attending [illegible] the case of [illegible] de Cuba.

Frank L. Irvin[illegible] Colonel Victor [illegible] for his health [illegible] Rossa's [illegible] heart disease.

Hoag[illegible] Jones, [illegible] citizens of Lawrence[illegible] fell from his [illegible] Rossa's [illegible]

Electricity has [illegible] steam as the [illegible] power [illegible] mill of the Mississippi Manufacturing Company at Columbus, Ga.

Captain [illegible] of Sylvania, Ga., made an assignment Wednesday to W. I. Odom. The liabilities are $[illegible] and the assets about $[illegible]

James J. Corbett has offered [illegible] $15,000 for a finish fight, either [illegible] to go to Fitzsimmons if Corbett fails to put him out in ten rounds.

Columbus, Miss., dedicated [illegible] beautiful new theatre Monday [illegible] in the presence of the most brilliant gathering assembled in North Mississippi in years.

News has reached Nashville from Washington that Lewis T. Baxter, a one time republican candidate for governor of Tennessee, will be appointed postmaster at Nashville.

Mrs. Nack was sentenced to fifteen years in the Albany penitentiary by the New York court Monday. She helped Martin Thorn kill and mutilate William Guldensuppe, bath rubber.

Major-General Julio Sanguilly, who made an attempt to reach Cuba to join the insurgents, was prevented from landing by the treachery of a man who was to row him ashore, and he was sent on to the Tampico, Mexico.

VOTED TO STRIKE.

Walk Out Almost Certain in the Cotton Mills of New Bedford.

A strike in the cloth mills of New Bedford, Mass., next Monday morning can only be averted by withdrawing the notice of a 10 per cent. reduction posted in the mills December 31st. The spinners Tuesday took final action on the question of striking. The result was in favor of resistance to the reduction, the vote being 398 to 4.

The attempt at arbitration have thus far resulted in the decision of the state board of arbitration to visit New Bedford. They will be present Wednesday and a conference of mill men and operatives with the state board has been called. Both sides will be represented, but both the mill men and the operatives, as would seem from present indication, will be unwilling to surrender their positions.

RUINOUS ORDER.

Tobacco Tax Will Destroy Business in Florida.

A new order from the treasury department has created a great sensation among the cigar manufacturers of Tampa. It compels them to have tobacco imported before the Weyler edict examined and appraised according to the present tariff, thus raising the duty from 35 cents to $1.85. This, if persisted in, means the closing of all the factories, as they cannot stand the raise. They declare it means an entire suspension of business. Such action would throw 10,000 people out of employment in Tampa alone, with a loss of $60,000 a week to business, as the pay roll amounts to that much. It is estimated that about 18,000 bales of tobacco will be affected by this ruling.

Trouble Over Water Works.

The negotiations between the city council of Montgomery and Mr. W. B. Rice, of Boston, representing the Capital City Water Company, are now off. The price proposed by Mr. Rice, $450,000, was considered exorbitant and the council rejected it. The council says that the present works are very much in need of repairs, would require $200,000 to put them in proper order and that new works can be built for much less. The city engineer has been instructed by the council to prepare plans and specifications for new works and the war is now on. In the meantime the Capital City works are being operated under the receiver of the United States court, and there is no contract with the city.

Re-Elected Officers.

At Huntsville, Ala., the directors of the Farmers and Merchants' National bank re-elected the following officers: W. J. Wellman, president; S. J. Mayhew, vice-president; A. E. Martin, assistant cashier; S. J. Mayhew, C. L. Nolen, W. S. Wells, R. M. Church, H. M. Knapp, of Bridgeport, Conn.; T. W. Pratt and W. J. Wellman, directors.

The Work of a Scoundrel.

Monday night some one set fire to the corn crib of Dr. John Hoetzler, near Madison, Ala., and destroyed his entire crop of corn, amounting to 4,250 bushels. No clue to the incendiary.

The Fisheries Congress.

As the national fisheries congress that is to meet at Tampa, Fla., on the 18th has assumed international importance, commercial organizations and mayors of cities throughout the United States are requested by Governor Bloxham to appoint delegates to this important industrial assembly.

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Autumn's weather in the northwest checks distribution. Sales of southern iron are large. Louisiana sugar returns have been very satisfactory. Nine-tenths of Florida's orange crop was gathered before the freeze, and cotton is steady and in good export demand. Wool has opened up actively at some eastern markets and lower prices for cotton goods have stimulated some demand.

Naturally enough there is a slight gain in the number of failures this week over the last, the total aggregating 333, against 207 last week, but a heavy falling off from 1897, when the total was 488.

The holidays have exceeded their expected effect on export trade in cereals. Wheat exports from the United States and Canada for the first week in January amount to 3,481,075 bushels, against 5,585,000 bushels last week, 3,108,000 bushels in this week a year ago and 3,471,000 in the corresponding week in 1896.

Corn exports also show a sensible diminution, amounting to 1,086,000 bushels last week, 1,819,000 bushels in this week a year ago and 2,626,000 in the corresponding week of 1896.

Public Feeling Intense.

The grand jury of Hale county, Ala., made a partial report Tuesday morning. It is supposed Bill Sott was indicted for the murder of the Singley family last November. The day of his arraignment and trial has not been set. Public sentiment is in favor of giving the prisoner a fair trial.

The citizens of Hale county while doing all in their power to aid in securing for the prisoner a trial, there are many who fear an outbreak at any time. In some quarters the feeling is intense against the prisoner and it would take but little to stir up a sentiment having for its purpose the lynching of Sott.

The character of the crime, and the splendid standing of the murdered family has a tendency to inflame even the most law-abiding citizens.

Bill for a Lincoln Statue.

Early in the extra session of congress Senator Cullom introduced a bill making an appropriation of $50,000 for a statue of Abraham Lincoln, to be erected at Gettysburg. The bill went to the committee, where it remained until last Friday, when Senator Hansbrough reported the bill favorably.

It is the unanimous sentiment of the committee that Gettysburg is one of the most appropriate of all places for a statue of Abraham Lincoln. The name of the great president is as ever be associated with that battlefield. Like the wonderful achievements of the union army, his eloquent address at the dedication of the soldiers' monument there will live in history as long as the battle is remembered or the republic lasts.

Improving the Militia.

Adjutant General Hopkins of the Florida state troops, is developing plans for making the militia more efficient, and raising all the companies to a higher standard of excellence in practical soldiery. He has issued instructions to Col. W. S. Pinckney, who is at the head of the ordinance department, to prepare requisitions with this end in view. These requisitions are being put in form and soon will be promulgated to the troops.

Ironaton Taking on New Life.

The Clifton Iron Company is getting its new coke furnace at Ironaton, Ala., ready to go into blast as rapidly as possible, and that it will go into blast early in February. The coke furnace at Ironaton is a new furnace to be added to the number in the Anniston district, and is up to date in all its departments and has a daily capacity of from 150 to 175 tons.

A Swamp Utilized.

Mr. Burwell Boykin has a shingle mill in operation near Portland, Ala., that will turn out 40,000 shingles a day. He has a dam thrown across a swamp and can float the cypress logs to his mill for a distance of two miles. The cypress swamp, where his mill is located, is five miles long and two miles wide.

Cents per bottle. ... it understands ...son Jr.

SWEEPING CHANGES

Made by the Republicans' Bill to Reform the Civil Service Law.

The bill for the reform of the civil service law, which has been drafted by a special committee of republican members of the house of representatives opposed to the system in its present form, makes sweeping changes in the present system, the most important of which is the establishment of a five years' tenure of office for those government employes who are brought within the terms of the bill. The measure limits the application of the civil service system to the departments in Washington and to such other localities where the total number of employes exceed twenty-five. All appointees are commissioned for five years, with the power of removal clearly regulated and vested in the appointing power. It is provided, however, that no removal shall be made for political or religious causes and in case of removal the causes shall be specified and the papers made a record of the office. All persons now in the public service are to terminate their service five years from the time that the act takes effect.

The measure recognizes the general eligibility of those persons for re-appointment. It includes in the civil service postal clerks and letter carriers in office having over ten employes, exclusive of subordinates. It limits the civil service regulations to clerks whose compensation is from $900 to $1,800 per annum and includes clerks, copyists, computers, and counters.

It is pointed out that the essential idea of the foregoing bill is to take out of the civil service all responsible and important offices, limiting it only to clerks in Washington and certain large cities and in these cases fixing a tenure of office of five years.

CONGRESSMAN KING FROM CUBA.

Says Naked People Are Dying Like Sheep in the Streets.

After spending several weeks making personal investigation of the situation in Cuba, Congressman King, of Utah, arrived at Tampa, Fla., last Saturday. His tour covered four provinces, and was thorough. Speaking of his trip, he said:

"I made it a point to learn just what the conditions were, and I found that no one has ever half depicted the awful horrors of the reconcentrados. These people, naked and emaciated, are still dying like sheep in the streets of the towns where they are huddled. To realize just what this means one must see for himself. I found that the Spanish people have evidently very little faith in the new autonomical government, for they are strongly in favor of annexation, and want it at once. General Blanco has not succeeded in his efforts to alleviate the sufferings, for he has not had financial means to carry it out. I have interviewed insurgent leaders, Spanish officers and Americans, and have some definite idea of what is going on in that devastated island. I know positively that General Lee is not going out with General Blanco to see General Gomez."

As Mr. King saw General Lee, he evidently speaks with authority.

Prof. Herman Schörfield, of Columbian University, came on the same boat. He has been making investigations for the purpose of writing magazine articles for Germany and Austria. He corroborated, in the main, Mr. King's views, but thinks the war will continue a long time.

PREFERS TO WIN WITH THEM.

Bryan on the Populists and Silver Republicans.

W. J. Bryan, in concluding a speech before the Bryan league at the Tremont house, Chicago, during a banquet held after the Auditorium meeting, made some remarks which are interpreted as showing his intentions if he is nominated for the presidency in 1900.

In speaking of the next presidential election, Mr. Bryan said:

"It may be we will be strong enough to win without outside help. But nevertheless, I prefer to win with the populists on one side and the free silver republicans on the other. And we must not forget when the victory is won that in the campaign of last year it took more courage on the part of the free silver republicans to desert their old party and more self-sacrifice on the part of the populists to go outside of their organization for a presidential candidate, because he agreed with them on the paramount issue, than it did for the democrats to support the ticket which was nominated by their own national convention."

DELIVERANCE CELEBRATED.

The People of Meridian Dined Many Prominent Visitors.

The people of Meridian, Miss., celebrated in right royal manner Monday night their deliverance from a visitation of the dreaded plague—yellow fever—which scourged numerous sections of Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana, during the autumn just closed.

In the spacious dining-rooms of the Grand Avenue hotel the representative citizens and business men of Meridian—self-constituted hosts—made their guests; the leading officials of the various systems of railways converging there, the heads of postal departments, the members of the state board of health, the members of the city board of health and the members of the municipal boards, feel that they appreciated the efforts individually and collectively put forth by them, to the end that Meridian might be spared an affliction which, at one time, seemed to be inevitable.

THE PASSING SHOW.

GLANCES AT POLITICS AND CONDITIONS.

While Many of Us Are Puzzled to Make a Living the Administration Finds It Equally as Hard to Preserve Its Credit.

The administration is very much agitated at the deficit in the revenue. Some way of taxing the poor will have to be contrived, for the idea of an income tax cannot be tolerated. Accordingly, Senator Allison is to the fore with a scheme for taxing tea, and Senator Morrill is in favor of taxing coffee. The Populists in the senate want to revive the income tax, but the decision of the Supreme court stands in the way. But, whatever is to be the outcome, things cannot be long delayed, for no man, and no government either, can go on very long if he or it spends more than is received in the shape of income. The idea of levying a special tax on the railroads of the country has been suggested, but Mr. McKenna, who is so soon to go on the bench of the Supreme court, declares that a national tax on railroads is unconstitutional, and we are inclined to suspect that he knows all about it. Taxes on the rich are not apt to be constitutional, although taxes on the poor are invariably so, says the Twentieth Century. It is a little odd to have men like Senator Lodge get up and say that our country is the richest one on earth and blessed with inexhaustible natural resources, while at the same time there is no way of providing taxes enough to run the government. Senator Lodge says the talk about the distress of the poor is quite absurd because the taxes laid on the poor yield so much. This is really a very striking and ingenious argument. If the poor can pay so much, what can the rich pay?

A Fall River, Mass., dispatch under a December date, said:

"At a general meeting of the Cotton Manufacturers' Association it was unanimously voted to reduce all wages in the mills of the city, the amount and time of the reduction being left to a committee. It is understood that the cut will not be less than 10 per cent, and that it will go into effect Jan. 1. The cut will effect 28,000 persons. The feeling is prevalent that there will be a strike, but how large a proportion of the operatives will take part in it it is impossible to say. Every effort will be made to avert such action."

There is a remedy for all this condition, costing less exertion than all these kind of "strikes"—Vote! Labor has the electoral strength to make a "strike" at the ballot box that will end for all time the necessity of strikes against reduction of wages, says the Journal of the Knights of Labor. Stand together one time at the polls, and victory will perch upon the standard of labor, and the "crown of liberty" will be won for the industrial masses. Let all labor interests combine now for one great future effort to throw off industrial serfdom. Will you do it, and be free and prosperous?

It now looks like the American workers will not complete the Grand Trianon in Paris which they recently started, according to Pilgrim. This building was to have cost many millions and would have astonished the world by its magnificence. Perhaps you are surprised to learn that the workingmen of the United States have been engaged upon a building of this nature. Perhaps you never heard of it. Well, they have been doing that very thing, vicariously as it were. You see, the laboring people of the United States annually create and turn over to the Gould family many million dollars in return for which the Gould family do nothing. But in the direction of royalty the Gould do bend, and hence it came about once upon a time that Annie Gould married a French count and the count married Annie and $70,000,000, which the employees of the Missouri Pacific railroad and the Western Union Telegraph company had earned and turned over to Annie, because her father had given her a few little pieces of paper called stocks and bonds. So Annie and the Count de Castellene were married and soon afterwards the count turned up in Paris, and since then the "fur has flew." Banquets and yachts, balls and parties were plentiful, and the count, in cudgelling his brains for a way to spend the creation of American labor faster, hit upon this scheme of a magnificent building in Paris—not in America. But this extravagance caused the countess who, it is said, is now tired of her profligate husband to stop the flow of the golden dollars. Think of the hardships it takes to keep this irresponsible animal pleased. It has taken the cold and discomfort of many thousand railroad men to gratify his inordinate vanity, and more than one of them are minus limbs in trying to create wealth for him to throw at the birds, and many of them have left widowed women and fatherless children to face a bitter world.

According to the President's message, the nation is a lump of prosperity; according to a bill introduced by Senator Hawley at the earliest hour possible, the nation's prosperity has wide and deep cracks. No sooner was congress opened and the President's message had been read, than Senator Hawley demands attention to a bill brought in by him for two additional regiments of artillery. How is the introduction of this bill to be interpreted but as the lie direct to the Presidential claim of our paradisiacal happiness? Now, then, if McKinley is right, and we are a happy, prosperous people, why should we want more regiments of artillery than we now have? If, on the other hand, Hawley is right, and we do need such increase of repressive power, we are not a happy and prosperous nation. One or the other is in error. Which of the two, McKinley or Hawley, in giving the lie to the other, is right?

"Six tramps were arraigned in Justice Dunn's court Tuesday, charged with destroying railroad property. Among them was a lawyer of no mean ability who undertook the defense, and actually cleared the whole gang, much to the surprise of all. There was no question as to some of them burning posts to make a fire, but the tramp lawyer was smart enough to clear them all. His name was Norcross, of a noted family of lawyers of Illinois."—Dispatch, Arkansas City, Kas.

Little items like the above that occasionally creep into the press show what kind of people are being crowded into the ranks of the tramps, says the Appeal to Reason. Not only the laborer and the skilled mechanic are getting down in the mire, but lawyers, doctors, bankrupt merchants and speculators—men who a few years ago would have considered you insane had you suggested that they or their kind would have been forced on the tramp. In one smelter in Pueblo, Col. five years ago, there were seven graduated physicians doing common labor alongside of the Italians and Huns. Their dream of life had faded. Poverty is a great equalizer. I often meet tramps who are educated and have ability, but not in the one line that counts—money making. There are thousands of lawyers, doctors and other professionals who are on the tramp because they could not make a living—and they had to eat. Nice system!

ECONOMIC AXIOMS.

Divide the money, you double debts;
Double the money, you divide the debts;
Divide the money, you divide prices;
Double the money, you double prices.

That commodities would rise and fall in price in proportion to the increase or diminution of money, I assume as a fact that is incontrovertible; that such would be the case the most celebrated writers on political economy are agreed.—Ricardo.

If the whole money in circulation was doubled, prices would double; if it was only increased one-fourth, prices would rise one-fourth.—John Stuart Mill.

Numberless as are the evils by which kingdoms, principalities and republics are wont to decline, these four are, in my judgment, most baleful: Civil strife, pestilence, sterility of the soil and corruption of the coin. The first three are so manifest, that no one fails to apprehend them; but the fourth, which concerns money, is considered by few, and those the most reflective since it is not by a blow, but little by little, and through a secret and obscure approach, that it destroys the state.—Copernicus in the 16th century.

For men have so well obscured the facts about money that the great part of the people do not see them at all. The moneyers do as the doctors do who talk Latin before women, and use Greek characters, Arab words, and Latin abbreviations, fearing that if the people understood their receipts they would not have much opinion of them.—Bodin in 1577.

Money is the life blood of business. Make it plenty, all business prospers and workingmen are employed at good wages. Make it scarce, all business languishes, merchants become bankrupt and laborers are starving.—Wendel Phillips.

The Trust Octopus.

Trust-forming goes steadily on. It stops not for season of plenty or adversity. One combination after another is consummated and the underman squeals every time. The latest is the steel rod, wire and nail trust, and J. Pierpont Morgan, prince of the trust makers, is the head. Morgan will have power far beyond anything the Rothschilds ever thought of, if he is spared to live a few years more. And every turn he makes is at the direct detriment of the public. The voters of the country had only begun to appreciate the trust danger when six and a half millions of them last November cast their ballots for a man pledged to throttle the octopus. But in the next election this issue will far transcend anything else in importance. Silver nor tariff can touch it. The very life-blood of the people is being drawn by these combinations. The larger cities are being fed by the sacrifice of the smaller. The railroads foster the tendency. It comes to be a question whether or not the government some day will not be faced with the problem of absorption of the railroad and telegraph systems as well as the great industrial enterprises. That's why the government talks about building an armor plate plant. It, itself, is coping with a combination.—Knoxville Sentinel.

Wall Street's Panics.

And now the New York gold bug papers tell us that if England had accepted the offer of our commissioners for silver coinage, Wall street would have given this country a panic such that the one of '93 would not serve even as a sample. They say that England's statesmen and business men saved us. To which we will simply add that one of these days Wall street will give us one panic too many, and she will need several Englands to save her.—Free Press.

SOUTHERN INDUSTRIAL NEWS.

List of Those Reported to the Chattanooga Tradesman.

Among the most important new industries for the week just ended, the Chattanooga Tradesman reports the following: The Brown Common-Sense Harrow Company, capital $20,000, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; a development company with a capital of $20,000 at Birmingham, Ala.; the Nashville Electric Light and Power Company, Nashville, Tenn.; the Conway Milling Company, capital $12,000, Conway, Ark.; a flour and grist mill at Boxwood, Va.; machine works at Gallatin, Tenn.; the Pratt Process Company, capital $40,000, Atlanta, Ga.; a $25,000 bicycle factory at Charleston, S. C., and vehicle works at a cost of $50,000 at Louisville, Ky.

The Witherspoon-Ross Shoe Company, capital $40,000, has been chartered at Louisville, Ky. The Bourgeois Motor Works, limited, capital $10,000, at New Orleans, La.; the Eagle Gap Quarry Company, limited, capital $10,000, at Shreveport, La., and the Elliott Farm Oil Company, maximum capital $100,000, at Parkersburg, W. Va. The erection of a $75,000 silk mill is contemplated at Newport News, Va.; a $50,000 woolen mill will probably be erected at Madisonville, Tenn., and tobacco factories at Farmville, Va.

Woodworking plants will be established at Courtland, Ala.; Lexington, Ky., and Staunton, Va.

WILL TRY AGAIN.

Chandler Says McKinley Will Send His Bimetallic Envoys Back to Europe.

Senator Chandler had a conference with President McKinley Monday upon the subject of bimetallism and he said after the close of his interview: "The President stands firmly in favor of international bimetallism as promised by the St. Louis platform. He considers the negotiations with European powers only temporarily suspended on account of the peculiar condition of affairs in India, and it is the President's intention to again send his envoys to Europe as soon as conditions are favorable for continuing negotiations."

A Woman With Courage of a Soldier.

By the vigorous use of a hat pin Miss Addie Williams of Chicago succeeded in foiling the robbery of a street car conductor of that city. Just as the robbers were getting the best of the fight, she concluded to take a hand. Grabbing her long hat pin that fastened her hat to her hair she made a plunge with the pin on the robber nearest her. All her strength was bent to the thrust and the man screamed with pain. He released his hold on the conductor and turned on Miss Williams. She stuck him again and he quit the fight. Miss Williams went for the next man and she made a thrust for his eyes. The point of the pin struck the cheek. This was enough for the robbers and they jumped from the car.

Voted to Strike.

The weavers of the Wauskuck worsted mills at Providence, R. I., rejected the compromise offered by Superintendent Metcalf and voted to strike. They had demanded the restoration of the 1893 schedule as already put in effect at the mill at Olneyville, and the abolition of the double loom system.

Accidentally Killed Himself.

While in the act of pulling his shotgun from beneath his bed, George Robinson, of Apalachicola, Fla., shot and mortally wounded himself. The load of shot entered Robinson's left thigh, mutilated his leg horribly, and made life impossible and he died shortly after.

Cowboy Kills Two Men.

Seth Burrows, a cowboy of El Paso, Texas, got into a fight across the river in Juarez, Mexico, and in a pitched battle stood off the Juarez police for one hour. Burrows was killed himself, but before biting the dust he killed a gambler, a policeman and fatally wounded two other officers.

Looms Will Be Stopped.

On February 1, 1,140 looms in the printing department of the Manchester (N. H.) cotton mills will be stopped for an indefinite time. The cause assigned is the falling off in demand for print goods. There will also be a reduction of about 10 per cent in wages, affecting about 3,000 employes.

New Mississippi Postoffices.

New postoffices have been established at Attitude, Prentiss county, Solon P. Copeland, postmaster; Eskrit, Montgomery county, John M. Fowler, Jr., postmaster; Ogden, Wilkinson county, Edwin D. Ogden, postmaster.

Inaugurated as Governor.

Governor Bushnell, was inaugurated governor of Ohio Monday amidst the most exciting scenes ever witnessed in Columbus, fully 15,000 visitors coming in during the previous twenty-four hours.

Governor Taylor, of Tennessee, declines to enter the senatorial race.

Treasury Statement.

Monday's statement of the condition of the treasury: Available cash balances, $241,310,838. Gold reserve, $161,506,106.

At San Antonio, Tex., Frank Beitel, an old resident and wealthy realty owner and lumber merchant, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. Ill health prompted the deed.

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GOD'S MESSAGE TO ...

PREGNANT THOUGHTS FROM WORLD'S GREATEST PROPHETS.

The Angel of Pain—A Prayer for Nearness—Souls Ripen in Different Ways—How Can God's Child Repine—Straight Up the Only Way—Must Obey.

"In all their affliction He was afflicted."—Isaiah 63: 9.

He sat beside me through the weary weeks
I grew impatient, eager to complain.
He was not welcome in my happy home,
This shadow men call Pain.

He lingered still, with grave and patient grace,
As if to hear me say, "Thy will be done."
With childish petulance I turned aside,
Nor could my trust be won.

At last he went away. Once more my feet
Could tread, with haste, the busy walks of life.
I saw the struggle of the maimed and weak
Helpless, amid the strife.

The little children in their sordid homes,
Robbed of their birthright by the greed for gold;
The sick, the aged, in their awful fight
With Poverty and Cold.

I saw, unmoved, Oppression, with her hand
Grasping the throat of Freedom by the might.
Wrong ride triumphant, dragging Right on wheels
The forms of Truth and Right.

And then I knew that from my soul had gone
The sweetest joy a mortal heart can know,
The Christlike power to sympathize or share
In human grief and woe.

Up from my heart went forth the bitter cry:
"Father, forgive! teach me to do thy will.
Take all I have, but let me share with them
The joy of loving still."

An answer came, as in my lonely room,
One winter day, I watched the day wane,
And in the dark-robed angel at my side
I knew my old friend, Pain.

—Margaret J. Bi...

A Prayer for Nearness.

Almighty One, take from us the fe... we are at a great distance from G... give us to feel that thou art at our rig... that we may not be moved. We ... thee to give us such realization of th... ence in our life as shall save us fro... trust, as shall deliver us from ten... and give us steadiness of mind, cons... heart and determination of will in ... pertains to our lot. In the mornin... song, at eventide be our rest, and ... morning and evening alike be ... opening upon eternity. Make ... a home; make the family a h... of faith. May the strong minister ... weak; may the healthy give cheery ... comfort to the sick; may the old ... tient with the young and the young ... erent to the old. The Lord visit ... according to the depth and breadth ... painful necessity. Thou knowest w... would be, what we would have, w... would do, and we lay this before the ... tered words or in silent desire. He... our prayer and send upon us the Holy ... by whose inspiration, energy and ... alone we can understand thy purp... realize thy holy will. Amen.

Souls Ripen in Different Ways.

Some fruits, when ripe, have a ... glow; others, fully as ripe, lack ... site color. Souls, like fruits, ripen ... ent ways. Some ripen rapidly, ot... ly but beautifully, and whenever w... we shall fall from the tree of ... ought we to complain when souls ... pened in the manner and ... the final end of things? Perfection ... ness, whether in flower, or fruit, o... By this we do not mean that the soul ... reached the limit of its power. This ... be said of the soul. When countless ... shall have passed away, the possibilities ... the soul will not be exhausted. In ... when ... terious organism are undiscovered ... nents of power. The soul will flow ... fruiten endlessly. The higher it ... branches in the summer air, and the ... it sinks its roots in the genial soil of ... the flavor will be the fruit. But it is essential ... to drop the body, as the coverings of the ... chrysalis, before it can rise to this supreme ... condition. Death is the removal of an out-... growth after it has accomplished its work. ... It is an essential stage in human progress. ... It is the gateway to endless life.—Rev. J. B. ... Whitford.

How Can God's Child Repine?

Whenever you meet with a morose, glo... Christian, you may rest assured that t... is something wrong either with his li... with his liver; his health is bad or ... religion is out of order. Heir to all the ... shine in this world, heir to every promi... this dear old Book, heir to a prescience ... notes the sparrow when it falls, and ... Providence which counts the very ... his head, he is heir also to all th... that are yet to be revealed. With ... within him, above him, around him, ... a child of God repine? As one ... "Every day should be a note of j... week a bar of music, every month ... melody, every year a completed st... life itself one sweet, long, beautiful ... prelude to the anthem sung abo... J. R. Campbell, D. D.

Straight Up the Only Way.

"How hard the way is!" cried one ... along the up-hill path in deep ... "Isn't there a pleasanter way round? ... we go straight up?"

"Yes; we must go straight up," was ... answer of the elder companion. "There ... no easier way. Up the hill is into the light."

Many a time pleasure seekers and treasure seekers find themselves toiling along in the dusky shadows up a steep path. They are ... hindered, hampered, in the press ... but up the hill is into the light. ... the end of life's long ascent "the city lieth ... foursquare," in the mount of the Lord it ... shall be seen," and "the sun shall no more go down."—Julia H. Johnson in "Bright ...

Must Obey and Keep Trying.

"Cast your net on the right side of the ship and ye shall find. They cast therefore." Just ... was commanded these disciples, they ... I think it just here we ... fail. ... the peculiar temptation ... cour... ent to fail, just here, at ... of an direct obedience. We say, ... "There's no use trying any more, ... give ov... trying." Instead of obeying, for although ... disciples, we ... cold a... clean gone in ... thing ... they did. ... than ... with a ... cement, we ... reputation.—Wayland ...

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...Sick ... Dr. M... Liver ... worth ... gold ... are not ...

...US ... Caress ... with a ... reputation.—Wayland ... ...ne to all ...

...TS ... ...all blossoms ... ...is broad yellow ... ...ishes are com... ...leaf-colored ... ...it is all extremely ... ...and November ... ...of the very earli... ...catkins. ... their ... ...y belong to the ... ...ring amid ... ...saves and ... ...which ...—H. D.

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MR. JOHN EDWARDS, of Kingsmeon, came smiling into the office last Saturday, and we had the pleasure of handing him a Ten Dollar gold piece, in accordance with our cotton guessing contest proposition. Brother Edwards says there is no paper like THE BANNER, and gave us the following receipt:

Clanton, Ala., Jan. 8, 1898

RECEIVED of THE BANNER Ten Dollars in gold, being the amount of the prize offered by THE BANNER to the paid up subscriber making the nearest correct guess to the number of bales of cotton marketed at Clanton up to Dec. 31, 1897.

JOHN EDWARDS.

ALL Populists in Alabama are pleased to know the State campaign this year will be fought on clean party lines with no entanglements with either of the old parties.

The conference called by the national organization of the People's party went into executive session at St. Louis with about fifty populists present. Most of those in attendance were middle-of-the-road populists, very few of the members of the national executive committee had been invited having appeared. The conference will probably be in session two days.

WE learn, on good authority, that all the stock of the Alliance Co-operative Company at Jemison has been bought up by W. H. Merritt and L. H. Reynolds, and the old Alliance Co-operative Company is no longer in existence. The new firm will be the Jemison Mercantile Company, and they will carry on business at the old stand with increased capital and enlarged facilties. The new firm is well equipped for business and we bespeak for it the trade of that community, feeling assured that our people will reap the benefit of the change, the capital of the old Co-operative Company being insufficient to fully carry on the business.

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Chairman Knox has called a meeting of the executive committee of the Democratic party of Alabama to assemble in Montgomery on February 22nd [illegible]

Clanton City Election.

THE election of a mayor and four councilors for the town of Clanton took place last Monday and passed off very quietly, although on the morning of the election an opposition ticket was sprung upon the voters. As was to have been expected the opposition met with very little support. The time has passed by when voters were content to let others choose whom they should vote for. Nowadays the voters expects to know in good time the men who seek official position, then to consider whom it is to his best interest and the best interest of the community to vote for. All the candidates were good men, and doubtless the city government would have been in good hands whichever were elected. But the point we wish to make is, that candidates for any office should let the people know they are candidates and what they propose to do if they are elected, then the voters can intelligently make their choice.

W. L. Sampey was re-elected mayor by a majority of 59, and W. I. Mullins and J. P. VanDerveer were re-elected councilors, while J. M. Potts and W. M. Wilson were elected to the council in place of E. Y. McMorries and J. M. Stanfield.

The opposition ticket, headed by A. C. Smith for mayor, withe Dr. W. E. Stewart and M. A. Watts for councilors, received a light vote, Dr. Stewart declining early in the morning to be a candidate.

General satisfaction is expressed at the result of the election, and we predict continued prosperity for Clanton under the new administration.

Briarfield.

After the holidays have passed and our country has put on its working clothes and assumed a business-like appearance in our little village; we will make an effort to send the Banner readers a few dots.

Cupid has been playing his part. Mr. Wm. Potts to Miss Cora McGuire on Dec. 23, and on the 26th Mr. Joe Farrington to Miss Minnie Potts, Rev. J. W. Mitchell officiating. Let the good work go on.

Miss Cora McCalley spent the holidays at Montevallo with friends.

The Normal gave a nice entertainment on the evening of the 22d and we will mention a few of the pieces recited.

"The Neighborhood Gossip" by Miss Mahan was fine.

Miss McCalley has a fine appearance on the stage as a reciter.

"Old Joe" by three boys was highly appreciated; F. A. Smith a Chiltou boy was the conspicuous character

"The Rising of 1776" by E. E Woodward was applauded very much.

But the best of all to make you laugh and get fat was the "Young Teachers Experience," conducted by Miss Fanny Whitfield and twelve real mischievous little boys.

Prof. Collier and lady spent Xmas in north Ala.

Miss Fanny Cocke, our music teacher spent the week after Xmas with home folks at Marion.

Prof. Gibson who traveled in the interest of the school, reports good encouragement for the opening of the third term, which will be on the 10 inst. School has opened up with new vigor for the new year.

J. T. Martin, of Jemison, was over, looking for a house, he says he is going to take a special course next June.

Rev. J. R. Wells and lady have returned from a trip to Perry county.

Our farmers are beginning to turn the soil and repair fencing.

Mrs. Sallie Wilson and master Weldon sent the week in Selma and returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. Tiney Kuffner, of Tuskaloosa, is visiting her father, Mr. F. M. Pankey. SKYLARK.

Something to Know.

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Political Pointers.

People's Press Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 12, 1898.

Chauncey Ives Filley, of St. Louis Missouri, for many years a Republican boss of the State, [illegible] not with the McHanna wing [illegible] ally and is giving out newspaper articles that disclose many ghastly G. O. P. skeletons. Of course those interested say that the old man is in his dotage, but those who are familiar with the outside facts of republican history for the last few years find Filley's statements dovetail perfectly with them. This last week he has spiked some of the biggest guns in Ohio and thus done much to defeat Hanna, who is his special hate now.

Governor Pingree, than whom few better advertised men are to be found in this country, has declared himself on the subject of a winning platform for 1900. He commends the silver cause, which he considers very much alive, but believes that "Fight the Trusts" must be the rallying cry for the next campaign. He says: "If the trusts and syndicates are to run the country as they are now we will have to change our system of education. There will be no use in educating our children to do business when there is no business. They will have to be taught to suck their thumbs instead of learning the industrial trades or even the commercial lines, because the trusts propose to combine every trade so that one man can do what it usually requires a half dozen or more to do. Competition is to be killed and all of its avenues closed to individual merit. That is the way things are drifting now, with all the precipitation the forces of legislative and administrative power can command. If the people can't be aroused to the magnitude of such an issue and the consequences it involves then they are content with serfdom rather than freedom."

The State Farmers' Alliance, held at Topeka, Kansas, January 5, was an interesting session. Judge Doster, Peffer and others took an active part. The State Populist Committee met the same day.

A scheme to establish free circulating libraries in every township in the state is the latest Kansas fad. The books are all to be along political and economic lines. The enterprise is said to be backed by both the Populist and Democratic State committees.

Dr. Benj. Andrews of Rhode Island, seemed to have left his muzzle at home when he recently spoke to the Kansas Teachers Association. He was as free and breezy as any westerner. Later in an interview he disclaimed having given up his silver views that at one time jeopardised his position as president of the Brown University, and speaking of the present banking system said: "I have positive information that some of the large New York banks informed correspondents, with whom the eastern institution was indespensible, that furnishing aid to the opposition, or silver campaign, meant an immediate cutting off of favors.

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Hon. Ignatius Donnelly, the well known writer and politician, is being widely written up along a new line. He is to be married to a lady who is forty six years his junior.

The largest incorporation fee evar paid was recently deposited with the Illinois secretary of state by the American Steel Wire Company (trust). The amount was $37,500,000.

The newest woman in politics is Mrs. Griffith of Ohio, who on learning in the middle of the night that her husband who is a member of the Ohio legislature was weakening in his opposition to Hanna, wired the "continued pressure" that was brought to bear upon him, accordingly to the capitol, by a beer wagon, frustrated all plans on foot there. A. B.

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Showing Him the Door.

Some recently published memoirs of Marshal Pelissier, duke of Malakoff, one of the mushroom "nobles" of the court of Napoleon III, a man who had acquired a reputation for cruelty and violence in Algeria, relate an odd instance of the "not at home" system. The marshal had a servant named Fouquet, very honest and faithful, but stupid. One day the servant announced to the marshal a commandant of cuirassiers.

"I'm positively not at home to anybody," said the marshal and went on writing.

Fouquet went out, but soon returned and said timidly: "The commandant won't go. He says he has an important matter to communicate to"—

"Mille tonnerres!" shouted the marshal wrathfully. "I tell you to show him the door! Don't you know how to show any one the door? Well, now, I'll show you!"

And the marshal rose, gesticulating, and, followed by the astonished servant, rushed down stairs, walked up to the waiting cuirassier, seized him by the shoulders and pushed him toward the door, shouting as he did so:

"I tell you the marshal isn't in! He isn't here! Can't you understand? He isn't anywhere about!"

"But, marshal," the commandant stammered, "I am ordered to"—

"I don't care a straw for your orders!" shouted Pelissier, putting the officer out. "I am not at home, and that's all there is about it!"

The door slammed, leaving the commandant not less astonished than the servant at this emphatic personal assertion of the marshal's absence.

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Notice No. 10,449.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 3, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on February 12, 1898, viz.: James A. Sims, Homestead entry No. 24,446, for the se ¼ of ne ¼, ne ¼ of se ¼, section 24, tp 20, n r 12 east

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: J. H. Johnson, I. M. Tidwell, James Murrah, W. M. Roberts, all of Stanton, Ala.

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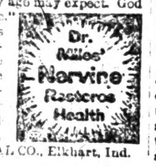

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Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1898.

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 6th day of January, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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The State of Alabama, Chilton county. In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, North-eastern Chancery Division. December 14, 1897.

W. M. Pylant, complainant, vs. Fannie Pylant, defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of A. A. Smith, Esq., that the Defendant, Fannie Pylant, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, and that her post office address and residence are unknown to affiant and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring her, the said Fannie Pylant, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 17th day of January 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against her in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 14th day of December, 1897.

W. [illegible] STEWART,
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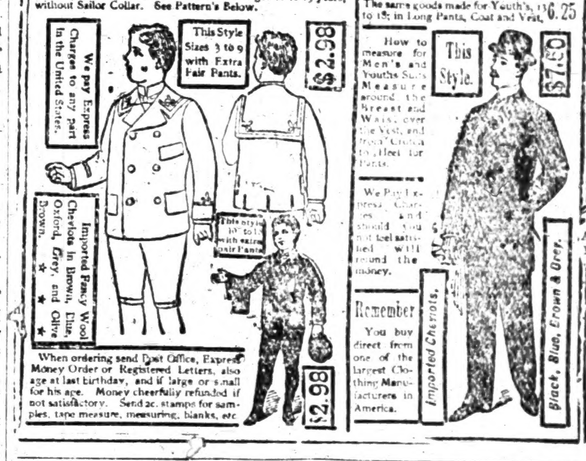

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ANY MATERIAL SUITABLE FOR TIES.

There is hardly anything that may not be worn now for ties for women. There are black satin ties, one thickness of the satin about four inches wide and hemmed all around with a narrow ribbon, ties of the same style in plaids almost any plain color, all to be worn passing either once or twice around the neck, and then tying with an ordinary bow and ends in front. There are the stocks of all kinds and descriptions, with the four-in-hand tie in front or the immensely long and wide ties which receive the anathemas of the men as they are worn by women, with soft-puffed ends; there are ribbons of all descriptions—plaids, plain red, plain green, any color, passing twice around the collar and tied in a bow or like a four-in-hand; there are the mull ties of all descriptions, and there are the riding ties of flannel. These last are very pretty, and because they are called riding ties it does not follow that they may not be worn for any kind of street wear. The bright scarlet roves the most stylish, but the lighter colors of those soft flannel shades of blue and pink are very becoming. Red takes the lead in all kinds of neckwear, and is hard pressed by green.—New York

NEWEST HEAD DRESSES.

Some of the newest head-dresses—es in the cannot call them bonnets—are tiny enough to please the smallest man that ever sat behind a big hat. One of the absurd apologies for hats is a twist of white tulle, held in place by a twisted strand of pearls. This airy crown rests on the hair, leaving the top of the wearer's head uncovered. In the front a pearl and gold butterfly is poised.

Another "bonnet" has a crown—three inches square—of white satin, covered with lace and gemmed with turquoises. The brim is formed by a stiffened frill of white lace, caught back directly in front by a jewel, and a soft, curling black tip.

A wreath of cerise velvet and gold-spangled net has in front a knot of lace and an ornament, giving it the effect of one of the old-time turbans, minus the bulk of that curious headgear.

But airiest and prettiest of all is a twisted strand of pearls encircling the top-knot, and in front an Alsatian bow of pearled tulle and white roses.

THE "SMART" SILK UMBRELLA.

The favorite handle for the smart silk umbrella is ten inches in length, flat, and of pearl, encased in an open framework of chased silver. Other handles are of onyx, chrysodelite or tortoise shell, made in the form of quet mallets and golf clubs. Beautiful handles, which come from China and Japan, are of ivory, handsomely carved, representing odd figures of Chinese and Oriental maidens, men in mushroom hats and boat-shaped shoes, birds, fruits, flowers, etc. This artistic work, of course, brings a very high price. Some of the best French artists are devoting their time to painting China handles, which take a variety of forms, as well as the crooks with the balls. Turquoises, laminated gold, and various kinds of enamels have also been pressed into the service, and wood, elaborately carved into the semblance of birds, beasts and fishes, makes striking tops for the modern "para-plui." Satin metal, with the monogram in pearl or gold is extremely stylish and effective, and this dull, dark metal, with studded with bright jewels, is also very smart.

FRENCH BICYCLE COSTUME.

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effect is not desirable while wheeling; neither does one see much of those straight, loose jackets, which, in some few instances, appeared so smart, but in most cases suggested a form of dressing-sack dear to old and figureless German women; the blazer-jacket, with small revers and rolling collar, is preferred. This may be worn open or closed, with button-holes made on a flap, a better method—if one wishes to wear the jacket open—than having the button-holes made through the cloth. Boots with gaiter-tops are worn, and with a sailor or Alpine hat the French dame who bicycles presents a figure very different now from that of two years ago.

ORIENTAL WOMEN WEAVERS.

The somewhat popular conception of the oriental woman is rather erroneous. It is that of one who is destined to a life of utter luxury. Yet the simple truth is that the large majority of women in the East work quite as hard for their daily bread as do their sisters in the West—aye, even harder, for, as a rule, married women in the West are supported by their husbands, whereas in the East, married women are, as a rule, constrained to support not only themselves, but also their husbands and children.

This statement applies especially to the thousands of women in Turkey, Persia and other countries of the orient who make a living as weavers. The whole civilized world appreciates their handiwork, for none can match them in making tapestries, carpets and other gorgeous products of the loom. This is the age of machinery, but no machine has yet been invented which can do the marvelous work of these oriental weavers. Yet many of these women work for pitiful wages. After cleaning and preparing the wool and shaping it into a lovely piece of tapestry, all they receive is the equivalent of from two shillings to four shillings a week. The woman who can earn seven francs is considered a Croesus, and her husband esteems her so much that he never dreams of beating her. The money is always paid to the husband, and he invariably appropriates it.

They are very womanly, those weavers. Of gossip they are fond, and while they are at work their tongues are constantly going. Perhaps this is one reason why they have so obstinately refused to herd together in factories, where the constant whirr of machinery, not to speak of the surveillance of a foreman, would very probably compel them to keep silent. In order to fashion a first-class carpet or piece of tapestry, the weaver must not only have a memory which will prevent her from making the slightest mistake while copying the design, but she must also possess a lively imagination and a thoroughly developed artistic sense. For the first-class weaver does not copy, she creates. She invents her own designs, she combines the various tones, she chooses the dyes and the shades, and, finally, she obtains those effects which seem so charming to us of the West, and with good reason.—London Mail.

SHE DISLIKES MEN AND DOGS.

A woman who loathes the sight of men and dogs, and hates them both cordially, is Miss Augusta Main, a spinster farmer near Berlin, N. Y. As she told a Justice, who held her to the Grand Jury in $1,000 bail for committing an assault on a male neighbor with intent to kill, she never sees men or dogs but what she aches to kill them. When she discovers a man on her premises, she drops all work and makes them skedaddle. If, when ordered away, the man or men do not hurry, she pushes them along with a pitchfork or any other implement that happens to be handy. As a consequence, the men folks give her plenty of room, and those who are acquainted with her gentle manners will almost go out of her way rather than cross her land.

Myron Beebe is the neighbor whom she attempted to slay, and who swore out the warrant for her arrest. For a long time he has dared to cross her premises to get water from a well. It saved him a long walk, and he took the chances. A few days ago, while Beebe was making the usual short cut to the well, Miss Main came out of her house with a big revolver, and without any parleying opened fire on the man. He ran for dear life, while the bullets whistled about his ears. When he got home he found that out of the six shots fired two had perforated the overalls which he wore, while another had torn the rim of his hat. The other three bullets came within such close proximity that their whistle still rings in his ears.

Miss Main has, since she took the farm, performed all the work on the place without any male assistance, and does it well. She goes to market with a load of vegetables every week, and sells them herself. Every day she cleans out the stables, feeds the live stock and rubs down the horses. Only in harvest time does she seek outside help, and then she hires strapping young women. All the tramps who come in the county know of her and give her a wide berth.—Chicago Chronicle.

FASHION NOTES.

The cape is a popular shape for wraps, and some of the handsomest garments of the season still cling to this model.

A charming poke bonnet is very smart, and the lines are excellent. It is of medium size with wide brim of black velvet put on absolutely smooth. A crown of nail, round and high, consists of ostrich [illegible] strings, which [illegible] Birming[illegible] dis[illegible] ty but rather [illegible] eyes is of pale [illegible] blue ribbon, [illegible]

left side with a bunch of cherries, and on the right side is a vividly blue kingfisher holding a bunch of cherries in his bill. This hat made its appearance on a London stage.

The young woman who is devoted to the wheel is given to the wearing of a jacket blouse of corduroy, which is at once becoming, comfortable and appropriate. When she has secured these three characteristics in a garment she congratulates herself, and takes great pleasure in wearing what comes very near to being an ideal garment.

In the array of handsome silks lately received are delicate gray corded silks, with dainty figures of roses and violets woven on their glossy grounds; white watered silks brocaded with shaded carnations in delicate tones, and French silks in vivid colorings, whose designs are toned by a wonderful filmlike overweaving, which gives them a chiny effect.

An exceedingly elegant and stylish visiting costume has a skirt of cross-barred velvet, the bars in light shades on dark ground. A wrap of velvet the color of the dark shade of the dress is almost covered with rich applique. It is made with a high flaring collar with an inner collar that fits the throat quite closely; the sleeves are in cape shape, and are simply masses of rich garniture.

Next to a complete fur wrap, which is, of course, the desire of almost every woman, the combination garment of velour and fur is most liked. Sometimes there are in addition to the collar and neck portion full length fronts of fur. This sort of wrap is very expensive, almost as much so as if made entirely of fur, but it is so handsome and stylish that many ladies like it nearly or quite as well as the all-fur garment.

It takes rather a strong head to carry some of the extreme novelties in large hats. One of the newest models suggests a small cart wheel, so wide is its periphery. Among the trimmings are very long ostrich plumes. These are supported so as to stand up to what is certainly an absurd height. In most cases hats of this class have the under side of the brim covered with velvet flowers, roses being the sort usually preferred.

The dolman has come back into fashion's list of approved garments. It is made on lines very similar to the old-time model, and is as stylish as it is uncomfortable. The done-up and tied-down feeling that accompanies the wearing of one of these garments is a most serious objection to its adoption. The jacket and the cape are every way more comfortable, and for young ladies much more stylish. The dolman is more appropriate for quite elderly persons.

Petunia cloth is popular trimmed with chinchilla. One gown of this color had the skirt trimmed with three bands of chinchilla. The blouse coat was pouched back and front, and drawn in at the waist by a flexible silver belt. The wide sailor collar and turnback cuffs were edged with chinchilla, while a little vest of ruched white chiffon and lace with a jabot fastened with paste pine completed it. The hat was of petunia cloth and velvet trimmed with gray plumes and a silver clasp.

Navy to Have a Sailing Ship.

Probably for the first time in a full half century the navy department has opened proposals for building a full-rigged ship, without steam power. This craft is wanted for the instruction of the cadets at Annapolis in seamanship and navigation according to the old fashion. According to the department's plan, she is to be of 1,175 tons displacement and her measurements are: Length, 175 feet; beam, 27 feet; draft, 17.6. She will spread 20,000 square feet of canvas and her hull will be of yellow pine sheathing over steel frames, all coppered. The department submitted an estimate of $250,000 for this ship, but Congress cut the figure in half, so it was no matter of surprise that none of the bidders offered to build the ship complete within the small limit set by Congress, but submitted plans that would require a large amount of supplementary work to complete the vessel after it is turned over to the government.

How She Took Down the Line.

A Philadelphia lady tells this story to the Record of that city: "We had at one time in our employ a very green young woman, whose nationality is typified by an emblem of the same verdant color. This young woman, like the one your story speaks of, also came to us through an intelligence (?) office. She showed her intelligence on the first day of her service in our family. She was told to go out in the yard and take down the clothes line, which was stretched among half a dozen posts set up for that purpose. She was at the job for so long a time that we began to wonder what on earth was the matter with her. We went out to see what she was doing, and there we found her working away vigorously with a spade. She had already dug up three of the posts, and had almost completed the work on a fourth when we found her. She didn't stay with us long."

Coats-of-Arms.

The use of coats-of-arms as a badge for different families did not come into practice till the twelfth century. The Germans are said to have originated it, while the French developed the science. In the early days it was customary for a knight to adopt any device which suited him, and his sons either inherited the device or chose one of their own, as best suited their taste.

Good-Natured People.

Some people win a reputation for being good-humored because they lack the pa[illegible]ne to fight when they are [illegible]—Atchison (Kan.) Globe

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

Appropriations for the Civil Service Commission Taken Up.

The House—Wednesday.

There was a very large attendance in the hall of representatives when the house reconvened to-day after the holiday recess. The galleries were crowded. Without any preliminary business, the house went into committee of the whole to resume consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. All the features of the bill had been disposed of except the appropriation for the civil service commission, upon which, by previous arrangement, there was to be an indefinite general debate.... It was proposed that Mr. Moody, republican, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Bockery, democrat, of Missouri, control the time for and against. In the debate that followed Dockery, Pearson and Landis attacked the service, while Mr. Greene, populist, closed debate with speech in favor of reform. At 4:55 p. m., the house adjourned.

The Senate.

There was only a small attendance in the senate to-day. Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, spoke on the immigration bill and declared in favor of consular inspection of immigrants. Mr. Carter called up the bill to provide for the taking of the next census, and argued against making the appointments through the civil service commission.... A letter from Secretary Sherman on the civil service question was read, and Mr. Cockrell said it was a most remarkable document, being a request upon congress for legislative action, which was in the power of his chief by executive order. Mr. Sherman recommends the exemption of the heads of bureau and the chief clerk of the state department from the operation of the law.... Mr. Teller, of Colorado, spoke at some length in support of the idea that the census bureau should not be a partisan bureau, and that its employes should, therefore, be placed in the classified service.... A lively civil service debate was precipitated just at the close of the session, in which Messrs. Carter, Cockerell, Allison, Cullom, Allen and Jones, of Arkansas, took part.... At 1 p. m. the senate went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

The house today promptly resumed the debate on the civil service question, and Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, took the floor with an elaborate speech in opposition to the law. In opening, Mr. Grosvenor disclaimed any leadership of the anti-civil service reform and civil service reform forces, and any purpose to speak for any officer of the government—executive, legislative or judicial. He then proceeded to pay his respects to the National Civil Service Reform League, and to Carl Schurz, its president. His excoriation of the latter was the most scathing that has been heard on the floor of the house in months. He denounced unsparingly those who sought to read out of the republican party those who believed in the repeal of the civil service law. He argued that the people were overwhelmingly opposed to the law. Mr. Johnson (republican), of Indiana, one of the ardent defenders of the law, followed Mr. Grosvenor with an extended argument in support of the merit question. The entire day was taken up in the civil service debate. At 4:50 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

In the senate today Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, called up and the senate passed the bill providing for the holding of a congress of the representatives of different Indian tribes of the United States at Omaha in 1898, and appropriating $45,000 therefor. Some minor amendments to the bill were made.... A bill appropriating $175,000 for a public building at Fergus Falls, Minn., was passed.... The bill to protect the name and insignia of the Red Cross was passed. Mr. Gray, of Delaware, explained that Miss Clara Barton several years ago asked that the insignia of the Red Cross society be protected from those who would use it for commercial or perhaps fraudulent purposes. Under treaty entered into by a majority of the civilized nations of the world the sign of the Red Cross is known as an insignia of hospital corps or charitable organizations. Other nations had protected the insignia of the society, and the United States ought also to protect it.... After a brief executive session, during which some consuls were confirmed, the senate adjourned at 2 o'clock until tomorrow.

The House—Friday.

Before the debate on the civil service question was resumed in the house today, an ineffectual attempt was made to agree upon a time for the termination of the debate. Mr. Gillette, republican of Massachusetts, then took the floor in support of the law. Mr. Faris, republican of Indiana, followed Mr. Gillette and spoke against the civil service law. Mr. Cummings, democrat of New York, made a vigorous speech in favor of wiping out the civil service system, which he declared was doomed. He made a speech in defense of Tammany Hall and warmly defended it against its accusers. He maintained that the arguments of Mr. Grosvenor and Mr. Landis against the law were both in reality strong arraignments of the spoils system. Mr. Burton, of Ohio, followed in defense of the merit system. He inveighed against the insolence of office seeker and argued that this was not a government for the reward of party workers. Mr. Kerr, republican of Ohio, favored the modification of the law. At the close of his speech the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the senate today the reply of the attorney general to the [illegible]ation calling upon members of the cabinet what, if any, changes should be made in the administration of the civil service laws, was read. The attorney general recommended that attorneys employed by the department of justice and deputy United States marshals ought to be excepted from the operation of the law.... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, offered a resolution declaring that the United States should independently and without delay begin and continue the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; that such coinage should be supplemented by a safe and sound national paper money to be issued by the government without intervention of banks, the notes to be full legal tender and to be issued in an amount sufficient to meet the business demands of the country. Mr. Allen spoke briefly in favor of the adoption of the propositions set forth in his resolutions. At the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Teller arose. He said that he did not often give heed to publications concerning himself or the convictions of those who believed as he believed upon the financial or other questions, but he felt that a statement recently published was a gratuitous insult to those who believed upon the financial question as he believed. In brief, it charged that the recent reports to the effect that the secretary of the treasury had tendered his resignation were the result of a conspiracy to create trouble between the president and his secretary of treasury, and perhaps to disrupt the cabinet. Mr. Teller resented the charge with great emphasis. He also took occasion during the course of his remarks to denounce the republican party because it is the party of the gold standard, and that he hoped to see it go down in defeat in 1900.... Mr. Butler, of North Carolina, presented a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution, providing for the election of federal judiciary by the people. The resolution went to the table to permit Mr. Butler to make a speech on it.... The senate then went into executive session, and at 3:15 adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

The civil service debate was continued in the house today until 2 o'clock. Mr. Corliss, republican, of Maine, was the first speaker, who favored a radical modification of the law. He was followed by Messrs. Hepburn, of Iowa, and Clark, of New Hampshire, who also attacked the service. The remainder of the session, under a special order, was devoted to eulogizing the memory of the late Representative Wright, of Massachusetts. Saturday, January 15, was set aside for paying tribute to the late Representative Milliken, of Maine.

There was no session of the senate today.

The House—Monday.

The civil service debate was again resumed today. The opponents of the law had much the best of the debate as far as the numbers of those engaging in it were concerned. Nine of the eleven speakers were of the opposition. The friends of the law are very anxious to shut off further debate and in this will have the co-operation of the speaker and the rules committee. Mr. Moody, who has charge of the bill, gave notice that he would test the sense of the house tomorrow on a motion to close debate. The opposition immediately sent word to all in their ranks to be on hand, and they say they will have no difficulty in defeating the motion. The entire day was consumed by the debate, when at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

A bill was reported favorably from the Indian committee prohibiting railroad companies from charging more than 3 cents a mile for passengers through the Indian territory. A resolution looking to the filtration of water used in the city of Washington was referred to the District of Columbia committee. At 12:30 p. m., the senate went into executive session to consider the Hawaiian annexation treaty. The treaty was not taken up immediately in the executive session as a number of nominations were at first confirmed. Immediately after the treaty was called up Senator Perkins grew offered his motion for considering the debate on it with open doors, which was antagonized by Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, and others. A majority of those favoring open doors are opposed to ratification, but not all of them are on that side of the controversy. The senate decided not to debate the Hawaiian treaty in open session, and at 3:45 p. m. adjourned.

Texas Asked to Help Cuba.

Governor Culberson has received a telegram from New York from the Central Cuban relief committee, appointed by President McKinley, asking for immediate assistance in the way of clothing, money, food, etc. In compliance with the request he promptly issued an appeal to the people of Texas, asking them to give the assistance asked for.

Samuel T. Blyer, representing a Chicago company, is in Atlanta making arrangements for building a $100,000 plant for manufacturing smoke-consuming furnaces.

Gen. Booth Coming.

Six thousand peasons, most of them members of the Salvation Army, assembled in London in a demonstration of farewell to General William Booth, who is about to sail for the United States to assist in organizing great additions to the army.

Return of the Plague.

At Bombay, India, the plague returns for the past forty-eight hours record 142 new cases and 105 deaths. There is a general exodus of the population and a suspension of business is threatened.

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A cheap religion is a [illegible]igance.

The pruned limb is [illegible] that dies.

When a sin[illegible]turns [illegible] to recede it.

No sacrifi[illegible] cost by love.

Unbidden gu[illegible] when they go.

A little man's ha[illegible] magnifying himself.

It takes both grac[illegible] dignitment well.

Very other lade[illegible] as well as virtue.

When a man begi[illegible] he is generally called a [illegible]

When a man makes a [illegible] self he generally does the job.

Whoever kicks over a hi[illegible] a big crowd of others hiding und[illegible]

He must have both wisdom [illegible] knowledge to get much [illegible] but [illegible] editor.

The commonest kind of cheer giver is the one who gives both [illegible] and good advice.

When we cannot do as we would [illegible] will smooth the jolts to be willing [illegible] do as we should.

One trouble with the world is [illegible] there are so many people in it who [illegible] consent to drift down stream.

Few of us gain by the mistakes of others, but he who fails to profit by his own mistakes, will soon be bankrupt in knowledge.—Ram's Horn.

The Teeth as Affecting the Eyesight.

It is not a generally understood fact that the condition of the teeth has much to do with the health, beauty and usefulness of the eyes. That an ulcerated tooth will often cause extreme inflammation of the eyes is true, and a case is reported of almost total blindness caused by the teeth crowding together. A half-grown boy, who had complained of almost incessant uneasiness in his jaws, and had been visited with periodical attacks of the most violent toothache, retired one night in his usual condition, but upon awakening the next morning it was discovered that he was blind. The eyes presented a most unnatural appearance and the countenance was strained and distressed. After a good deal of investigation it was decided to remove some of his teeth and see if this would afford relief. Six teeth were extracted and the boy given sedative treatment. After a few days the sight became normal and there has been no return of the difficulty. Children who appear to have too many teeth should be carefully looked after, especially if they complain of their eyes in any way. Sometimes the symptoms are only secondary, but an acute diagnostician will speedily detect the exact state of the case.—The Ledger.

Cork Stone Pavements.

A new German building and flooring material is known as Knock's cork stone, is damp proof, absolutely water proof and practically fire proof; is sound proof and almost proof against wearing out. It can be blocked and colored to represent tiling, or can be finished to represent any wood design; can be varnished, polished, stained or finished in almost any way desired. It is very easy to the foot in walking, harbors no insects of any kind and is very easily kept in order. Best of all, it is simply and easily made. The refuse from cork factories is ground up into a meal and mixed with a similarly made tan bark meal; with these is mixed some ground peanut shells or like vegetable matter, together with paper waste, alum and water. The mass is molded into bricks and dried in the sun or in kilns, when it is ready for use. The same inventor has produced another material which he claims is not only as good as cork stone, but very much better.—Philadelphia Record.

His Last Circus.

There was a circus at Chanute a few days ago and an old farmer concluded he would take his wife to it. He had about $75 in change in his pocket, and as a matter of precaution he took along a revolver, knowing that he would not get home until late at night. After the circus was over the old farmer spied a "shell game" and tried to beat it. In about ten minutes he had lost $75. His wife was present at the performance. She concluded that the old man had got up against a "regular swindling game," as she termed it, and decided to help him out. She took the revolver out of his pocket and poked it under the nose of the operator of the shell game and coolly told him to give back the old man's money. The gambler handed it over, and turning to the old farmer she said: "Now, pa, we'll go home and you can't ever go to another circus as long as you live."—Kansas City Journal.

A Puddinhead Wilson Case.

An extraordinary example of efficacy of the thumb impression method of identification has happened in Bengal, India. Some months ago the manager of a tea-garden in the Dooars was brutally murdered, the murderer getting clean away, as the crime was not discovered until some time after its commission. For some time the police were at fault, until it was discovered that the murderer, in rummaging among some papers of the deceased, had smudged a Bengal atlas with his thumb. The atlas was forwarded to the Bureau, where the thumb impressions of criminals are kept, when it was discovered that the impression on the atlas corresponded with the thumb recorded of a noted criminal then at large. The man was arrested on the evidence [illegible] evidence subsequently [illegible] to connect him with [illegible] Reward Mail.

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School Roof Playgrounds.

Land is so valuable in New York that space cannot be afforded for school yards, and it is proposed to have playgrounds on the roofs, which will be enclosed by a high railing.

Appearance Was Deceptive.

He was a sanctimonious-looking man, clad in a severely cut suit of somber black. He even called for black coffee when he quietly took his seat at the counter in the light lunch cafe near Tenth and Chestnut streets, on Saturday night.

It seemed strange to the other customers of the place that so religious a man as he appeared to be should be drinking black coffee at midnight, says the Philadelphia Record. Black coffee is calculated to keep a man awake all night. Perhaps, thought the others, he has a long sermon to prepare for delivery in the morning. There was another surprise for the patrons of the place when the sober individual placed a cigar box on the counter beside him.

They wouldn't have been surprised if it had been a prayer book or a Bible, but a box of cigars seemed much too worldly. However, the best of Christians smoke sometimes. This Christian quietly drank his cup of black coffee, and after paying for it picked up his cigar box and started for the door. Unfortunately, however, he carried the box with the bottom uppermost, and the next instant an astounding thing happened.

The lid of the box swung open, and about a half pack of red, white, and blue chips, together with several bunches of aces, kings, queens, ten-spots and the like were distributed all over the floor. The clerical looking gentleman ejaculated "blankety blank blank" several times while he gathered up his poker outfit. Then he drifted out into the night.

Ran Away Backward.

A singular accident occurred in the Frisco yards, near Joplin, Mo., recently. Engine No. 126, running extra, left town upon the Girard pasenger train's time. The trains met on a curve on the edge of town. Both engineers applied the air brakes and reversed their engines, also giving a full head of steam to mitigate the collision. The engineer, fireman and trainmen of the extra engine jumped for their lives. The engines collided, but with only enough force to crush the cow-catchers. Having a full head of steam and being reversed, the extra engine, with no one aboard, rebounded, and at a terrific speed began backing out of town. It passed through East Joplin going at a rate estimated at a mile a minute. The dispatcher was promptly notified, and all trains in its direction were held to prevent another collision. Searchers found the engine two miles from town on a hill, with the steam and water exhausted, but with no apparent damage from its wild run.

City Cousins and Summer Boarders.

In a sketch of "Peaceful Valley," picturing life in an ideal rural community, Mrs. Lyman Abbott, in the Ladies' Home Journal, presents this realistic picture: " * * * Let us spend a winter in Peaceful Valley as an experiment. The summer visitors will have gone. The 'city cousins,' who find it very convenient to spend a few economical weeks with Cousin John on grandfather's old farm, to ride about in his plain, springless wagon, to enjoy the cream and fresh butter, and Cousin Jane's 'home cooking,' with the great advantage of having saved a good many dollars to be put into added luxury and festivities in town, will have departed. Gone, too, will be the 'city boarders,' who can find more fault in an hour than any other class of people, and who show great powers of endurance by staying on in places and returning to them year after year, where, according to their unvarying testimony, the food is poor and the beds are hard, where there is no meat worth eating, where the insects and flying things are pestering, where it is too hot or too cold,' and where, generally, so far as the landlady ever hears, things are about as uncomfortable as they can possibly be."

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"Christian Cheerfulness" Is the Title of the Eighth Sermon in the N. Y. Herald's Competitive Series—By a Brooklyn Minister—Dr. Talmage on Home Life.

TEXT: "Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice."—Philippians, iv., 4.

What is so common among men as the disposition to see only the dark side of the events of life? Many of us have a tendency to exaggerate all this which amounts almost to melancholia. If it is not always high tide in our course of fortune we sink into a condition of morbid despair. We are too apt to forget that in nature the tide must fall as well as rise. We do not realize that it is the part of wisdom to make the best use of the opportunities we have. We compare our circumstances with those of others who are more fortunate and brood over the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune.

The tendency to dwell upon our ills grows with time. In the beginning it can be checked easily, but in time it becomes like a torrent gaining impetus with its descent, until it is beyond control. Now and then we receive the sad news that one whom we esteemed as upright and godly has allowed this morbid tendency to obtain such headway that it unseats the reason and with it the sense of moral responsibility. Then we learn of the self-destruction of such a one and we are not surprised. It was simply the inevitable consequence of a false, one sided view of life that is supported by neither common sense nor religion.

With reference to the character of the mind men may be divided into the matter of fact and the exaggerative. While the former are liable to be unsettled and discontented occasionally, the latter are apt to be so as a rule, because their minds, being imaginative, create for themselves ideals which they seldom, if ever, attain. Nevertheless, the normal condition of life is one of cheerfulness. God teaches us this in nature which, as a rule, is bright with sunshine, gay with color and filled with joyous sounds. Laughter and song, harmony and beauty are the radiant diffusion of that living picture whereby our Heavenly Father points out to each the road to happiness. It is the desire of every earnest man to please God. There is no better way to do so than by showing cheerful satisfaction with what He gives us. A preacher once said: "We do not please God more by eating bitter aloes than by eating the pure. A cloudy, foggy, rainy day is not more pleasing than a day of sunshine. A funeral march is not so much like the music of angels as the songs of lords on a May morning. There is no more religion in the grand naked forest in winter than in the laughing harvest field of the spring and the ripe, red fruits of autumn."

How few cultivate a sunny disposition! How few make an effort to be cheerful when they feel unhappy! There are some of the hard lines of whose faces never break into a smile. There are others who know only that mirth which is provoked by artificial means, such as a joke or a ridiculous incident. Some are cheerful only when they have driven a good bargain. You all know the business smile worn by those who are anxious to gain your good will or your money. Perhaps you are acquainted with people who wear a mask of cheerfulness for the outer world and a mask of terror for their homes.

Little do they who go through life dissatisfied and cheerless know how much they lose of that which is sweetest in human experience. Not only they but all with whom they come in contact are robbed of a portion of the blessing of existence. We owe it to our families, our friends, in fact to all our fellow men, as well as to ourselves, to make brighter, not gloomier, this human life. St. Paul's example shows that even in distressing circumstances cheerfulness is possible. His injunction, "Rejoice in the Lord," was literally obeyed by himself.

The consistent Christian must be cheerful. Even when the knowledge of his sinfulness weighs heaviest upon him he believes that God is forgiving and merciful. The bitterness of his sorrow is sweetened by the promises of God. The gloom of his soul is illumined by the light of God's love. However forbidding the darkness by which he is surrounded, however great the suffering to which he is subjected, however mercilessly the hand of misfortune may tighten its grip, he knows he shall be higher in the esteem of his God and more fit for his destiny if, with patience and a cheerful heart, he bears these things. The consolations of his religion will never fail him if he appeals to them. Gloomy Christianity is a misrepresentation. However well meaning those may be who dwell only on the sufferings of Christ, only on the wrath of God and the punishment of sin, they do God an injustice and teach only half the truth. There is nothing to gain from such a repulsive presentation of religion. It is not natural, necessary nor fair to our fellow men to minimize those features of our religion that God has made most prominent. There is a bright side which it is of the utmost importance to emphasize in order to win men to religion. The dawn of redemption and the joy of spiritual triumph forever obliterate the sorrows of Calvary. The justice, mercy and love of God irradiate prismatic light on the sombre picture of sin and judgment. JAMES B. NIES, Rector Church of the Epiphany, Brooklyn, N. Y.

HOME LIFE.

Dr. Talmage Preaches On the Cares of the Household.

TEXT: "Lord, does Thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? Bid her, therefore, that she help me."—Luke x., 40.

Yonder is a beautiful village homestead. The man of the house is dead, and his widow is taking charge of the premises. This is the widow, Martha of Bethany. Yes, I will show you also the pet of the household, Tirzis Mary, the younger sister, with a book under her arm, and her face having no appearance of anxiety or care. Company has come. Christ stands outside the door, and, of course, there is a good deal of excitement inside the door. The disarranged furniture is hastily put aside, and the hair is brushed back and the dresses are adjusted as well as, in so short a time, Mary and Martha can attend to these matters. They did not keep Christ standing at the door until they had elaborately arranged their tresses, then coming out with their affected surprise, as though they had not heard the two or three previous knockings, saying: "Why, is that you?" No, they were ladies, and were always presentable, although they may not have always had on their best, for men of all ways has on our best; if we did, our best would not be worth having on. They threw open the door and greet Christ. They say: "Good morning, Master; come in and be seated." Christ did not come alone; He had a group of friends with Him, and such an influx of city visitors would throw any country home into perturbation. I suppose also the walk from the city had been a good appetizer. The kitchen department that day was a very important department, and I suppose that Martha had no sooner greeted the guests than she fled to that room. Mary gave no worriment about household affairs. She had full confidence that Martha could get up the best dinner in Bethany. She seems to say: "Now, let us have a division of labor. Martha, you cook, and I'll sit down and be good." So you have often seen a great difference between two sisters.

There is Martha, hard working, painstaking, good manager, ever inventive of some new pastry, or discovering something in the art of cookery and housekeeping. There is Mary, also fond of conversation, literary, so engaged in deep questions of ethics she has no time to attend to the questions of household welfare. It is noon. Mary is in the parlor with Christ. Martha is in the kitchen. It would have been better if they had divided the work, and then they could have divided the opportunity of listening to Jesus; but Mary monopolizes Christ while Martha wearies at the fire. It was a very important thing that they should have a good dinner that day. Christ was hungry, and He did not often have a luxurious entertainment. Alas, me! if on Mary had devolved upon Mary, what a repast that would have been! But something went wrong in the kitchen. Perhaps the fire would not burn, or the bread would not bake, or Martha scalded her hand, or something was burned black that ought only to have been made brown, and Martha lost her patience, and forgetting the proprieties of the occasion, with besweated brow, and, perhaps with ruffled temper in one hand and tongs in the other she rushes out of the kitchen into the presence of Christ, saying: "Lord, dost Thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone?" Christ scolded not a word. If it were scolding, I would rather have His scolding than anybody else's blessing. There was nothing worse. He knew that Martha had almost worked herself to death to get Him something to eat, and so He throws a world of tenderness into His intonation as He seems to say: "My dear woman, do not worry, let the dinner go; sit down on this ottoman beside Mary, your younger sister. Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things, but one thing is needful." As Martha throws open that kitchen door I look in and I see a great many household perplexities and anxieties.

First, there is the trial of non-appreciation. This is what made Martha so mad with Mary. The younger sister had no estimate of her older sister's fatigues. Anyone, man or woman, tried with the anxieties of the store, the office and shop, or coming from the Stock Exchange, they say when they get home: "Oh, you ought to be in our factory a little while; you ought to have to manage eight or ten or twenty salesladies, and then you would know what trouble and anxiety are!" Oh, sir, the wife and the mother has to conduct at the same time a nursery, a clothing establishment, a restaurant, a laundry, a library, while she is mostly nurse, police and president of the realm. She must do a thousand things and do them well, in order to keep things going smoothly, and so her brain and her nerves are taxed to the utmost. I say to mothers and housekeepers who are tempted to think that they can sit in an arm chair and read a library, or ride on the best vehicle and travel all the earth upon, or ordinarily work, having large wages and great expenditure, can afford to do the duties of the household. Those are the women I am speaking now of, the great majority of whom are the wives in moderate circumstances, and who, at thirty years of age look as though they were forty, and at forty look as though they were fifty, and at fifty look as though they were dead.

You in the cares of the world that you have all the cares and anxieties. If the cares and anxieties of a household should come upon you for one week, you would look for the Insane Asylum. The hard-tasked housekeeper arises in the morning. She must have the morning repast, prepared at an irrevocable hour. What if the fire will not light; what if the marketing if not come; what if the clock has stopped—no matter, she must have the morning repast at an irrevocable hour. Then the children must be got off to school. What if their garments are torn; what if they do not know their lessons; what if they have lost a hat or such they must be ready. Then you have all the diet of the day, and perhaps of several days, to plan; but what is the butcher has sent meat unfit for use, or the grocer has sent articles of food adulterated, and what if some piece of silver be gone, or some favorite chalice be wrecked, or the roof leak, or the plumbing fail, or any one of a thousand things occur—you must be ready. Spring weather comes, and there must be a revolution in the family wardrobe; for autumn comes, and you must shut out the northern blast; but what if the moth has preyed you to the chest; what if, during the year, the children have outgrown the apparel of last year; what if the fashions have changed. Your house must be an apothecary's shop; it must be a dispensary; there must be medicines for all sorts of ailments. You must be in half a dozen places at the same time, or you must attempt to be. If, under all this wear and tear of life, Martha makes an impatient rush upon the library or drawing-room, be patient, be lenient!

Oh, woman, though I may fail to stir up an appreciation in the souls of others in regard to your household toils, let me assure you, from the kindness with which Jesus Christ met Martha, that he appreciates all your work from garret to cellar; and that the God of Deborah, and Hannah, and Abigail, and Grandmother Lois, and Elizabeth Fry, and Hannah More is the God of the housekeeper. Jesus was never married, that he might be the especial friend and confident of a whole world of troubled womanhood. I blunder; Christ was married. The Bible says that the Church is the Lamb's wife, and that makes me know that all Christian women have a right to go to Christ and tell Him of their annoyance and troubles, since by His oath of conjugal fidelity He is sworn to sympathize.

Again there is the trial of severe economy. Nine hundred and ninety-nine housekeepers out of a thousand are subjected to it—some under more and some under less stress of circumstance. Especially if a man smoke very expensive cigars, and take very costly dinners at the restaurants, he will be severe in demanding domestic economies. This is what kills tens of thousands of women—attempting to make five dollars do the work of seven. A young woman about to enter the married state said to her mother: "How long does the honeymoon last?" The mother answered: "The honeymoon lasts until you ask your husband for money."

How great are the responsibilities of housekeepers. Sometimes an indigestible article of food, by its effect upon a king, has overthrown an empire. A distinguished statistician says that of one thousand unmarried men there are thirty-eight criminals, and of one thousand married men only eighteen are criminals. What a suggestion of home influence! Let the most be made of them. Housekeepers, by the food they provide, by the couches they spread, by the books they introduce, by the influences they bring around their homes, are deciding the physical, intellectual, moral, eternal destiny of the race. You say your life is one of sacrifice. I know it. But, my sisters, this is the only life worth living. That was Florence Nightingale's life; that was Payson's life; that Christ's life.

FRANKFORT LOTTERY CLOSED.

Legal Fight of Twenty-two Years Ends in Abolition.

The forty-one offices of the Frankfort Lottery scattered over Louisville, Ky., were closed for the first time in twenty-five years and no drawings were made at the criminal office at Third and Green Streets. The lottery is closed for good.

The mandate of the Supreme Court has not been received, but the owners of the lottery felt that nothing would be gained by keeping open, as Criminal Judge Barker announced that his first act would be to proceed against the lottery without waiting for official notice. Thus has ended a fight that has been waged for twenty-two years against the policy shops of Louisville. The company had two drawings daily, and its profits averaged $10,000 a day.

Quail a Pest.

McDonald County (Missouri) farmers recently ... petition to hunt- ... birds having ... pest.

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While the autumn drought was not attended with such disastrous forest fires as many that have devastated portions of the pine lands of the Northwest in years past, the fires were dangerous enough to call public attention to the growing need of stronger federal measures for the preservation of these forests. The resolutions adopted by the national irrigation congress at Lincoln, Neb., indorsed the policy of forest reservation as indicated in the orders of President Harrison and President Cleveland, may be taken as a very reliable reflection of public opinion on this question. It is true that no edict of the government could stay the devouring element that lays waste such large areas of our pine lands during the dry spells every fall, but it is conceded that these fires might be prevented by an extensive system of forest police or wardens, similar to that employed in many countries. The fires could also be checked by fixing very severe penalties for the punishment of those who are guilty of criminal carelessness and recklessness in attempting to clear lands in this manner, thereby endangering millions of dollars' worth of property. No punishment could be too severe for men who will deliberately place in jeopardy hundreds of lives and vast areas of valuable pine timber. The rapid disappearance of American forests is a matter of serious concern. The corporate and individual timber thieves, together with those who wantonly and recklessly abuse the cutting permits granted by the government, are making heavy inroads upon our forest wealth. With this class of offenders the government can and should deal vigorously. The government should not only take measures for the prompt punishment of those who waste the timber and abuse the permits to cut from the public domain, but should devise a system of patrol that will prevent the destruction of our forests by conflagration.

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Diving operations at a great depth have proved successful off Cape Finisterre, all the silver bars from the steamer Skyro, which sank in thirty fathoms in 1891, having been brought to the surface. The working depth for the divers was never less than one hundred and seventy-one feet and was often more. Dynamite was used to blow away the deck. The value of the silver was forty-five thousand dollars.

Suffering loses all its charms for a woman if she has to do it in silence.

School Roof Playgrounds.

Land is so valuable in New York that space cannot be afforded for school yards, and it is proposed to have playgrounds on the roofs, which will be enclosed by a high railing.

Appearance Was Deceptive.

He was a sanctimonious-looking man, clad in a severely cut suit of somber black. He even called for black coffee when he quietly took his seat at the counter in the light lunch cafe near Tenth and Chestnut streets, on Saturday night.

It seemed strange to the other customers of the place that so religious a man as he appeared to be should be drinking black coffee at midnight, says the Philadelphia Record. Black coffee is calculated to keep a man awake all night. Perhaps, thought the others, he has a long sermon to prepare for delivery in the morning. There was another surprise for the patrons of the place when the sober individual placed a cigar box on the counter beside him.

They wouldn't have been surprised if it had been a prayer book or a Bible, but a box of cigars seemed much too worldly. However, the best of Christians smoke sometimes. This Christian quietly drank his cup of black coffee, and after paying for it picked up his cigar box and started for the door. Unfortunately, however, he carried the box with the bottom uppermost, and the next instant an astounding thing happened.

The lid of the box swung open, and about a half peck of red, white, and blue chips, together with several bunches of aces, kings, queens, ten-spots and the like were distributed all over the floor. The clerical looking gentleman ejaculated "blankety blank blank" several times while he gathered up his poker outfit. Then he drifted out into the night.

Ran Away Backward.

A singular accident occurred in the Frisco yards, near Joplin, Mo., recently. Engine No. 120, running extra, left town upon the Girard passenger train's time. The trains met on a curve on the edge of town. Both engineers applied the air brakes and reversed their engines, also giving a full head of steam to mitigate the collision. The engineer, fireman and trainmen of the extra engine jumped for their lives. The engines collided, but with only enough force to crush the cow-catchers. Having a full head of steam and being reversed, the extra engine, with no one aboard, rebounded, and at a terrific speed began backing out of town. It passed through East Joplin going at a rate estimated at a mile a minute. The dispatcher was promptly notified, and all trains in its direction were held to prevent another collision. Searchers found the engine two miles from town on a hill, with the steam and water exhausted, but with no apparent damage from its wild run.

City Cousins and Summer Boarders.

In a sketch on "Peaceful Valley," picturing life in an ideal rural community, Mrs. Lyman Abbott, in the Ladies' Home Journal, presents this realistic picture: " * * * Let us spend a winter in Peaceful Valley as an experiment. The summer visitors will have gone. The 'city cousins,' who find it very convenient to spend a few economical weeks with Cousin John on grandfather's old farm, to ride about in his plain, springless wagon, to enjoy the cream and fresh butter, and Cousin Jane's 'home cooking,' with the great advantage of having saved a good many dollars to be put into added luxury and festivities in town, will have departed. Gone, too, will be the 'city boarders,' who can find more fault in an hour than any other class of people, and who show great powers of endurance by staying on in places and returning to them year after year, where, according to their unvarying testimony, the food is poor and the beds are hard, where there is no meat worth eating, where the insects and flying things are pestering, where it is too hot or too cold,' and where, generally, so far as the landlady ever hears, things are about as uncomfortable as they can possibly be."

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DISCOURSES BY TWO NOBLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

"Christian Cheerfulness" is the Title of the Eighth Sermon in the N. Y. Herald's Competitive Series—By a Brooklyn Minister—Dr. Talmage on Home Life.

TEXT: "Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice."—Philippians, iv., 4.

What is so common among men as the disposition to see only the dark side of the events of life? Many of us have a tendency to exaggerate our ills which amounts almost to melancholia. If it is not always high tide in our course of fortune we sink into a condition of morbid despair. We are too apt to forget that in nature the tide must fall as well as rise. We do not realize that it is the part of wisdom to make the best use of the opportunities we have. We compare our circumstances with those of others who are more fortunate and brood over "the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune."

The tendency to dwell upon our ills grows with time. In the beginning it can be checked easily, but in time it becomes like a torrent gaining impetus with its descent, until it is beyond control. Now and then we receive the sad news that one whom we esteemed as upright and godly has allowed this morbid tendency to obtain such headway that it unseats the reason and with it the sense of moral responsibility. Then we learn of the self-destruction of such a one and we are not surprised. It was almost the inevitable consequence of a false, one sided view of life that is supported by neither common sense nor religion.

With reference to the character of the mind men may be divided into the matter of fact and the exaggerative. While the former are liable to be unsettled and discontented occasionally, the latter are apt to be so as a rule, because their minds, being imaginative, create for themselves ideals which they seldom, if ever, attain. Nevertheless, the normal condition of life is one of cheerfulness. God teaches us this in nature, which, as a rule, is bright with sunshine, gay with color and filled with joyous sounds. Laughter and song, harmony and beauty are the radiant figures of that living picture whereby our Heavenly Father points out to each the road to happiness. It is the desire of every earnest man to please God. There is no better way to do so than by showing ourselves satisfied with what He gives us. A preacher once said: "We do not please God more by eating bitter aloes than by eating honey. A cloudy, foggy, rainy day is not more heavenly than a day of sunshine. A funeral march is not so much like the music of angels as the songs of birds on a May morning. There is no more religion in the grand, solemn forest in winter than in the laughing blossoms of the spring and the ripe, rich fruits of autumn."

How few cultivate a sunny disposition! How few make an effort to be cheerful when they feel unhappy! There are some the hard lines of whose faces never break into a smile. There are others who know only that mirth which is provoked by artificial means, such as a joke or a ridiculous incident. Some are cheerful only when they have driven a good bargain. They all know the business smile worn by those who are anxious to gain your good will or your money. Perhaps you are acquainted with people who wear a mask of cheerfulness for the outer world and a mask of terror for their homes.

Little do they who go through life dissatisfied and cheerless know how much they lose of that which is sweetest in human experience. Not only they but all with whom they come in contact are robbed of a portion of the blessing of existence. We owe it to our families, our friends, in fact to all our fellow men as well as to ourselves, to make brighter, not gloomier, this human life. St. Paul's example shows that even in distressing circumstances cheerfulness is possible. His injunction, "Rejoice in the Lord," was literally obeyed by himself.

The consistent Christian must be cheerful. Even when the knowledge of his sinfulness weighs heaviest upon him he believes that God is forgiving and merciful. The bitterness of his sorrow is sweetened by the promises of God. The gloom of his soul is illumined by the light of God's love. However forbidding the darkness by which he is surrounded, however great the suffering to which he is subjected, however mercilessly the hand of misfortune may tighten its grip, he knows he shall be higher in the esteem of his God and more fit for his destiny if, with patience and a cheerful heart, he bears these things. The consolations of his religion will never fail him if he appeals to them. Gloomy Christianity is a misrepresentation. However well meaning those may be who dwell only on the sufferings of Christ, only on the wrath of God and the punishment of sin, they do God an injustice and teach only half the truth. There is nothing to gain from such a repulsive presentation of religion. It is not natural, necessary nor fair to our fellow men to minimize those features of our religion that God has made most prominent. There is a bright side which it is of the utmost importance to emphasize in order to win men to religion. The dawn of redemption and the joy of spiritual triumph forever obliterate the sorrows of Calvary. The justice, mercy and love of God irradiate prismatic light on the sombre picture of sin and judgment. JAMES E. NILES, Rector Church of the Epiphany, Brooklyn, N. Y.

HOME LIFE.

Dr. Talmage Preaches On the Cares of the Household.

TEXT: "Lord, dost Thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? Bid her, therefore, that she help me."—Luke x., 40.

Yonder is a beautiful village homestead. The man of the house is dead, and his widow is taking charge of the premises. This is the widow, Martha of Bethany. Yes, I will show you also the pet of the household. This is Mary, the the younger sister, with a book under her arm, and her face having no appearance of anxiety or care. Company has come. Christ stands outside the door, and, of course, there is a good deal of excitement inside the door. The disarranged furniture is hastily put aside, and the hair is brushed back and the dresses are adjusted as well as, in so short a time, Mary and Martha can attend to these matters. They did not keep Christ standing at the door until they had elaborately arranged their tresses, then coming out with their affected surprise, as though they had not heard the two or three previous knockings, saying: "Why, is that you?" No. They were ladies, and were always presentable, although they may not have always had on their best, for non of us always has on our best; if we did, our best would not be worth having on. They throw open the door and greet Christ. They say: "Good morning, Master; come in and be seated." Christ did not come alone. He had a group of friends with Him, and such an influx of city visitors would throw any country home into perturbation. I suppose also the walk from the city had been a good appetizer. The kitchen department that day was a very important department, and I suppose that Martha had no sooner greeted the guests than she fled to that room. Mary had no worriment about household affairs. She had full confidence that Martha could get up the best dinner in Bethany. She seems to say: "Now let us have a division of labor. Martha, you cook, and I'll set down and be good." So you have often seen a great difference between two sisters.

There is Martha, hard working, painstaking, a good manager, ever inventive of some new pastry, or discovering something in the art of cookery and housekeeping. There is Mary, also fond of conversation, literary, so engaged in deep questions of ethics she has no time to attend to the questions of household welfare. It is noon. Mary is in the parlor with Christ. Martha is in the kitchen. It would have been better if they had divided the work, and then they could have divided the opportunity of listening to Jesus; but Mary monopolizes Christ while Martha swelters at the fire. It was a very important thing that they should have a good dinner that day. Christ was hungry, and He did not often have a luxurious entertainment. Alas, me! if the duty had devolved upon Mary, what a repast that would have been! But something went wrong in the kitchen. Perhaps the fire would not burn, or the bread would not bake, or Martha scalded her hand, or something was burned black that ought only to have been made brown; and Martha lost her patience, and forgetting the proprieties of the occasion, with besweated brow, and, perhaps, with pitcher in one hand and tongs in the other, she rushes out of the kitchen into the presence of Christ, saying, "Lord, dost Thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone?" Christ scolded not a word. If it were scolding, I would rather have His scolding than anybody else's blessing. There was nothing averb. He knew that Martha had almost worked herself to death to get Him something to eat, and so He throws a world of tenderness into His intonation as He seems to say: "My dear woman, do not worry, let the dinner go; sit down on this ottoman beside Mary, your younger sister. Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things, but one thing is needful." As Martha throws open that kitchen door I look in and see a great many household perplexities and anxieties.

First, there is the trial of non-appreciation. This is what made Martha so mad with Mary. The younger sister had no estimate of her older sister's fatigues. As now, men bothered with the anxieties of the store, the office and shop, or coming from the Stock Exchange, they say when they get home: "Oh, you ought to be in our factory a little while; you ought to have to manage eight, or ten, or twenty subordinates, and then you would know what trouble and anxiety are!" Oh, sir, the wife and the mother has to conduct at the same time a university, a clothing establishment, a restaurant, a laundry, a library, while she is health officer, police and president of her realm. She must do a thousand things and do them well, in order to keep things going smoothly; and so her brain and her nerves are taxed to the utmost. I say there are housekeepers who are so fortunate that they can sit in an arm chair in the library, or lie on the heated pillow and turn off all the care upon subordinate, who, having large wages and great experience, can attend to all of the affairs of the household. Those are the exceptions. I am speaking now of the great mass of housekeepers, the women to whom life is a struggle, and who, at thirty years of age look as though they were forty, and at forty look as though they were fifty, and at fifty look as though they were sixty.

You think, O man of the world! that you have all the cares and anxieties. If the cares and anxieties of the household should come upon you for one week, you would be fit for the Insane Asylum. The half-rested housekeeper arises in the morning. She must have the morning repast prepared at an irrevocable hour. What if the fire will not light; what if the marketing did not come; what if the clock has stopped—no matter, she must have the morning repast at an irrevocable hour. Then the children must be got off to school. What if their garments are torn; what if they do not know their lessons; what if they have lost a hat or sash; they must be ready. Then you have all the diet of the day, and perhaps of several days, to plan; but what if the butcher has sent meat unsatisfactory, or the grocer has sent articles of food adulterated, and what if some piece of silver be gone, or some favorite chalice be crooked, or the roof leak, or the plumbing fail, or any one of a thousand things occur—you must be ready. Spring weather comes, and there must be a revolution in the family wardrobe; or autumn comes, and you must shut out the northern blast; but what if the moth has preceded you to the chest; what if, during the year, the children have outgrown the apparel of last year; what if the fashions have changed. Your house must be an apothecary's shop; it must be a dispensary; there must be medicines for all sorts of ailments. You must be in half a dozen places at the same time, or you must attempt to be. If, under all this wear and tear of life, Martha makes an impatient rush upon the library or drawing-room, be patient, be lenient!

Oh, woman, though I may fail to stir up an appreciation in the souls of others in regard to your household toils, let me assure you, from the kindness with which Jesus Christ met Martha, that he appreciates all your work from garret to cellar; and that the God of Deborah, and Hannah, and Abigail, and Grandmother Lois, and Elizabeth Fry, and Hannah More is the God of the housekeeper! Jesus was never married, that he might be the especial friend and confident of a whole world of troubled womanhood. I blunder; Christ was married. The Bible says that the Church is the Lamb's wife, and that makes me know that all Christian women have a right to go to Christ and tell Him of their annoyance and troubles, since by His oath of conjugal fidelity He is sworn to sympathize.

Again there is the trial of severe economy. Nine hundred and ninety-nine households out of a thousand are subjected to it—some under more and some under less stress of circumstance. Especially if a man smoke very expensive cigars, and take very costly dinners at the restaurants, he will be severe in demanding domestic economies. This is what kills tens of thousands of women—attempting to make five dollars do the work of seven. A young woman about to enter the married state said to her mother: "How long does the honeymoon last?" The mother answered: "The honeymoon lasts until you ask your husband for money."

How great are the responsibilities of housekeepers. Sometimes an indigestible article of food, by its effect upon a king, has overthrown an empire. A distinguished statistician says that of one thousand unmarried men there are thirty-eight criminals, and of one thousand married men only eighteen are criminals. What a suggestion of home influence! Let the most be made of them. Housekeepers, by the food they provide, by the couches they spread, by the books they introduce, by the influences they bring around their homes, are deciding the physical, intellectual, moral, eternal destiny of the race. You say your life is one of sacrifice. I know it. But, my sisters, this is the only life worth living. That was Florence Nightingale's life; that was Payson's life; that Christ's life.

FRANKFORT LOTTERY CLOSED.

Legal Fight of Twenty-two Years Ends in Abolition.

The forty-one offices of the Frankfort Lottery scattered over Louisville, Ky., were closed for the first time in twenty-five years and no drawings were made at the principal office at Third and Green Streets. The lottery is closed for good.

The mandate of the Supreme Court has not been received, but the owners of the lottery felt that nothing would be gained by keeping open, as Criminal Judge Barker announced that his first act would be to proceed against the lottery without waiting for official notice. Thus has ended a fight that has been waged for twenty-two years against the policy shops of Louisville. The company had two drawings daily, and its profits averaged $10,000 a day.

Quail a Pest.

McDonald County (Mo.) farmers re... tion to hunt... birds having ... pest.

...stage ...and are gummed ... a sta... from potatoes.

While the autumn drought was not attended with such disastrous forest fires as many that have devastated portions of the pine lands of the Northwest in years past, the fires were dangerous enough to call public attention to the growing need of stronger federal measures for the preservation of these forests. The resolutions adopted by the national irrigation congress at Lincoln, Neb., indorsed the policy of forest reservation as indicated in the orders of President Harrison and President Cleveland, may be taken as a very reliable reflection of public opinion on this question. It is true that no edict of the government could stay the devouring element that lays waste such large areas of our pine lands during the dry spells every fall, but it is conceded that these fires might be prevented by an extensive system of forest police or wardens, similar to that employed in many countries. The fires could also be checked by fixing very severe penalties for the punishment of those who are guilty of criminal carelessness and recklessness in attempting to clear lands in this manner, thereby endangering millions of dollars' worth of property. No punishment could be too severe for men who will deliberately place in jeopardy hundreds of lives and vast areas of valuable pine timber. The rapid disappearance of American forests is a matter of serious concern. The corporate and individual timber thieves, together with those who wantonly and recklessly abuse the cutting permits granted by the government, are making heavy inroads upon our forest wealth. With this class of offenders the government can and should deal vigorously. The government should not only take measures for the prompt punishment of those who waste the timber and abuse the permits to cut from the public domain, but should devise a system of patrol that will prevent the destruction of our forests by conflagration.

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A case in point is reported from the *Eco Era*, of Greensburg, Ind. Mrs. Eliza Colsom, Newpoint, Ind., a woman forty-three years old, had suffered for four years with distressing stomach trouble. The gases generated by the indigestion pressed on the heart and caused an irregularity of its action. She had much pain in her stomach and heart, and was subject to frequent and severe choking spells, which were most severe at night. Doctors were tried in vain; the patient became worse, despondent, and feared impending death.

A CASE OF HEART FAILURE.

She was much frightened, but noticed that in intervals in which her stomach did not annoy her, her heart's action became normal. Reasoning correctly that her digestion was alone at fault, she procured the proper medicine to treat that trouble, and with immediate good results. Her appetite came back, the choking spells became less frequent and finally ceased. Her weight, which had been greatly reduced, was restored, and she now weighs more than for years. Her blood soon became pure and her cheeks rosy.

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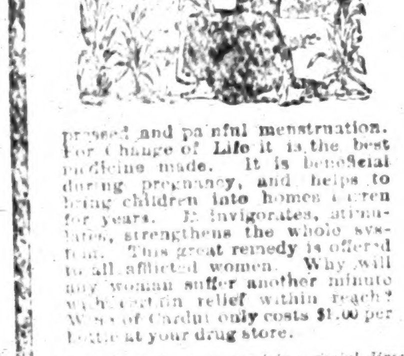

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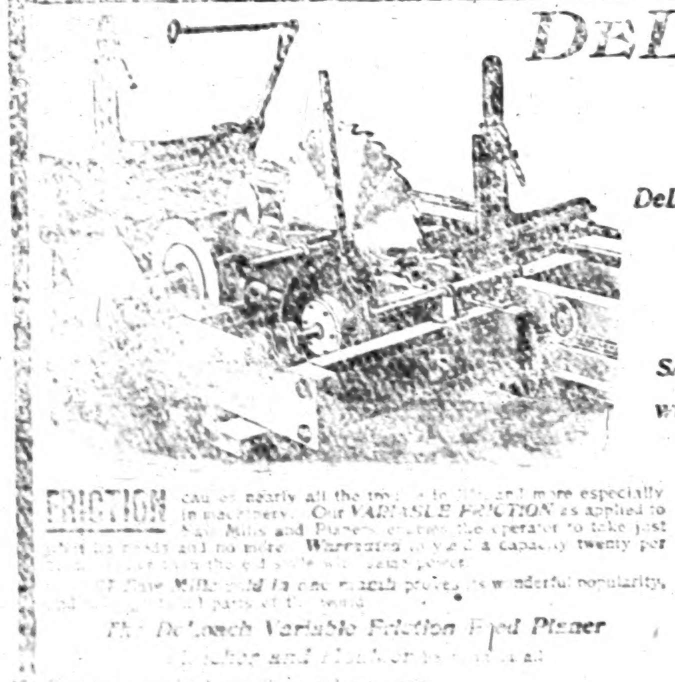

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TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure: 25 cents.

If this is not too long I desire to say a few words of a local and personal nature.

I notice one of our best citizens, Mr. J. A. Logan, is moving to Pickens county, and I consider this a loss to Chilton and a gain to Pickens. I have known Mr. Logan for many years, and I have always found him honest and true to whatever he professed; and he has labored long and faithful for the reformation so much needed in the political field.

With many good wishes, I am yonrs in the work.

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Turn-Round Topics.

On Sunday, 9th instant, one of the most sad and serious accidents occurred here that our dear people have realized and experienced in a long time. Indeed a gloom of sorrow is prevailing through this country. On the above date Master Ellis Jones, aged 15, was drowned in Coosa river just above the mouth of Chestnut creek.

G. W. Jones, an older brother to the deceased, Arthur Jones, Eli Jones and Ellis Jones, with a batteau, went to see about some steel traps they had set. On their return, within about twenty yards of the bank, rowing up the river and the wind blowing very strong, turning the boat cross-ways the swiftest current of the river, in an instant the boat was capsized, throwing all over-board. Poor unfortunate Ellis being one that could not swim, help by his brother was offered him. His brother George being thrown out below, waited for Ellis to come to him in the swift water, while Arthur and Eli were looking out for themselves; and they just did make it to the shore, while George was struggling to save his brother. But the water was so strong he could not get out of the current. They went down stream hand in hand for perhaps two hundred yards or more, when George became almost exhausted, and realized he could not save himself and his brother too. His brother was already dead—died in his brother's hand. Friends, stop for a moment and think how you would have felt had you been in his condition and had to let go your dead brother. After George had let go his brother he had to turn on his back and float to the bank as best he could; and it is a thousand wonders that he ever reached land alive. Every day since search has been made to find the dead body, but as yet the body is hidden—but where? No one knows.

The three parents of the four boys at that time had been gone about two weeks on a fishing expedition down the Alabama river near Selma. Telegrams were sent, but no hearing from them could be had. But, truly fortunate, it was the dear old father of the unfortunate boy had a dream, and that dream troubled him so that he came home. The other two came also.

May God send a blessing upon the bereaved family, and may the body of their baby boy be found, is my prayer.

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Stanton.

A sad occurrence took place near Stanton last Friday, when Manley Weaver shot and killed his chumpanion, Claud Jeffcoat, fourteen years of age. The boys had but one gun. A covey of patridges was flushed and Weaver brought the gun to his shoulder. Jeffcoat exclaimed excitedly: "It's my time to shoot, give me the gun!" His excited shout caused the birds to fly up and instantly his companion threw the gun to a level to take aim and fire at them. Young Jeffcoat, however, was determined to have the privilege of shooting and grabbed the gun near the muzzle, screaming as before: "Give me the gun, quick!"

At that instant the load was fired and in jerking the barrels toward him the lad caused the load to be discharged into his own body.

The shot entered his right side. He lived until his mother reached him, and gave the above account of the accident. "I was so anxious to shoot mother, that was all," was what the boy said just before he died.

Young Weaver is distracted with grief. Both boys were prominently connected, being scions of two well-known families. The sad occurrence is greatly deplored by the entire community, where great symnathy is felt for the bereaved.

Tribute of Respect.

Mrs. Nettie Perry, the sweet and idolized wife of Mr. W. E. Perry, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Motley, died at her home in East Perry County, December 27, 1897, after a few mon hs illness.

She was only married twelve months and four days when the angel of death came and laid hands on her and said that she must go. She often spoke of death and said that she was ready to die. She belonged to the Missionary Baptist Church, and was a faithful worker in the Master's cause. She leaves many friends and relations to mourn her death and sympathize with her bereaved husband and parents.

"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

"Yet must we part and parting weep;
What else hath earth for us in store?
These farewell pangs, how sharp and deep!
These farewell words, how sad and sore!

Yet we shall meet again in peace.
To sing the song of festal joy—
Where none shall bid our gladness cease
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County Alliance.

Chilton County Alliance will meet with Union Alliance on Wednesday, February 2, 1898. All Alliancemen are invited to attend and encourage our people to organize and keep the good work going on.

Clanton Primary Alliance will meet on Saturday, Jan. 22. All members come.

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Notice.

I have sold my store and contents. If any one has a claim against me that has not been settled, they will please present it at once for settlement.

Reepectfully,
C. W. PLANT.

NOTICE.

To the Tax-payers of Chilton county who have not as yet assessed their taxes for the year 1898, I will not be at the Court House during the month of January as heretofore stated in the BANNER, but will keep my office open to receive assessments at my residence during the month of January, 1898.

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.

The progressive ladies of Westfield Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlin's Cough remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent botties for sale by J. S. Johnson Jr. Druggist.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Governor of Alabama to remit the Forfeiture, made final at the Fall Term, 1897, of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, Alabama, in the case of The State vs. German, alias Dutch, Crosby, et als, against H. B. Rodgers, J. M. Merchant, William Martin, W. H. Conway, J. P. Givhan and Hand Brothers. H. B. RODGERS.

Clanton, Ala., Jan. 13, 1898.

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Clanton Locals.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Robert Christian and Minerva Christian, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Robert Christian and Minerva Christian I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Two Mules; One Buggy and Harness.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1898,

all the right, title and interest of the above named Robert Christian and Minerva Christian, in and to the above described property.

Dated at Clanton, this 13th day of January, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a the mortgage executed by W. R. Mims, Victoria Mims, Crawford Mims and Ady Mims to T. E. Gilchrist (now deceased) on the 21st day of December, 1895, and duly recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton County, Alabama, in Vol. 36, Pages 405 and on, the undersigned will proceed to sell, at the Court House in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1898,

to wit: The Island in the Coosa River known as the Johnson Island, and containing 78 acres more or less.

ISABELLA A. GILCHRIST,
Administratrix of Estate of
T. E. Gilchrist, deceased,

By WM. A. COLLIER, Attorney.
Clanton, Ala., Dec. 23, 1897.

Non-Age—Notice of Filing Petition to Remove.

State of Alabama }
Chilton county }

In Chancery at Clanton, 7th District, N. E. Chancery Division.

Petition ex parte, of John Dawson, as father and guardian of Louis Dawson and Eliza Dawson.

To all whom this may concern—Greeting:

Whereas, a petition has been filed in this Court by John Dawson, father and guardian as aforesaid, for the removal of the disabilities of nonage of the said Louis Dawson and Eliza Dawson; Therefore notice is hereby given to all parties in interest, that the matter of said petition will be heard before the Honorable James R. Dowdell, Chancellor of the district aforesaid, at LaFayette, Chambers County, Alabama, on the 7th day of February, 1898.

W. E. STEWART Register.
BALDWIN & FOSHEE, Solicitors.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19,449.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala.,
January 3, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on February 12, 1898, viz.: James A. Sims, Homestead entry No. 24,446, for the se ¼ of ne ¼, ne ¼ of se ¼, section 24, tp 20, n r 12 east

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: J. H. Johnson, I. M. Tidwell, James Murrah, W. M. Roberts, all of Stanton, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

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An expert says that getting shot does not hurt any more than having a tooth pulled. The dissemination of this knowledge will not lessen the rush to get out of the way when bullets are flying around.

Georgia people and papers are pluming themselves greatly upon the fact that the new capitol of Rhode Island is being built of Georgia marble, in preference to all the granite and marble of New England. It comes from Pickens county, and is represented to be remarkably white white and strong.

The ingenuity that has been exhibited of late years in the discovery and application of explosives for mining purposes has really been a remarkable, and not less so has been the growth of the trade in explosives during the period of twenty years since the English act of 1875 came into operation, says the Trade Journals Review. Not only has the number of factories more than doubled, but the number of persons employed in them is now over 10,000, which shows an increase of nearly 3000 even during the last ten years.

Professor Bryce declares that the one conspicuous failure of American institutions is the government of our great cities, which every intelligent man knows to be true. The state limits the liberties of its cities. It does not dare to trust them with full autonomy. We have for years relied upon the country vote to hold the cities in check, but the time is soon coming when the cities will take matters into their own hands. If the rate of growth from 1880 to 1890 continues, in 1920 the cities of the United States will contain 10,000,000 more than one-half of the population. The city will then control state and nation.

The plague continues to spread in India, in spite of all sanitary efforts for its extirpation. Its progress is slow in comparison with most epidemics, but it is the hardest of them all to uproot entirely. It is several years since the present malady started on its course from China, and the history of previous visitations justifies the conjecture that it may have a long road to travel. Russia's plague of 1878 hovered about the countries of Western Asia for a decade before it advanced northward. In 1867 it appeared at Bagdad; in 1870-'71 Kurdistan was invaded; and in 1873 Bagdad suffered anew. In 1877 it appeared at Recht, an important city of Northern Persia, near the port of Enseli, from whence it was carried northward in Caspian ships and planted in the populous but malarious and unwholesome deltas of the Volga. Russia did not get rid of it for a number of years, and stray cases of it appeared in other European countries, to which it has been a periodical visitor since their history began. It may come again, but it is not now armed with its old terrors.

Disgraceful scenes have been witnessed more than once in American legislative chambers, recalls the New York Times. Our statesmen have occasionally resorted to the argument of fists vigorously swung, and in just a few instances the course of debate has been interrupted by the violent insertion into it of knives and revolvers. These lamentable facts are not to be denied, but the humiliation they have caused in sensitive minds is much mitigated by the thought that never, even amid the agonies of "reconstruction," did the most uncouth of our lawmakers display for more than a few minutes the reckless blackguardism by which for weeks past the members of the Austrian Reichsrath have shaken the foundations of the empire and classed themselves with savages. Democracy has its scandals, but monarchical institutions, apparently, do not develop in all who live under them unvarying reliance on courteous and legal methods as the only alternatives to out-and-out rebellion. However, we should remember that the government of the United States is an ancient one, compared with those of Austro-Hungary, Germany, Spain, Italy, France, and most of the minor Continental nations. In due time, no doubt, the residents of Europe will attain to our present high average of self-control. It would not be fair to expect as much from people to whom constitutional rule is still only an experiment as from those whose ancestors have been free for many a generation, and who have learned from long experience when to fight and when to make parliamentary motions.

REDUCTIONS INAUGURATED

In About Seventy of the Chief Cotton Mills in New England.

EIGHTY THOUSAND EMPLOYES AFFECTED.

Ten Thousand Operatives Are Out at New Bedford, Mass.—May Prove the Beginning of the Greatest Industrial Battle Ever Fought.

Eighty thousand or more skilled operatives employed in about seventy of the chief cotton mills of the New England states commenced work under the sweeping order of the new wage scale, which entails a reduction of 10 per cent or more. This reduction will bring on in New Bedford, Mass., Lewiston and Biddeford, Me., labor strikes which may prove the beginning of an industrial battle greater in extent and more disastrous in effect than any in the previous history of cotton manufacturing in the United States.

The battle against corporations undoubtedly would have been fought everywhere had not the voice of men and women ill prepared at this time of the year to go into idleness been heeded by the conservatives.

As it is, a great majority of persons employed in the nine corporations in New Bedford and one corporation each in the two Maine cities will take upon themselves the task of forcible resistance to reduction.

In New Bedford the nine corporations represent twenty-two mills, with over 770,000 spindles and 21,000 looms, giving means of livelihood to nearly 10,000.

The strikes will be directed by the labor union, the lead being taken by the mule spinners union, the national executive committee of which has sanctioned the strike of opposition and promised financial aid.

New Bedford's Big Strike.

A shut-down, the most complete in the history of the cotton mills of New Bedford, began Monday morning. Not a spindle was turning, nor a loom in motion in the factories of the cloth corporations an hour after the usual time for beginning work. Between forty and fifty operatives went into the Bristol mill, and twenty-five or thirty into the Whitman, but aside from these no mill made any show of running and these two soon shut down.

Nine corporations, operating eighteen mills, in which upwards of 10,000 hands are employed, are involved in the strike.

The cut down is uniform all over the city, 10 per cent. The total pay roll of these corporations is estimated at $70,000 weekly.

SOUTHERN INDUSTRIAL REVIVAL

The Tradesman Gives Encouraging Reports in All Lines of Trade.

The Chattanooga Tradesman's Southern correspondents report encouraging prospects in all lines of trade for the new year. A feature of the week is the increased number of new industrial enterprises, prominent among them being the organization of companies with large capital to develop valuable water power in Georgia and Tennessee.

Furnace operators in the South report inquiries for iron more numerous than for a long time and orders are booked ahead for several months. Alabama iron shows especial activity, and among the large orders being filled at Birmingham is one for 10,000 tons of iron from Japanese brokers. The Clifton Iron Company's furnace at Ironaton will be put in blast February 1, and the No. 3 furnace of the Sheffield Coal, Iron & Steel Company will be blown in about February 10. The Rome (Ga.) Furnace Company has received an order for 6,000 tons of high grade product, which will keep the furnace busy nearly four months.

Consumers of steel billets are asking for figures covering the year, but the mills are not selling that way. The demand for billets, pipe and structural material is heavy and prices are stiffening. Heavy orders are booked from the railroads for spring and summer delivery.

The coal trade in the mining districts of the South is still active. Coal is moving out rapidly, taxing the output of the mines at many points and some operators are compelled to run extra time to supply the demand.

Japanese Warship to be Launched.

The launching of the Japanese warship Kasagi, which is being built at Cramp's shipyard, Philadelphia, will take place on Thursday at noon. The Kasagi is the most important ship ever built in the United States for foreign account and is the first foreign warship launched in this country since the Zobiaca, in 1878.

Mrs. Lane Shoots Herself.

Mrs. Lucille Lane youngest daughter of Ex-Senator Joe Blackburn, of Kentucky, shot herself in her apartment at the Wellington hotel, Washington, last Saturday night. According to the statement given out by the family the shooting was accidental.

Two Men Killed in Arkansas.

At a dance on the Falls plantation in Mississippi county, Ark., Saturday night a shooting affray took place between three sons of Armistead Phillips on one side and the three sons of Wright Ray on the other. Two men were killed and two fatally wounded, the casualties being equally divided.

Pitched Battle Between Negroes.

At Sandy Fork, Leslie county, Ky., eight colored men were killed as a result of a quarrel over a game of cards in a blind tiger one day last week.

ALABAMA POSTMASTERS.

Long List of Them Named by the President Saturday.

The following Alabama postmasters were named Saturday:

Amy P. Armistead, Kushia, Mobile county; J. H. Pangs, Tangs, Chambers county; W. F. Fulton, Larimore, DeKalb county; C. D. Williams, Luttrell, DeKalb county; W. H. Morgan, Manti, Conecuh county; John K. Smith, Maylene, Shelby county; Nancy I. Tingle, Melville, Winston county; J. B. Bullard, Mexia, Monroe county; Marshall J. Lewis, Moss, Marengo county; Elbert C. Lusk, Nance's Creek, Calhoun county; William J. Harris, Nix, Etowah county; Wilson C. Whitaker, Oswichee, Russell county; J. A. Shipman, Prak, Barbour county; James Crumy, Partlow, St. Clair county; E. A. Carr, Pushmahata, Choctaw county; S. W. Rotenberry, Randolph, Bibb county; W. D. Collins, Rena, Fayette county; John McDaniel, Skirum, DeKalb county; Samuel F. Rickman, Stafford, Pickens county; John S. Kerby, Stamp, DeKalb county; Samuel J. Bullen, Story, Cherokee county; Josiah S. Hall, Temple, Pickens county; A. T. Hare, Tiltmore, Blount county; Mortimer Vinea, Vine, Jefferson county; G. T. Wilson, Tomato, Clay county; S. T. Shaw, Vienna, Pickens county; Samuel Miller, Watch, Lamar county; William R. Wiley, Wheat, Cullman county; W. H. Miller, Woodstock, Bibb county.

Shot Himself in the Mouth.

William Harrison, 35 years of age, suicided in the office of the Babcock Cotton warehouse, at Selma, where he was employed as a clerk Monday. He was found sitting in a chair with his feet on the stove, a smoking pistol in his hand and blood gushing from his mouth. He was breathing heavily and died a few minutes later without speaking. The cause is supposed to be an escapade in which he figured Sunday night. Two years ago he attempted suicide by taking morphine.

Madison's Finances.

The yearly report of G. D. Kinney, tax collector of Madison county, to the court of Madison county commissioners was published Monday. The receipts from all sources from February 1, 1897 to December 31, 1897, amounted to $36,717.75; disbursements amounting to $32,060.37. The special road fund of the year amounted to $12,295.81. Of this fund $11,107.75 was expended in improvements and extensions of the free turnpike system of the county.

May Nominate Johnston.

Rev. William D. Gay, secretary of the state executive committee of the prohibition party, announces that he will soon call a meeting of the committee for the purpose of nominating a state ticket. It is said that the party will nominate Governor Johnston, who will be the democratic nominee for governor.

A Reviving Industry.

There seems to be a good prospect that the old Florence shoe factory will resume operations at an early date. J. G. Merritt, of Boston, has been in that city the past week, and it is understood that he has put $20,000 into the concern and that he is now engaged in making the necessary purchases of machinery.

Primary Nominations in Jackson County.

In the democratic primary held in Jackson county Saturday the following candidates were nominated: For probate judge, C. L. Cargill; circuit court clerk, F. D. Hurt; superintendent of education, Samuel Phillips; representatives, Milo Moody and Calvin Rousseau.

Sheriff Carson Not Guilty.

The trial of Sheriff Alonzo D. Carson at Florence was concluded Saturday. The jury was out only a few minutes and returned a verdict of not guilty on the charge of habitual drunkenness in office, preferred by the grand jury.

Crushed Without Warning.

James Wyper, a young white man employed at the Drift mines of the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad company at Pratt City as a miner, was instantly killed last Saturday afternoon by a mass of rock, which fell on him while he was at work in his room.

White Blasengen, a cattle dealer of Pulaski, Tenn., was fatally injured at Hobb's Island, near Huntsville, by his horse falling on him.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

The Mobile and Ohio is laying track south of Tuscaloosa at the rate of a mile and a half a day.

The Scottville depot on the Mobile and Ohio extension is well advanced, and the Centerville depot will soon be begun.

J. B. Vassey's cotton gin and saw mill at Cluttsville, Madison county, were burned last week. The property was a total loss.

Hon. Hector D. Lane, ex-commissioner of agriculture, was seized with convulsions Saturday and is in a dangerous condition. He was paralyzed last week and it is feared he will sustain another shock.

The gin house of William Moore, at Tyler's, near Selma, was burned last Saturday night. Mr. Moore had lately put in $3,000 worth of new machinery.

Eugene V. Debs, the leader of the social democracy, addressed a public gathering at Montgomery Monday afternoon in the interest of his pet theories.

The grand jury of Hale county finished its work and made a final report on last Saturday evening. One hundred and forty-seven cases were investigated, 354 witnesses examined and 88 true bills found, at a cost to the county of $330.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

Is a Feature in Southern Iron, Sales Being Very Heavy.

GOOD EXPORT DEMAND FOR COTTON.

Prices Generally Remain Steady or Tend Upward—Mild Weather Checks Distribution of Winter Goods—Failures Slightly on the Decrease.

Bradstreet's weekly review of trade says: Distributive trade remains rather quiet, mild weather throughout the country tending to check distribution of winter goods. Prices generally remain steady or tend upward, except for some grades of iron and orders for spring trade where received are encouraging. Industrial activity is most manifest at the west, where the demand for iron is very large. A feature of the week was the placing of an order by one railway for 100,000 tons of steel rails, with smaller orders, aggregating in the neighborhood of 25,000,000 tons more. Pig iron production is now at an unprecedented rate, the furnace capacity being estimated at 1,000,000 tons a month. At the south manufacturing activity is a feature, sales of iron being very heavy. A good export demand for cotton and grain at steady prices is a feature. At the east a number of strikes against wage reductions are reported or expected in the cotton industry.

Some woolen mills, working on men's heavy wear goods are refusing orders, their capacity being fully booked. Anthracite coal production, it is hoped, in that trade, will be restricted sufficiently to allow of the advance of 20 to 40 cents per ton being maintained.

The recent falling off in wheat exports prove, as was indicated last week in Bradstreet's, to have been due to the usual holiday quieting, and not to any falling off of demand from abroad. The total exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from the United States and Canada this week amounted to 5,135,166 bushels, against 3,481,000 bushels last week and 3,948,000 bushels this week a year ago, 3,202,000 bushels in 1896 and 3,564,000 bushels in 1895.

Corn exports for the week show a gain of 1,000,000 bushels, amounting to 4,514,000 bushels against 3,255,000 bushels last week and 3,336,000 bushels in the corresponding week of 1896.

As was expected, weekly failures are slightly smaller in number, amounting to 323 this week, against 333 last week, 479 in this week of 1897, 412 in 1896, 358 in 1895 and 386 in 1894.

STRIKE ENDORSED.

Decided to Stay Out Until All Demands Are Granted.

At New Bedford, Mass., Adelphi rink was crowded Friday to its utmost capacity, fully 2,000 men and women attending the mass meeting of the union and non-union weaver of the city.

The action of the union in voting to strike was indorsed by a hearty aye, and it was voted to stay out until the abuses claimed by the weavers are corrected.

The weavers demand, first, a restoration of wages; second, the abolition of the finding system; third, the adoption of a uniform price list in all the mills of the city.

It was the sentiment of all that the weavers would no go to work Monday if the notices were taken down. The union and non-union card and picker room operatives had a mass meeting also and unanimously decided to resist the cut.

HOW TO MAKE THE FARMS PAY.

A Georgia Farmer Shows That Diversified Crops is the Panacea.

R. W. Hale, a Pike county, Georgia, farmer, has realized the value of diversified crops on a farm by his experience during the year just closed. He made forty-six bales of cotton and sold it for less than it cost to produce it. On the other hand Mr. Hale has a young orchard of forty-six acres of fruit trees. Only ten acres were old enough to bear any fruit last season, but nevertheless fruit men paid him $1,000 cash to let them ship what they wanted to from the orchard. When they got through a distiller gave Mr. Hale two barrels of brandy for what was left. After this, the hogs had a feast on the balance.

A New Party Born.

At the conference of populist leaders held at St. Louis a new political party was born. It was christened "The People's Party." The people's party proposes to go it alone. It has severed connection with the national populist committee, and made all arrangements for administering its own estate without the aid or advice of any outside party.

New Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed Thursday for Alabama: D. J. Bloodworth, Cowart, Henry county; Daniel W. Morton, Fayette, Fayette county.

Increase in Naval Enlistment.

Secretary Long sent a recommendation to the house committee on naval affairs Thursday for an increase in the forces of enlisted men in the naval force by 1,000 men, and asking for an increase of the apprentices in the navy by 700.

Eighty Lives Lost.

Latest advices from the Orient state that the Japanese transport steamer Nara, of 2,510 tons, bound to the Peccaderes, was wrecked December 24 and about eighty lives lost.

DEATH'S RECORD.

Hon. Ben Butterworth.

Hon. Ben Butterworth, commissioner of patents, who has been ill at the Piney Woods Hotel, Thomasville, Ga., for some weeks, died last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Butterworth was born in Warren county, Ohio, October 22, 1837, and was a member of the state senate of Ohio from Warren and Butler counties in 1873-'74; was elected from the first Ohio district to the forty-sixth, forty-seventh, forty-nine and fiftieth congresses and was re-elected to the fifty-first congress as a republican. He was commissioner of patents first during the administration of Garfield and Arthur and his record made then and subsequently had great weight with President McKinley in sleecting him for that position.

Logan Carlisle.

Logan Carlisle, chief clerk of the treasury department during the last Cleveland administration, died suddenly Saturday at the home of his father, James G. Carlisle, ex-secretary of the treasury.

Charles Pelham Villiers.

Right Honorable Charles Pelham Villiers, member of parliament from South Wolverhampton, England, and

FAVORS ITALIAN REPUBLIC.

Co-Existence of the Vatican and Monarchy Impossible

POPE'S ALLOCUTION FORMS THE BASIS

Of an Article Which Declares That There Can Be No Peace With a King—Decree Has Produced a Profound Sensation in All Circles.

The Rome correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle in a startling statement quotes largely from an article in Civilta Cattolica which he declares is directly inspired by the vatican and the pope advocating as the solution of the eternal question between the vatican and the quirinal the establishment of an Italian republic.

The article, which is based on the pope's Christmas allocution, declares that the thing which stands opposed to papal independence is not Italian unity but "the special and concrete form wherein that unity is at present maintained with results much more disastrous to the state than to the holy see."

It proceeds to assert that the co-existence of the vatican and the Italian monarchy is responsible, and that one or the other must go. It then suggests the constitutions of Switzerland and America as examples of "admirable and glorious constitutions, true unities of nation and state, though differing from that of Italy, which has produced nothing but weakness, misery and starvation."

The article concludes:

"Without the aid of foreign bayonets the true Italy will find for itself its own way and will rise again, let us hope, from the ignominy in which it now lies prostrate to true greatness."

The Daily Chronicle's correspondent asserts that that this is "an intentional revelation to the outer world of the policy actuating the inner mind of Cardinal Rampolla," the secretary of state. He adds:

"Probably there would be no truth in the supposition that either Cardinal Rampolla or the pope had any idea of even a temporary alliance with the republican party, but yet they believe that, while peace with the king is impossible, it might be possible with a republic. The reason for the appearance of this astounding pronouncement at the present moment is the belief that not only the ministry, but the dynasty itself is menaced more seriously than usual."

TO UNITE ALL FACTIONS.

Silver Leaders Will Endeavor to Work in Union for the Fight in '98.

As a result of conferences held in Washington in the last few days between the silver leaders of the various parties, it is understood that Chairman Jones, of the national democratic committee, Chairman Butler, of the populist national committee, and Chairman Towne, of the silver national republican committee, will issue a joint manifesto the early part of next week with a view to securing common act on by the three organizations in the contest of 1898. The document is now in the course of preparation. It will appeal to all those interested in the cause of silver to work in union.

Wreck on the Mobile and Ohio.

Southbound freight train, No. 13, on the Mobile and Ohio, was wrecked about twenty-five miles north of Meridian Thursday night. As a result the negro fireman, Guy Claiborne, is dead, a white brakeman, Will Cunningham, is, it is thought, fatally wounded, and Engineer Charles Connell is badly hurt. The train crashed into an open switch and struck a train of cars on the side track.

Blanco Threatened.

Passengers who have arrived at Key West from Havana report that Captain-General Blanco has been threatened with an attack by a mob, and is mobilizing his loyal forces to be ready for any such demonstration. Most of the newspapers have been compelled to suspend publication, and those that are published are compelled to have their matter examined before using it.

Knoxville Elects a Republican Mayor.

Captain William Rule, a republican, has been elected mayor of Knoxville, Tenn. The republicans also elected the chairman of the board of public works, but lacked one of getting a majority of the board of aldermen. The democrats had two tickets in the field, which caused their defeat. The entire city government will change hands.

General Delgado Killed.

A dispatch received from Spanish sources in Pinar del Rio says that the insurgent brigadier, Gen. Parico Delgado, has been killed by his followers, and that his own staff, including Lopez Marin, has surrendered to the Spanish authorities.

Was a Real Battle.

It is reported that an important engagement has taken place between the Spaniards and the insurgents under General Rabi in the direction of Manzanilla, in which the insurgents lost 300 men killed and the Spaniards 110 killed and wounded.

Ex-President Cleveland has made a second appeal to Governor Budd, of California, for clemency in the case of Walter D. Worden, convicted of murder in connection with the train wrecking in the great strike of 1894.

TEMPERANCE TOPICS

NOTES OF INTEREST TO THE ANTI-LIQUOR LEADERS.

Water Lengthens Life While Liquor Shortens It. A Temperance Lecture in the Street. Beer Drinking and Its Evil Effects.

Longevity Influenced by Water.

Solid and dry as the human body appears, water constitutes more than three-fourth of its bulk, and all the functions of life are really carried on in a watery bath, and, although the sense of thirst may be trusted to call for a draught of water when required, the fluid can be imbibed most advantageously for many reasons besides merely satisfying thirst. In the latter stage of digestion, when comminution of the mass is complete, it is much facilitated by a moderate draught of water, which disintegrates and dissolves the contents of the stomach, fitting it for emptying and preparing it for assimilation. Hence the habit of drinking water in moderate quantities between meals contributes to health and indicates the fact that those who visit health resorts for the purpose of imbibing the waters of mineral springs might profit by staying at home and drinking more water and less whisky. Water is the universal solvent of nature, and the chief agent in all the transformations of matter. When taken into an empty stomach it soon begins to pass out through the tissues, and the circulation to liquefy effete matter whose excretion from the system is thus facilitated. Very few people think of the necessity of washing the inside as well as the outside of the body, and he who would be perfectly healthy should be as careful about the cleanliness of his stomach as that of his skin.

A Temperance Lecture.

The following "news item" printed by the New York Sun, is by itself a pretty good temperance lecture. We copy it verbatim: "A carriage containing four well-dressed men in the stages of intoxication stopped on Union street, near Seventh avenue, Brooklyn, at about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. On the curb stood a white man bargaining with a peddler of fruit. He bought ten cents' worth of bananas, and offered in payment a five-dollar bill, which the peddler could not change. The wheelman asked the men in the carriage if they could change it. The least responsible one of the party at once drew a handful of paper money from his pocket, handed two one-hundred-dollar bills to the wheelman, stuffed the two-dollar bill into his pocket with the rest of his money, and called to the driver to go ahead. The moment the carriage was rolling down the street the wheelman stood looking at the two hundred dollars in his hands. Then he fumbled the bills, as if to restore his mind to working order, jumped on his wheel, and sputtered after the carriage. He caught it at the corner of Sixth avenue, returned the two hundred dollars with some difficulty, as the party of four seemed unable to comprehend the situation and wanted back his two dollars. The only loser in the transaction was the peddler. In his agitation, the wheelman forgot all about the bananas."

Bad Effects of Alcohol.

From scientific experiments of more than 2,000 persons Dr. J. H. Kellogg, of Battle Creek, Mich., has determined the effects of one ounce of alcohol administered internally. They are the following: (1) To diminish muscular activity; (2) to diminish cerebral activity; (3) to impair the coordinating power of the brain; (4) to lessen muscular strength; (5) to decrease digestive activity to a notable extent. From his medical experience and laboratory research have convinced him that it is an error to regard alcohol as a food; to digestion, as it has proven highly detrimental. This influence upon digestion, he declares, is exactly what would be expected of a drug that, like alcohol, is a paralyzer of protoplasmic activity, an anaesthetic and a sedative, and not, as has been erroneously supposed, a stimulant.

Herd of White Deer.

A herd of white deer was seen near Kingman, Maine, a few days ago. A hunter for twenty miles tried to get one of the animals. The herd was first seen by a New York sportsman. For awhile he was so bewildered that he did not know what to do, for it may be that no man before ever saw more than one white deer at a time in the Maine woods. He finally succeeded in killing a big white buck weighing about 225 pounds, and he left on the next train for home, after having been here only three days.

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[illegible] His medical experience and laboratory research have convinced him that it is an error to regard alcohol as an aid to digestion, as it has proven highly detrimental. This influence upon the digestion, he declares, is exactly what would be expected of a drug that like alcohol is a paralyzer of protoplasmic activity, an anaesthetic and a sedative, and not, as has been erroneously supposed, a stimulant.

Herd of White Deer.

A herd of white deer was seen near [illegible], Maine, a few days ago, and a [illegible] hunter [illegible] twenty miles is now [illegible] to get one of the animals. The herd was first seen by a Newport sportsman. For a while he was so bewildered that he did not know what to [illegible], for it may be that no man before ever saw more than one white deer at a time in the Maine woods. He succeeded in killing a big white buck, weighing about 225 pounds, and he left on the next train for home after having been here only three days. The buck was almost as white as snow. There was a patch of brown hair on his right side near the rump. When the man arrived in Bangor he met a taxidermist who bought the deer at a handsome price. The taxidermist says that he has mounted only one white deer in his life, and that was for a London man, who wanted it to present to the British museum.

Beer Drinking and Longevity.

Insurance doctors are much against beer drinking. Dr. Rogers of the New York Life, in reference to beer, says: "Recently I had occasion to make some study of what happens among persons engaged in the manufacture of beer. My cases included not only the workmen engaged in breweries, but also the proprietors of breweries. It is a curious fact that the mortality among the proprietors is about as high as among the workmen, showing that they are all given to copious libations. The mortality is strikingly low among brewers in early years. Up to forty or thereabouts, brewers seem to be about as good risks as pretty much anybody else. After forty the mortality rises very high and I should say that at fifty five or sixty years of age about three brewers may be expected to die where one average person dies."

Status of Saloonkeepers.

If saloon keepers are indeed "the best men on earth," as a certain mayor himself one of them, asserts, we shall have to revise our ethical systems so as to represent the worst as the best and the best as the worst. It would seem to be nobler to make a man drunk than to help him to keep sober; to minister to the indulgences of his appetites than to influence him to control them; to start him on the road to the almshouse or states prison than to encourage him to thrift, industry and uprightness. If saloons are the best places on earth, homes and schoolhouses and churches must be the worst, they are so widely different.—The Independent.

These Were Total Abstainers.

So the o'erwearied pilgrim, as he fares
Along life's summer waste, at times is fanned,
Even at noon tide, by the cool, sweet airs
Of a serener and a holier land,
Fresh as the morn, and as the dew-fall bland.
Breath of the blessed heaven for which we pray,
Blow from the eternal hills! make glad our earthly way!

—Whittier.

We receive everything, both life and happiness; but the manner in which we receive, that is what is still ours. * * * Watch, then, disciple of life, watch and labor towards the development of the angel within thee. We must dare to be happy, and dare to confess it, regarding ourselves always as the depositories, not as the authors of our own joy.—Amiel's Journal.

I go to prove my soul!
I see my way as birds their trackless way.
I shall arrive! What time; what circuit first,
I ask not; but unless God sends his hail
Or blinding fireballs, sleet or stifling snow,
In good time, his good time, I shall arrive.
He guides me and the bird. In his good time.

—Browning.

The time of seed-sowing passes quickly. Ere it be gone, let me consider closely, "Have I sown the seed of all I purpose to have?" For as is the seed-sowing, so must be the summer glory and the autumn fruition.—Sarah Smiley.

The battle of our life is won,
And heaven begun,
When we can say "Thy will be done!"
But, Lord, until
These restless hearts in Thy deep love are still,
We pray Thee, "Teach us how to do Thy will."

—Lucy Larcom.

—Of all the perils of advancing age none is greater than that of losing the faculty of wonder. That which is commonest is, indeed, the most real cause of wonder.—Westcott.

The time a man spends in getting ready is never wasted time. It is a suggestive fact that nine-tenths of our Lord's life was spent in preparation.—Charles H. Parkhurst, D. D.

Be always displeased at what thou art, if thou desire to attain to what thou art not; for where thou hast pleased thyself, there thou abidest.—Quarles.

The bee and the butterfly
Live longer in one active, sunny hour
Than the poor tortoise in his torpid years.

—Richard Monckton Milnes.

Hath any wronged thee? Be bravely revenged! Slight it, and the work is begun; forgive it, and the work is finished.—Quarles.

True happiness
Consists not in the multitude of friends,
But in the worth and choice.

—Ben Jonson.

That friendship should be able to endure silence without suspicion is the surest touchstone of its sufficiency.—J. R. Lowell.

We are always complaining that our days are few and acting as though there would be no end to them.—Addison.

We must accept or refuse one another as we are. I could tame a hyena more easily than my friend.—Thoreau.

Sunshine cannot bleach the snow,
Nor time unmake what poets know.

—Emerson.

'Tis the Gun.

"Why is it that Chumpley always buys another new gun at the opening of the game season?" "Because the one he had the year before never killed anything."—Detroit Free Press.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

The civil service debate was again resumed today. The opponents of the law had much the best of the debate as far as the numbers of those engaging in it were concerned. Nine of the eleven speakers were of the opposition. The friends of the law are very anxious to shut off further debate and in this will have the co-operation of the speaker and the rules committee. Mr. Moody, who has charge of the bill, gave notice that he would test the sense of the house tomorrow on a motion to close debate. The opposition immediately sent word to all in their ranks to be on hand, and they say they will have no difficulty in defeating the motion. The entire day was consumed by the debate, when at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

A bill was reported favorably from the Indian committee prohibiting railroad companies from charging more than 3 cents a mile for passengers through the Indian territory.... A resolution looking to the filtration of water used in the city of Washington was referred to the District of Columbia committee.... At 12:30 p. m., the senate went into executive session to consider the Hawaiian annexation treaty. The treaty was not taken up immediately in the executive session, as a number of nominations were at first confirmed. Immediately after the treaty was called up Senator Pettigrew offered his motion for conducting the debate on it with open doors, which was antagonized by Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, and others. A majority of those favoring open doors are opposed to ratification, but not all of them are on that side of the main controversy. The senate decided not to debate the Hawaiian treaty in open session, and at 3:45 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

The civil service debate, which was inaugurated in the house a few weeks ago, ended to-day. It opened with a row, but ended very tamely. There was not even a vote on the appropriation in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill for the civil service commission. The republicans, who were seeking to modify or repeal the law, decided to let the debate come to a close to-day, but it required the casting vote of the speaker to accomplish this. There is conflicting statements as to the situation in which the future conduct of the war against the civil service law is left. All the republican opponents of the law agree that the fight is to be kept up. It is understood that an opportunity will be given in the future for the consideration of a bill to modify the law. The debate to-day was quite dull until the closing hour, when Mr. Simpson enlivened it with reference to the Ohio senatorial election. Mr. Bailey made a clear statement of the minority position, which indicates that the minority will vote to repeal, but not to modify the law. The principal speech of the day was made by Mr. Brosius, chairman of the civil service committee, who defended the law in a two hours' speech.

The Senate.

The senate today briefly discussed an adverse report by the pensions committee on a bill to pension General Meade's two daughters at $100 a month each, Chairman Gallinger saying the committee did not wish to enter on the pensioning of daughters of veterans. Senator Allen, of Nebraska, thought that General Meade's service justified such liberality. No action was taken and after Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, announced a speech on the money question for next Monday, Senator Fairbanks addressed the senate on immigration. After this speech the Hawaiian treaty was taken up in executive session.... Mr. Allen secured the adoption of a resolution calling upon the president for information in his possession relative to the boundary line between Venezuela and British Guinea, and to inform the senate whether the United States now has any clerks or other employes at work upon the Venezuelan boundary question and also what part of the $100,000 appropriated for the Venezuelan commission has been expended.... At 3:45 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

The house today passed an urgent deficiency bill carrying $1,741,843. One of the items, authorizing a further expenditure of $520,000 for the soldiers' home at Danville, Ill., for which $150,000 was appropriated in the last sundry civil bill, was used by Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, as a basis for a bitter personal attack upon Chairman Cannon, whose home is at Danville. Mr. DeArmond moved to strike out the paragraph appropriating $100,000 for the construction of barracks at the soldiers' home established at Danville. He called attention to the fact that when the sundry civil bill passed at the last session carrying $150,000 for the establishment of the Danville home it was then stated that was all the money which would be asked for. Mr. DeArmond was exceedingly caustic in his criticism of Mr. Cannon, who, he said, after using his power on the appropriations committee to get that soldiers' home located at his home town, was trying to take a half million more out of the treasury. Mr. Cannon, in his reply, was as sarcastic as his adversary. Several members spoke briefly of the testimony, showing the necessity for a soldiers' home in the Mississippi valley, and the propriety of locating it at Danville. Mr. DeArmond's motion was then defeated without division. There was also a lively debate over the provisions in the bill requiring the owners of bullion hereafter to pay the cost of transporting bullion from assay offices to the mints. The house then adjourned.

The Senate.

Mr. Chandler, of the committee on naval affairs in the senate today, secured the passage of a resolution asking the secretary of the navy to furnish a list of the active officers of the navy in each corps, together with those who are at sea or on shore duty and on walking orders. At 12:25 p. m. the senate, on motion of Mr. Davis, went into executive session and Mr. Davis continued his speech on the Hawaiian question. Mr. Davis' speech today was devoted largely to a presentation of the strategic features of annexation. He displayed a chart showing the location of Hawaii relative to this country and to Asia. One of the points brought out with considerable elaboration was the probable effect on the Nicaragua canal, of the occupation of the islands by some foreign power. He illustrated by a reference to the map showing that Hawaii was in a straight line between the western terminus of the canal and Japan and China. The nation, he said, which controls Hawaii, will control that great gateway of commerce, and the guns planted upon Hawaii would be pointed directly at the mouth of the canal. Senator Allen, of Nebraska, followed in opposition to the treaty. He called attention to the distance of Hawaii from our own shores, referred to the necessity we would be under of defending the islands in case of war, and claimed that on this account it would be necessary for the United States to establish and maintain a separate fleet for their protection, as well as an army on the islands. The senate then adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

The house today entered upon the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill. The bill carries $3,323,302, being $135,500 in excess of the amount for the current year. Mr. Wadsworth, of New York, chairman of the agricultural committee, explained that the increases were due to the growing demand for inspections of meat and meat products for export.... Under the latitude allowed for debate, Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, submitted an extended argument in favor of the establishment of the postal savings bank system.... After some remarks by Mr. Henderson, of Iowa, in support of the appropriation in the bill for seed distribution and in eulogy of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, whom he described as a genuine hard-fisted farmer, Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, got the floor and submitted some sarcastic comments on the report of the election of Senator Hanna, at Columbus yesterday. He read the telegram sent by Mr. Hanna to President McKinley: "God reigns and the republican party still lives," from which the basis of his remarks were taken.... An amendment was offered to strike out the appropriation for seed distribution, which was defeated by a vote of 119 to 115.... After a sharp debate an amendment appropriating $105,000 for the publication and distribution of 150,000 copies of the "horse book" was adopted, 115 to 103. The house then adjourned.

The Senate.

Among the measures reported to the senate today was the pension appropriation bill. It was placed on the calendar. At the conclusion of the morning business the immigration bill, the unfinished business, was taken up, and Mr. Caffery, of Louisiana, was recognized for a speech in opposition to the measure.... Eulogies in memory of Senator Harris, of Tennessee, which were to have been presented today were postponed.... The senate did not make great progress with the Hawaiian annexation treaty. Several speeches were delivered, but in every instance the speakers announced that today's remarks were merely preliminary to what they should say before the close of the senate. Senator Morgan, of Alabama, made the principal speech of the day.

Senator Cannon, of Utah, presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That the president is requested, if in his opinion it is not incompatible with the public interest, to transmit to the senate at his earliest convenience a statement showing what measures are in force by this government in the Island of Cuba and in waters contiguous thereto, to protect the lives and property of American citizens now living in Cuba."

At 4:50 the senate adjourned.

The House—Friday.

The house managers decided not to proceed with the consideration of the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill today, but to give the day for the consideration of private bills. This was doubtless done to avert the possibility of precipitating a sensational Cuban debate during the consideration of the appropriation bill. When the house adjourned last night the amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill providing for the publication of another edition of "Horse Book" was pending. Today the friends of the amendment compromised with the appropriation committee by agreeing to a reduction of the number to be printed from 150,000 to 75,000. An amendment to the amendment was adopted and the bill was passed.... The resolution was adopted accepting the invitation of the government of Norway to participate in the international fisheries exposition at Bergen from May to September, 1898.... The senate bill to refer to the court of claims the claim of the corporation of the book agents of the Methodist church, south, was next taken up. Mr. Cooper, of Texas, in charge of the bill, moved as a substitute a bill appropriating $288,000 for the full settlement of this claim. The property of the corporation, which was located at Nashville, Tenn., was seized and held by the United States from 1862 to 1866, when it was turned over to the owners. After a lengthy discussion the bill went over until tomorrow and the house adjourned.

The Senate.

After the transaction of some routine business in the senate to-day Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, presented the following resolution, proposing an amendment to the constitution: "That the following article be proposed to the legislatures of the several states as an amendment to the constitution of the United States: The term of office of senators and members of the Fifty-sixth congress shall continue until the 30th day of April in the year 1899 at noon. The senators whose existing terms would otherwise expire on the 4th day of March in the year 1899, or thereafter, shall continue in office until noon of the 30th day of April, succeeding such expiration; and the 30th day of April, at noon, shall thereafter be substituted for the 4th of March as the commencement and termination of the official term of president, vice-president, senators and representatives in congress." The resolution was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.... Mr. Pettus, of Alabama, secured the passage of a bill to regulate the duties of the United States judges in the district courts in Alabama.... Almost the entire four hours of the executive session of the senate to-day was devoted to the indirect consideration of the nomination of Hon. Joseph McKenna, now attorney-general, to be associate justice of the supreme court. Upon agreement consideration was deferred until a week from to-day.... Consideration of the Hawaiian treaty was postponed until next Monday.

The House—Saturday.

The house devoted two hours to general debate on the army appropriation bill and the remainder of the day to eulogizing the life and public services of the late Representative Seth W. Milliken, of Maine, who served for fourteen years in the lower branch of congress.... On motion of Mr. Lanham, of Texas, a bill was passed authorizing the president to appoint an additional district judge for the northern district of Texas. It was evident that Judge Rector, now the judge of that district, was utterly incapacitated from performing the duties of his office.... The house then went into committee of the whole and took up the consideration of the army appropriation bill. The bill, Chairman Hull, of the military committee, explained, carried $23,185,990, which was $1,039,750 less than the estimates and $56,746 in excess of the law for the current year. The increase in the pay of the army was due to the fact that the army was nearer its maximum strength than heretofore. At 2 o'clock debate was suspended to give the members an opportunity to pay tribute to the memory of the late Representative Milliken, of Maine, and as a further mark of the respect, the house at 3:25 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Monday.

This was District of Columbia day in the house, and immediately after the reading of the journal Mr. Curtis, of the District of Columbia committee, claimed the day and the house proceeded to the consideration of district business.... After the passage of three bills of purely local importance, the house resumed consideration of the army appropriation bill, which was begun on Saturday. In the course of the general debate, Mr. Griffith, of Iowa, defended the policy of retiring officers on three-quarters pay. The debate was enlivened by an attack upon the efficiency of the several branches of the army by Mr. McClellan, of New York. The army today, he declared, was little better than a clumsily organized national police force, top-heavy with the gold lace of staff officers, many of whom had not seen more active service than falls to the lot of a member of a member of the police force. The army should, he declared, be entirely reorganized. He was followed by Mr. Lewis, of Washington, who made a vigorous speech against any increase in the army. Mr. Hull of Iowa, expressed concurrence in the views of Mr. McClellan to the extent that he believed that the army should be reorganized, as the present organization was obsolete. The discussion of the needs of the army was continued by Messrs. Wheeler, of Alabama; Cox, of Tennessee and others.... Without completing the bill, the committee rose and at 5:10 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

In anticipation of an interesting session of the senate today, all the galleries were well filled sometime before the senate convened.... Mr. Hanna, who has just been elected senator from Ohio, made his first appearance on the floor since his election. Mr. Foraker presented the credentials of Mr. Hanna for the remainder of Mr. Sherman's term of six years, ending March 4, 1899. They were read. As there was no objection to the administration of the oath of office, Mr. Foraker escorted Mr. Hanna to the vice-president's desk and the oath was administered.... Among the motions presented were the remonstrances of 512 Roman Catholic societies of the United States, representing more than 50,000 members, offered by Mr. Murphy, of New York, against the enactment of the pending immigration bill.... At 12:50 Mr. Wolcott, of Colorado, chairman of the bimetallic commission, was recognized for a speech upon the work of the commission, who spoke for one hour and fifteen minutes, and at the close of which he was greeted with a burst of applause.... Mr. Lodge, of Massachusetts, then demanded the regular order, which was the immigration bill, and he was sustained in his demand by the vice-president. Mr. Hoar spoke in favor of the bill. An amendment was offered by Mr. Spooner providing that steamship companies should take back to Europe the wife and children of an emigrant who failed to meet the requirements of the proposed law. Adopted by 42 ayes and 22 noes. An amendment to fix the age of emigrants affected by the bill from 16 to 21 years was lost. The bill was then placed on its passage and passed by a vote of 47 to 28.... A bill authorizing the Muscogee Coal & Railroad company to construct and operate a railway through the Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory, and for other purposes, was passed.... Bills were passed providing for an American register for the steamer Navahoe and to amend section 4,400 of the Revised Statutes authorizing the licensing of mates on river and ocean steamers.... The joint resolution providing for participation by the United States in the fisheries exposition to be held this year in Bergen, Norway, which had been passed by the house, was passed.... The senate then, at 4:45 p. m., went into executive session and at 5 p. m. adjourned.

Found Dead in the Woods.

Last Friday night Herbert Seeley and Miss Alice Caro, of Warrington, a town surrounding the navy yard, at Pensacola, Fla., left in a buggy to attend a party at Mill View, about ten miles away. They arrived safely and were among the gayest of the guests. At 2 a. m. the couple left to return home, but late in the following day they had not made their appearance and a searching party was organized. Monday morning, near a bridge, their bodies were found in a clump of trees. The young lady had been killed by a pistol ball, while her companion lay beside her with his skull shattered by a ball. A coroner's jury were convinced that the young man had killed the girl and subsequently committed suicide.

LARGE CATTLE TRADE.

Thousands of Head Shipped to the West for Fattening Purposes.

Three train loads of Alabama cattle left Birmingham last Friday over the Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad for points in Indian Territory and Kansas. These will be the last shipments of live stock from this state to the western pastures for fattening purposes this season, as the cattle quarantine went into effect on the 15th inst.

The business of shipping Alabama cattle to the west has been a big one since November. It is estimated that between 40,000 and 50,000 head have left the state this winter. Alabama has been fairly drained of its young beef. The reason for this extraordinary shipment lies in the fact of the duty on Mexican and Central American cattle, which was fixed by the Dingley bill at $3 per head on the average. At this price the cattle feeders found it more profitable to buy at home than to bring cattle across the border. Alabama has received the benefit. The cattle have been gathered by brokers at central points, especially in such North Alabama cities and towns as Birmingham, Huntsville, Gadsden, Athens, Collinsville and the Decaturs, and shipped by the train load to Kansas, Missouri and Indian Territory to be fattened for slaughter by the big packing houses.

THE ALABAMA AND TOMBIGBEE.

Articles of Incorporation For the New Road Filed.

The organization of the Alabama and Tombigbee Railroad Company has been completed by the filing with the secretary of state of all the final papers and the issuing of the certificate of incorporation. This railroad is to extend from Lower Peachtree, in Wilcox county, to Coffeeville, in Clarke county, a distance of about forty miles. The incorporators and owners are the gentlemen who compose the Scotch Lumber Company at Fulton. This means a great deal for the development of that part of the State of Alabama. The capital stock is paid in full in cash. Much of the right of way is already secured, and a few miles of the road have been graded and track laid. It connects with the Mobile and Birmingham railroad at Fulton.

CONDENSED STATE ITEMS.

Birmingham's total cotton receipts up to January 13 have been 85,214 bales.

The house of Stephen Carter, a negro, near Greensboro, was destroyed by fire. Three small children perished in the flames.

Arguments in the Crowe-Underwood contested election case from the Ninth district was heard before election committee No. 1 Friday.

The machinery of the Alabama Kaolin company at Fort Payne is expected next week. The company will employ from 125 to 150 hands.

The saw mills of Baldwin county are unable to supply the demand for building material. Over 500 houses will be built in the county this winter.

WARSHIPS MOVING SOUTHWARD

Said to Have No Reference to the Present Cuban Troubles.

The North Atlantic squadron which has been gathered at Hampton Roads, sailed Southward Saturday. Lest there should be any misunderstanding of the purpose of the cruise, which has already been described, the order under which the vessels will proceed have been made public and taken in connection with the department's orders to Admiral Sicard, the navy department says, show the squadron movements have no reference to Cuba. The squadron is supposed to be destined eventually to participate in drills in the Key West drill waters.

The up-to-date young man never waits for an invitation when alone with a kissable girl.

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Rev. William D. Gay, secretary of the state executive committee of the prohibition party, announces that he will soon call a meeting of the committee for the purpose of nominating a state ticket.

The annual revision of our subscription list is now taking place. Subscribers will find written on the first page of this paper, under their name, the date their subscription was due, and will oblige by kindly renewing at once to prevent their name being removed from the list. If there is any error in the date please let us know at once, so that we may have the new list correct.

Smallpox, which was thought to have been crushed out of Montgomery, has recently developed there again, and, while it has by no means assumed a serious aspect as far as the community is concerned, there are new cases developing every week and a fair proportion of them are white people. The physicians have gone industriously to work as they did when the disease first appeared last summer, and are filling up all gaps left in the general vaccination.

The meeting at Montgomery for the purpose of forming a State Agricultural Society was not much of a success. While we are heartily in favor of the farmers of the State being thoroughly organized, we do not believe they can accomplish as much good for themselves in any other organization as they can in the Farmers' Alliance, and the stronger the Alliance the greater the good. The Chilton County Alliance will meet with Union Alliance on February 2, and every farmer in the county should make a point and be there. It promises to be an unusually interesting meeting.

The formation of another "People's Party" by the extremists who met at St. Louis is to be deplored. That it cannot possibly do any good, and in all probability will do some harm, does not appear to trouble the promoters of the new party. If there were any errors of judgment or of policy existing in the established organization of the People's Party, or if the members of the party were dissatisfied with its management, the party organization was fully competent to correct all departures from strict Populist principles, without going outside the party to effect any changes. The old organization is good enough for all true Populists, and they will see to it that nothing is accomplished which is not in strict conformity with the party platform and true Populist principles.

Like the calm which precedes the storm, politics in Alabama are abnormally quiet. 'Tis true there are mutterings of the storm to follow, but up to the present candidates are keeping under shelter. So far as the Populist State ticket is concerned the convention in May can safely left to determine the State candidates. County politics are unusually quiescent, and whether we are to have a primary or convention or days meeting to select candidates for county offices no one seems to know. This question should be set at rest, and an early meeting of the county executive committee is looked for. A Probate Judge, Circuit Clerk, Representative, and County Superintendent of Education are to be elected this year.

Maplesville.

Howard Crumpton and Crumpton Graham, of Pleasant Hill, have paid their uncle, T. U. Crumpton, a visit.

Herbert Wooley and wife spent several days with the old folks lately. Miss Gertrude Wooley has pleased her numerous friends by returning home.

Milton Lawrence and family have been to see his aunt, Mrs. W. Bowline.

Mrs. N. A. Goodwin and Miss Willie Glover have enjoyed a visit to Selma.

We are glad to state that Mrs. John Foshee has returned home from a visit to her parents at Montevallo.

We had a most quiet Xmas; nervous people were glad the supply of gunpowder seemed exhausted, even the fiendish small boy seemed to have been cheated out of his firecrackers that have been his chief treasure and joy at Xmas. The terrible poisoning affair seemed to have affected the too frequent imbibers, dealers were required to taste for purchasers which soon incapacitated them for business. Our railroad is on a quiet boom.

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W. M. Kepner, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. Kings New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottle free at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store

The New Time in its January number sounds the keynote of the opposition to the currency plans of President McKinley and Secretary Gage. This able magazine is now the recognized leader in the fight against the money power. "The Wolcott commission and its results" is the subject discussed by Charles A. Towne, the brilliant chairman of the Silver Republican National committee. He handles Comptroller Eckels without gloves, and charges him with dense ignorance on the subject under discussion. Mr. Towne accuses the Republican party leaders leaders with despicable duplicity and with the betrayal of solemn pledges.

"The Menace of Plutocracy" is discussed by Congressman M. W. Howard, of Alabama. Among the famous contributors to this splendid number are Prof. W. H. H. Leckey of the English Parliament; Congressman D. B. Henderson, of Iowa; Congressman Stark, of Nebraska; Prof. J. R. Commons, of Syracuse University; Hon. John C. Bradshaw, who treats of "Single Tax and Labor;" John W. Breidenthal, Senator Marion Butler, Helen M. Gougar, Imogene C. Fales, Rev. Myron W. Reed, Senator William M. Stewart, Prof. Frank Parsons and many other of the best writers and thinkers of the country.

Twenty-five illustrations, including several striking cartoons, are scattered through the January New Time. This magazine has passed the 50,000 mark, and is a power to be reckoned with. Chicago has at last a magazine of the first rank. Publishers, Charles H. Kerr & Company, 56 Fifth avenue Chicago. We will send you the BANNER and The New Time one year for $1.50.

He Hoped to Gain Experience.

He walked into the furniture show with a nervous air and tried to look as if he were quite accustomed to that sort of thing. He gazed about the establishment in search of something and seemed perplexed.

"A nice pair, that," observed the shopkeeper soothingly, as he saw the young man stand still before a couple of chimney ornaments.

"That's what all the relatives and neighbors say," said the young man, blushing a fiery red. "How did you know about it?"

"Well—er—they always are," stammered the proprietor, taken aback. "You see," he added, recovering himself, "I'm a married man myself."

"Yes—exactly," said the customer. "Perhaps you can help me. If you had to—buy a cradle—I mean, if it was—more—than you expected—that is, if they were more than you expected—do you think—that one would do or would one be—too small for—two, and ought I to buy one for each? I shall have more experience of that kind of thing as time goes on, of course."—Pearson's Weekly.

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Political Pointers.

People's Press Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 12, 1898.

W. J. Bryan has been arraigned by Arthur McEwen, a leading Henry George Democrat, of New York City for his strict adherence to the "16 to 1 idea," to the neglect of other matters that he asserts many Democrats esteem equally or more important. Mr. McEwen uses the columns of the New York Journal, since that was the only great paper of the east that favored Bryan during the last campaign, this is significant of the attitude of eastern democrats toward the late candidate. Mr. McEwen is particularly bitter on account of Bryan having not aided the Henry George party which he says represented the true Bryan democracy.

Senator Teller has been again arraigning the G. O. P. and declaring his intention to keep up the fight against it even if it should change the money plank in the next platform. This latter he does not consider an improbable event.

Almost every man of note among the anti-gold forces has declared himself in regard to Gage's treasury scheme and all vie with one another in condemning the same in most vigorous terms.

Hanna's re-election to the United States senate was no surprise to those who had watched the manoeuvers of that gentleman during the last campaign and noted his ability to produce any required amount of cash. The triumph of such methods and such a man can not but put many self-respecting men out of the party.

The conference called last week at St. Louis by the self-styled national organization committee of the people's party, was attended by 38 accredited delegates. The principle result of the meeting was a set of resolutions opposing "fusion." An attempt to call a middle-of-the-road national convention on July 4, will probably be made. The Globe-Democrat, the chief gold organ of the west, was loud in its praise of the meeting and the delegates all quoted the goldbug Globe as gospel truth. The reason is obvious.

Pueblo, Colorado, sends out a warning to workingmen not to come to that city with the hope of finding work. A large number of men have already reached there in response to a rumor that large contract work was in progress, and suffered as a result.

Many Democratic papers are booming W. J. Stone of Missouri for the presidential nomination in 1900. Stone declares himself the friend of Bryan and says that he is not seeking any office now.

The Legislative committee of the American Federation of Labor has issued an address to the members of the Fifty-fifth congress, in which legislation in regard to the following matters is asked for: An eight hour day of labor; some restriction of immigration; limitation of convict labor so as not to conflict so seriously, as it now does, with the working classes; the taking of some steps to stop the indiscriminate and dangerous use of the writ of injunction.

Senator Allen recently offered a resolution in the Senate favoring the free coinage of silver "immediately and independently," such coinage to be supplemented by "safe and sound paper money issued without the intervention of banks," that the increase of the public debt of the selling of government bonds be prohibited and that the government, in the discharge of its obligations, should use its option as to the kind of lawful money in which they should be paid, and that such option should never be surrendered."

Governor Leedy, of Kansas, was the first governor to respond to the request of Stephen Barton of New York for help in money, clothing and medicine for the Cuban sufferers. A committee of leading citizens was appointed and the work is well under way.

It is about settled that the Populists, Democrats, Silver Republicans and Union party, in Oregon, will hold simultaneous conventions in Portland, March 25. A.R.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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A Suggestion for Cotton Factories.

(Continued from first column, page 1.)

to see an article on small factories, both for and against; also another on mode of obtaining the factories, and would like if this subject would be discussed in the Alliances and elsewhere; and if any one can offer any better plans let him write to the BANNER.

Cash we wish to, if could, at our primary election, vote on the question. Mr. Editor, if something like this be put in force we may have, look for better times. The loom of the looms and the hammer and saw would be sweet music.

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Two of the Alabama contested election cases have been disposed of by the elections committee. These were the cases of Comer against Clanton, and that of Clark against Stallings. The latter case was dismissed on motion, Mr. Clark having abandoned it. In the other case the committee adopted a resolution declaring that G. L. Comer was not elected to congress, and that Henry D. Clayton was elected to the fifty-fifth congress, and was entitled to his seat therein. The committee is now considering the case of Crow against Underwood. Judge Horne, of Birmingham, is counsel for Dr. Crow, and General Dudley, of Washington, is counsel for Underwood. Clayton, Stallings and Underwood are the sitting members, all democrats, Comer and Clark ran as gold men and Crow as populist. The other two Alabama cases, Aldrich vs. Plowman, and Goodwyn vs. Brewer will probably be settled in a few weeks, the evidence pointing to both contestants being seated.

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Mullins	[illegible]
Wilson & Bro	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

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Mr. John M[illegible] was in town Saturday.

Mr. Will Ha[illegible] living [illegible] spent Sunday with his family.

Mr. J. A. [illegible] his new home [illegible] and spent a few days in town looking up his business affairs.

Mr. Russel McDa[illegible] of Selma, spent Sunday at home with his parents.

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Marriage licenses have been issued this week by the Probate Judge to the following persons.

Mr. George W. Collins and Miss Mary E. Maddox; Mr. Franklin [illegible] Mims and Miss Alice L. Dennis; Mr. I. N. Hicks and Miss Ida Clayton; Mr. Henry Benson and Mrs. Mary Mullins; Mr. J. M. Kelly and Miss Callie Wyatt; Mr. J. M. DuBose and Miss Ella J. Martin; Mr. J. P. Jones and Miss Sallie Norris.

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Wilson & Bro	451
Total	1912

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Mr. John Moore of Saginaw was in town yesterday.

Mr. Will Hicks, who has been [illegible] at Montgomery, [illegible] in town on business.

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By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Sallie Hanlin, by the sale of the following described property, to-wit:

Commencing at the south east corner of the south west quarter of south west quarter of section twenty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a westerly direction forty feet, thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and twenty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land, and lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton county.

In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, North-eastern Chancery Division, December 11, 1897.

W. M. Pylant, complainant, vs. Fannie Pylant, defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of A. C. Smith, Esq., that the Defendant, Fannie Pylant, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and that her post office address and residence are unknown to affiant and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring her, the said Fannie Pylant, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 17th day of January 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against her in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 14th day of December, 1897.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.

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"FIAT" IN FAR INDIA.

"VALUE" LEGISLATED INTO SILVER MONEY.

The Difference Between Coined and Uncoined Metal The Quantitative Theory Proved—Good "Queer" Is Kept in Circulation.

India is proving the quantitative theory of money. The gold value of the silver bullion in a rupee is about 20 cents. The gold value of a coined silver rupee is about 30 per cent above. A year ago its value was reported by the United States consul to be 28.8 cents. Writers in India are complaining that the rupee has appreciated about 30 per cent compared with bar silver and has placed the trade of India at the mercy of those countries where the silver coin used is not limited in amount by closed mints, and where the value of all silver coins keeps on a level with the value of silver bullion. The gold standard advocates in both England and India know that the quantitative theory of money is true, and that is just the reason why the mints of India were closed. Had they not believed in that theory the mints of India would be open today. Were the quantitative theory not true, the silver rupee would be always at a par with silver bullion. That being the case, closing of the mints could do no good, for bullion would circulate as freely as coined rupees, and the government might as well continue to turn bullion into rupees on demand.

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But the quantitative theory being true, the government of India decided to utilize that fact and place a great gulf between the coined rupees and the mass of uncoined silver. They said: "We will stop the further coinage of silver and the supply being thus limited, demand for them as an exchange medium will keep them from falling further, even though uncoined silver continue to fall. They limited the quantity to keep up the quality. There is nothing behind the rupee. It is itself a coin of ultimate redemption. The thirty per cent of gold value above the value of the bullion in each rupee is what some are pleased to call fiat. Yet that 30 per cent of fiat in each rupee is worth gold in London.

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Were silver bullion to drop in value to nil, the rupee would not be affected so long as the mints were kept closed, thus keeping down the quantity of the circulating medium. The only influence that would be felt on the value of the rupees in addition to quantity of legal coins, would be the "dummy" rupees that are even now constantly appearing there. These so-called "dummy" rupees are coins made illegally, presumably by connivance of the raiahs and others. These are knowingly received and circulated by the 300,000,000 people of India. Many of the fair-minded English in India say that this coinage is illegal but not dishonest, and that the government will never be able to suppress it. This will always act as one factor retarding the appreciation of the stock of rupees, but it is doubtful if the illegal coins exist in numbers sufficient to produce any very obvious effect. They influence the value of the other rupees only as they increase the mass. Here is another proof of the truth of the quantitative theory. These illegal ones circulate at a par with the legal ones, and far above the gold value of the bullion in them. This is not because they cannot be told from the others, for they are of finer silver than those coined by the government and are readily detected. They can be used in all commercial transactions that do not involve a payment to the government.

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The commercial transactions of India are of sufficient volume to keep the rupees far above the gold value of the silver contained in them; for the ability of a nation to use money is determined by the volume of its commercial transactions. But what is the volume of commercial transactions in India compared with the volume of the commercial transactions in the United States? The commerce of India is insignificant when compared to that of this country. If the business of India can raise the rupee 30 per cent above the bullion value, the commerce of the United States can raise to a par with gold and keep there all the silver that could in any way or at any time find its way into this country.

H. F. THURSTON.

Cause of Sparta's Strength.

"After the creation of the thirty senators, his next task, and, indeed, the most hazardous he ever undertook, was the making a new division of their lands. For there was an extreme inequality among them, and their state was overloaded with a multitude of indigent and necessitous persons, while its whole wealth had centered upon a very few. To the end, therefore, that he might expel out of the state arrogance and envy, luxury and crime, and those yet more inveterate distresses of want and superfluity, he obtained of them to renounce their properties, and to consent to a new division of the land, and that they should live all together on an equal footing; merit to be their only road to eminence, and the disgrace of evil and credit of worthy acts, their one measure of difference between man and man."—Plutarch, Life of Lycurgus.

The Fool Victims.

It is one of the strange anomalies of our chaotic social system that these who see its inevitable drift and have the courage to point to its rapid disentegration and final collapse, should be considered as enemies to mankind by the fool victims of the system.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

We are told that the evidences of a revival of business are here. That may be true, but what we want is the revival itself, the other fellows can have the evidences.—Bradford Silver Star.

The people need a Supreme court at Washington. The plutocracy has one. —Phoenix Gazette.

Gage's plea of ignorance as to the effect of contraction and the gold standard made to the Federation of Labor is well taken. We know he is ignorant. However, in order to give him a lesson we refer him to the decline in value of the securities and stock of his gold standard friend, Singerly of Philadelphia, and of the Marvin Safe company of Ohio. These two failed on account of fall in prices.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

New York was a Tory town during the American revolution and it is a Tory town yet. Most of it is owned by foreign nobility or their American representatives.—Appeal to Reason.

He who casts a vote to give the poor a chance to make an honest living does a work for the Lord.—New Era.

In many lines of business there is no longer any such thing as competition. What is going to be done about such kinds of business? Are the people going to sit down supinely and become the slaves the trusts, or will they arouse themselves and become the masters of all these great combinations of capital?—Star and Kansan.

A commodity is worth the labor of making it—no more. Labor should form the basis of the measure of value, because it is the source of value.—Coming Nation.

Poverty and its resultants, crime and intemperance are the bastard offsprings of private ownership of nature's store houses, placed at the disposal of all and which must again be redeemed before the children of God can be free.—Labor Exchange Guide.

Suicide has increased 300 per cent in this country in three years—from 2,040 in 1890 to 6,420 in 1896. Of course these are effects without any cause! The social system with its inevitable concentration of wealth has nothing to do with it!!—Appeal to Reason.

We took a run around the employment bureaus of the city last week. They were crowded by men and women, with poor clothes and hungry, anxious looks. Of course they don't want work. They only stand around for amusement's sake and pay in their dollars to help the bureau man keep the wolf from his door.—New Charter.

Prosperity Fashion Notes.

The Rochester, N. Y., society authority reports:

Expensive hats are no longer worn by women who work hard ten hours a day, for two and a half dollars a week.

It is now fashionable to put labels on canned goods by machinery, and girls are not needed for that business.

The fashion of having Pinkerton thugs to shoot down strikers has almost gone out. Crazy sheriffs now kill striking workmen much cheaper.

Capitalism continues to make suicide more fashionable.

It is becoming stylish for the old political politicians to argue that, in order to have prosperity in one country, there must be famine or war in some other country.

The fashion of American proletariat (people without property) pretending to have any rights which the capitalist class cannot trample on, has completely gone out. It is now stylish to drive them out of their homes, prevent them from walking on private property, and to shoot them down for marching on public highways.

Two Things Exactly Alike

A spirited discussion took place in a noted Republican resort one evening this week, says the Wilmington Justice, over the question "Are times any better." The company of fifteen of twenty were about evenly divided upon the question, and one life-long Republican said that a "gag" which he heard a few nights before illustrated the situation exactly as he saw it.

The "end man" called out: "Say Smith, did you ever see two things exactly alike?"

"No, did you?"

"Yes."

"What was it?"

"The Grover Cleveland panic and Bill McKinley boom."

A Model Republic.

In Switzerland, the little republic over among the Alps of Europe, the initiative and referendum law has been in operation for years, the government owns and operates the railroads, the telegraph and express business, the telephone system and all other public utilities. The little mountain republic is the best governed country on the globe and the people are prosperous and contented. Compare that state of affairs with the conditions that exist in our own country. —Southern Mercury.

Spain's Mistake.

While Japan was on the silver standard, like Mexico, she prospered and grew wealthy. There was no need of increasing taxation. Since she was persuaded by Rothschilds to adopt the gold standard, she has gone down and down until her people are getting as wretched as those in gold countries. There can be no prosperity while gold is king.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

BY HIS OWN PETARD

AN ADVOCATE OF FALLING PRICES EMBARASSED.

The Millionaire Owner of the Goldbug Philadelphia Record Explains That the Rapid Decline in Prices Has Cleaned Him Out.

We sincerely sympathize with the misfortuntes of Mr. Singerly, editor of the Philadelphia Record, and president of the Chestnut Street National bank, of Philadelphia, and several other failing concerns. His statement of the failure is pathetic. In his statement published in his paper, the Record, he says editorially:

"To the public: The Record is compelled to make a painful personal announcement this morning. Owing to the financial embarrassment of Mr. William M. Singerly, president of the Record Publishing Company, the Chestnut Street National bank, and the Chestnut Street Trust and Savings Fund Company, were obliged to suspend business recently.

"The weight which proved too heavy for Mr. Singerly to carry was his large investment in the Singerly Pulp and Paper Mills, at Elkton, Md. The extreme shrinkage in the price of paper and the resulting depreciation in the value of that property was the primary cause of his embarrassment and of the suspension of the bank and trust company, with which he has been so closely identified.

"An extraordinary effort was made before the announcement of the suspension recently to tide over the difficulty, and Mr. Singerly's friends rallied to his assistance with rare generosity and fidelity, but it was found impracticable to turn the assets at his disposal into a shape to meet immediate requirement."

Mr. Singerly has achieved the honor of occupying the foremost position as an advocate of contraction of the volume of money to the gold standard, the consequence of which is falling prices, stagnation, and bankruptcy, says the Silver Knight-Watchman. His wild ravings against the restoration of silver to the place it occupied before a criminal conspiracy deprived the world of the benefits of the supply of metallic money which was enjoyed for thousands of years previous to 1873, might sound harmonious in the insane asylum, but not elsewhere.

The great crash which has carried down the Chestnut Street National bank, several other banks and kindred institutions, is attributed by Mr. Singerly and his friends to the shrinkage of values. We must assume that Mr. Singerly did not know that the shrinkage of values was embarrassing to enterprise, otherwise he would not have been so earnest an advocate of contraction. If he thinks that the shrinkage of values which has "busted" him is a good thing, we are not disposed to question his motives in advocating such folly, but if Mr. Singerly and other men engaged in business are not real maniacs and animated by an insane impulse to commit financial suicide, it is barely possible that they are financial idiots, and really believe the doctrine which they teach, which is that the smaller the volume of money, and the more the circulating medium is contracted, the plentier money will be, and that the facilities for obtaining money will increase with the decrease of the supply of money.

If Mr. Singerly is sane and can convince himself that the lower prices fall the easier it will be for him to extricate himself from the ruin which declining values have produced in his case, we will recognize him as a genius.

Government Ownership.

The Swiss government has so far been greatly encouraged in its assumption of control over the railroads of the country. Arrangements have been made to expend $5,000,000 during the coming year upon the equipment of the lines, and the operation will be wholly public before many weeks. The experiment of government ownership of railroads in Switzerland was attempted only after the fullest discussion. The referendum on the subject resulted in an overwhelming vote in its favor. It is already announced that radical reductions in rates are to be made. New equipment has been liberally ordered, in spite of which the first year under national ownership is calculated to net the treasury several millions.—Toledo Union.

The Growing Deficit.

The Dingley bill threatens a larger deficit for the fiscal year, five months of which have now elapsed, than the panic year ending June 30, 1894, which was $72,325,448; it is $46,101,494 for these five months, and will probably reach a round $100,000,000, beating the record. It will show the rottenness of the whole "protective" doctrine; for so far as protective, in the sense of its advocates, it cannot yield revenue, and so far as it yields revenue it ceases to be "protective." Like the Wilson bill —which was just as bad—it is a good object lesson.—San Francisco Star.

Individual and Public Limitations.

Individual rights are subject to limitations. An individual has a right to do as he pleases, so long as he does not infringe upon the rights of others. If organized society—government—grant special privileges to a few individuals, it infringes upon the rights of the individuals who are thereby placed at a disadvantage.—Indianapolis World.

The Spread of Prosperity.

Some of McKinley's prosperity has struck Australia. A dispatch says that C. H. James has failed for nearly five million. Gold standard is surely a dandy.—J. A. Wayland.

SALT RIVER SIFTINGS.

Comments of the Phoenix (Ariz.) Gazette on Current Politics.

When Mr. McKinley penned that portion of the message relative to Cuba, he probably recalled Private John Allen's definition of platforms. "Platforms," said Private John, "are not made to stand on; they are made to get in on."

Mr. McKinley seems to be laboring under the impression that he was elected president of Spain.

The president says that "Not an American is now confined in a Spanish prison." Perhaps not. A few were to have been pardoned, and the rest have been starved to death or murdered.

Congress is to be urged to pass a bankrupt law. There is every indication that the treasury department is in need of one.

The silence of Mark Hanna may be taken as an indication that he is sulking because Mr. McKinley failed to mention the Ohio difficulty in his message.

Perhaps the McKinley administration is real sorry that Mr. George Washington and his associates refused to accept autonomy about three generations ago.

The return of the bolting "Democrats" to the fold is accompanied by a silence that would be rudely shocked by the thunderous echoes of a pin falling on a rubber door-mat.

About all that is known as to what congress will do, is that the house will do just as Tom Reed says.

The patriotic way would be to cut Alaska up into small territories, so that every original McKinley man can be named as governor.

It is noticeable that the return of the Arizona gold Democratic prodigals has not increased the market price of veal.

A race of pigmies has been discovered in Guatemala. Even in the United States, when the spoils of office are being divided, there is always developed a race of pigmies.

Gold and Free Coinage.

If we were to open our mint to the free coinage of silver, what would prevent a man from bringing silver from Europe, having it coined into American dollars, depositing the dollars at a New York bank and then taking gold exchange on London, thus draining us of our gold?" Such a question could be taken as a text for quite an exhaustive discussion of the whole monetary problem, but it can be sufficiently answered in a very few words. There would be no motive for such a transaction, and in business men never do anything without a motive. In the first place, Europe has no silver that would be available for the purpose. Her product is not enough to make good the wear and tear of her small change. Her silver coin is worth from $1.32 to $1.48 per ounce in gold where it is, and to send it here for coinage, bearing the expense of transportation and loss on lightweight coins, to have it recoined into American money at $1.29 per ounce would involve a tremendous and foolish sacrifice. If we consider the silver of other countries there would still be a total absence of any intelligent motive. At the American bank, the silver would buy no more gold exchange on England than it was worth. If the two metals were exactly at par with each other, and exchange were also at par, it would simply be an equal trade, with no loss or gain on either side. If there were a heavy demand for London exchange (as there would be in the case supposed), the rate would go above par, and then the transaction would involve a loss. That is to say, instead of getting a one pound bill of exchange for $4.86 in American money, the purchaser would have to pay $4.87, $4.88 or more. This would be true, whether gold or silver were deposited at the American bank. London exchange is almost constantly varying now, as the demand for bills varies.

Judicial Usurpation.

Uncontrolled by law, the federal judge can now abolish free speech, forbid a preacher to pray and prohibit a man from pursuing his work or an elected official from performing the duties of his position. All these things have been forbidden by federal injunction, and, though they are all legal acts, the persons so enjoined would have been sent to prison without trial if they had tried to assert their rights. Legislation is needed to stop this usurpation by the federal judges, to curtail their arrogated and despotic power to rule the people, and to guarantee the liberty for which this nation was founded.

Wages Reduced by Dingleyism.

The employes in a great shoe factory at North Brookfield, Mass., have just been informed that after Saturday last their pay will be cut down. The only reason assigned by the manufacturers is that they are losing money and can not continue in business unless they reduce the wage account. The Dingley tariff put a tax on hides, the raw material of the shoe factories, and the only way to meet this is to reduce wages. The duty was imposed against the earnest protests of shoe manufacturers, who insisted that it would seriously injure their business.

Cramp's Anchor to Windward.

Mr. Cramp, who builds war vessels at vast profits for the United States, again sounds the alarm with an article showing how Japan is outstripping us in naval preparations so rapidly that unless we wake up we shall not be able to control the Pacific ocean in three years. This is exactly the time required for turning out a first-class battle ship, so if we immediately engage Mr. Cramp's valuable and costly services, and spend, say, $1,000,000,000, we can pull through.

ALABAMA NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

Will Not Grant License.

The contest case over the application for license to sell liquor at Greenbrier in the southern portion of Limestone county has been decided by Judge Horton against the application for license.

A Novel Suit.

Ex-Convict H. C. Hervey has brought suit against the Sloss Iron & Steel Company, at Birmingham for $1,000 damages, claiming as the basis of his suit that he was unlawfully forced to work on Sundays and holidays.

Alabama Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed for Alabama Friday: John C. Tompkins, Bellgreen, Franklin county; A. H. Black, Hope Hull, Montgomery county; Joseph Schronberg, Scott Station, Perry county: Alexander White, White Hall, Lowndes county.

Two Tramps Killed.

Fast freight train No. 21, northbound, on the Alabama Midland of the Plant system was derailed Friday at or near Snowdoun, ten miles south of Montgomery. Two white tramps, whose names are not known, were killed and fourteen cars badly torn up. There was a general shaking up, but no other serious damage was done.

Election at Fruithurst.

At the municipal election held at Fauithurst Mr. J. A. Westerlund, the founder of the Scandinavian colony was elected mayor. Mr. Westerlund is at the head of an extensive immigration agency, and in consequence it is considered that his election will result in material augmentation of Northern energy and capital to the already prosperons condition of Fruithurst.

Boy Accidentally Killed.

At Stanton, Chilton county, Claude Jeffcoat was accidentally shot and killed by his companion, Manly Weaver, while out hunting one day last week. They were going through a field when a covey of birds flew up. Young Weaver had the gun and as he started to shoot Claude Jeffcoat took hold of the gun with his left hand on to the muzzle and saying, "it is my time to shoot," made an effort to take the gun, when the hammer fell, the charge of shot taking effect in Jeffcoat's side.

Another Fruit Colony.

A deal has been closed by which Alabama will secure another fruit colony. The persons behind the enterprise are Chicagoans with ample capital, and a determination to make a success of their undertaking. The syndicate has purchased 30,000 acres of fine land in Morgan county on the line of the Louisville and Nashville railroad and will cut it up into small farms, as has been done at Fruithurst and Thorsby. The new settlement or colony will be called Vinemount. A number of substantial Illinois families are already arranging to remove to the colony.

Talks of the Farmers' Convention.

Major Culver, commissioner of agriculture, ascribes the small attendance to the state farmers' convention at Montgomery to hard times very largely. He says he has hundreds of letters from persons in all parts of the state expressing their heartiest sympathy in the movement, in fact, declaring their enthusiastic interest in it, but saying that, not having got any money out of the sale of their 5-cent cotton, they could not afford to make the trip. Major Culver is confident the small beginning will eventually develop a great society which will accomplish an abundance of good for the state.

Improvement of the Tennessee.

In an interview with Col. Harvey Lewis, superintendent of the American Oak Extract Company of Decatur, in reference to the Tennessee river convention at Chattanooga last week, he said:

"In my opinion congress will allow the $2,000,000 for the improvement of the Tennessee. If this amount were spent on improving the river it would be navigable the year round, and would be worth more to Decatur than forty railroads. In order to put the river in a navigable condition the year round it will be necessary to put in a system of slack-water navigation. Nature has given us one of the most beautiful and useful rivers in the United States, and by the aid of man it can be made one of the greatest commercial rivers in the land."

A Novel Scheme.

Among the novel cotton schemes proposed to Hon. H. D. Lane, president of the American Cotton Growers' Protective association, within the past few days, is the following from a Louisiana planter:

"Plant enough land in cotton to grow one-half the number of bales grown last year and devote the difference in acreage to food and hay crops. Buy for future delivery one-half the number of bales grown last year and the profit on the future deal will make the half crop of spot cotton worth as much as was the large crop of last year."

Race of Millions.

A railroad building race, involving the expenditure of $16,000,000, has been commenced by two wealthy corporations, each of which desires to own the first railroad into the Yukon country. Each road will be about 400 miles long, running from Pyramid, near the head of the Lynn canal, to points on the Lewis river, below Five Finger Rapids.

James B. Simpson, one of Alabama's brightest journalists and recording secretary to Governor Johnston, died at Montgomery the past week.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JANUARY 23.

Lesson Text: "The Beatitudes," Matt. v., 1-12—Golden Text: Matt. v., 14—Commentary on the Lesson of the Day by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

1. "And seeing the multitudes He went up into a mountain and when He was set His disciples came unto Him." It would be most instructive to gather together all the mountain scenes and incidents of Scripture and contrast them with those of the plains. In connection with this lesson one might glance forward to the mountain scenes in the life of Christ, the mount of prayer, the mount of transfiguration, the mount of ascention.

2. "And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying." It seems to me very plain that He taught His disciples these things and that this is a sermon for those who have received Him and are willing to be His disciples. All who truly receive Him are saved, but to be a disciple one must be willing to be given up wholly to Him, to be taught by Him, and to be an apostle one must be willing to go anywhere for Him. There are few among the saved who by word and deed proclaim Jesus Lord to the glory of God the Father (Phil. ii., 11). Do you?

3. "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." In Jas. ii., 5, we read of the poor of this world rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom. In Zeph. iii., 12, we read of an afflicted and poor people who trust in the Lord. But it is not their poverty, but their faith, that unites them to Christ. Our Lord speaks of the poor and contrite spirit that trembles at His Word; the broken and contrite heart that is acceptable to Him (Isa. lvii., 15; lxvi., 2; Ps. li., 17).

4. "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted." If we consider the kingdom and the glory of the King, yet to be manifested, and then see Him as the Teacher sitting here in humiliation uttering these words, we shall be greatly helped in our meditation thereon. Of all the sorrowful people that ever lived on earth He was pre-eminently the man of sorrows and acquainted with grief (Isa. liii., 3), and yet He is the Father of mercies and God of all comfort (II Cor. i., 3), who comforts us even here, that we may comfort others while we wait for the fullness of comfort at His coming (I Thess. iv., 18).

5. "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." His glory shall be the fullness of the whole earth, all the kingdoms of the world shall be His and ours with Him (Isa. xl., 3, margin; Rev. xi., 15; John xvii., 22; Rom. viii., 17, 18). None on earth, not even Moses, meekest of men of his time (Num. xii., 3), was ever as meek as Him, who said I am meek and lowly in heart. Since the earth is ours we can afford to let others have it just now if necessary and be miscalled and misunderstood for so doing.

6. "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." We must still keep before us the kingdom when the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord and the King who is righteousness itself, the Lord our righteousness, the righteous Lord, who loveth righteousness (Jer. xxiii., 6; Ps. xl., 7). Of course there is in each case a present application while waiting for the kingdom, and every disciple may daily be filled with the Spirit (Eph. v., 18).

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8. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." He alone was truly pure in heart, and He was God. When we see Him, we see God. Some day we shall see Him and be like Him, even as to our bodies (I John iii., 2; Phil. iii., 21). Now we are to behold Him in the glass of His word (II Cor. iii., 18), and in proportion as we do we shall be changed into His image, so that others seeing Him in us shall want to know Him.

9. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God. As God is the God of Peace and the Lord Jesus the Prince of Peace, we are acting very much like children of God when we carry peace everywhere. When the kingdom comes there will be peace on earth, war no more. As those to whom the kingdom belongs we are to carry samples of it in our daily life—love, joy, peace for all. We are children of God by faith in Christ Jesus (Gal. iii., 26), and there is no other way to become a child of God. But being such we are to manifest it and yield so fully to God that He may do all He desires to through us to carry peace through Christ to all people.

10. "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." The world will not tolerate this kind of life any more than it tolerated John the Baptist or the Lord Jesus. In the eyes of the world, even the religious world, this life of the kingdom with its lowliness, sorrow for sin, meekness, righteousness, mercy, purity and peace, is simply ridiculous, fanatical, not fit for the times, may do well enough for old people and little children, but men and women who are men and women indeed (in their own estimation) will not put up with it, or even suffer it to be taught if they can help it.

11. "Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake." In other words, if, for Christ's sake, you are lied about (see margin), misrepresented, slandered, falsely accused, things said about you without a particle of foundation, you are a blessed person, for you are thus privileged to have intimate and wondrous fellowship with your Lord, great is your reward in heaven, for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." Fellowship with the prophets and with Christ and with God Himself—do we in any sense appreciate it or are we inclined to murmur at these things when they come to us and say, "How unjust, how unreasonable, how strange! We will not stand it!" and thus by the lack of meekness and patience miss His present approval and also the reward which He would gladly give us in that day if we would only put up with things for His sake? See the special reward for enduring in Jas. i., 12; Rev. ii., 10, and trust Him for grace to accept anything for His sake if only He can be glorified.—Lesson Helper.

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...the multitudes He went... and when He was set... It would... together all... and incidents of... with those of... with this lesson... the mountain... the mount of... transfiguration, the...

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DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

The Ninth of the New York Herald's Competitive Sermons Is Entitled "Sunshine, But a Cloud; a Cloud, But Sunshine"—Dr. Talmage on Club Evils.

Text: "He was a mighty man in valor, but he was a leper."—II Kings v., 1.

Over every human life, however bright its sunshine, a cloud may come. Every person covets what he chooses to consider success; some riches, some fame, some pleasure, some domestic felicity. No one, however, realizes all his ambitions—indeed, not all are worth realizing. There is always a something which mars happiness; possibilities of anguish in every condition, spots weaker than others in the strongest bar of steel, the capability of tarnish in the purest gold, spots on the sun. A person's weaknesses—consequently his sources of suffering—may lie just beside his strongest traits of character. He may be honest, but over exacting; strong-willed, but obstinate; economical, but penurious; just, but unmerciful; courageous, but censorious; affectionate, but passionate. Unselfishness may sharpen daggers that pierce the heart, and intensity of affection may be a pledge of keenest pangs.

A person, it may be, acquires riches, but health is gone, or domestic happiness has taken departure, or waters of grief are flooding the soul. Pre-eminently successful along some lines, he is conspicuously unsuccessful along others. It takes but little to render a person miserable; it takes much to render some happy. As it needs only a trifle to prevent wealth from producing contentment, is it a mark of wisdom to sacrifice for its acquisition that which is of more value—health, comfort, reputation, character, principle, conscience—the hope of an eternal world? "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things he possesseth." Does the river consist in the driftwood it is carrying to the ocean? "Fine feathers make fine birds," but a fine residence and a fine equipage are not capable of always making the heart merry.

Of those who covet fame, some win the prize, but cares increase, responsibilities augment, disappointments multiply and arrows of envy become keener and more numerous. He who courts public favor courts a fickle damsel, one who, disqualified to bestow happiness, may flatter littleness and condemn greatness. In history there are few sadder chapters than those which record the cares, worries and reverses of some who acquired prominence. Moses was a mighty man, but he was driven into exile, and sleeps in an unknown grave. Elijah was a rare specimen of true greatness, but Ahab's folly and Jezebel's hatred came near driving him to suicide. Daniel was a great man, but for his peculiar species of greatness, Nebuchadnezzar thought a lion's den the fittest place. Isaiah was a man of rare strength of character, but Manasseh laid him between two planks and sawed him in twain.

Such as desire to see the emptiness of human greatness would do well to read the biographies of the kings, sixty in number, who during six hundred years ruled the Eastern Roman empire, its capital Constantinople, and they may be inclined to thank God that they are permitted to live in obscurity. To some politicians we might say, "Thy god, O sycophant, hath cast thee off"—and there are more to follow in Greater New York and boss ridden Philadelphia, men in the sunshine of prosperity, but leprous all over. Is the Scriptural admonition, "Be humble," unworthy of notice? The man who is on his back in the cellar can get no lower—one thing for which he may be thankful. The man on the housetop may grow dizzy and, falling, may suddenly terminate his exalted career. Most persons desire to be on the mountain summit; few prefer the valley, though the winds are less fierce and the storms less violent.

On every human life, however dark the everlasting cloud, there may be sunshine. It is never so dark that it can be no darker. Discouragements are never so many that there are no grounds for thankfulness. A cloud on every pathway, and sunshine possible in every heart. A burden on every life, and no soul that may not thrill with joy. A crook in every lot, and no crook so tortuous that it may not end in celestial bliss. No trial without its alleviations. Poverty inspires energy, fosters self-reliance, prompts to industry and teaches us to prize the blessings we have without murmuring over those we have not. Ill-health forces attention to the laws of health, sweetens the disposition and directs attention to the nearness of eternity's curtain. Bereavements have their alleviating compensations. Obscurity has its special advantages. Physical disabilities have their compensations. The deaf are saved from hearing much that is better never heard. The blind can see no frowns. The cripple is excused from running errands. The person who cannot read is delivered from the temptation to read the account of the last football game, the last pugilistic encounter, the most recent testimony in the Nack-Thorn trial and the pious gush emitted in prison walls over criminals.

It is well to observe that each person's lot, all things considered, is not widely different from that of others. The mountain has both rocks and sunshine; the valley floods as well as waving harvests. The eyes that shed tears can beam love.

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CLUB EVILS.

Moral Lessons Drawn by the Rev. Dr. Talmage.

Text: "Let the young men now arise and play before us."—II Sam. ii., 14.

There are two armies encamped by the pool of Gibeon. The time hangs heavily on their hands. One army proposes a game of sword-fencing. Nothing could be more healthful and innocent. The other army accepts the challenge. Twelve men against twelve men, the sport opens. But something went adversely. Perhaps one of the swordsmen got an unlucky clip, or in some way had his ire aroused, and that which opened in sportfulness ended in violence, each one taking his contestant by the hair, and then with the sword thrusting him in the side; so that which opened in innocent fun ended in the massacre of all the twenty-four sportsmen. Was there ever a better illustration of what was true then, and is true now, that that which is innocent may be made destructive?

At this season of the year the club-houses of our towns and cities are in full play. I have found out that there is a legitimate and an illegitimate use of the club-house. In the one case it may become a healthful recreation, like the contest of the twenty-four men in the text when they began their play; in the other case it becomes the massacre of body, mind and soul, as in the case of these contestants of the text when they had gone too far with their sport. All intelligent ages have had their gatherings for political, social, artistic, literary purposes—gatherings characterized by the blunt old Anglo-Saxon designation of "club."

During the day they are comparatively lazy places. Here and there an aged man reading a newspaper, or an employe dusting a sofa, or a clerk writing up the accounts; but when the curtain of the night falls on the natural day, then the curtain of the club-house hoists for the entertainment. Let us hasten up, now, the marble stairs. What an imperial hallway! On this side there are reading-rooms, where you find all newspapers and magazines. On that side there is a library, where you find all books, from hermeneutics to the fairy tale. Coming in and out there are men, some of whom stay ten minutes, others stay many hours. Some of these are from luxurious homes, and they have excused themselves for a while from the domestic circle that they may enjoy the larger sociability of the club-house. These are from dismembered households, and they have a plain lodging somewhere, but they come to this club-room to have their chief enjoyment. One blackball amid ten votes will defeat a man's becoming a member. For rowdyism, for drunkenness, for gambling, for any kind of misdemeanor, a member is dropped out. Brilliant club-house from top to bottom. The chandeliers, the plate, the furniture, the companionship, the literature, the social prestige, a complete enchantment.

But the evening is passing on, and so we hasten through the hall and down the steps and into the street, and from block to block until we come to another style of club-house. Opening the door, we find the fumes of strong drink and tobacco, something almost intolerable. These young men at this table, it is easy to understand what they are at, from the flushed cheek, the intent look, the almost angry way of tossing the dice, or of moving the "chips." They are gambling. At another table are men who are telling vile stories. They are three-fourths intoxicated, and between 12 and 1 o'clock they will go staggering, hooting, swearing, shouting on their way home.

As the hours of the night go away, the conversations becomes imbecile and more debasing. Now it is time to shut up. Those who are able to stand will get out on the pavement and balance themselves against the lamppost, or against the railings of the fence. The young man who is not able to stand will have a bed improvised for him in the clubhouse, or two not quite so overcome with liquor will conduct him to his father's house, and they will ring the door bell, and the door will open, and the two imbecile escorts will introduce into the hallway the ghastliest and most hellish spectacle that ever enters a front door—a drunken son.

But I make a vast difference between clubs. I have belonged to four clubs: A theological club, a ball club, and two literary clubs. I got from them physical rejuvenation and moral health. What shall be the principle? If God will help me, I will lay down three principles by which you may judge whether the club where you are a member, or the club to which you have been invited, is a legitimate or an illegitimate clubhouse.

First of all, I want you to test the club by its influence on home, if you have a home. I have been told by a prominent man in club life that three-fourths of the members of the great clubs of these cities are married men. That wife soon loses her influence over her husband who nervously and foolishly looks upon all evening absence as an assault on domesticity. How are the great enterprises of art and literature and beneficence and public weal to be carried on if every man is to have his world bounded on one side by his front doorstep, and on the other side by his back window, knowing nothing higher than his own attic, or nothing lower than his own cellar? That wife who becomes jealous of her husband's attention to art or literature, or religion, or charity, is breaking her own scepter of conjugal power. Let any Christian wife rejoice when her husband consecrates evenings to the service of God, or to charity, or to art, or to anything elevated; but let not men sacrifice home life to club life. I can point out to you a great many names of men who are guilty of this sacrilege. They are as genial as angels at the club-house, and as ugly as sin at home. They are generous on all subjects of wine suppers, yachts and fast horses, but they are stingy about the wife's dress and the children's shoes. That man has made that which might be a healthful recreation an usurper of his affections, and he has married it, and he is guilty of moral bigamy.

Another test by which you can find whether your club is legitimate or illegitimate—the effect it has on your secular occupation. I can understand how through such an institution a man can reach commercial successes. I know some men have formed their best business relations through such a channel. If the club has advantaged you in an honorable calling it is a legitimate club. But has your credit failed? Are bargain-makers more cautious how they trust you with a bill of goods? Have the men whose names were down in the commercial agency A1 before they entered the club, been going down ever since in commercial standing? Then look out! You and I every day know of commercial establishments going to ruin through the social excesses of one or two members.

A third test by which you may know whether the club to which you belong, or the club to whose membership you are invited, is a legitimate club or an illegitimate club, is this: What is the effect on your sense of moral and religious obligations? Now, here are two roads into the future, the Christian and the unchristian, the safe and the unsafe. An institution or any association that confuses my idea in regard to that fact is a bad institution and a bad association. I had prayers before I joined the club. Did I have them after? I attended the house of God before I connected myself with the club. Since that union with the club do I absent myself from religious influences? Which would you rather have in your hand when you come to die, a pack of cards or a Bible? Who would you rather have for your eternal companions, those men who spend their evening, betting, gambling, swearing, carousing and telling vile stories, or your little child, that bright girl whom the Lord took?

I am going to make a very stout rope. You know that sometimes a rope-maker will take very small threads and wind them together; until after awhile they become ship cables. And I am going to take some very small, delicate threads and wind them together until they make a very stout rope. I will take all the memories of the marriage day, a thread of laughter, a thread of light, a thread of music, a thread of banqueting, a thread of congratulation, and I twist them together and I have one strand. Then I take a thread of the hour of the first advent in your house, a thread of the darkness that preceded and a thread of the light that followed, and a thread of the beautiful scarf that little child used to wear when she bounded out at eventide to greet you, and then a thread of the beautiful dress in which you laid her away for the resurrection. And then I twist all these threads together and I have another strand. Then I take a thread of the scarlet robe of the suffering Christ, and a thread of the white raiment of your loved ones before the throne, and a string of the harp cherubic and a string of the harp seraphic, and I twist them all together and I have a third strand. "Oh!" you say, "either strand is strong enough to hold fast a world." No, I will take these strands and I will twist them together, and one end of that rope I will fasten, not to the Communion table, for it shall be removed—not to the pillar of the organ; wind it 'round and 'round the cross of a sympathizing Christ, and, having fastened one end of the rope to the cross, I throw the other end to you. Lay hold of it! Pull for your life! Pull for heaven!

TRADING STAMPS LEGAL.

Law Against Them in California Declared Unconstitutional.

The law prohibiting merchants from making gifts as an inducement to trade, which was primarily aimed at trading stamp enterprises, has received a knockout blow by Judge Campbell, of San Francisco, Cal., who decided the law to be unconstitutional, as an unwarranted invasion of the liberties of the citizen.

The decision affects a number of Eastern companies which have recently commenced operations there.

African Princess in Baltimore.

Baltimore is entertaining Her Royal Highness Princess Nellie Zo-Settlemeyer, eldest daughter of King George, of the Golahs, a powerful tribe on the west coast of Africa. The princess is eighteen years old and very black. She is a pupil in the colored Normal School in that city.

LIEN ON FALSE TEETH.

A Dentist Thinks His Work as Good as That of a Carpenter.

"Say," he said, as he broke ruthlessly into a lawyer's office. "I've got a job for you."

"That's what I'm here for," said the lawyer. "State your case and I'll make a fee pretty quick."

"Well, it's this way," said the dentist, for that's what he was, "I made a set of false teeth for a scalawag a few weeks ago, and made 'em on the installment plan. The feller paid me a dollar down, and he was to pay me a dollar a week for ten weeks, and I was to have a lien on the teeth until they were paid for. Now he's quit paying and won't let me have the molars. Says they hurt his jaw, but I take notice they never affected his cheek very much."

"Did you give him a bill for 'em?"

"No. Never gave him anything but the teeth."

"Have no agreement in writing for a chattel mortgage specifying the kind of plates, and the gums, and the number of teeth?"

"No. I tell you I didn't have anything, and I ain't got anything yet. What I want to know is, haven't I got a mechanic's lien on them teeth? Didn't I work on 'em, and isn't my work as good as a carpenter's or a bricklayer's?"

"Well, I hardly think a mechanic's lien covers your case. I don't think you can get them back."

"What would they do to me if I held him up and took 'em out of his mouth and went off with 'em?"

"Maybe they could hold you for petit larceny. If you can catch him in his room asleep, and attach them by getting out a writ, maybe you can get him to come to taw, but that would cost you more than the teeth are worth. I guess you're in for it this time."

"Well, I won't get in that kind of a hole again, I'll bet you. I'll go to some of these fellers running for the Legislature, and I'll make them promise to pass a law giving us dentists a lien on the teeth we make, good till they're paid for."

"That's right; that's a good idea. Two dollars, please. Call again."

Worked Both Ways.

Author—This is an unappreciative world. Why, if I had written what Faddest has written I wouldn't be famous.

Critic—That may be true, and if Faddest had written the stuff you write he wouldn't be famous, either.

A Jockey's Epitaph.

Graven upon the tombstone of a jockey who has just been buried in a New Zealand cemetery are the simple words, "He has passed the post."

Gained Forty-Eight Pounds.

"I had a strong appetite for liquor, which was the beginning of the breaking down of my health. I was also a slave to tea and coffee drinking. I took the gold cure, but it did not help me."

This is a portion of an interview clipped from the *Daily Herald*, of Clinton, Iowa. It might well be taken for the subject of a temperance lecture, but that is not our object in publishing it. It is to show how a system, run down by drink and disease, may be restored. We cannot do better than quote further from the same:

"For years I was unable to do my work. I could not sleep nights or rest days on account of continuous pains in my stomach and back. I was unable to digest my food. Headaches and painful urination were frequent, and my heart's action became increased. I left my farm and retired to city life, for I was a confirmed invalid, and the doctors said I would never be well again.

I RETIRED TO CITY LIFE.

"Soon after I happened to use four boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and since then I have been free from all pain, headache and dyspepsia. I eat heartily and have no appetite for strong drink or tea or coffee, and feel twenty years younger.

"*My weight has increased* 48 *pounds*. I cannot say too much for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and claim that they have cured me.

"JOHN B. COOK."

Subscribed and sworn to before me this sixteenth day of February, 1897.

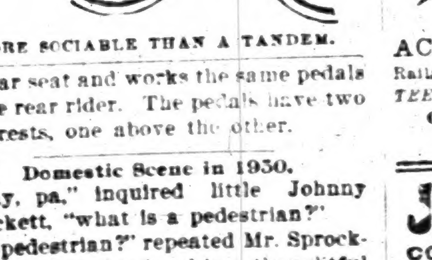
A. P. BARKER, *Notary Public*.

To people run down in health, from whatever cause—drink or disease—the above interview will be of interest. The truth of it is undoubted, as the statement is sworn to, and we reproduce the oath here. For any further facts concerning this medicine write to Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

The name and address of the subject of above interview is John B. Cook, of 208 South 5th Street, Lyon, Iowa.

Riders Face Each Other.

A patent has been taken out for a wheel built like a single one, but with a seat in front of the handle-bars. The front rider faces the occupant of the



MORE SOCIABLE THAN A TANDEM.

regular seat and works the same pedals as the rear rider. The pedals have two foot rests, one above the other.

Domestic Scene in 1930.

"Say, pa," inquired little Johnny Sprockett, "what is a pedestrian?"

"A pedestrian?" repeated Mr. Sprockett, scratching his head in a thoughtful manner. "Pe-des-tri-an," he mused. "Let me see! Oh, yes, of course. Why, that is what they used to call people when they walked."—Ohio State Journal.

All the money dropped in speculation is dropped by men who are trying to pick it up.

A Progressive Woman.

Walker—I'm very much afraid my wife is going to have brain trouble.

Ryder—What makes you think so?

Walker—Last Sunday when she returned from church she repeated the text, and never said a word about what the other women had on.

Music is rather more difficult to transmit than articulate speech, so that the recent experiments of transmitting music 860 miles is unique. This was between San Diego and San Francisco, the San Diego State Guard Band playing to a San Francisco audience. It is stated that the transmission was remarkably fine, the music being very plainly heard at the end of the line.

It is estimated that to about 2,500,000 persons in this country electricity contributes a means of livelihood.

A central station in Berlin, Germany, is distributing electric power to 1,700 motors, aggregating ... horse power.

The ... transmission now commercially carried on between St. Louis and Boston, a distance of 1,400 miles, is the longest telephonic service in the world.

The magnitude of the street railway mail service is shown by the fact that this year a full $250,000 has been appropriated for electric and cable mail service.

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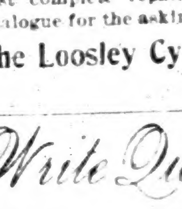

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A Legacy from Two Bishops.

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Below we give their own words in which they made the bequest:

From Bishop Doggett:

RICHMOND, VA., July 23rd, 1880.

"Your Liver Medicine has been of great service to myself and family. We find no substitute for it. The parcel which you generously sent us a few years ago is nearly exhausted. We can't do without it. I wish you to send us another supply. IT IS INVALUABLE." Very respectfully,

D. S. DOGGETT.

From Bishop Kavanaugh:

The following is from Rev. Bishop H. H. Kavanaugh, D. D., to Dr. M. A. Simmons, March, 1881: "I confess that I have been reluctant to figure in advertisements in regard to medicines, but feel myself so much a debtor to your "VEGETABLE LIVER-MEDICINE," that I feel it a sense of gratitude on my own part, and justice to the public requires that I should waive this objection, and allow you to publish whatever I may have written in regard to the character and value of your medicines. May many a sufferer be as much benefited by them as I have been." H. H. KAVANAUGH.

Presbyterians Believe In It.

Rev. Dr. Crisman cured of Dyspepsia and Rheumatism.

Edgefield Cumberland Presbyterian Church, E. B. Crisman, D.D., Pastor, Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 14, 1889.

I am still using Simmons Liver Medicine. It is invaluable to me. I began its use eight years ago and it cured me of both dyspepsia and rheumatism and keeps me in perfect health. I prefer to order it from you direct for I know then that I get the genuine and get it fresh. I am to start on the 22d inst. to a meeting of the Synod of Tennessee at Cleveland. If I can serve you in any way on the trip I will be glad to do so. Respectfully,

E. B. CRISMAN.

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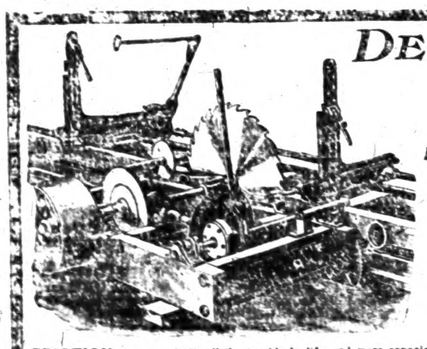

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Masters With Big Salaries.

At the top of the scholastic profession are the head masters of the great public schools. Some of these draw incomes almost equal to those of judges or bishops.

The head master at Eton gets about £4,500 a year. The head master at Harrow gets a salary of £1,500, plus the profits of a boarding house of 64 boys at £90 each—gross, £7,260. The total income of the head master of Charterhouse is about £6,042 10s.

Rugby may be classed with Harrow as a paying school. Winchester is not so good. A house master at Eton has 40 boys—£111 for board, and £21 each pupil, if the master is a classical man and not only a "dame;" gross, £4,440. Assistant masters at Eton get £300 for the first two years; afterward the fees bring the amount up to an average of about £800.—Strand Magazine.

Feeling His Way.

A little boy about 5 years old, too tired for anything but sleep, refused one night to say his prayers. His uncle, who was present, said, "Oh, Harry, would you go to sleep without asking God to take care of you during the night?"

The little fellow answered, "I didn't say 'em last night; I ain't doin to say 'em tonight, and I ain't doin to say 'em tomorrow night, and then, if nothin don't det me, I ain't doin to say 'em no more."—Troy Times.

Narrow Streets.

In Mainz, Germany, some of the streets are so narrow that wagons and bicycles are not allowed in them. Special permission is to be given, however, to physicians who use wheels to enter them, and as policemen cannot know a physician by instinct these wheels have to have a special mark and number.

A Woman's Label League.

It is stated that a league is to be started in New York city whose object shall be to have union labels put on all articles manufactured by women. There are women's label leagues in Cincinnati and other cities, and the movement has been growing, especially in the west.—New York Sun.

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Mrs. F. M. Badgett, 819 New street, Knoxville, Tenn., writes a letter for publication, which she desires all her suffering sisters to read. She writes: "When I was 16 years old, I suffered with female weakness of the worst kind and spent all I had in trying to get cured. I tried several of the best physicians but they all failed to cure me. I gave up all hope of recovery. Finally Dr. Hartman's treatment was recommended to me by my teacher, who also lent me the money to get the medicine which Dr. Hartman prescribed. I took the treatment and it cured me. I am now a healthy woman, weighing 194 pounds, and I owe it all to Dr. Hartman's treatment. I am sure I would not be living now if it had not been for his treatment. I cannot help recommending it to all sufferers, and will answer all inquiring letters."

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Jemison, Jan. 24, 1898

Editor BANNER: We are truly glad to see your worthy correspondent wishing to discuss the establishment of small cotton mills and factories in Chilton county. The suggestions offered in that article demand careful attention. And as he says, if any one can offer anything better, let us see it. The proposition to discuss this industry in the County Alliance was fitly written.

If the Alliance had maintained its proper strength and working capacity, we could very soon have this matter voiced throughout the county. We may expect opposition in this, which should double the diligence of all who favor home industries. The advantages which might accrue are almost innumerable, and would develop as time rolls on. Experience and energy would unfold much that now lies back in the dark. The advancement of such an enterprise would be a fort to many. May the alliance look searchingly into this matter.

Mrs. IRA CAMPBELL.

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Turn-Round Topics.

Indeed am I glad to make known to the public that the body of poor unfortunate Ellis Jones was found last Friday, 21st instant, at about one o'clock in the afternoon at Wadsworth's boom, four miles below where he was drowned. The route being so rough for wagons, the corpse was carried on Wadsworth log train to Johnson's Crossing. From thence it was conveyed to Corinth cemetery. Interment took place at about 2 o'clock, p. m. Saturday, Rev. E. L. Manning conducting the funeral services. The body was found the thirteenth day and was floating on the water.

Miss Emma Mims, of Shelby, is a pleasant visitor here.

R. H. Taylor has returned from a trip out on Marbury's road.

W. D. Goss and son, J. M. Goss, spent Sunday with H. Kendrick and boys.

Miss Vena Pyron is at home again, to the pleasure of her many friends.

Harve Connell, of Bozeman, visited relatives here Sunday.

A very pretty wedding occurred here last Thursday night at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. J. P. Jones and Miss Sallie Norris were married in the presence of a few intimate friends, Rev. A. L. Patillo officiated. Turn Round's friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jones tender congratulations.

The singing at P. H. Connell's Sunday night was well attended.

W. F. Connell visited Cross Roads Sunday.

Walter Kendrick attended a social entertainment at Deatsville last Friday night, and reports a lovely time.

E. A. Norris has about completed his new residence and will move Monday.

W. S. Rhodes and wife have returned from Coosa and are visiting her father, Rev. E. L. Manning.

Young men who are fond of violets will doubtless learn with regret that the violet crop has been a complete failure.

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Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of Wm. H. Penn, chief clerk in the railway mail service at Des Moines, Iowa, who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to frequent severe attacks of pain in the stomach and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Price 25 and 50 cents; for sale by J. S. Johnson Jr Druggist.

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FRIDAY—10 a. m—Devotional exercises.

10:30 a. m—Welcome address, J. P. Nix. Response, Wiley Logan.

11 a. m—Registration of teachers present.

11:30 a. m—English Grammar, R. E. R. Hicks.

AFTERNOON—2 p. m—How to teach Algebra, P. M. McKee.

2:30 p. m—Elocution, Miss John Wilkerson.

3 p. m—Monthly examinations, E. H. Adams, Miss Kate Garner.

3:30 p. m—Reading, Mrs. V. Z Palmer.

SATURDAY—9 a. m—How to teach Fractions, J. T. Martin, Miss Celestia Dunlap.

9:30 a. m—Latin (why teach it?) E. Y. McMorries.

10:30 a. m—Literature in Common Schools, Miss Lillie Oakley.

11 a. m—Physics, A. B. Harwood.

11:30 a. m—Why am I a teacher? Wm. Askins. What Text Books should we teach, The Institute. J. W. MOORE, Pres.

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Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by J. S. Johnson, Druggist.

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Mattie McPherson, an aged and decrepit negress, asked for food and shelter at the house of Ike Smith. She was refused, but lingered about the house until nightfall, when she was ordered off. Protesting that she was too feeble to go elsewhere, she was hustled ont of the gate and was left lying by the fence. It was a stormy night with heavy rain, and next morning the old woman was found dead at the gate. Her death was evidently caused by exposure.

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A Cure for Lame Back.

"My daughter when recovering from an attack of fever was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes Louden Grover, of Sardis, Ky. After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's pain balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism Sold by J. S. Johnson jr, Druggist.

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County Alliance.

Chilton County Alliance will meet with Union Alliance on Wednesday, February 2, 1898. All Alliancemen are invited to attend and encourage our people to organize and keep the good work going on.

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NOTICE.

To the Tax-payers of Chilton county who have not as yet assessed their taxes for the year 1898, I will not be at the Court House during the month of January as heretofore stated in the BANNER, but will keep my office open to receive assessments at my residence during the month of January, 1898.

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.

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The progressive ladies of Westfield Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlin's Cough remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by J. S. Johnson Jr. Druggist.

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Notice of Administrator's Final Set lement.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County. Probate Court, Special Term, January 21, 1898.

Final settlement in the matter of the Estate of Nancy Sims, deceased.

This day came Drucilla E. Tilton, Administratrix of the estate of Nancy Sims deceased, and presents to the Court, under oath, her account, vouchers, evidence and statement for final settlement of her admini-tration. It is ordered that the 28th day of February, 1898, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Witness, at office, this 21st day of January, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT, Judge of Probate.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a the mortgage executed by W. R. Mims, Victoria Mims, Crawford Mims and Ady Mims to T. E. Gilchrist (now deceased) on the 21st day of December, 1895, and duly recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton County, Alabama, in Vol. 36, Pages 405 and on, the undersigned will proceed to sell, at the Court House in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

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ISABELLA A. GILCHRIST, Administratrix of Estate of T. E. Gilchrist, deceased.

By WM. A. COLLIER, Attorney. Clanton, Ala., Dec. 23, 1897.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19,449.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 3, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on February 12, 1898, viz.: James A. Sims, Homestead entry No. 21,446, for the se ¼ of ne ¼, ne ¼ of se ¼, section 24, tp 20, n r 13 east

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: J. H Johnson, I. M. Tolwel, James Murrah, W. M. Roberts, all of Stanton, Ala.

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In a genealogical way the funniest thing on record is that Menelik, Negus of Abyssinia, insists on his descent in a straight line from Solomon and the Queen of Sheba. If this were questioned the august Negus would have your head cut off, or if you hinted that there was a bar sinister somewhere you might be impaled. There is, however, a noble family in France, the Counts of Noe, who show on their family blazon the Ark and that most adventurous voyager, Noah, and they claim that veteran seaman as their remote ancestor.

American labor is acknowledged to be more efficient than the labor of any other country. We are fortunate in the possession of a race of skilled mechanics who are endowed with sufficient brains and adroitness to quickly master the most intricate machines. Our common school system, which has been maintained for forty years, has laid the foundation for such an average intelligence, and the numerous excellent technical schools and schools of technology afford the utmost opportunity to boys of a studious and mechanical turn of mind.

Says the New York Tribune: "A contemporary states that it is hoped to be a convicted murderer in the United States than an innocent man, and submits these data as to it: Not one convicted murderer in fifty is hanged or killed by electricity, so the men lynched a much larger proportion than 1 in 50 was innocent. We have no means at hand for verifying these figures, nor are we able to determine what proportion of the population are convicted murderers or what proportion are unjustly executed. The conclusion, merely from casual observation, seems plausible; the logic is sound. Still, if it be not too optimistic, we should like some more data to guide us."

After all, schools are the greatest civilizers, exclaims the New York Mail and Express. Secretary Bliss, of the Interior Department, reports 26,000 Indian children enrolled in the schools last year. Tribal relations are being broken up and Indian lands divided into severalty. The aborigine, however, has not yet been educated up to the point of holding on to the land, and as a consequence it soon passes into the hands of his white brothers, notwithstanding the paternal restrictions thrown round him by the government. The Indian has not yet learned the necessity of promptly meeting taxes, and [illegible] to his failure to come to time with respect to this exaction, a consi[illegible]ount of his lands, in Min[illegible]d from him [illegible]ter learns [illegible]t other [illegible] have [illegible] for his [illegible]oducts Office at [illegible]port which [illegible] on the yield United States, [illegible]ork Sun. Mr. [illegible]ledge in this spec[illegible]r years at the service [illegible]tates Geological Sur[illegible] becomes part of official [illegible]e. The report for 1896, just published, contains a table of values as represented by the various gems discovered in the United States during the year. It is interesting to observe how the values are apportioned. Here are a few items:

Turquoise	$40,000
Sapphire	10,000
Gold quartz	10,000
Tourmaline	3,000
Garnet	2,500
Ruby	1,000
Amethyst	500
Topaz	200
Opal	200
Emerald	None
Diamond	None

The list includes many precious minerals which would not strictly be classed as gems, and the total value assigned is a little under $100,000. The prominence of the turquoise in the American list is recent, the yield being large in Arizona and New Mexico.

A BRIEF RESUME OF STATE NEWS.

Big Trade in Coal With the Planters of Louisiana---President Culver Appoints His Committee for the Alabama State Agricultural Society---New Code for Alabama to Go Into Effect---Indian Head Cotton Mills Put in Operation---Desperate Attempt of a Burglar---A Wild Man.

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE.

President Culver Has Made His Appointments.

The Alabama State Agricultural Society is perfecting itself, and will soon be a power in the state for the good of the farmers and land owners.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, as president of the agricultural society, has appointed the following executive committee:

First district—Hon. Mims Walker, of Marengo, and J. R. Cowan, of Clarke.

Second district—M. B. Houghton, of Montgomery, and John T. Dale, of Wilcox.

Third district—C. H. Franklin, of Bullock, and John B. Ward, of Henry.

Fourth district—John F. Burns, of Dallas, and J. M. Thornton, of Talladega.

Fifth district—J. H. Harris, of Chambers, and W. W. Walden, of Coosa.

Sixth district—C. P. Mills, of Sumter, and N. N. Clements, of Tuskaloosa.

Seventh district—J. J. Mitchell, of Lauderdale, and J. P. Hampton, of Madison.

Ninth district—Sam Will John, of Jefferson, and W. C. Tunstall, of Hale.

NEW CODE OF ALABAMA.

Gov. Jhonston Issues a Proclamation for It to Go Into Effect February 17.

Governor Johnston Friday issued a proclamation under the terms of which the new code of Alabama goes into effect on Feb. 17. The code is now being distributed to the judicial and other officers entitled to it.

The new code is believed to be an exceedingly satisfactory compilation of the laws of the state. It was prepared by former Attorney-General Wm. L. Martin, Judge A. D. Sayre and Hon. P. C. Massie, all of Montgomery. These gentlemen have spent a large part of the past two years in perfecting the compilation and arrangement of the laws and have given especial attention to the preparation of a satisfactory index, a feature in which the old code is sadly lacking.

The new volume is larger than the old by reason of the fact that the state has more laws than it had ten years ago.

Indian Cotton Mill in Operation.

The big Indian Head cotton mills at Cordova was put in operation Monday. In the amount of floor space these mills are larger than the Avondale mills at Birmingham, but the number of spindles is somewhat smaller, being 25,000. One thousand looms are in the mills. These mills will use 10,000 bales of cotton a year. The plant has been constructed by a number of Eastern capitalists and so assured are they of its success that they will soon begin work on another cotton mill equally as large as the one just completed. The principal product of the Indian Head mills will be heavy sheetings and almost the entire output will be shipped to China.

Good Roads Convention.

It is expected that there will be more than three hundred delegates in attendance at the good roads convention to be held in Anniston on February 16. Already a number of counties have appointed delegates. The anniversary carnival and trades' display, to be held on the same day, will be the biggest thing of the kind ever attempted in that city. Sixty business houses have consented to have floats in the parade.

New Police Commissioners.

Governor Johnston has appointed Ex-Mayor David J. Fox and Ex Alderman John M. McCartin, police commissioner of the city of Birmingham, who will fill the vacancies on the board caused by the expiration of the terms of Colonel A. H. Stevens and M. C. Reynolds, whose incumbency was at an end on December 31 1897.

Shot in the Back.

James Bald, a mine boss at Ishkooda, Jefferson county, was shot in the back Friday and is in a critical condition and may not live. The shooting was done by Frank Simmons, a 19-year-old white youth. What led up to the shooting is not known and there seems to be some mystery connected with the affair. It is stated that young Simmons walked into the mine office, where Mr. Bald was at work on a tally sheet. The two had some words, the substance of which is unknown, and Simmons drew a revolver and shot Bald in the back. As soon as the shot was fired Simmons fled, and has thus far succeeded in eluding capture.

A Woman Dies of Exposure.

At Stanton Thursday night, Mattie McPherson, an aged and decrepit negress, asked for food and shelter at the house of Ike Smith, colored. She was refused, but lingered about the house until nightfall, when she was ordered off. Protesting that she was too feeble to go elsewhere, she was hustled out of the gate and was left lying by the fence. It was a stormy night with heavy rains and the following morning the old woman was found dead at the gate. Her death was evidently caused by exposure.

GOLD BONDS ISSUED

By the Avondale Cotton Mills at Birmingham—Will Start in May.

The stockholdors of the Avondale Cotton Mills, Birmingham's new half million dollar enterprise, at a meeting held Friday afternoon, authorized the issuance of $100,000 6 per cent. five year gold bonds. The entire issue was at once taken by Major J. M. Lewis. The treasurer was also instructed to sell off $100,000 more if in stock, at not less than par and $10,000 if it was taken on the spot by one individual. The remainder will be disposed of in a very few days. When this is done $500,000 of stock and bonds will be outstanding. The affairs of the company, which is controlled by Birmingham and Eastern capitalists, were found to be in excellent shape. The mills, which will be among the largest in the South, are almost complete, and will begin operation May 1. Their output has already been sold for several months ahead.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The boiler works at Sheffield are in active operation.

Morris Franklin, city sexton of Montgomery, died the past week.

Jefferson alias Jack Knight was hanged at Mobile Friday for the murder of Frank Dantzler.

Work is well advanced on the Mobile and Ohio bridge over the Alabama river at Montgomery.

Andrew Nixon, colored, while coupling cars at Montgomery, fell and was ground to death under the wheels.

The Central Alabama stock show, a Selma institution, has been wound up, and 37 per cent refunded to subscribers.

The date for the hearing of the contested election case of Goodwyn vs. Brewer, Fifth district, has been set for February 9.

James Bald, a clerk in the commissary at Smith's Mines, Jefferson county, was fatally shot by Charley Simmons last Friday.

L. J. Fuller has been convicted of the murder of Thomas Henry, at Fruithurst in 1895, and sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary.

J. Sternfield, an attorney of prominence and ability, of Montgomery, has been appointed district attorney for the middle district of Alabama.

Anthony Stribbling, the engineer who was fatally hurt in a wreck on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad last week, died from the effects of his injuries.

Desperate Attempt of a Burglar.

An attempted murder took place Saturday night at Stockton mines, near Coalburg. Two negroes broke into the house of Frank McNamara, a well known mine contractor, for the purpose of robbery. While they were in the midst of their search Mr. McNamara returned to the room and discovered them in the act. As he entered the door he was shot by one of the desperate characters with a 44-calibre pistol, the ball taking effect in the abdomen and inflicting a dangerous wound, which it is thought will prove fatal. The negroes secured $300 and immediately fled.

Failed to Appear.

Three cases against Oscar W. Cowan, at Birmingham, charging embezzlement and grand larceny, were set for trial, but the defendant failed to answer and a forfeiture was issued against his bondsmen. Cowan is under a $500 bond in each case.

Laying Off Vinemount Colony.

Engineer Rivers Carter is busy laying off the land for Vinemount colony near Cullman. The task will occupy about six months. A portion of the land is being divided into town lots, while much of it will be reserved for vineyards and fruit farms.

Plowman Loses His Seat.

Elections committee No. 3 met Friday and decided to report to the house a resolution seating Aldrich and unseating Plowman as the duly elected representative from the Fourth Alabama district. The vote in the committee was strictly a party one, the democrats voting to allow Plowman to retain his seat and the republicans in favor of the resolution seating Aldrich. The committee will make a report in about three weeks.

A New Health Resort.

Chicago capitalists have begun work on a big sanitarium at Pinnacle, Ala., on the top of Sand Mountain near Cullman.

Woodstock Furnace Banked.

Colonel H. Atkinson, of Anniston, Ala., received a telegram Thursday from President Probst, New York, stating that the directors had decided to have the furnaces of the Woodstock Iron Works banked for sixty days, and directing that it be banked at once. This temporary shut-down is due to the sluggish demand for the high grade of iron made by the Woodstock Iron Works, and not to the fact that the furnace is not able to make money at the price for which its iron sells in the markets.

BIG TRADE IN COAL

Is Being Worked Up by Alabama Operators With Louisiana Planters.

The shipment of Alabama coal down the Mississippi river for consumption on Louisiana plantations is about to begin again on a large scale. The first tow of the new year consisting of 6,000 tons will move southward from Greenville Miss., the western terminus of the Southern railway, next week. The coal is from the Walker county mines and is now being loaded on the barges at Greenville. The Southern railway has recently completed splendid facilities for handling coal at Greenville and loading it on the barges, and it is expected that a large business will be done in the movement of the Alabama black diamond this winter. Heavy orders are coming in from the Louisiana sugar planters and towns along the river and the outlook is for a big trade. Pittsburg operators are also moving a large amount of coal down the Mississippi, but with the improved facilities at their command and lower freight rates which have been granted, the Alabama producers feel able to share very largely in the river trade. Alabama's river shipments this winter and spring will it is figured be about 150,000 tons.

Committee Meeting Changed.

Chairman Knox, of the state democratic executive committee has issued the following: "Inasmuch as a conflict in the date designated for the meeting of the state democratic executive committee, and as the date fixed for mardi gras at Mobile and Birmingham will prevent some members from being present, the time of the meeting of said committee is hereby changed from February 22, 1898, to February 15, 1898. Members of the committee will please take notice of this change."

Suicide at Steele.

James Hood, a young man of Steele, committed suicide Saturday morning by shooting himself through the heart in his room. He was in town early and in the best of spirits. On his way home he had some words with an Alabama Great Southern railroad section hand and knocked the negro down. He thought he had killed the negro and went directly home and shot himself through the heart.

Forbids Increase of Rates.

The state railroad commission of Alabama has issued an order forbidding the railroads to increase the local freight rates 4 per cent per 100 in less than-carload-lots, as has been attempted by several lines recently. The rates on carloads and less than carloads in Alabama thus remain the same, which is a big victory for Alabama jobbing interests.

Mysterious Wild Man.

A mysterious wild man has caused a great deal of excitement among the residents of the northern part of Huntsville. The man is an old one, and generally goes about in his shirt sleeves. A party of young men were held up by the wild man and chased for some distance Thursday night. He carried a large pistol.

Two Cruisers for Mobile.

Representatives Taylor and Underwood called at the navy yard and requested that several war vessels be sent to Mobile next month to take part in the mardi gras festivities. Secretary Long has promised that two cruisers from the white squadron now in southern waters shall be ordered to Mobile.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

M. Ernest Bazin, the inventor of the roller steamer, died in Paris.

The Citizens bank of New Louisville, Ark., closed its doors Friday.

Hon. Allen D. Candler will be a candidate for governor of Georgia.

It is estimated that one case of smallpox at Elberton, Ga., cost the town $2,500.

Dr. William A. Love, one of the foremost Masons in the United States, and one of the oldest and best known physicians in the south, died at his residence in Atlanta last week, aged 74.

The Indian Head Cotton Mill company at Cordova, Ala., proposes to build 250 cottages. They are to be eight-room double cottages, and will be rented at 85 cents a room a month.

Senator Finck's bill to gerrymander the congressional districts of Ohio was introduced Friday before adjournment. The purpose of the bill is to legislate Congressman Grosvenor out of office and put a democrat in his place.

The Fishery Congress.

The National Fishery Congress was called to order Thursday morning by Chairman Gillett, mayor of Tampa, who delivered an address of welcome. The committee on permanent organization reported and presented Hon. A. N. Cheney, of New York, as permanent chairman, and Dr. Hugh W. Smith, of the United States Fish Commission of Washington, permanent secretary. The nominations were accepted.

G. H. Smith, the Nominee.

G. H. Smith defeated W. P. Gladdis for the nomination of mayor of Wetumpka by nineteen votes.

Ninety-Nine-Year Sentence.

At Selma Jonas Bates has been convicted of the murder of H. C. Randall and sentenced to ninety-nine years in the penitentiary.

Rice Farming.

Over 2,500 bushels of upland rice was shipped in one day of last week from Daphne. It brought 90 cents a bushel. The farmers about Daphne will cultivate a larger acreage this season.

To Erect a Large Saw Mill.

Messrs. Hunnicut & Neil have leased a place at Centreville for the location of a saw mill, all the necessary arrangements having been made, and they propose to have a $30,000 plant erected and ready for business by the time the first schedule train on the Mobile & Ohio reaches that place.

Donations for State Normal Schools.

Superintendent of Education Turner says he has received up to date $2,3?6 of the Slater fund and $3,050 of the Peabody fund as donations to the state normal schools. These amounts are about half the respective sums annually appropriated to the schools of Alabama, and it is expected the remaining half will be sent in within a short time.

Debt Caused a Killing.

A personal altercation between D. P. Vickory, lawyer, and Dr. J. C. Taylor occurred at Haleyville Monday in which the former was shot and killed. Vickory was indebted to Taylor and Taylor attacked Vickory on last Saturday. Monday the latter came to town to seek revenge, and when they met a fight with pistols ensued, in which Vickory was shot and instantly killed.

Three Stills Raided.

Deputy Collector W. C. Hanlin has reported the raiding of the following stills during the past week: Three miles south of Edwardsville, one fifty-gallon copper still, five fermenters and one flake stand; four miles west of Oak Level, one fifty-gallon still, 1,000 gallons of beer, seven fermenters and one flake stand; four miles south of Oak Level, one fifty-gallon still.

Miss Martin Killed Near East Lake.

In a runaway on the highway four and a half miles above East Lake, Sunday evening Miss Melissa Martin was killed and Miss Hattie Chamblee painfully but not seriously injured. A horse attached to a carriage took fright from the carriage pressing on him as he was going down a hill and ran away. The two ladies leaped out, Miss Martin striking on her head, who received wounds from which she died a few minutes after.

TO DEVELOP COAL LANDS.

A Tract of 5,000 Acres Near Hanceville Will be Tapped by the L. & N.

Messrs. Robert Stevens and associates, of Birmingham, are going to make some extensive mine developments in Blount county.

It is stated that a corps of engineers left Birmingham this week for Hanceville, where it is said Stevens and associates contemplate opening up extensive mines. The new company, which is to be organized at once, will build a branch line of road from a point one mile south of Hanceville, on the Louisville & Nashville railroad, to a point twelve miles in a westerly direction. Here, it is said, the syndicate has bought or obtained options on four to five thousand acres of coal land. The seam is about four and a half feet thick, and the coal found is of the very best domestic kind. This property is to be extensively developed by the new company.

May Build a Steel Plant.

It has been reported that English capitalists has about decided to invest a million dollars in a steel plant in the Birmingham district. Definite arrangements have not completed, but it is learned that the English syndicate, who had an agent in this district part of last spring looking at the resources of Alabama, has been so well satisfied with the report made by this agent that it has practically determined to erect a mammoth steel plant. It is stated that the agent of the syndicate gave the district a most enthusiastic indorsement for such a project.

Improved Cotton Seed.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver has received an immense quantity of the improved Truitt cotton seed from LaGrange, Ga., and within a few days will send two bushels to each probate judge in the state for distribution among the leading planters. The seed is a new variety to this section and possesses some good, productive qualities. It was also learned from the commissioner's office that the sale of fertilizer tags continues to decrease. This evidences a decrease in the cotton acreage for the year.

Sassafras Oil Manufactory Established.

A plant called the Essential Company has been established at Fayette for the manufacture of sassafras oil. The machinery is in full operation, and has turned out oil of an excellent quality. The owners pay $3.00 per ton for sassafras roots, out of which they distill the oil.

Three Porkers.

Mr. P. F. Allen, of Oxford, recently killed three Poland China hogs, which he raised, and which weighed as follows: One 268, one 449 and one 662 pounds. From the last two he obtained about 425 pounds of lard.

RAM'S HORN BLASTS.

Warning Notes Calling the Wicked to Repentance.

ASKING for "our daily bread" includes all things needful.

The creed will not be wrong if the life is right.

A good man is a man who knows how bad he is.

The time is lost that is spent in looking for an easy place.

The man who has truth for his friend will be helped of God.

It is as necessary to cut down the weeds as it is to hoe the corn.

One of the best offices of education is to teach us how to teach ourselves.

Many a loud amen is nothing more than a brag by the man who makes it.

The man who sets out for a good name too often leaves his fortune behind him.

The man who can get good out of a good book already has some good in him.

The ox standing idle in the stable has more trouble with the flies than the one wearing the yoke.

APPRECIATIVE "THANK YOU."

It Is the Smallest Courtesies That Make Life Worth Living.

"On every hand one hears of the neglect to say 'thank you,'" writes Edward W. Bok on "The Saying of 'Thank You'" in the Ladies' Home Journal. "I wonder sometimes if some people really know how little of what comes to them is their due and right, and how much of what comes to them is by favor and courtesy. The vast majority of things which come to us come by pure favor, by courtesy. And we should recognize this. No act of kindness, however slight, should go unnoticed. A 'thank you' is a simple thing to say; it requires but a few moments to write it, but it often means much; it means everything sometimes to the person receiving it. It means a renewed faith in human nature in some cases. A word of thanks is never lost, never wasted. If it sometimes seems to be lost upon the person to whom it is directed, its expression has not been lost upon some one else who has heard it. It is certainly not lost upon ourselves. The most of us are quick enough to thank some one who does us great service. But the small courtesy, just as great as the large service in reality, we overlook. It doesn't seem worth while to give thanks for small things. And yet what would we be to-day, and where would some of us be but for the small courtesies of life? They are what make life worth living.

"* * * It is all very well to have the last Thursday of each November set apart as a day of Thanksgiving. But it would be far better if a great many of us carried the spirit of the day into all the other days. Perhaps, if we did so we might have more mercies to be thankful for on Thanksgiving day.

"* * * Do not let the spirit of thanks stop with nightfall on Thanksgiving day. Let us extend it to all the other days of the year, to the people whose lives touch ours. When we receive a favor at the hands of any one, no matter how small it may be, let us say the words, 'Thank you.' If they should be written let us write them. Let us not delay them, but take advantage of the instant when our heart is touched. Let there be more 'thank yous' said by everybody—thousands of them. And the world will be a better, brighter and happier place to live in because of them."

Bloody Battles.

More lives were lost in the battle of Leipsic than at any other. It took place Oct. 16, 18 and 19, 1813, between the French and the Austrians, Prussians and Russians. The French were 160,000 strong, the allies 240,000. More than 80,000 men perished, and the French were defeated. Such losses throw into the shade the losses of the American war. At Gettysburg 39,000 were killed and wounded; at Chickamauga, 28,000. In the battles of the Wilderness 6,788 men were killed and at Spottsylvania 6,286. In the final attack on Kars, during the Russo-Turkish war of 1877 8,000 men fell. The losses in the attacks on the Shipka pass amounted to about 20,000 men, and before Plevna some 30,000 men perished. Marius' victory over the Cimbri and Teutones at Vercellae, B. C. 101, is said to have cost the lives of 200,000 persons.

At Their Word.

There is a kind of blunt, rude traveler that well deserves such a reproof as is mentioned in the Golden Penny: A party of English visitors were being shown round a famous Scotch abbey, and one of them said to the guide, "Now, old fellow, we don't want any of your cock-and-bull stories about this place! Tell us what you are sure is true."

"Ay, sir!" quietly replied the guide, and he walked on in silence.

He led the party through the abbey, and said, "Ye've seen the old abbey."

"Yes," said the Englishman. "Can't you tell us anything about it?"

"The exact truth," returned the Scot, "is that 'the abbey is old,' and I canna swear to any more aboot it," and he left them.

One Specialist's Idea.

"I built my house on dotted veils," a well-known oculist is said to have remarked when somebody commented upon its expensiveness. And as the ladies continue to wear spotted veils, he will probably be able to keep up his establishment.

When a woman weeps scalding tears she is boiling with rage.

THE JOURNAL'S FLOP.

MOST BRAZEN PROPOSITION OF W. R. HEARST.

Would Abandon the Cause of Financial Reform to Appease the Palmer-Buckner Traitors — Eastern Democrats Overwhelmingly for Bimetallism.

Of course, the New York Journal, while abandoning bimetallism, claims that it is working in the interests of harmony and victory.

Upon what basis such a claim can rest has not as yet been made apparent. One thing alone has been alleged by the Journal, and that is the necessity of democrats abandoning their demand for the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1. In the Journal's eyes a ratio of 30 to 1 would not be objectionable, and such a concession as that simply adds the Journal to the list of gold standard newspapers.

Attention has been called in these columns to the result of the vote in the electoral college, showing that the east could not claim the right to dictate policy, as its electoral vote in 1896 had been unanimously republican.

Now, a glance at the record of popular sentiment, as expressed by the vote of the eastern states, will show whether the Fusionists and Democrats are in favor of bimetallism and a ratio of 16 to 1, or of the Journal's gold monometallism at any old ratio based on the commercial value of silver. The popular vote of the eastern states for Bryan on the one hand and Palmer on the other was as follows:

Popular Vote.	Bryan.	Palmer.
New York	551,513	18,972
New Jersey	113,975	6,373
New Hampshire	21,650	3,420
Pennsylvania	427,127	11,000
Vermont	10,607	1,329
Massachusetts	105,711	11,749
Maine	34,504	1,864
Delaware	16,615	956
Connecticut	56,740	4,336
Total	1,338,142	59,999

If, in 1896, the eastern states gave a popular vote of 1,338,142 for William J. Bryan and the free and independent coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1, while only 59,999 votes were polled in these states for the advocate of the monetary theory now proclaimed by the Journal, what assurance has the Journal to give that it is not advising the democratic party to alienate one million three hundred thousand voters to secure the support of a scant sixty thousand?

It cannot be denied that the democracy of the east is on record for bimetallism. How does the Journal expect to reverse the verdict of 1896?—Chicago Dispatch.

A Chance to Open the Mills.

"Never in the history of New England has there been a shut-down so complete as that now in operation in the cotton mills of New Bedford. Not a spindle is turning nor a loom in motion. There are eighteen mills involved in the strike and a pay roll of $70,000 a week is affected. Dispatches from Boston say: 'A reduction in the wages of about 125,000 operatives employed in nearly 150 cotton mills in New England, which the manufacturers decide upon as a temporary remedy for the widespread depression in the cotton goods industry of the north, has gone into effect in a majority of the mills. At several of the mill centers, namely, New Bedford, Biddeford, Saco, and Lewiston, Me., dissatisfaction among the mill hands is intense.

"The situation in New Bedford is viewed from a very gloomy light by the business men of that city many of whom have not altogether recovered from the depression which followed the failure of six mill corporations last spring. The strike was begun in spite of the efforts of these men, of the pulpit, of the city, of the board of trade, and the state board of arbitration, to bring about a settlement. The operatives are advocating the abolition of the fining systems in addition to restoration of wages.

"The cut amounts to about 10 per cent in many places, but in several centers it is 11 1-9 per cent, and even higher, while in a few mills it is only about 5 per cent. Over production, the keen competition of the south, low prices, and a generally demoralized cotton goods market, are said to be the leading causes which are assigned for the attack on the wage schedule. Many manufacturers claim that a decrease in the cost of production will greatly improve the situation, while others deny that the cut will do any good. The policy of most manufacturers seems to be in the direction of keeping the mills running during the winter months at least, the objection to a shut-down being based on the theory that it would have no other effect than to increase the production in the south.—Chicago Dispatch.

Butterworth a Victim.

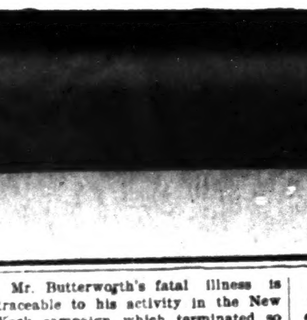
Benjamin Butterworth, who served repeatedly in congress from a Cincinnati district, though always a Republican, did not always vote for Republican measures. He was not an extreme protectionist and his voice and vote were given upon occasion in opposition to monopolists.

In an interview of Mr. Butterworth's public service he was creditably associated with the Columbian exposition, first as secretary and afterward as solicitor. He was painstaking, thorough and at the same time unfailingly affable. Some years ago he was a member from the house of representatives of the board of visitors at West Point and discharged the duties of the place as laboriously and conscientiously as though the duties of that board were of the utmost moment instead of being as they are in fact, a perfunctory and pleasant incident.

Mr. Butterworth's fatal illness is traceable to his activity in the New York campaign which terminated so disastrously to Gen. Tracy and the Platt machine. While commissioner of patents he entered the canvass bearing a message from the President of the United States to the Republicans of Greater New York, which he delivered publicly. It was that the President was profoundly interested in the outcome, desiring above all things Republican success. There was no withdrawal by McKinley of these words, but some of McKinley's friends endeavored to represent Butterworth in a role entirely foreign to him—that of a busybody who was speaking without authority. Mr. Butterworth would never have publicly stated that the President had told him that he earnest desired Tracy's success if such message had not been intrusted to him. He labored in that campaign under the humiliation of partial repudiation of himself and before its close went heavy-hearted to Ohio, where he still further labored in the Republican cause. At Cleveland he was stricken with pneumonia, which was the precursor of his death.

Butterworth, a kindly, earnest, truthful man, was in a sense a victim of his zeal for McKinley and the treachery of McKinley's friends, who were anxious that he should not be identified, as Butterworth on undoubted authority had identified him, with Platt's canvass in New York.—Chicago Chronicle.

The New Dollar Mark.



Cutting Down Wages.

Those who are on the ground take a condemnatory view of the wage reduction in New England. No doubt business for the cotton mills is bad; no doubt the protection which fails to protect is being practically condemned, but must the wage workers be forced to bear all the burdens? This is a question which is attracting the attention of intelligent men in the east. It has been asked by the operatives and it is repeated by the press—at least, that part of the press which is not the mere echo of plutocratic sentiments. In discussing the matter the Boston Post says:

"If there ever was a case in which a cutdown from 10 per cent in the wages of labor was unjustifiable, it is the case of those cotton mills in New Bedford, which have paid large dividends for many years up to and including the year 1897 just closed. Profits which permit the payment of dividends of 6, 9, 12 and even 16 per cent do not call for a reduction of the labor cost of production."

But those profits have been converted into the treasury of the mills. The managers see before them a dull period of business. Superintendents must have salaries of $10,000 to $20,000 a year. How are they to get them if the wage of the operatives is not reduced? However, the Post fails to see it in that light, and says, with much emphasis: "The managers of these great and prosperous New Bedford mill corporations are this time clearly in the wrong, whatever may be said about the situation elsewhere. They have the support neither of the business community of New Bedford, nor of the public at large, nor, as appears more clearly from day to day, of many of their own stockholders, and even directors." In the meantime, however, the workmen's wages have been cut and a strike is on.—Chicago Dispatch.

Indiana Populist Convention.

To the Members of the People's Party of Indiana: The state central committee of the People's party hereby order that a convention of the party be held on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 1898, at 10 a. m. in Indianapolis for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various state offices to be held in November, 1898, and for the purpose of selecting a new state central committee.

District organization meetings will be held at 7:30 o'clock the previous evening. The basis of representation to said convention shall be as follows: Each political township and ward to be entitled to one delegate and one alternate. No person will be recognized as a delegate or alternate unless he presents credentials from his county chairman, who are directed to call county conventions on the first Saturday in February to select such delegates and alternates to the state convention. A cordial invitation is extended to all who are dissatisfied with their past political connections to take part in the various county conventions.

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Some plan for fusion with Democrats will be prescribed.

Like an Advance Agent.

It is stated that Maj. McKinley may visit New York this month to attend a manufacturers' dinner. There is no improbability in the announcement. The President does not like to stay many weeks continuously in Washington. He has a roving spirit, which induces him to accept any possible excuse for getting out on the road. He labored hard to get into the executive office and now that he is there is quite willing to swing around the circle on the slightest provocation.—Ex.

STORY OF TWO YOUNG MEN.

One Defended His Country on the Field of Battle—The Other Robbed It—Yet the Former Is Pointed Out as an Anarchist by the Latter—The Slumbering Form of Justice Shows Signs of Awakening.

From New Time.

This young man did not give himself to his country in the war of the rebellion. He had $40,000 in gold, and when government bonds went down to 40 he bought $100,000. Uncle Sam has paid the interest, $6,000 per annum, in gold ever since, and exempted him from all taxation which we will say, is equal to 2 per cent. more, which makes his yearly pension for investing in a "sure thing" $8,000. But even this is not good enough for this man. Our Uncle Sam therefore gave him back $90,000 in national bank notes, every one of which was indorsed by Uncle Sam. Thus, in addition to his pension of $6,000 a year in gold, with exemption from taxation, risk, worry, care and labor, he has enjoyed the use and increment of $90,000 for over thirty years. And besides all this, this "patriotic" citizen who is so very jealous of the "nation's honor" still has his bond yielding him six thousand 200-cent dollars every year, and his $90,000 bank notes, which yield as much more at least. Then we find his present worth to be as follows:

His bond, which is still yielding him six thousand 200-cent dollars per year at market value, about	$118,000
National bank notes	90,000
Profits bank notes thirty years, estimated	180,000
Saved in taxes thirty years	60,000
Interest on bond	180,000

Now we find him worth.....$628,000

Reader, do you think he has been fully paid for his kind of patriotism? Or do you think he deserves still further favors for his unspeakable patriotism. If so, do you think our present system of finance is "the best the world ever saw?" Are you willing to have our government make so much difference between its rich and poor citizens? How do you suppose the legislation, the workings and results of which are here illustrated, was obtained? Bondholder is worth, bonds and interest, $628,000.

He belittles the soldier and calls him an anarchist. But he does this merely to hide his own iniquities. Some day his guilt will find him out. Then the soldier will put a rope around his neck and hang him for treason to our flag and our country. The days of the bondholder are about numbered. The time is near at hand when he will have to go to work.

This young man had no money, so he gave himself, with all that that implies, to his country. He sacrificed loving sweethearts, friends, home, business and all things both profitable or pleasant. He shouldered his musket and went South to do and dare that our country might live and that the Declaration of Independence and our Constitution might not become obsolete rubbish. Can pen or tongue ever tell what he suffered. Of the long marches of the lying under fire for weeks in the trenches; of the hunger, cold thirst and heat; of the lonely perilous hours on picket; the terrific charges; the hellish fighting where his comrades were left in piles. He was following the stars and stripes. "How he shouted as he saw Old Glory pressing on to victory! How his blood tingled as he read in the papers the fulsome praise of the boys in blue! He was one of the nation's defenders. He was fighting for his country. He was earning the gratitude of coming generations. He fought at Shiloh until a bullet wound in the shoulder laid him low. He spent two months in hospital and rejoined his regiment in time to fight for months in front of the heights of Vicksburg. He risked his life on a score of battle fields. He contracted rheumatism from sleeping on the steaming, blood-drenched ground. But his patriotism never faltered. For all this he received the munificent salary of thirteen 35-cent dollars per month which was finally raised to $16! If he had saved all this money till the "cruel war" was over he might have had as much as $600. Just think of it! He might have got as much for his four years' service as his rich brother received for interest, etc., in nearly four fortnights! Then added to all this munificence and "paternalism" our government has given him a pension of $12 per month ever since 1890. Over six whole years. Then it follows that the old soldier's pension for a month is nearly half that of the bondholder's for a day. Old soldier is worth in wages and pension, neither having been used, say $1,400. Yet the old soldier dearly loves the bondholder. He believes that the bondholder did a patriotic thing when he loaned that $40,000 to Uncle Sam. He never dreams that the bondholder is a greater enemy to the country than was the slave power. But he is learning the truth now. The slumbering form of justice has begun to show signs of awakening.

REDEEM IN SILVER.

REAL MISSION OF THE STANDARD DOLLAR.

How It May Be Used to Protect the Treasury from Bank Sharks—Extract from an Article by Senator Teller—The Way to Bimetallism.

From an article by Senator Teller: The retirement of the greenbacks, and the substitution of national bank notes to make up the amount lost by their withdrawal, appears to be the present scheme of the administration. Such a proposition will never receive the sanction of congress. It may be put through the house by republican votes, but if it came to a direct vote in the senate it could not pass. It is foolish, in the first place, to suppose that the national banks would increase their circulation. To retire the greenbacks and treasury notes means a contraction of $500,000,000. The circulation of national bank notes is less than $250,000,000, and if any man believes those institutions would swell their circulation to $700,000,000 and guarantee to redeem every dollar of it in gold across their counters he is financially unsound. If required by law, it would not be done, for the banks would simply go out of business. The idea of retiring the greenbacks is based upon a desire to get rid of the constant drain upon the treasury for gold. If our treasury were to adopt the policy of France that drain would stop instantly. When a holder of paper currency goes to the Bank of France to have it redeemed he does not know whether he is to get gold or silver. The bank exercises its option, and our law contemplates that our treasury should exercise its option, but it does not, and right there is the trouble. Offer silver for those greenbacks once and the drain would stop. This, of course, would not solve the whole situation, but it would accomplish much, and should be done. But it will not be so long as the gold men dominate our treasury.

Thanks to Dingley.

Prosperity and the Dingley tariff are linked together. First came the Dingley bill and then followed dollar wheat. When the great and all-powerful tariff act became a law the farmers of Europe announced that they had no wheat to sell; indeed, they had none for home consumption. Prices for the cereal went up, and the Republicans sang a pean of praise and said, "Thanks to Dingley." Sugar stock jumped 40 per cent and Standard Oil stocks climbed 50 per cent, while Metropolitan Railroad stock in New York sells for 150 per cent—thanks to Dingley. Trusts were never so numerous and never so profitable as they are now. Never were so many new combinations of capital formed; never were the rich favored as they are at present—thanks to Dingley. Senator Hanna missed a point when he telegraphed McKinley to the effect that "God rules and the Republican party still lives." He should have simply said with truth and brevity: "Thanks to Dingley." Seldom has there been a more genial and kindly winter. The mercury has gone up with a cheerful persistency, and enthusiastic Republicans can but recognize in this another proof of the upward trend of all things since the g. o. p. went into power. Surely they are justified in saying, "Thanks to Dingley."

"How Much?"

Senator Chandler is a good Republican, but he has no love for Hanna, nor for Hanna's especial brand of Republican doctrine. After Hanna's great victory at Columbus he received a large number of congratulations by telegraph. Among them, it is alleged, was the following:

"M. A. Hanna, Columbus, Ohio: I congratulate you on this latest victory for sound money. How much?

"William E. Chandler."

There can be no doubt that "sound money" won the senatorship for Mark Hanna, and if Senator Chandler sent the telegram alleged to have been sent his curiosity to know "how much" is natural and entirely justifiable. But Hanna has not answered that question.

Need of a Merchant Marine.

The development of the merchant marine of the United States has been in inverse ratio to its progress in other lines. In 1845 American ships handled 81 per cent of our imports and exports. In 1855 the figures had been reduced to 75.6 per cent; in 1860 to 65.5 per cent; in 1870 to 35.6 per cent; in 1880 to 17.4 per cent; in 1890 to 12.9 per cent, and in 1895 to 11.7 per cent. For 1896 the percentage of imports and exports handled by American ships was 12, and for 1897 the figures were about 11.5 per cent.

One Bluff Sure to Be Called.

The Western Union company threatens trouble for Spain because of the interference of the Havana officials with its telegraph company. The first thing the Spanish authorities know they will find out that there is a wide difference between bluffing our mild-mannered government and one of our up-to-date corporations.

TEMPERANCE TOPICS.

NOTES OF INTEREST TO THE ANTI-LIQUOR LEAGUERS.

Wine Being Served at the White House Dinners—A Suggestion That Liquor Fiends Be Not Permitted to Vote—The Greed of the Saloonkeepers.

A Sacred Melody.

O'ER bright stars which gem the night
Be each a blissful dwelling sphere,
Where kindred spirits reunite,
Whom death has torn asunder here.
How sweet it were at once to die,
And leave this blighted orb afar,
Mixed soul with soul, to cleave the sky,
And soar away from star to star.

But, O! how dark, how drear, how lone
Would seem the brightest world of bliss,
If, wandering through each radiant one,
We fail'd to find the loved of this!
If there no more the ties should twine,
Which death's cold hand alone can sever,
Ah! then these stars in mockery shine,
More hateful, as they shine forever.

It cannot be! each hope and fear
That lights the eye or clouds the brow,
Proclaims there is a happier sphere
Than this bleak world that holds us now:
There is a voice which sorrow hears,
When heaviest weighs life's galling chain;
'Tis heaven that whispers, "Dry thy tears:
The pure in heart shall meet again!"

A Sad Surprise.

The correspondent of the Chicago Record in Washington is authority for the following startling paragraph, which appears in one of his daily letters to that paper:

"President McKinley gave a dinner at the White House tonight in honor of the prime minister of Canada and his associates in the seal conference. The affair was important because of the high rank of the guests of honor, because it was the first state dinner of the season and because for the first time in the McKinley administration wine was served. The decorations for the table were not elaborate. Autumn leaves were arranged about the center pieces and glasses were set for claret and champagne."

The fact that this information is furnished by William E. Curtis, one of the most trustworthy of newspaper correspondents, and that it was published in one of the most trustworthy papers of which American journalism can boast, gives no ground for reasonable doubt that the above words reveal a sad and surprising reality. It is both sad and surprising that a president who was thought to represent the highest moral hope of the nation, is in reality a patron of an industry which is wasting the character and riches of our republic.

When, a few months since, a paragraph similar to the above was published, we were tempted to express the same regret that we do now; but on second thought concluded that it would be more fair to address a respeectful inquiry to the private secretary of the White House, and be enabled by his answer to reassure the people that their president was neither a wine bibber nor a purveyor of drink to his neighbor's lips. No answer to that letter has ever been received, and we are compelled to infer that the present administration is willing to stand committed as a sponsor and defender of the horrible rum iniquity and its interests, rather than as a representative and defender of the home.—Ram's Horn.

"Let No Drunkard Vote."

I wish to say that as far as my observation goes as touching the drink traffic, I agree with some of the suggestions made by Mr. McDuckwall in your issue of Sept. 4, 1897. A law providing that no man in the habit of getting drunk could vote or hold office, or teach school, would be a most excellent provision, if it could be enforced, but such a provision would be an impossibility so long as the executive force and police power of municipalities are manned by political parties and bosses under saloon or license domination. No such provision would even be submitted to a vote of the people without attaching to it a disguised vicious substitute by which the liquor business would be fastened into the constitution with still deeper malignity. As long as the state legalizes the sale of drink for beverage purposes, she is responsible for the crimes resulting from drink, and has no more right to punish the drunkard than she has to punish lunatics and imbeciles.

Mr. McDuckwall says "a law to disgrace the drunkard would be more effective and more easily enforced than one to inflict other penalties." The present license laws disgrace the citizenship of the state by permitting sober men to drink. If disfranchisement can be made operative, when once the state has enacted a prohibitory law, then we say amen, but first of all we want the legislature composed of men who believe that it is a crime to disgrace the citizenship of the state by the licensed sale of a poison beverage.

The way to purify politics is to vote for men who have enough gumption to respect the Bible, and its claims above the success of any party, thus will "good well meaning people" begin to purify politics, and clean up God-forsaken parties and their bosses, then there will be a chance for sober, sensible legislation against, and not in favor of, the drink curse.—A. S. Baumgardner, Elliotsburg, Pa.

The Ways of Sin.

Liquor dealers do not wait for the youth of the land to reach years of manhood and responsibility before they seek to lay their destructive hands upon them. A few months ago we called attention to an address delivered before a liquor dealers' association, in which the speaker emphasized the fact that the present army of tipplers would soon pass away, and unless it was recruited from the ranks of the young, the liquor business must die with this generation of tipplers. This need occasion no surprise. Instances of the use of such methods have come again and again to our notice. A new one is afforded us just now by the allied trade of tobacco. From the Atlanta Constitution we learn that a tobacco firm has been distributing among the public school children of that city packages of fine cut tobacco. These packages are branded as "free samples" for school boys, and bear the further announcement that each one contains a coupon which calls for a handsome article. The matter has been brought to the attention of the city council of Atlanta, and it is to be hoped that preventive measures will be taken.

In the meantime this should serve as another warning, an added lesson to our temperance women; a warning never to relax our vigilance, a lesson that our war is one of utter extermination. Compromise with such foes only gives them vantage ground for further conquests. They have but one purpose in view—absolute dominion. We can have but one—the utter destruction of both the liquor and the tobacco traffic. But eternal vigilance is the price of success. Unless we are constantly on the defensive we shall lose all we have gained. Unless we are constantly on the offensive we shall never make another advance.—Union Signal.

Study of Alcohol.

The study of alcohol by physicians is becoming more and more important. At the International Medical Congress, held this summer at Moscow, the question was considered of sufficient importance to have a section set apart for its consideration, and nine different papers were presented. I am sorry to say the writers of the papers neglected to furnish abstracts and the difficulties of taking notes were too many to be overcome, so that I can present the conclusions of only one paper, that by Dr. A. Korowine of Moscow, "The Hygiene of the Conflict Against Alcoholism."

The doctor truthfully says that the drink question is one for doctors rather than clergymen or mere philanthropists, and urges that all physicians should first be able to recognize "moderate drinkers" from "alcoholics;" second, that physicians should study the effects of the exhibition of alcohol for disease in abstainers and non-abstainers; third, physicians should make widely known the urgent need that chronic alcoholics be treated in asylums, because they belong to the insane classes; fourth, the medical profession should take more direct notice of all the disastrous results of alcoholism upon the community—the ills to the nation direct and indirect that accrue through its drunkards, and to lend the aid of the profession to all organizations working for temperance.—Exchange.

The People Vs. Rum.

When will the authorities give effect to the verdict rendered by the jurors who have heard the evidence in the case of the People versus the Liquor Traffic? It may not be urged in favor of delay that the guilt has been proclaimed by ignorant jurymen; men of the clearest intellect and noblest impulses—patriots and statesmen—have adjudged it the enemy of the home, the church and the nation. Here are a few authorities whose opinions are entitled to some weight:

"The mother of sins"—Southey.

"Stupefies and besots."—Bismarck.

"A scandal and a shame."—Gladstone.

"The devil in solution."—Sir Wilfrid Lawson.

"A huge nuisance and misery."—London Times.

"Devilish and destructive."—Lord Randolph Churchill.

"Liquid fire and distilled damnation."—Robert Hall.

"The mother of, want and nurse of crime."—Lord Brougham.

"A poison in politics as well as in society."—Sir W. Harcourt.

"The nation is being throttled by the traffic."—Lord Rosebery.

A Curious Monkey.

Curiosity seems to be the great failing—or virtue—of monkeys. A story is told of an Englishman who had a south African monkey which had traveled with him around the world. When his bachelor days were over he took his young wife to a lovely old manor house in the south of England and, Englishman-like, kept several barrels of good "home-brewed" ale in the cellar. On returning from church one Sunday morning he noticed that the cellar door was open and started on a tour of investigation. As he went down the steps "Jenny," the monkey, rushed up and he found that she had set all the spigots running. The door had been inadvertently left open and Jenny doubtless went prying into the semi-lighted place. Turning one spigot on produced such a rushing stream that she tried the others also, much to the waste of the liquor. It may be added that when the Englishman's first-born appeared and monopolized attention Jenny got such a fit of jealousy that she was at once sent to the secluded but more congenial society to be found in the monkeyhouse of the London zoological gardens.

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Latham, Alexander & Co., who are considered the best authority on cotton have this to say: By systematic and co-operative action of the merchant and the planter the cotton crop must be kept within reasonable trade demands or else destroy the most valuable source of profit to the mercantile and agricultural interests of the south. For the good of all concerned it would be infinitely better any year to make a million bales less than to make half million bales more than necessary." Sound advice from level headed men like these should not fall on deaf ears.

THE BANNER is pleased to see the question of establishing cotton mills and other factories in Chilton county being discussed by our citizens. That the establishment of any manufacturing enterprise would be of inestimable benefit to the county we think none will deny. Whether the suggestion made by Mr. A. G. Dake in last week's BANNER is practicable is for the citizens of the county to determine. We would be inclined to favor the formation of a co-operative company with shares of small amount, and believe that at least one mill could be set in operation by this means. This would also induce outside capitalists to invest in the county, as nothing more tempts capital than the knowledge that a community has faith in its own resources. Let us hear from others on the subject.

Hurrah for Aldrich! Again W. F. Aldrich has vindicated the right of the citizens of this district to have their votes counted fairly and honestly. The elections committee has reported W. F. Aldrich duly elected to congress from this district and Capt. Plowman loses his seat. This is the second time Mr. Aldrich has got the best of the ballot-box stuffers. He deserves the thanks of all who favor honest elections in Alabama, for exposing the frauds practiced in this district. But a stigma is thrown upon the district, which is notorious throughout the United States for its fraudulent election practices, and it is greatly to be hoped that future elections will be conducted honestly. At all events, if such unfair means are resorted to again, those indulging in them may expect to have their rascality exposed to the world. Though they may temporarily triumph their ultimate defeat is inevitable. The sooner it is stopped the better for all parties concerned.

The action of the Alabama railroad commission in refusing to allow the railroads to advance their local rates on certain classes of freight for less than car load lots was just what the Louisville and Nashville railroad is shrewdly striving for years. The wholesale grocers of Montgomery led the war on the Louisville and Nashville because it would not do just what the state railroad commission says none of the roads must do. The wholesale grocers wanted the railroads to advance the rates on less than car load lots or reduce the rates on car load shipments. When the Louisville and Nashville declined to grant their request the wholesale grocers organized a boycott against the road. They stopped their freight for other lines and did all they could to force the road to give them an advantage over the small grocers who could not buy a whole car load of groceries at the time. After a big boycott the railroad agreed to make the distinction demanded. That is boycott's way of settling things. Now the commission says that the railroads must not advance their local rates 4 cents per 100 pounds on grain, flour, meat and meat products and on a dozen other commodities on which some of the roads had asked permission to advance the local rates 4 per cent per 100 pounds.

EXPERIMENTS WITH COTTON.

Below is given a summary of Bulletin No. 89 of the Alabama Experiment Station, Auburn, Ala. The Bulletins of the Station giving detailed results of these and other experiments will be sent to those who apply for them:

The group of varieties yielding most lint were Texas Oak, Griffin, Hawkins, Deering, Mell Cross No. 15, Jones Reimproved, Duncan, Hutchinson, Peterkin, Watley, Truitt.

Seed of the same original stock, but grown for one year in different parts of the cotton belt, when planted at Auburn showed no marked differences in productiveness.

The yields obtained by planting fresh, one-year-old and two-year-old, seed were identical.

With late cultivation the yield of cotton was slightly larger than with ordinary cultivation.

Truitt cotton, in narrow rows on upland of medium quality, gave practically the same yields whether the single plants stood 12, 18 or 24 inches apart in the drill. The yield decreased when the distance between plants was increased to 30 or 36 inches. The crop matured earlier with thick planting.

Topped cotton plants yielded less than those not topped.

The use of 640 pounds slaked lime, applied broadcast in 1896, failed no increase the crop that year. But cotton following broadcast cow peas turned under in the spring of 1897, afforded a larger yield on the plot limed the previous year than on the plot not limed.

Subsoiling in January 1896, was decidedly beneficial to the first crop of cotton, but afforded no increase in the second crop, grown in 1897.

A mixture of stable manure, cottonseed meal and acid phosphate, applied without composing, afforded a slightly larger yield than did exactly the same materials made into compost about one month before using.

Composting increased the efficiency of Florida soft phosphate, but not of acid phosphate.

Slightly larger yields were obtained by bedding on all the fertilizer than by reserving one-fourth and applying this portion in the seed drill at planting time.

One hundred and fifty pounds per acre of cotton seed meal afforded a larger yield of seed cotton than 316 pounds of cottonseed, or 704 pounds of nitrate of soda. These amounts of the above named fertilizers contained equal quantities of nitrogen; hence cottonseed meal was the source whence the most effective form of nitrogen was obtained.

Acid phosphate was more effective pound for pound than Florida soft phosphate or Tennessee phosphate, except when these last named crude phosphates were employed in composts.

A mixture of acid phosphate and Florida soft phosphate was less effective than an equal weight of acid phosphate, and more valuable than an equal weight of Florida soft phosphate.

Acid phosphate alone failed to increase the yield. Cottonseed meal was highly beneficial. Kainit, alone and in combination greatly increased the yield. Kainit decreased the injury from "black rust," and this is apparently the explanation of the large increase in yield on the plots receiving kainit.

J. F. DUGGAR, Agriculturist.
Auburn, Ala.

The Surprise of All.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones and Son, Cawden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottle at J. S. Johnsons Drug Store.

The Republican State committee met in Birmingham January 23, 1898, and ordered the State Republican convention to be called, to assemble in Montgomery April 28.

The Republican Committee of the Fourth district has called a delegated convention to meet at Calera March 8 for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Congress in this district.

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Political Pointers.

People's Press Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 26, 1898.

Senator Teller's resolution making goverment bonds payable in silver dollars has been favorably reported to the senate.

Chairman Jones, of the Democratic National committee, advises fusion with Populists and Silver Republicans, in Minnesota.

Michigan Populists are watching with interest Governor Pingree's latest attacks on the Republican party and declare if he will sever his connection with the G. O. P. they will place him at the head of their ticket.

Committeeman Kurtz, of Ohio, is about to lose his official head as a result of his recent efforts to defeat Hanna for the Senate.

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, favors the annexation of Hawaii to the United States.

The last of the cotton mills not already closed at the home town of protective-tariff Dingley, closed their doors January 18 as a result of a cut in wages that the operatives could not stand.

At a meeting of the Indiana state Democratic meeting at Indianapolis, January 18, it was decided "not to offend the Populists," but on no account to agree to any plan of fusion that would call for a division of the offices.

Mrs. Anna L. Diggs, State Librarian of Kansas, has refused to move the books belonging to the state until suitable shelves are provided and she is sustained in her position by several of the other state officials.

The state Democratic committee of Kansas will meet at Topeka February 22. The nomination of the Populist ticket entirely, or in part, and a banquet presided over and under the management of Hon. David Overmeyer, are the two leading events promised for that occasion.

The People's Party state convention of Kansas will be held June 29.

The same old fight is promised in the Seventh Congressional District of Kansas as the Republicans will again nominate Chester I. Long to run against Jerry Simpson. A. R.

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. Stanfield & Matthews.

Novel Purses.

The very latest thing is to have a purse made of the same material as the street dress. And not only that, but the purse must be mounted with a gold clasp and have the initials of the owner in gold letters upon it.

Another possibility which it is whispered may descend upon us in fact is to have walking shoes made in dyed leather to match the walking costume. This is a pretty fancy, at all events, and has probably come about from the tremendous and universal success of the tan shoe, which is so much softer and prettier than black, and threatens to be worn in winter as well as for outing and summer wear.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Newark Clubwomen.

Newark (N. J.) clubwomen are determined to have clean streets. Mrs. Woodruff has charge of this department of work, and she is marshaling her forces for a systematic cleaning that is to result in attractive and healthful streets. Newark has 15 wards and 6 districts in each ward. Mrs. Woodruff will appoint a woman chairman for each ward and a woman for each district, and they will all work in harmony.

Indefinite.

"What is your business?"

"I am a bone expert."

"Murder trials or negro minstrelsy?"—Indianapolis Journal.

Worn Out?

Do you come to the close of the day thoroughly exhausted? Does this continue day after day, possibly week after week? Perhaps you are even too exhausted to sleep. Then something is wrong. All these things indicate that you are suffering from nervous exhaustion. Your nerves need feeding and your blood enriching.

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There are some advantages in the use of the word "alleged" in order to avoid libel. A reporter had been incautious in a statement, possibly true enough, but had been warned to be more careful. The reporter in this way extended the application of "alleged:"

"Alleged Mad Dog Scare at Hampstead.—An alleged mad dog, said to be the property of an alleged butcher named Frost of Atlantic avenue, is alleged to have broken his chain yesterday afternoon and attacked the alleged daughter of Thomas Drewsbury, who claims to be a tailor in the same street. The girl is alleged to have been treated by Dr. Tupper, an alleged local practitioner, for the alleged severe bites in the hands and legs. It is further alleged that the alleged butcher was last year sent to goal for a week by the alleged magistrate of the Northwestern police court for not keeping his alleged ferocious dog under proper control."

That young man had the bump of caution too abnormally developed, and he was soon no more in the subeditor's room.—Nineteenth Century.

'Twas Ever Thus.

Alas, my new umbrella—I miss it with a sigh. The day I rashly bought it a friend was standing by. Next day it rained. He borrowed it, to be returned that night, but since that fatal moment it hasn't blessed my sight. He lent it to a neighbor's wife, and to increase my woe she lent it to the minister, and it's still upon the go. He lent it to a student, who lent it to a friend, and still it's going, going, gone. I wonder where 'twill end. But through the cloud of borrowers one ray of hope I see—perhaps I may be lucky and it will be lent to me.—Chicago News.

Two Sides.

"The morning stars sang together for joy. How unlike a church choir!"

"I don't know. The stars in their courses fought against Sisera. They fought. How like a church choir!"—Chicago Tribune.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention THE BANNER and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N.Y. The proprietor of this paper guarantees the genuineness of this offer.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver has received an immense quantity of the improved Truitt cotton seed from LaGrange, Ga., and within a few days will send two bushels to each probate judge in the state for distribution among the leading planters. The seed is a new variety to this section and possesses some good, productive qualities. It was also learned from the commissioner's office that the sale of fertilizer tags continues to decrease. This evidences a decrease in the cotton acreage for the year.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Tursell of Knittersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Twice a year everybody comes a courting to Clanton, and when you come this year, you can be made to think of old times and have a better time than you have ever had in your life before. You want to know how. Well, there 's only one way and that is by doing your trading with Abe Kanter, at the old court house store, where you will find the biggest assorted stock and the smallest prices you have ever heard of.

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J. F. WILLIAMS, Jemison, Ala.

Prof. J. A. Mc[illegible], of Concord [illegible]oo, near Montevallo, was a visitor here Saturday.

Dr. W. E. Stewart went to Birmingham Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. Stewart is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. C. [illegible]ncan, of Nashville, and Miss [illegible]lie Duncan.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Maggie Thompson, of Sylacauga, to Mr. [illegible]ho W. Canfield at Sylacauga on Tuesday, February 8, at 2 p. m.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady, but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup, all lung and bronchial troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

Dr. Bert Higgins, of Deatsville, is spending a few days here with his brother, Mr. G. Higgins, our popular depot agent.

Tax collector T. J. Hubbard was down from Town yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs Warren Wright, of Jemison, are visiting relatives here this week.

Misses Effie Watts and Miss Mary Cottingham, of Letohatchie, are visiting Mr. Macon Watts's family.

Mr. Felix Dudley has returned from a trip to Atlanta.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

An oyster supper for the benefit of the Baptist church will be given Friday night, February 4. All are cordially invited.

Mr. Walter Kendrick, of Burnsville, was in town on business yesterday.

Mr. S. E. Clickler, of Jemison, was a welcome visitor here yesterday.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventative of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. Stanfield & Matthews.

Mr. Y. O. Freeman, of Jemison, was in town a pleasant call Tuesday.

Mr. John Parker, of Rockford, one of the candidates for the chancellorship of this district, was in town yesterday.

CUBAN OIL cures Cuts, Burns, Bruises, Rheumatism and Sores. Price, 25 cents.

Mr. Ben Teel left on Sunday for Clanton.

An entertainment last Friday night by Ralph Bingham for the benefit of the Baptist church was well attended and much enjoyed.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three things created—they are the honey bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

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When manifests itself in the loss of flesh and aching bones. The blood is poor, the tissues are wasting—the door is opened for disease. A bottle of Brown's Iron Bitters taken in time will restore your appetite, soothe your nerves, make your blood rich and red. Do you more good for the expensive special course of medicine. Brown's Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Marriage licenses have been issued this week by the Probate Judge to the following persons.

Mr. A. A. Kemp and Miss Minnie Johnson; Mr. H. E. Robinson and Miss Emily S. Maddox.

Mr. Monroe Jackson and Miss Rasberry; Walter Garner and Miss Prentiss; Willis Tiger and Miss Maggie Honeycutt; Willis Hand and Martha Shelton.

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The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt-Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. S. Johnson.

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Respectfully,
McKEE & STANFIELD.
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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Sallie Hanlin, by the sale of the following described property, to wit:

Commencing at the south-east corner of the south-west quarter of south-west quarter of section twenty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a westerly direction forty feet, thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and twenty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land, and lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1898.

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 6th day of January, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

We shall be pleased to publish contributions at all times, and request that the friends of the BANNER send us all the items of news that come within their notice, and thus assist us to make the BANNER the newsiest as well as the most popular paper of Chilton county.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton county.
In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, North-eastern Chancery Division. December 14, 1897.

W. M. Pylant, complainant, vs. Fannie Pylant, defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of A. C. Smith, Esq. that the Defendant, Fannie Pylant, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and that her post office address and residence are unknown to affiant and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring her, the said Fannie Pylant, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 17th day of January 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against her in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 14th day of December, 1897.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.

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All come and make the most of this opportunity for bargains.

Bundles of very heavy Ducking, in remnants, from a yard up to three and four yards, about 6 and 7 lbs in each bundle that will make you all the shirts and children's comfortable clothes, at 90c a bundle.

Men's Shoes from $1.00 and up;
Ladies Shoes from 75c and up;
Children's Shoes 60c and up.

We have good Coats and Vests (Pawnbroker's goods, made of very fine material) from $1.25 and up.

Men's Pants from 75c and up, Boys' Knee Pants from 15c and up. Men's Fine Macintoshes, made of the best rubber cloth, $2.50; Good Heavy Overcoats from $2.00 up; Very good Towels from 5c and up; Men's Suspenders from 9c and up; Good Pins at 1c a paper; Men's Good Sateen Handkerchiefs, 3 for one dime only. Ladies' Capes from $1.25 and up, 36 Sheets of Good Writing Paper for 5c only; Good Worsted Dress Goods, 39 inches wide, for 9c a yard only.

We can sell you any other goods at your own price. If you have not got the money come anyhow and we will give you a pair of good pants for a song.

We pay the highest market price for Wool, Beef Hides, Beeswax, and Furs skins. We give from 10c to 12c a pound for hides, from 5c to 6c for green hides; from 15c to 25c a lb for clean wool.

Thanking you for past favors and soliciting your further patronage I am yours respectfully. H. TURNANSEY,
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Remember the place, between the Banner and Dr. Johnson's Drug Store.

Diseases of Women

are in almost every case caused by lack of blood and the weakness resulting therefrom. You can escape! We will furnish you the means.

Your entire system will become strong and well, you will cast off all Nervousness, Backache, Dyspepsia, General Debility, Chills and Fever and the thousand-and-one ailments weak women are heir to if you will use

Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic

Read this from one who has suffered as you are suffering. She has been cured and knows whereof she writes:

Jetersville, Virginia, March 16, 1897.

Gentlemen—Will you please send me a bottle of Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic. I can heartily recommend it as a cure for Diseases of Women. It has completely cured me. I had been ailing for years and one bottle of Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic made me well and strong. I want this bottle for a friend. MRS. T. R. BROWN.

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CLANTON, ALABAMA.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

The Volume of Business is Remarkable for the Time of the Year.

FLATTERING OUTLOOK FOR STEEL TRADE.

The Industrial Situation, with the Single Exception of the Cotton Industry, is One of Exceptional Strength—Decrease in Business Failures.

Bradstreet's weekly review of trade says:

A large measure of activity in business and industrial lines, while, in in some instances, previous records have been passed and very general steadiness in prices of staples, is perhaps the most notable feature of the trade situation this week. Quotations of cereals show the most aggressive strength, while those of some makes of pig iron betray rather more decided weakness than they did a week ago. Mild weather is frequently mentioned as an influence tending to check retail distribution of seasonable goods, chiefly because of the effect on country roads. Spring trade opens slowly, as usual at this time of the year, but confidence is still unimpaired. As already intimated, the immense current production of pig iron, amounting to fully one million tons per month, has begun to exercise an influence upon the price of that staple, but decreases reported are still only fractional. The outlook in the steel rail trade is reported as a flattering one. Higher prices for wool abroad, based partly on short yield reports, are reflected in the firmness of domestic quotations.

The industrial situation, with the single exception of the cotton industry, is one of exceptional strength. As yet the strikes in this branch of trade, however, are largely confined to Massachusetts. Men's wear woolens are moving fairly well. At the west distributive trade is slowly improving; while at the south a fair January trade is reported, particularly in the Mississippi valley. Good returns from last year's Louisiana sugar crop find expression in higher prices for sugar lands. The good export demand for cotton precludes too heavy accumulation at primary points in spite of the crop movement.

Total shipments of wheat, flour included, from the United States and Canada amounted to 3,926,000 bushels, against 2,916,000 bushels a year ago. Indian corn exports were 3,486,000 bushels this week, against 3,520, last year.

A further falling off in the number of business failures is reported in the United States this week, the total being only 309, against 323 last year and 429 a year ago.

STRIKE AT CRITICAL STAGE.

There is But Little Change on the Surface in the Strike Towns.

A special from Boston says: While on the surface the strike situation in the cotton industry shows little change, there is apparently an undercurrent of unrest which denotes that the strain, on the employes side at least, is beginning to be surely felt. The joint committee on behalf of the strikers at New Bedford issued an appeal for financial assistance and at Biddeford arrangements are being made for the issuance of soup to the non-union help out of work.

The strike at Fall River appears also to be advancing toward a critical stage, and the minor strikes which have occurred there lead to the belief that the labor leaders may not be able to hold back the operatives in that city, and that a break may occur there at any time which will not only affect the 30,000 employes in that city, but every mill city in New England. The strike among the spoolers at the Narragansett mill in Fall River shows the growing sentiment in that city.

To Receive President Dole.

The representatives of the president and of the United States who will receive President Dole and his party left Washington Friday for Chicago. They were accompanied by Mr. Hatch, the Hawaiian minister. It has been settled that the dinner to be given by the president in honor of his visitor shall take place Tuesday, February 1.

Negro Murderer to Hang.

Bill Scott, a negro farm laborer, who murdered John C. Singley, a wealthy planter and his wife and son, by cutting their throats one night early in December, was convicted at Greensboro, Ala., and sentenced to hang Feb. 25. Scott pleaded guilty. The motive of the murder was robbery.

Cuban Crisis Imminent.

A special from Jacksonville, Fla., says two United States cruisers sailed for Havana in extreme haste Saturday night, and great excitement prevails over rumors of violence to Consul-General Lee and other Americans.

Dr. Talmage Marries Again.

Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, the noted divine of Washington and Mrs. Elsie McCutheon Collier, of Allegheny City, were married last week. The wedding, which came as a great surprise to the many friends of the couple, was, on account of a recent death in the family, an extremely quiet affair. This is Dr. Talmage's third wife.

Hon. T. H. Yarborough, the first probate judge of Geneva county, Alabama, and one of the oldest citizens, died at noon Thursday, aged 84.

HITT'S SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT.

Indications That the President is Preparing for War with Spain.

The high water mark in Cuban excitement was reached Thursday at Washington. The debate on the Cuban subject was of little importance in comparison with the interest attached to the words uttered by Chairman Hitt, of the foreign affairs committee, Thursday afternoon, when considered along with the orders given by Secretary Long. Mr. Hitt made the following remarks:

"When you know the critical events that are passing; when you think of the vast responsibility that rests upon the executive, and which does not rest upon us; while we are making speeches to get applause, when we remember the immediate and grave consequences to ensue, we can feel the strong assurance that we have a faithful, able captain at the helm; that the ship may be near the rapids, but his hand is firm and his eye sure. We should all of us be ready to do our duty like patriotic Americans, standing firmly behind the president, when he takes a step necessary for the vindication of the honor and protection of the interests of our country, a step made necessary by duty in view of the troubles, the confusion, the destructions and the hopeless condition of things in the island so adjacent to our shore.

"General Lee, an officer of experience and ability, is at Havana in constant communication with the president, and our great ships are not far away. They ought not to be far off at such a time. It is not proper to anticipate or pretend to have knowledge of particular events or intentions, in the future, but I am sure that all Americans who love their country can be relied on to stand by the president when he may take the next step before him in pursuance of the same line which he has followed in the last eight months."

This statement would not have been of such paramount interest had it not become known that the navy department had telegraphed and cabled, putting every ship and cruiser under emergency orders.

Secretary Long revoked the order for the Nashville to proceed to the European squadron. He stopped the Helena by cable, which is now on its way to China. He cabled Commodore Dewey to hold the Asiatic squadron prepared to return to this country by the shortest route, which means that each ship must be heavily laden with coal.

The present uneasiness may serve to be only another war scare, yet it would not surprise any one to hear that a declaration of war was made at any moment over the Cuban question.

ANTI-JEW DEMONSTRATIONS.

Sixty Students Arrested at Paris—Disturbance at Epinal.

Over 2,000 students started a demonstration Thursday evening on the Boulevard St. Michel. They tried to cross the River Seine, but the police prevented them. About sixty of the students were arrested. There have been no serious disorders. Numbers of bands of students (as this dispatch is sent) are still parading the Latin quarter. A dispatch from Epinal, situated about 190 miles from Paris, says the first anti-Hebrew demonstration took place there Thursday. Placards bearing the now popular cries, denouncing Zola and the Hebrews and upholding the army, were posted in front of the Hebrew stores.

SENATOR WHITE CHOSEN

As Chairman of the New Democratic Congressional Committee.

The new democratic congressional committee at Washington Thursday night elected as chairman Senator White, of California. Senator White was supported by the friends of Representative Bailey who were favorable to that gentleman's candidacy in case the next house is democratic.

An unexpected dark horse developed in Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, who was defeated by Senator White by the narrow margin of 18 to 15. The meeting adopted a resolution reaffirming its adherence to the Chicago platform.

The election of Senator White is regarded as a distinct triumph by the silver men, who were anxious to have a chairman whose record on the subject of 16 to 1 was unquestioned.

PREPARING FOR THE RUSH.

Fifty Thousand People Expected to Leave Frisco for Alaska.

The local transportation companies at San Francisco are preparing to accommodate the rush to the Klondike. The Pacific Coast Steamship company has arranged a schedule that will give a five-day steamship service between San Francisco and Alaskan ports. The company expects to handle 10,000 passengers out of San Francisco city next month, and during the entire season the total tonnage in this port is calculated to accommodate 50,000 people.

Colonel Stubbs Resigns.

Colonel James N. Stubbs, accepting the finding of the advisory council held at Lynchburg, Va., Friday, as final, has addressed a letter to Adjutant General Ellett, tendering his resignation both as grand commander of the grand camp Confederate Veterans of Virginia and as member of the history committee of that organization.

The action of the Dingley tariff has caused a crisis in the orange and lemon trade in Sicily.

TWO KILLED IN A COLLISION

And a Score or More of Others Badly Injured.

LIST OF THE DEAD AND INJURED.

The Wreck Occurred on the Coast Line System Near Columbia, S. C., While the Trains Were in Full Motion. A Fog Prevailed at the Time.

The Florida special over the Atlantic Coast Line system collided with the local passenger train between Charleston, S. C., and Columbia, Friday morning. The track is a straight one at that point for several miles, but owing to a heavy fog neither engineer could see the approach of the other train until the engines were almost together. The local had just shut off its steam and whistled down brakes for the siding when the vestibule limited crashed into it. Both the conductors allege they were running strictly on their schedule time.

The dead are: Robert James, fireman on No. 37, the special; Wesley Bishop, fireman on No. 52, the local.

The injured are: Engineer J. W. Neely, scalded, internally injured; will probably die; T. E. Dix, colored, left leg badly crushed, bodily injuries; E. B. Liles, baggage master, left leg broken, numerous bruises; Electrical Engineer F. R. Clark, bruised and cut; Conductor J. B. Bullock, cut about the face; Engineer E. F. Hall, left arm broken; Mail Clerk J. H. Bingham, left leg and left arm broken; M. McDuffie, baggage master, bruised about the head; J. A. Powell, express messenger, leg and ribs broken; A. J. Gourdion, of Charleston, cut in head; J. W. Hood, traveling salesman of Knoxville, Tenn., cut on the head and injured about the body; J. R. Morrer, of Ridley, S. C., cut on the face and head; Jake Williams, train hand, cut on the head; E. Paschan, flagman, badly bruised.

When the collision occurred the special was running nearly fifty miles an hour, while the local was slowing up for the siding.

SPANISH CAPTURE CUBAN CAPITAL

Insurgents Are Said to Have Lost Their Governmental Home.

According to information from Spanish sources at Havana, Gen. Castellano, being aware that the insurgent government was established at Ezperanza, seventeen leagues from Puerto Principe, at the extreme west end of the Cubitas ridge, proceeded in that direction with 2,200 infantry, 400 cavalry and two field cannon. After a three days' trying march he forced a difficult position and overcame the obstinate resistance of 1,000 insurgents, pursuing them six miles and destroying and burning the houses at Esperanza, including the insurgent government buildings.

On the following day Gen. Castellano engaged the reunited insurgents, 2,500 strong, near Esperanza, routing them after two hours' combat. The insurgents left fifty-seven dead on the field. The Spanish lost five killed and thirty-one wounded; among the latter being Lieut.-Col. Perez Monto.

The insurgents, under Monteagudo, attacked the town of Esperanza, Santa Clara, but were repulsed, leaving nine dead.

A Good Showing.

The state board of convict inspectors of Alabama held their quarterly meeting at Montgomery. The reports showed a most favorable condition of affairs in every department of the convict service. Dr. Blake, the physician inspector, made a phenomenal showing for the health of the convicts, the health record for the last quarter being better than for any quarter in the history of the bureau.

Suicide by Suggestion.

Miss Harriet Keith Owens committed suicide near Washington, Ky., last week. She had been in poor health for some time. She read the account of the shooting of ex-Senator Jo Blackburn's daughter, Mrs. Lane, after which she went to her brother's room, and securing his pistol, placed it to her temple and fired the fatal shot. Death was instantaneous.

Balloting for a Senator.

The democratic legislative caucus of Tennessee held to select a candidate for the United States senate, met and began balloting. The first ballot resulted: McMillan, 37; Turley, 32; Taylor, 19. Fourteen ballots were taken, with practically the same result. There is a growing belief that a dead lock is imminent.

Miss Media McNeal, assistant superintendent of the Augusta, Ga., hospital committed suicide Friday by opium poisoning. She had previously been in the Emergency hospital, Washington, D. C. Despondency was the cause of the suicide.

Preparing for War.

A fleet of nine warships will leave Yokohama in the course of a week for Chinese waters. Decrees have been issued appointing Lieutenant General Viscount Kawakami chief of staff and creating a supreme military advisory council.

Deaths From Bubonic Plague.

During the past week the deaths from the bubonic plague at Bombay, India, numbered 831. The exodus is increasing and business is stagnant.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

House—Tuesday.

The first contested election case of the present congress was disposed of by the house today. Chairman Taylor of the committee on elections No. 2 reported that Thomas F. Clark, who filed contest against Jesse F. Stallings (representing the Second Alabama district) had abandoned his contest, and the committee therefore unanimously reported a resolution declaring Mr. Stallings entitled to the seat.... The house then resumed the consideration of the army appropriation bill, which was passed, and the diplomatic consular appropriation bill taken up. The bill carries $1,729 008. As soon as the enacting clause had been reached, Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, offered an amendment to recognize the Cuban insurgents as belligerents. Mr. Hitt raised the point of order that the amendment was new legislation and obnoxious to the rules of the house which precipitated an animated debate over Cuban recognition, consuming the time until the house adjourned.

The Senate.

Mr. Gallinger today reported favorably to the senate a bill providing for an investigation of the subject of leprosy, and it was placed on the calendar.... Mr. Vest, for the finance committee, reported the Teller resolution, which was adopted by that committee, and gave notice that he would call it up at an early date.... The resolution presented to the senate yesterday calling upon the secretary of the treasury for reasons why the item of $11,000,000 due the United States from the Pacific railroads had been dropped from his statement, which went over under objection, was agreed to.... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, called up his resolution calling for an investigation by the pension committee as to the authority of the commissioner of pensions to promulgate an order that no consideration should be given to applications for increases of pensions within twelve months after the last application had been made. It was agreed to.... In accordance with notice previously given, Mr. Hale, of Maine, called up the urgent deficiency bill. The bill, as it passed the house, carried $1,741,843; as it was reported to the senate it carries $1,891,923, an increase of $150,080.... Senator Morgan occupied the attention of the senate during the entire time of the executive session today in the presentation of his views on the subject of annexation of the Hawaiian islands. This was the second installment of the senator's speech and when he concluded, a few minutes after 5 o'clock, he had not then reached the end. He spoke for about three hours and his speech was a general presentation of the importance of the islands to the United States.

The House—Wednesday.

All day long the question of granting belligerent rights to the Cuban insurgents was argued in the house, but, as on yesterday, the minority hurled itself against a stone wall. The only vote taken today—on a resolution designed to overrule the decision of the speaker and direct the committee on foreign affairs to report without further delay the Cuban resolution passed by the senate at the last session—the republicans stood solid and voted to sustain the chair. The debate will close tomorrow at 4 o'clock, under the arrangement made today, when a final test will be made on a motion, of which Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, gave notice today, to recommit the bill, with instructions to report back the Cuban resolution as a rider.

The Senate.

After the reading of the journal in the senate today, Mr. Vest, gave notice that he would at the conclusion of the morning business move to take up the Teller resolution, which was reported by the finance committee yesterday. A bill authorizing the attorney-general, the secretary of the treasury and the secretary of war to compromise and adjust certain claims of the United States against the state of Tennessee, and the state of Tennessee against the United States, was passed.... Mr. Hoar offered a resolution relative to the recent order of the postmaster-general reducing the number of letter carriers in some of the large cities on account of a deficiency in the free delivery appropriation, the resolution providing that the committee on postoffices and postroads should immediately ascertain what amount was necessary to preserve the postal free delivery service of the country. The resolution went over.... After several resolutions of minor importance the senate went into executive session, in which Senator Morgan continued his speech in advocacy of the ratification of the Hawaiian annexation treaty. He announced at the conclusion of today's session that he would probably require one more day in which to complete his presentation of the subject. He dealt with the agricultural and commercial possibilities of the islands, with the character of the present government and the position of the residents of the islands on the subject of annexation.

The House—Thursday.

Before the Cuban debate was resumed in the house today Mr. Lacey, of Iowa, chairman of the committee on public lands, called up a bill to extend the public land laws of the United States and to grant a right of way under certain restrictions to any railroad organized under the laws of any state in the union. It was explained that the right of way granted was 100 feet on each side of the road, but that all mineral deposits were specifially reserved. Without completing the consideration of the bill it went over, and the house went into committee of the whole and resumed the consideration of the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill. Brief Cuban speeches were made by Messrs. Clark of Missouri, Williams of Mississippi, Simpson of Kansas, Robinson of Indiana, and Creheran of Missouri.... At 4 o'clock the committee rose under the arrangements made yesterday and reported the bill to the house. One of the most dramatic and sensational episodes of this congress followed. The speakar of the house and Mr. Bailey of Texas, the democratic leader, clashed on a question of veracity, and the excitement was intense. Finally a vote on the bill was reached, which passed by a vote of 158 to 95, and at 4:40 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

The senate, by a vote of 41 to 25, passed the Teller resolution, which provides: "That all bonds of the United States, issued or authorized to be issued under the said acts of congress hereinbefore recited, are payable, principal and interest, at the option of the government of the United States, in silver dollars of the coinage of the United States containing 412½ grains each of standard silver, and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor.... Mr. Mills, of Texas, secured the passage of a resolution directing the secretary of war to make an examination of the Port Arthur ship canal, with a view to its extension to deep water.... Mr. Pettigrew secured the passage of a resolution directing the secretary of the interior, and the attorney-general to inform the senate what steps the government had taken concerning the killing of a woman in Oklahoma territory by Seminole Indians, and the burning of two Seminole Indians in the same territory.... Senator Morgan concluded his four days' speech to the senate in executive session on the Hawaiian question. He spoke for almost four hours.... The senate, at 4:45, adjourned.

The House—Friday.

The stormy scenes of the last few days in the house of representatives were followed by comparative quiet today.... At the opening of the session a bill was passed to grant the commissioners of Dale county, Alabama, the right to construct two bridges across the Choctawatchie river.... The Senate Nicaragua Canal Commission's amendment was non-concurred in. One of the senate amendment was concurred in with an amendment to appropriate $15,000 for the repair of national cemetery at Fort Smith, Ark.... The main fight came on the senate amendment striking out the provision in the bill requiring depositors of bullion hereafter to pay the cost of transportation from the assay offices to the mint. It was agreed to without division in the committee of the whole.... Mr. Cannon said he would demand and aye and nay vote in the house. The vote in the committee was confirmed on a yea and nay vote in the house, 144 to 112. The bill was sent back to conference.... The house then went into committee of the whole, where the pending question was a point of order raised against the motion of Mr. Cooper, of Texas, to substitute for the senate bill to refer the claim of the Book Publishing Company of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to the court of claims, the house bill to adjust the whole claim by the payment of $288,000. There was considerable parliamentary sparring, and finally, at 4:45, the house adjourned without action on the bill.

The Senate.

The senate proceedings today were devoid of interest. The resolution of Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, calling upon the secretary of the interior for the papers in the case of the dismissal of Mrs. M. E. Roberts from the pension office, was laid before the senate. Mr. Allen spoke briefly upon the matter. The resolution was referred to the committee on civil service and retrenchment.... Mr. Lodge moved that the senate go into executive session.... The senate devoted its principal attention to the confirmation of Attorney-General McKenna to be a justice of the supreme court of the United States. When the doors were closed the Hawaiian treaty was laid aside in order to afford an opportunity to consider the McKenna and other nominations. An effort was made to secure the confirmation of the nomination of General Longstreet to be commissioner of railroads, but it went over until another day. The nomination of Attorney-General McKenna was then called up and, after a three hours' speech by Mr. Allen, attacking confirmation, the vote was taken, which was overwhelmingly favorable to confirmation.

The House—Saturday.

In the house today some odds and ends of legislation were cleaned up by unanimous consent. A resolution requesting the state department to transmit to the house all information in its possession relative to the military execution of Colonel Ruiz, a Spanish envoy to the insurgent camp of Aurangueren was adopted. A resolution calling on the state department for a draft of the Hawaiian annexation treaty and for information as to what constitutional authority the president had to contract for the payment of a Hawaiian debt of $4,000,000 out of the treasury, after discussion, was laid on the table by a vote of 124 to 110.... Mr. Alexander, of New York, secured the passage of a bill to suspend the federal laws against the sale of spirituous liquors to Indians so far as they relate to the Indians of New York state, and substitute therefor the laws of the state.... At this point, Mr. Bailey, of Texas, rose to a question of [illegible] privilege in connection with his controversy with Speaker Reed. The close of the Cuban debate was reached today and spoke briefly.... At the house adjourned.

The Senate.

The resolution of Mr. [illegible] Colorado, providing that the United States may be [illegible] dollars was then said [illegible] and, in accordance [illegible] yesterday Mr. [illegible] Nevada, addressed the [illegible] against the disregard of [illegible] now which is already a [illegible] United States had brought [illegible] calamities upon the land, [illegible] results of such disregard [illegible] disastrous and lamentable [illegible] to bring the panic of 1893 [illegible] the repeal of the law [illegible] Alabama, secured [illegible] to grant 2,500,000 [illegible] land of the [illegible] Alabama to that state [illegible] industrial school for [illegible] and of the Tuskegee [illegible] institute.... A bill [illegible] authorizing the St. [illegible] Red River Valley Railroad [illegible] to construct and maintain [illegible] across the Bayou Bayou [illegible] the senate at 3:05 [illegible] into executive session, and [illegible] adjourned.

WAR VESSEL ORDERED.

The Navy Department Says Nothing New Has Been Received.

The United States battleship [illegible] has been ordered to Havana [illegible] said at the navy department [illegible] disturbing news has been received [illegible] from there, but the [illegible] rather in line of a resumption [illegible] intercourse of our naval [illegible] Cuban waters the same as [illegible] prior to their withdrawal at the [illegible] of the outbreak of hostilities.

Consul Lee Heard From.

Jacksonville, Fla.—The [illegible] der of the naval station at [illegible] received a message from Consul [illegible] Sunday afternoon. He is well, [illegible] city is quiet, but there is a great [illegible] excitement in the American colony.

The White Squadron which [illegible] anchored at Key West sailed [illegible] tugas Monday.

A telegram from Key West [illegible] miral Sicard, with the [illegible] New York, Indiana, Massachusetts, Iowa and Texas arrived [illegible] Sunday. The Maine, [illegible] and Detroit and the torpedo [illegible] Cushing and Dupont were [illegible] joined the fleet.

Telegrams from Havana [illegible] night stated that extra [illegible] been placed around Lee's [illegible]

Circulars were distributed [illegible] Havana calling on volunteers [illegible] protection of the American [illegible] There is no news of an attempt [illegible] assassinate Lee, his telegram [illegible] only information that reached [illegible] West Sunday. The contents [illegible] message have not been made [illegible] further than indicated. If [illegible]

Open to the World.

The following semi-official [illegible] ment was made Monday [illegible] "Statements regarding Germany's [illegible] tention to open the port of Kiao-Chau to the commerce of the world are officially correct. Germany has declared its policy in China should be [illegible] character, not interfering with the commerce of other nations."

The Ohio Rising Rapidly.

The angry waters of the Ohio [illegible] made their first encroachment [illegible] Louisville, Ky., Monday, and [illegible] swept into Fourth street [illegible] the first floors of several [illegible] there will be flood water [illegible] almost certain. From reports [illegible] above there comes reports [illegible] ing river, and at the very [illegible] mate Louisville will get [illegible]

Gladstone Grows Weaker.

Latest information from [illegible] regard to Mr. Gladstone's [illegible] that it continues to be [illegible] There has been no improvement [illegible] last Wednesday, all statements [illegible] contrary. Grave fears are [illegible] that the end of the great [illegible] near.

Still Deadlocked.

The democratic caucus [illegible] took several ballots Monday [illegible] journed without nomination [illegible] last and sixty-sixth ballot [illegible] Millin, 37; Turley, 31; [illegible] The deadlock is still unbroken [illegible] there is already talk of [illegible] a senator.

Madrid Excited.

The report that American [illegible] have been ordered to Cuba [illegible] caused great excitement in Madrid. The Imparcial, in the course [illegible] lent article, says: "We [illegible] eagerness of the Yankees [illegible] Cuba."

General Pando Wounded.

Reports have just reached [illegible] from Cauto River district [illegible] eral Pando has been operated [illegible] seriously wounded in an [illegible] with the insurgents.

The Bismarck that died [illegible] the other day, was Bismarck [illegible] horse, and not the ex-chancellor.

For fear that railroad [illegible] may fall asleep or in some [illegible] a little comfort or rest [illegible] some of the roads requiring [illegible] tors should come around [illegible] passengers' tickets at a [illegible]

Labor Problem.

I don't see why you should [illegible] $2 a day and me only [illegible]

Then the work must come [illegible] you oughtn't to get so much, [illegible] getting more.—Boston Transcript.

Fowl for Three.

An old farmer in Southern Illinois became an unwilling host to a circuit-riding preacher, who arrived simultaneously for dinner. The fare was low and the dinner consisted of a single fowl. The farmer asked the first sky pilot what portion of the fowl he would have.

"I said Number 1.

"Number 1 what you have?" asked the farmer, turning to Number 3.

"I said leg, thank you," repeated the preacher.

"Number 3 leg, if you please," said the farmer.

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Nebraska is going to take [illegible] 10,000 farms in America, not [illegible] but in yields. Salzer's new [illegible] are named as above, and he [illegible] for the biggest potato yield, [illegible] for suitable name for [illegible] long and can go [illegible] in America growing grass [illegible] seeds and selling potatoes [illegible] The editor urges you to [illegible] and to

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...controversy with Speaker ... of the Cuban debate ... spoke briefly. At ... adjourned.

The Senate.

... resolution of Mr. ... providing that the ... United States may be ... was then laid ... in accordance ... yesterday Mr. S... addressed the ... the disregard of the ... is already a ... states had brought ... upon the land, and ... of such disregard ... and lamentable ... panic of 1893 ... of the law ... secured the ... to grant 25,000 acres ... lands of the ... to that state for ... school for girls ... of the Tuskegee ... Institute. A ... authorizing the Shreveport ... Valley Railroad ... maintain ... bayou in ... at 3:05 p. m. ... session and ... adjourned.

WAR VESSEL ORDERED

The Navy Department Says N... ing News Has Been Rece...

The United States battleship ... has been ordered to Havana ... at the navy department ... disturbing news has been ... from there, but the move ... rather in line of a resumption ... intercourse of our naval ... Cuban waters the same as ... prior to their withdrawal on ... of the outbreak of hostilities.

Consul Lee Heard Fr...

Jacksonville, Fla. The ... der of the naval station at ... received a message from ... Sunday afternoon. He is ... city is quiet, but there is ... excitement in the American ... The White Squadron which ... anchored at Key West sailed ... Tuesday.

A telegram from Key West ... squadron, with the ... New York, Indiana, Massachusetts ... Iowa and Texas arrived ... Sunday. The Maine, M... and Detroit and the torpedo ... Cushing and Dupont were ... joined the fleet.

Telegrams from Havana ... night stated that extra ... been placed around Lee's office ... Circulars were distributed ... Havana calling on volunteers ... ... of the Americans ... There is no news of an attack ... Consul Lee, his telegram ... any information that reached ... West Sunday. The contents ... message have not been made ... other than indicated. If ... to warn him was made ... no reference to it ... is being carefully ... guarded.

Open to the World.

The following semi-official ... was made Monday ... statements regarding Germany ... to open the port of ... to the commerce of the world ... Germany ... policy in China should be ... character, not interfering ... commerce of other nations.

The Ohio Rising Rap...

The angry waters of the ... made their first encroachment ... Louisville, Ky., Monday, ... swept into Fourth street ... first floors of several ... will be flood water ... almost certain. From ... above there comes reports ... river, and at the very ... Louisville will get ...

Gladstone Grows W...

Latest information from ... regard to Mr. Gladstone's ... continues to be ... There has been ... improvement ... Wednesday, all state... ... have fears ... of the great ...

Still Deadlocked.

The ... ballots ... without nominating ... sixty-sixth ballot ... Turley, 39 ... still ...

Madrid Excited.

The report that American ... been ordered to Cuba ... great excitement ... in the country ... article says: "We ... the Yankees ... Cuba."

General Pando Wo...

Reports have just reached ... Cauto River district ... Pando has been operating ... that General Pando ... seriously wounded in an ... with the insurgents.

The Bismarck that died ... the other day, was Bismarck's ... horse, and not the ex-... chancellor.

... fear that railroad ... fall asleep at the ... a little comfort or rest ... some of the railroads ... passengers ... at a ...

...ish children by striking ... the head. There are other ...

...e Labor Problem.

... I don't see why you should ... $2 a day and ... only ...

...dent Wiklow is an expe... Then the work must come easier to him than it does. ... he oughtn't to get so much, ... getting more.—Boston Transcript.

...Fowl for Three.

...ld farmer in Southern Illinois became an unwilling host ... circuit-riding preachers, who ... simultaneously for dinner. ... was low and the dinner consisted of a single fowl. The farmer asked the first sky-pilot what portion of ... he would have.

...id Number 1.

"...g, thank you," requested ...

"What ...ill you have?" asked the ... turning to Number 3.

"...o take a leg, if you please," ... third.

... ejaculation that shocked his ... guests the farmer threw ... carving utensils and demanded ... what sort of a "crittur" ... he was carving.

"... two legged chicken," he ... "a centipede."—San Francisco ...

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... Kinley Vs. Free Silver.

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EMINENT DIVINES' SERMONS

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

"The Law of Kindness" is the Title of the New York Herald's Tenth Competitive Sermon—Dr. Talmage Preaches a Sermon to the Feminine Toilers.

Proverbs xxxi., 26.

There are two superficial and somewhat prevalent notions of kindness which overlook the truth of a law of kindness and hinder the fulfilment of that law. The first is that kindness is a happy accident of temperament. When Charles Lamb died Henry Crabb Robinson went to visit Mary Lamb, and she said to him: "Now, I call this very kind of you, not good natured, but very, very kind." Her distinction is just. Kindness is more than constitutional good naturedness. It implies discipline and culture.

The second notion associates kindness with Christian etiquette and deportment, with something amiable and desirable, perhaps, but rather ornamental than essential. Consequently many religious and devout people are unkind in words and actions without any feeling of sinfulness on that account. Put away the notion of kindness which regards it as merely an external grace of character or a useful lubricant wherewith to reduce the frictions of social intercourse and conceive it as an essential element of all goodness, divine or human, and as comprehended under God's law of human life. Unkindness, like any other transgression of moral law, is wickedness. Nor is it enough to try and not be unkind, for unless one tries to be kind he not only fails of duty but will be unable to guard himself from actual unkindness.

Kindness has its root in kinship. It implies relationship and affinity. Men are children of a common Father, and therefore brethren. Therein lies the significance of all that the Scriptures teach concerning the essential, exceeding and everlasting loving kindness of God. There is kinship between Him and men, created in His image. Therein is grounded our human kinship and the law of brotherly kindness for all men, than which no law of human life has higher authority or sacredness.

As no one can be as good as he should and may be, so no one can do good as he should and may without striving to fulfil this law of the cultivation and manifestation of kindness. There is nothing else so powerful for good unless it be love, and love, as St. Paul says, is kind. It disarms prejudice and hatred, it converts distrust into confidence, it overcomes all manner of evil with good. It brings out as nothing else can the latent and potential good ... in people. Men have ... to recognize and act upon this principle in their ... and training of animals. How much more effective will be the training of children and the treatment of all human beings when based upon kindly sympathy! The safest assumption that can be made in all such matters is that kindness ...

Kindness has insight and can detect signs of ... in the unpromising, while under ... influences of delicate ministration these signs become ... and the ... begin to be fulfilled. What else gives so great encouragement to the many who are struggling with adversity or temptation, correcting and changing just those depressed feelings of loneliness and neglect wherein the power of evil finds its most favorable conditions? Wordsworth speaks of

"That best portion of a good man's life—
His little, nameless, unremembered acts
Of kindness and of love."

How suggestive that is of what is possible in this way of kindness, which works with magic power to transmute apparent trifles into priceless treasures—as St. Zita's cup of cold water given to a dusty and weary pilgrim proved to be, as he drank it, a cup of precious wine. Kind words often, as Dante says of Beatrice's words, "more ... than spoken!" Kind actions, costing little but bestowing much! How easily they might be multiplied to the immeasurable cheer and comfort and enrichment of life! They make the gloomy smile, the angry grow meek, the suffering to cease from groaning, they light up hope, sweeten bitter thoughts, console sorrow, strengthen the faint and turn from sin; and they reach and move those whom no other good influences affect and conquer such as have resisted all other powers of grace.

Bitter and all too frequent are our regrets and repentances, as we recall, perhaps too late for aught but regret and remembrance, the unkind things said or done by us, or the kind things we might and should have said and done, but left unsaid and undone. In our cups of recollection overflowing with divine tender mercies and loving kindnesses there is no bitterer ingredient than this. But seldom, if ever, do we recall any error of ours on the part of kindness or find any occasion for regretting merciful allowances, favorable interpretations or whatever a spirit of kindness may have prompted. We have never stood by a coffin or a grave and repented of any ... or even unrequited kindness shown ... person at rest there.

... of Christ is precious because ... of the "exceeding great kindness ... toward us" in Christ, and because ... while aiming to touch and waken the chords of human sympathy in our hearts and in bringing us under the law and into the spirit of brotherly kindness to make us know and rejoice together in ... loving kindness of our God. Of this ... we can all be ministers, and the ... and most useful portion of our lives ... our little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love."

... since the time is short, "Be ... make haste to be kind!"

EDWIN BOND PARKER.

Pastor of the Second Church in Hartford, Conn.

LEARN PRACTICAL THINGS.

Dr. Talmage Preaches Directly For the Benefit of the Women.

Text: "Every wise woman buildeth her house."—Prov. xiv., 1.

Woman is more adjunct to man, an appendix to the masculine volume, an appendage, a sort of afterthought, something thrown in to make things even—that is the heresy entertained and implied by some men. This is evident to them, because Adam was first created, and then Eve. ... read the whole story, or they would find that the porpoise and the bear ... were created before Adam ... argument, drawn from priority ... might prove that the sheep and ... were greater than man. No, woman ... independent creation, and was intended, if she chose, to live alone, to work alone, act alone, think alone, and fight her battles alone. The Bible says it is not good for a man to be alone ...

A woman's ... marriage ... better off than a woman ... married. Many an attractive woman, of good sound sense, has married a man to reform him. What was the result? Like when a dove ... that a vulture ... and said: "I have ... and I like peace and ... quiet of a dove ... vulture to the ... him." So, one day, after the vulture declared he would give up his carnivorous habits and cease ... for blood of flock and herd, at an altar of rock covered with moss and lichen, the twain were married, a bald-headed eagle officiating, the vulture saying: "With all my dominion of earth and sky, I thee endow, and promise to ... But one day the dove in her fright saw the vulture busy at a carcass, and cried "Stop that! Did you not promise me that you would quit your carnivorous and filthy habits if I married you?" "Yes," said the vulture, "but if you don't like my way you can leave," and with one angry stroke of the beak, and another fierce clutch, the vulture left the dove eyeless and wingless and lifeless.

Many a woman who has had the hand of a young inebriate offered, but declined it, or who was asked to chain her life to a man selfish, or of bad temper, and refused the shackles, will bless God throughout all eternity that she escaped that earthly pandemonium.

In addressing those women who have to battle alone, I congratulate you on your happy escape. Rejoice forever that you will not have to navigate the faults of the other sex, when you have faults enough of your own. Think of the bereavements you avoid, of the risks of unassimilated temper which you will not have to run, of the cares you will never have to carry, and of the opportunity of outside usefulness from which married life would have partially debarred you, and that you are free to go and come as one who has the responsibilities of a household can seldom be. God has not given you a hard lot, as compared with your sisters. When young women shall make up their minds at the start that masculine companionship is not a necessity in order to happiness, and that there is a strong probability that they will have to fight the battle of life alone, they will be getting the timber ready for their own fortune; and their saw and ax and plane sharpened for its construction, since "Every wise woman buildeth her house."

As no boy ought to be brought up without learning some business at which he could earn a livelihood, so no girl ought to be brought up without learning the science of self-support. The difficulty is that many a family goes sailing on the high tide of success, and the husband and father depends on his own health and acumen for the welfare of his household, but one day he gets his feet wet, and in three days pneumonia has closed his life, and the daughters are turned out on a cold world to earn bread, and there is nothing practical that they can do.

How is this evil to be cured? Start clear back in the homestead and teach your daughters that life is an earnest thing, and that there is a possibility, if not a strong probability, that they will have to fight the battle of life alone. Let every father and mother say to their daughters: "Now, what would you do for a livelihood if what I now own were swept away by financial disaster, or old age, or death should end my career?"

My advice to all girls and all unmarried women, whether in affluent homes or in homes where most stringent economies are grinding, is to learn to do some kind of work that the world must have while the world stands.

O young women of America! as many of you will have to fight your own battles alone, do not wait until you meet with disaster and your father is dead, and all the resources of your family have been scattered; but now, while in a good house and environed by all prosperities, learn how to do some kind of work that the world must have as long as the world stands. Turn your attention from the embroidery of fine slippers, of which there is a surplus, and make a useful shoe. Expend the time in which you adorn a cigar case in learning how to make a good, honest loaf of bread. Turn your attention from the making of flimsy nothings to the manufacturing of important somethings.

"But," you ask, "what would my father and mother say if they saw I was doing such unfashionable work?" Throw the whole responsibility upon us, the pastors, who are constantly hearing of young women in all these cities, who, unqualified by their previous luxurious surroundings for the awful struggle of life into which they have been suddenly hurled, seemed to have nothing left them but a choice between starvation and damnation. They go along the street at 7 o'clock in the wintry mornings, through the slush and storm, to the place where they shall earn only half enough for subsistence, the daughters of once prosperous merchants, lawyers, clergymen, artists, bankers and capitalists, who brought up their children under the infernal delusion that it was not high tone for a woman to learn a profitable calling. Young woman! take this affair in your own hand, and let there be an insurrection in all prosperous families on the part of the daughters of this day, demanding knowledge in occupation and styles of business by which they may be their own defence and their own support if all fatherly and husbandly and brotherly hands fail them. I have seen two sad sights, the one a woman in all the glory of her young life, stricken by disease, and in a week lifeless in a home of which she had been the pride. As her hands were folded over the still heart and her eyes closed for the last slumber, and she was taken out amid the lamentations of kindred and friends, I thought that was a sadness immeasurable. But I have seen something compared with which that scene was bright and songful. It was a young woman who had been all her days amid wealthy surroundings, by the visit of death and bankruptcy to the household turned out on a cold world without one lesson about how to get food or shelter, and into the awful whirlpool of city life, where strong ships have gone down, and for twenty years not one word has been heard from her. Vessels went out on the Atlantic Ocean looking for a shipwrecked craft that was left alone and forsaken on the sea a few weeks before, with the idea of bringing it into port. But who shall ever bring into the harbor of peace and hope and heaven that lost womanly immortal, driven in what tempest, aflame in what conflagration, sinking into what abyss? O God, help! O Christ, rescue! My sisters, give not your time to learning fancy work which the world may dispense with in hard times, but connect your skill with the indispensables of life.

Let me say to all women who have already entered upon the battle of life that the time is coming when women shall not only get as much salary and wages as men get for certain styles of employment women will have higher salary and more wages, for the reason that for some styles of work they have more adaptation. But this justice will come to women not through any sentiment of gallantry, not because woman is physically weaker than men, and therefore ought to have more consideration shown her, but because through her finer natural taste and more grace of manner and quicker perception, and more delicate touch and more educated adroitness she will in certain callings be to her employer worth ten per cent. more, or twenty per cent. more than the other sex. She will not get it by asking for it, but by earning it, and it shall be hers by lawful conquest.

TO CULTIVATE SUGAR BEETS.

Syndicate With $15,000,000 Formed to Operate in California.

A cablegram from London announces the success of the mission of Willard H. Green, who recently left for Europe in the interest of the ... sugar syndicate, which has been negotiating for lands in the Sacramento valley, California. Satisfactory arrangements have been made, and all that remains is to secure the proper persons to cultivate the beet.

Contracts have been signed by which 150,000 acres of land near Chico, Marysville and Red Bluff has been secured, and the work of erecting three immense sugar factories will be started at once. The syndicate has a capital of $15,000,000, and intends making the venture a success if money and experience can do it. The land secured embodies tracts from the Glenn ranch, the Bidwell ranch and the Phelan estate and the Stanford estate, with other tracts in smaller quantities.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JANUARY 30.

Lesson Text: "How to Pray," Matt. vi., 5-15—Golden Text: Matt. vi., 6—Commentary on the Day's Lesson Written by the Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

5. "And when thou prayest thou shalt not be as the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward." Dr. Weston says concerning this sermon that Christ here draws the picture of the person who is to be the result of His work, the ideal man whom the Saviour is to make actual by saving him from sin. The only and indispensable condition of admission to such a life is the consciousness of utter spiritual poverty, absolute destitution, a beggar with no power to alter his condition or make himself better. No man on earth, be he who or what he will, is excluded, and the character described in the beatitudes is within the reach of every man.

6. "But thou when thou prayest enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door pray to thy Father, which is in secret, and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly." All benevolence is not to be hidden, for when our good works glorify God we are to let our light so shine. No one is forbidden to pray in public, nor even to let it be known that we are fasting if God can be glorified thereby. What is forbidden is our own glory or advantage in anything. What is required is the glory of God in all things. See I Cor. x., 31; Pet. iv., 11; John xiv., 13, 14.

7. "But when ye pray use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do, for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking." There is nothing here forbidding us to repeat the same petitions in our prayers, but what is forbidden is vain repetition or thinking that there is benefit or merit in saying the same words over and over. True prayer is the utterance of heart desires for the glory of God in the name of Jesus Christ.

8. "Be not ye therefore like unto them, for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask Him." We are not forbidden to ask because our Father knows, but we are to ask as children who have confidence in a Father's love and wisdom. Children who tease and torment their parents do not credit either to themselves or to their parents; parents who permit it are not wise, and children who do it do not honor their parents. Confidence in God will meekly ask and be sure that if it is best it shall be given.

9. "After this manner therefore pray ye, Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name." I have met many who use no more this form of words and perhaps they do no sin by this omission; as for myself I never expect to pray better or with more understanding or more in accord with the will of God then when I use these very words. I would not rob Israel, nor put myself under any bondage, but if Israel has a good thing which I, too, can enjoy, surely our Father would like me to enjoy it. How very near Jesus took Mary and us to His heart when He said, "Go to My brethren and say unto them, I ascend unto My Father, and your Father, and to My God and your God" (John xx., 17).

10. "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." When, after the thousand years, satan shall have been sent to the lake of fire, and all things shall have been subdued unto Christ, then He shall hand over the kingdom unto God the Father that God may be all in all (Rev. xx., 10; I Cor. xv., 28), and this prayer shall be answered.

11. "Give us this day our daily bread." Our Father knows our need in this matter and will not withhold any good, yet it is His pleasure that we ask Him for all that is included in this phrase "our daily bread," and inasmuch as we have already learned that man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God (Chapter iv., 4), the phrase must include a great deal.

12. "And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." Forgiveness of sins in His name is what we are to preach everywhere (Luke xxiv., 47), and when we receive Him we are assured that our sins are forgiven for His name's sake and shall no more be remembered (I John ii., 12; Isa. xliii., 25), but while we are in these mortal bodies we shall need constant forgiveness; hence the comfort of the assurance that "if we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." It is the sense of the vast forgiveness which we enjoy from Him that enables us to be kind one to another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake has forgiven us (Eph. iv., 32.

13. "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen." God never tempts any one to do wrong (Jas. i., 13), but He does try men for their present and eternal good, and for His great glory, and it is blessed to be tried and receive grace to endure (Jas. i., 12). He will never try us above what we are able (I Cor. x., 13). As to the evil one, He will deliver us from every evil and preserve us unto His heavenly kingdom (II Tim. iv., 18). The kingdom is His, the power is His, and the glory. Salvation and service from beginning to end are all His, and of Him, and it becomes us ever to say, "Thine O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine; Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as head above all."

14. "For if ye forgive men their trespasses your Heavenly Father will also forgive you." Fellowship with God depends upon our being one with Him in all things. We may walk with Him, and He will dwell in us and walk in us (II Cor. vi., 16), but we must be willing to humble ourselves and agree with Him in everything (Mic. vi., 8, margin; Amos iii., 3).

15. "But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." When Peter asked how often he should forgive his brother and suggested seven times as a possible extreme, our Lord answered, "Until seventy times seven." He then told of one who was forgiven 10,000 talents, but would not forgive his fellow a hundred pence; hence he was severely punished. Our Lord added, "So likewise shall My Heavenly Father do also unto you if ye from your hearts forgive not everyone his brother their trespasses" (Matt. xviii., 21-35). Again it is, as always, "Not I, but Christ." "Not I, but the grace of God." Nothing for self, not even anything in the way of justice as a primary thing, and never revenge, but always the glory of God that He may be magnified.—Lesson Helper.

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Berlin has 500 bicycle cabs.

Texas boasts a 3,260,000-acre ranch.

Five comets are due during the year 1898.

During 1897 more than 100,000,000 cigars were made in Tampa, Fla.

Reciprocity with the United States is the issue of the day in the West India Islands.

Harvard University is considering the introduction of a course of physical training for freshmen.

President McKinley granted executive clemency to ninety-eight criminals during the first ten months of his term.

In the German army twenty swords of honor are annually awarded to infantry officers for proficiency as marksmen.

The jurisdiction of the Federal Courts over the five civilized tribes in Indian Territory went into effect with little friction.

Chronic Rheumatism.

From the Industrial News, Jackson, Mich.

The subject of this sketch is fifty-six years of age, and actively engaged in farming. When seventeen years old he hurt his shoulder and a few years after commenced to have rheumatic pains in it. On taking a slight cold or the least strain, sometimes without any apparent cause whatever, the trouble would start and he would suffer the most excruciating pains.

He suffered for over thirty years, and the last decade has suffered so much that he was unable to do any work. To this the frequent occurrences of dizzy spells were added, making him almost a helpless invalid.

IN ALL SORTS OF WEATHER.

He tried the best physicians but without being benefited and has used several specific rheumatic cures, but was not helped. About one year and six months ago he read in this paper of a case somewhat similar to his which was cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and concluded to try this remedy.

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Committee Report of the Interstate Cotton Growers' Association on the Jackson African Limbless Cotton, That Met In Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 14, 1897.

We, the undersigned Committee, appointed by the Interstate Cotton Growers' Association, held in Atlanta, Ga., December 14th, 1897, to investigate and report on the Jackson Limbless Cotton, beg leave to submit the following report:

After a thorough and careful examination and investigation made of the cotton in the field, which we visited in person, and carefully looking into the matter, we unhesitatingly pronounce it the best variety of cotton ever grown in the South. From what the Committee learned from a conversation with Mr. Jackson, it seems that the cotton, with careful cultivation, will yield three bales per acre easily, and the evidence of such fact has presented itself to us after safe investigation. The cotton itself is absolutely without limbs, the bolls maturing on little prongs two or three inches long, known as "fruit spur," with no other limbs, there being from two to five bolls on each spur. The stalks in the field examined by us, are from four to ten feet tall, according to the fertility of the soil, as fruited from the ground up. We found on a great many stalks, bolls which contain five and six pods, which we consider very unusual, the size of the bolls being very fine average, the lint and staple being fine and silky, an average of one to one and a half inches. It is the opinion of your Committee that no cotton of this variety has ever been grown in the South before, and is of superior quality to anything we have ever seen grown. The land upon which the cotton examined was grown, is ordinary red gravelly upland well manured. WM. P. CALHOUN, Chairman, Ga. RICHARD CHEATHAM, Committee, Miss.

When your Committee visited the Jackson farm, the following gentlemen members of the Atlanta Convention from the States designated under their names, accompanied your Committee, all being practical farmers, and endorse the above report, as evidenced by their signatures. M. T. LEACH, North Carolina. JOHN E. BRADLEY, W. J. BRADLEY, S. C.

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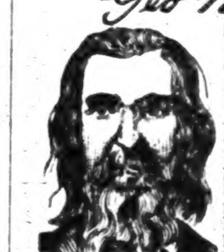
Geo. W. Moody



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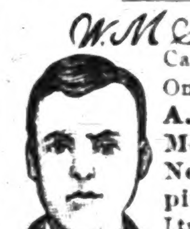
W. M. Simmons



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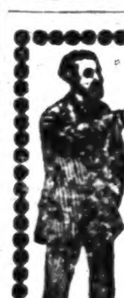

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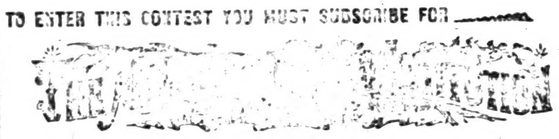

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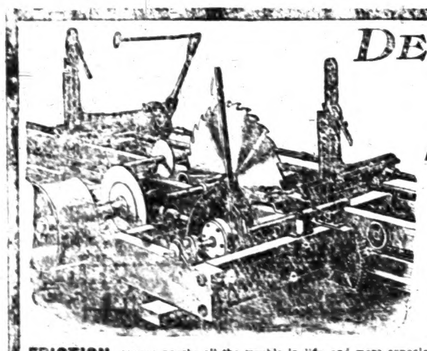

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would be decidedly in our drawing room
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graceful in copper or brass
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ornamentation in copper. In
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standards, and these are most
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These, of course, should be
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The lamp for the dining roo
different in character, and,

CANDLESTICK LAMP—STANDARD
being required over the table
pendant is by far the most ap
with one or two brackets over
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oxidized silver with a dome
shade finished by green silk
while another is in copper an
more severe in design. It is su
by chains from a copper rose fix
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the same as a chandelier.

The hall, if only of ordinary
sions, will require at least two
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to throw rice at weddings. Fr
bridegrooms will undoubtedly
this news, because men say th
one-half the rice thrown at a
finds its way down the bride
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a famous fruit cake that will
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A pound of flour, a pound of
pound of butter, 3 pounds of r
pound of figs, a pound of citr
half pound of almonds, 10 e
half pound of pecans, a tablesp
ginger, a tablespoonful of all
tablespoonful of cinnamon, a t
ful of cloves, a teaspoonful of
grated nutmeg. Cut up the ra
figs and soak them in half a
good whisky 12 hours before
the cake. Beat the eggs sep
Cream butter and sugar togeth
the spices into the flour. Li
square mold if one is handy;
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Nut Cones.

Mix together nine ounces o
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powdered sugar, three whole eg
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THE HOUSEHOLD.

A Few of the New Designs In Decorative Lamps—Rose Leaves at Weddings—Black Fruit Cake.

There are few entertaining rooms where lamps are not in general use, and in many instances they may certainly lay claim to being quite decorative features. All depends upon their suitability for the position they occupy. The one best adapted for the hall or dining room would be decidedly incongruous in the drawing room, for instance.

For the drawing room the standard lamp is most in favor and diffuses a very becoming light when prettily shaded. The design should be light and graceful, in copper or brass in preference to wrought iron. A very choice lamp is made in these metals combined, the stem and feet being of brass and the ornamentation in copper. In a room of any size it is necessary to have one or two portable lamps in addition to the standards, and these are most effective in the candlestick design. A very beautiful one is in the Adams' style (silver plated), another in the old English period, and a third belongs to Louis XV. These, of course, should be used in rooms furnished in the particular period, but there are many of the same design which are quite suitable for rooms of modern fashion.

The lamp for the dining room is very different in character, and, the light

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being required over the table, a center pendant is by far the most appropriate with one or two brackets over the side table. A very uncommon design is in oxidized silver with a dome shaped shade finished by green silk fringe, while another is in copper and rather more severe in design. It is suspended by chains from a copper rose fixed in the ceiling and can be regulated in height the same as a chandelier.

The hall, if only of ordinary dimensions, will require at least two lamps, the one a pendant and the other a bracket, and in wrought iron there are many suitable designs, the lantern shape, fitted with squares of cathedral glass, being perhaps among the best. Wrought iron lamps are again very well adapted for library use, and the portable standard, with one or two reading lamps, will furnish the most satisfactory light. These are only a few of the many various new designs which are entitled to make themselves known.

Rose Leaves at Weddings.

It is not considered good form now to throw rice at weddings. Prospective bridegrooms will undoubtedly welcome this news, because men say that fully one-half the rice thrown at a wedding finds its way down the bridegroom's collar, rendering him utterly miserable for the first few hours of his wedding journey. Some women say that they dislike the idea of substituting anything for rice, as they really think that the little white grains carry luck with them and are emblematic of plenty. All the same, rice has to go. Rose leaves are now used instead by fashionable folks. If any color scheme is carried out in the decorations or gowns of the bridesmaids, the color of the rose leaves used for this purpose is the same. Just as the bride and bridegroom leave the house a pretty willow basket filled with fresh rose leaves to be thrown at them is presented to each member of the bridal party. It is much better to go away in such a shower of beauty and fragrance than it is to be followed by rice, paper confetti and old shoes, says the New York Sun.

Black Fruit Cake.

Good Housekeeping gives a recipe for a famous fruit cake that will keep all winter:

A pound of flour, a pound of sugar, a pound of butter, 3 pounds of raisins, a pound of figs, a pound of citron, one-half pound of almonds, 10 eggs, one-half pound of pecans, a tablespoonful of ginger, a tablespoonful of allspice, a tablespoonful of cinnamon, a teaspoonful of cloves, a teaspoonful of mace, a grated nutmeg. Cut up the raisins and figs and soak them in half a goblet of good whisky 12 hours before making the cake. Beat the eggs separately. Cream butter and sugar together. Sift the spices into the flour. Bake in a square mold if one is convenient; if not, a round mold will do as well.

Nut Cones.

Mix together nine ounces of finely shredded nuts with the same quantity of powdered sugar, three whole eggs and a teaspoonful of vanilla. Pile this mixture in little cones on a buttered baking tin and bake in a moderate oven.

Maplesville.

Since every male American can aspire to the presidency, so every female American can hope to get into the White house as wife and they are coming on to supply the demand. Beautiful little girls have come to the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Williams, Mr and Mrs. T. DuBose, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Blackman and Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Martin.

Mr. W. D. Martin had the misfortune to have his cotton gin burned last week, supposed to have caught from the boiler room; fortunately no other buildings caught from the flames.

We had most violent wind and rain storm the 19th ult., and the next morning a colored woman was found dead in the road between here and Stanton. She was often demented and it is supposed she wandered from her home and died in the storm.

Mrs. N. A. Goodwin is now with mother, Mrs. Betsy McCary, who is very sick. We sincerely hope our good old friend may recover, a better woman never lived.

The hog cholera is with us again; anyone knowing a remedy would be doing a good deed to publish it.

The friends of Mrs. Lily Perry were pleased by a visit from her, we heartily wish inducements could be offered her to stay among us.

Our town now presents a most business-like look, being filled with railroad men at work to complete our new railroad at the earliest day.

On the 20 ult., at the home of her mother Mrs. M. E. Glover, was married Miss Willie Minnie Glover to Mr. Frank Mathews of Montgomery, Rev. W. Taylor of Verbena, officiating. Our community has sustained a heavy loss in Miss Glover since she was ever ready to help in every good cause. The bride received several very handsome presents.

Mrs. Brand and Miss Allie, of Randolph, Mrs. Paisley of Selma, Rev. W. Taylor and Mr. C. H. Dansby of Verbena, and Mr. T. Merriwether of Matthews were guests of Mrs. Glover at the marriage of her daughter.

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Briarfield.

Farmers are busy preparing for their crop for '98, which we hope will prove a good one.

The young people of our school had a fine time last Friday night at the society hall. The recitations and songs were well rendered and much enjoyed by the large audience.

The following officers of the society were elected for the ensuing term: President, W. J. Billingsley; vice pres., Frank Wilson; secretary, Miss Lucy Rice; Editor, Miss C. Mahan. STUDENT.

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Jemison, Jan. 31, 1898

Editor BANNER: We notice that most of the counties of Alabama are calling conventions or making arrangements for primary elections so as to get their candidates before the people at an early day. Why should not Chilton be making a move in this direction? It is certainly getting time that our county committee should be called together with a view of coming to an understanding relative to the ensuing campaign. If there are any aspirants for office in our county, the people will very soon want to know who they are; and should there be none, it is time the people was looking up some good material to take the places of those whose time will soon expire. We trust our chairman will soon call the committee out so that we may prepare for the fray.

We desire to see a peaceable and harmonious campaign without envy, malice or bitterness toward anyone. Let peace and goodwill be our motto. We want good and true men in the field, none but thoroughbred Populists. With us principles are preeminently above men or party and our candidates should be men who are willing to vindicate the principles of the People's Party at all times and in all places. The prophets who reside in the camps of our enemies are again predicting the final death of the Populist party in the near future. But they have already prophesied falsely so often that, under the law of Moses, they would be stoned to death. Through our glasses, the reform movement is seen stronger to day than it ever has been and is gaining recruits faster than ever before. We still have life enough to be a terror to both Dems and Reps. The days of fusion are over. The days of milk and cider are past. And with our principles fairly inscribed upon an unfurled banner (like our Chilton BANNER) we will march right on to victory. I. C.

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Stanton, Ala., Feb. 1, 1898.

Editor BANNER. I would like to state through the columns of the BANNER that the correspondent from Stanton who wrote up the death of Claud Jeffcoat drew on his imagination or dreams. Claud never spoke to his mother after being shot. He did say to his sister that he could "never forgive him."

J.

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A few months ago, Mr. Byron Every, of Woodstock, Mich., was badly afflicted with rheumatism. His right leg was swollen the full length, causing him great suffering. He was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first bottle of it helped him considerably and the second bottle effected a cure. The 25 and 50 cent sizes are for sale by Dr. J. S. Johnson, jr., druggist.

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Jemison Jems.

A convention of Christian Endeavor societies is being held here this week; it convened on Tuesday and will adjourn Thursday. About thirty delegates are in attendance from various parts of the State.

Dr. R. A. Moseley, Jr., who is supposed to be a Republican candidate for Governor, was here last Saturday.

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Program Teachers' Institute.

An Institute for white teachers to be held at Macedonia, February 18 and 19, 1898.

FRIDAY—10 a. m—Devotional exercises.

10:30 a. m—Welcome address, J. P. Nix. Response. Wiley Logan.

11 a. m—Registration of teachers present.

11:30 a. m—English Grammar, R. E. R. Hicks.

AFTERNOON—2 p. m.—How to teach Algebra, P. M. McKee.

2:30 p. m—Elocution, Miss John Wilkerson.

3 p. m—Monthly examinations, E. H. Adams, Miss Kate Garner.

3:30 p. m—Reading, Mrs. V. Z. Palmer.

SATURDAY—9 a. m—How to teach Fractions, J. T. Martin, Miss Celestia Dunlap.

9:30 a. m—Latin (why teach it?) E. Y. McMorries.

10:30 a. m—Literature in Common Schools, Miss Lillie Oakley.

11 a. m—Physics, A. B. Harwood.

11:30 a. m—Why am I a teacher? Wm. Askins. What Text Books should we teach. The Institute. J. W. MOORE, Pres.

J. ALEX. MOORE, Sec.

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Consumption Positively Cured.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va; certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at Dr. J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

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Lily Lyrics.

Mr. Wm. Deshazo and Miss Carrie Watson have all been very sick, but it is hoped they are better.

Prof. Thornton has charge of the school here now; he began with flattering prospects.

Miss Emma Deshazo, of Tacoa, is now at home.

Rev. F. M. Woods preached his farewell sermon at Mulberry last Sunday. We hope for him much success in his new field of labor.

Rev. W. C. Bledsoe was with us last Saturday and Sunday and preached for us on Saturday. We are always glad to see Bro. Bledsoe come around.

Dr. A. E. Matthews has a patient away out here.

Mrs. Dr. Campbell, of Clanton, paid Mrs. McCary a visit last week.

Mr. William Johnson comes around to see his friends occasionally.

Mr. G. Emmet Wright left for Texas the 22nd ult.

Mr. John Foshee and wife of Maplesville was here Sunday.

Mr. Ira Ward of the railroad was here last Sunday.

Died. The little infant of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Edwards died the 25th ult., and was laid to rest in the Isabella cemetery.

Mr O. K. Wright, after much suffering with pneumonia calmly passed away last Friday morning. It is hard to give him up but we weep not as those that have no hope. It is almost heartrending to his poor father and mother; they have the sincere condolence of many friends.

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Clanton Locals.

James Jones has secured a position with Mr. W. I. Mullins.

Services will be held at the Congregational church next Sunday morning and night, Rev. Milstead officiating.

Don,t forget to go to the oyster supper to-morrow (Friday) night for the benefit of the Baptist church.

Mr. J. A. Logan returned to his home in Pickens county last Saturday.

Dr. Campbell is making some improvements to his residence, building a new porch, etc.

A POETIC ROMANCE.

(BY LITTLE ETHEL)

"I weep a one," the maiden said
To her handsome beau:
"For pa and ma have both forbade
Your presence at our door!"

Up rose her handsome lover,
And brushed away her tear,
And gave her apple to her
And bade her have no fear.

For he had been to Stanfie d's drugstore
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Notice of Administrator's Final Set lement.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County.
Probate Court, Special Term, January 21, 1898.

Final settlement in the matter of the Estate of Nancy Sims, deceased.

This day came Drucilla E. Tilton, Administratrix of the estate of Nancy Sims, deceased, and presents to the Court, under oath, her account, vouchers, evidence and statement for final settlement of her administration. It is ordered that the 28th day of February, 1898, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Witness, at office, this 21st day of January, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT, Judge of Probate.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19520.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof (in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on March 12, 1898, viz.: Thomas A. Davis, Homestead entry No. 26,433, for the sw ¼ of section 34, tp 21 n of r 16 east.)

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Walter Kendrick, E. L. Manning, B. J. Goss, Tom Parish, all of Boiwell, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19,440.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 3, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on February 12, 1898, viz.: James A. Sims, Homestead entry No. 24,446, for the se ¼ of ne ¼, ne ¼ of se ¼, section 24, tp 20, n r 12 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: J. H. Johnson, I. M. Tidwell, James Murrah, W. M. Roberts, all of Stanton, Ala.

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In September twenty-five years had elapsed since Switzerland got its first railway—from Zurich to Berne.

The value of the churches and the land on which they are erected, in this country, up to July 1, 1897, is estimated at $680,000,000.

Nearly every Oriental mail brings an account of the launching of some powerful new battle-ship or cruiser for the Japanese navy.

While Captain William H. Bates was Commissioner of Navigation he said that "an average of $150,000,000 annually, for thirty years, has been paid by us to foreign ships for ocean transportation."

In British India no one can carry warlike weapons without a license, and a law of this kind would be desirable in many States of the Union. Deprive the Italian of his stiletto and he would become a peaceful citizen.

It is said the Tilden-Astor-Lenox Library of New York, when opened, will contain 450,000 volumes. This will be a most excellent showing. The Boston Public Library, an old institution, has only 673,736 volumes.

The past summer there occurred in Germany, according to the New York Independent, on an average over one accident on the railways a day; and it is conceded that want of proper machinery and the needful number of hands is to blame for the catastrophies.

A country school ma'am, who teaches northeast of Emporia, Kan., has adopted a novel method to bring her literary productions before the public. She writes her own poetry and compels the poor children to recite it before the school. The trustees do not know anything about it.

Gullible farmers, of Allen County, Ohio, have been buncoed by a swindler who went through the country exhibiting an enormous ear of corn, from which he sold choice kernels at choice prices for seed. The ear was made from several smaller ears carefully cut up and ingeniously glued together in the natural form of a big ear.

The English sparrow is disappearing from New York. In places that used to see and hear much more of this noisy bird than was compatible with peace of mind, there is now no sign of him. He has either moved or been served to gourmands as a reed bird. It is about twenty-five years since the English sparrow was brought to New York to kill the worms that hung on webs from the ailanthus shade trees and caught in the hats or clothing of passers-by. He did that job well, but he multiplied so fast that he became a nuisance, not only in New York, but in most other Eastern cities and villages, where, among other sins, he is held accountable for the retreat of garden songbirds into the fields and woods. Hence a good riddance for his going.

The almost incredible story that comes from Washington about the finding of a large amount of money, in coin, bills, orders and notes, in the desks and drawers formerly used by Congress Librarian Spofford, everybody will hope to be true who knew or had dealings with that long-term official, now retired in disgrace from the place he occupied so many years, observes the Chicago Record. "The discovery of this money, if indeed the account be a true one, is less surprising than was the charge of defalcation under which he left his old office. We could all more easily believe that the old gentleman was absent-minded than that he was intentionally a defaulter. At the time his accounts were found to be short there was a surprise and sympathy, but no idea that he could have merely misplaced missing valuable papers. He simply could not produce them, and he was put out and forgotten. Everybody wondered but nobody upbraided; they were all too astonished for that. And now they find thousands of dollars in those old desks and drawers, the miscellaneous receipts of twenty-seven years! The fees for copyrights of a generation, which he had acknowledged to have received, but which he had never credited on his books, are said to be there. It is an extraordinary story of senility and carelessness. It is to be hoped that all the circumstances will clear the reputation of this old man, of whom all the world thought so well. He can afford to be charged with want of carefulness, but not with want of honesty."

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS OF A GREAT STATE.

A REVIEW OF THE COTTON MILL INDUSTRY IN ALABAMA.

Bright Prospects for Railroad Building in Several Parts of the State—Election Committee Assail State Lawmaker Aldrich Declared the Representative from the Fourth—Big Coal Trade With Central America—Other Briefs.

SOUTHERN COTTON MILLS.

Some Interesting Figures Concerning the Building of Mills in Alabama.

The growth of the cotton mill industry in the south for 1897 was nothing short of phenomenal. In Alabama alone over $1,500,000 was expended on new cotton mills.

At Birmingham the Avondale cotton mills were erected, and will make print cloths. Capital stock, $600,000. It contains 35,000 spindles and 1,100 looms.

At Cordova—The Indian Head cotton mill will manufacture sheeting. Capital stock, $600,000; spindles, 25,000; looms, 800.

At Montgomery—The People's cotton factory, with a capital of $200,000. It contains 10,000 spindles.

At Oxford—The Blue Springs Cotton Manufacturing Company, to make yarns. Capital stock, $50,000; spindles, 5,000.

At Speigner's—The state prison mill, to manufacture sheeting. It contains 5,000 spindles.

At Anniston—The knitting mills of the Anniston Hosiery Company, to manufacture children's hosiery. Removed from Jacksonville, Ala.

At Huntsville—The Huntsville knitting mills; 16 knitting machines.

The following enlargements and improvements were made:

At Piedmont—The Coosa Manufacturing Company added 5,000 spindles.

At Tuskaloosa—The J. Snow Hardware Company added 80 looms.

A number of new mills and improvements are projected, and it is probable that those here given will be built this year:

A duplicate of the Indian Head cotton mill at Cordova.

At Greenville—The Wellchester cotton mill.

The Birmingham Cotton Manufacturing Company will double its plant.

The Selma Cotton Mill Company will double its present capacity of of 5,000 spindles.

At Thomasville—The Magnolia Manufacturing Company; capital stock, $150,000; 10,000 spindles.

At Decatur—Knitting mills; capital, $16,000.

The following new mills were erected in the south last year:

Alabama—Mills, 5; spindles, 80,000; looms, 2,292.

Florida—Mills, 1; spindles, 2,000; looms, ——.

Georgia—Mills, 7; spindles, 45,000; looms, 626.

Louisiana—Mills, 1; spindles, 1,500; looms, 10.

North Carolina—Mills, 9; spindles, 38,000; looms, 80.

South Carolina—Mills, 11; spindles, 95,000; looms, 2,472.

Tennessee—Mills, 3; spindles, ——; looms, 192.

Total mills, 37; total spindles, 256,780; total looms, 5,672.

ALABAMIANS.

Are Officers on the Big Battleship Maine.

It may be of local interest that most of the officers on the battleship Maine, now in Havana harbor, are southern men. Two of them are from Louisiana—Wat T. Cluverius, appointed from the Second congressional district, 1891, and graduated third in his class in 1895; David F. Boyd, Jr., a native of Louisiana, but appointed from the Third Alabama district. Both of these are naval cadets. Two others are lieutenants, one of them being John Hood, of Florence, Ala., and I. J. Blandin, of South Alabama. Another Alabamian among the officers is Arthur Crenshaw, appointed to Annapolis from the Second district.

Good Roads for Morgan.

Morgan county has made a decided move in the direction of good roads by appropriating $15,000 to be expended each year upon the roads of the county, and the first work was done on them the past summer.

Industrial Activity in Franklin.

The Midland Ore Company, a corporation organized recently with large financial resources, has leased the property of the Hamilton Creek Ore Company, located at Hematite, Franklin county, and will soon be running and shipping ore at the rate of 400 to 800 tons per day. During the last year the latter company has expended over $1,000,000 building a washing machine, constructing railway tracks, etc., and in all its business transactions never had a law suit nor a strike, and doesn't owe a dollar. Fully 400 laborers will be employed. The ore will be consumed by the Sheffield furnaces.

Bryan's Birmingham Visit.

The Jefferson County Bimetallic club is arranging for William Jennings Bryan to visit Birmingham and deliver a speech in the Auditorium the day after Mardi Gras. Mr. Bryan was coming anyhow about the last of February, but the club will try to have him there at Mardi Gras, when the town will be full of people attending the carnival. It is stated that Mr. Bryan has practically agreed to come at that time, and will probably enter the city with Rex Vulcan III, king of the carnival.

ALABAMA GOLD.

Sixteen Mines Are in Operation, Employing Many Thousands.

There is extraordinary activity in the Alabama gold fields in Cleburne county. The mines are all working a good force of men, and the output is the greatest in their history. A large number of new faces were seen in the Arbacoochee and Fruithurst regions this week, prospectors from the east being most in evidence. Among recent transactions was the purchase of several mines by English prospectors. Sixteen mines are in active daily operation and fine quartz has been discovered at some of them. The Endora mine has recently put in machinery and electric dynamos, and many others are preparing to do the same thing. Several thousand men are in the field and the force is increasing daily. The industry has developed slowly and gradually for three years, but now appears to be firmly and successfully established.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Huntsville now claims a population of 14,000.

Selma is shipping cotton direct to Japan. Twelve bands are put upon each bale.

The body of an unknown man was found in Limestone Creek in Limestone county.

The Dallas county court house is to have a new fire proof vault. The cost is to be $5,000.

St. Stephens is soon to be connected with the outer world by telephone line to Carson, on the Mobile and Birmingham railroad.

J. W. Ferguson, of Aurora, lost $1,350 in greenbacks from his pocket while driving from Aurora to Guntersville. The money has not yet been recovered.

Flomaton and vicinity is now undergoing a thorough system of disinfection at the hands of the United States Marine Hospital Service, in charge of Past Assistant Surgeon Oakley.

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M. & O. Extension Nearing Completion.

The building of the Montgomery extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad is progressing very rapidly. Track is laid twenty-five miles east of Tuskaloosa, and will reach Centreville, or the Cahaba river, early next week. The bridge at Tuskaloosa is nearly complete. All the false work has been torn away, and about all that remains to be finished now is the painting. The depot buildings, shops, round houses, etc., are being rapidly completed, the brick walls of these buildings being now complete. Messrs. M. T. Lewman & Co., contractors for all the depot buildings on the line, are having all the buildings framed at this point, which means the expenditure of an immense amount at Tuskaloosa. One hundred and forty-nine buildings are to be erected.

Lively Traffic in Cattle.

A stock train was handled by the Louisville and Nashville railroad, starting from Calera, thirty miles below here, the past week. There were seventeen cars of stock in the train, twelve of which will come from Selma and the other five cars from Montgomery. The train, as far as local officials are aware, will be run to Louisville. The stock is but another lot of the number of shipments of cattle made out of this state in the past few months to the west.

Convention Delegates Appointed.

The governor has appointed the following delegates to the southern interstate quarantine convention: Hon. John B. Knox, of Anniston; Dr. H. A. Moody, of Mobile; Hon. H. A. Sharpe, of Birmingham; Mr. W. F. Vandiver, Montgomery; Capt. John M. Bridges, of Selma.

Pierced With a Rifle Ball.

Milton West, a prominent farmer of Mountainsboro, was out in the woods looking after some timber. Bill Massey, one of his neighbors, slipped up behind him and shot West through the head with a rifle. No cause for the deed can be learned.

Finds Fine Specimens of Gold.

Deputy United States Marshal D. R. Burgess, while on a recent raid, found some very fine specimens of gold within a few miles of Anniston. One of the specimens was a nugget of virgin gold as large as a walnut, and the other was a piece of gold-bearing quartz.

ALDRICH IS GIVEN THE SEAT.

House Committee Severely Arraigns Alleged Alabama Frauds.

An unusually severe arraignment of alleged election frauds is made in the report filed by the house committee on elections No. 1, in the case of William F. Aldrich against Thomas S. Plowman, from the fourth district of Alabama.

Mr. Plowman is the sitting member, but the committee submits a recount of the vote giving Aldrich, republican and populist candidate, the seat.

The report says in part:

"We shall endeavor to demonstrate by what methods the will of the people was thwarted. In doing so, not all of the frauds perpetrated will be referred to; only salient features can be touched and representative instances cited.

"If the election laws of Alabama had been designed to encourage fraud and thwart the people's will, they could not have been in some respects more happily framed to meet that purpose."

After criticising the Alabama election as putting the honest vote at the mercy of dishonest markers, the report says:

"When it is known that the condition for such a state of facts exists, it is not strange that illiterate voters should remain away from the polls, in the hope that they would at least not furnish ammunition for their political opponents. But this made little difference to the democratic managers in Dallas county. They voted the illiterate colored men, present or absent. The machinery was simple and effective. Fortunately it has been discovered, and the details of its operations laid bare. Fraud is everywhere; not lurking or secret, but bold and insolent. It is chiefly of five kinds:

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"4. By the old-fashioned method of falsely recording voters.

"5. By refusing to hold any election at all in certain strong republican precincts."

After going into much detail on alleged frauds, the committee says it has revised the vote on the most conservative lines, giving Aldrich a plurality of 542, whereas the election of Plowman was claimed by 2,967 plurality.

FORESTALLING BRITAIN.

Alabama Shipping Coal to Central American Ports.

Alabama's export coal trade is on a boom again. So heavy has the movement become that the Louisville and Nashville railroad has put on two extra freight trains to handle the business to gulf ports. The coal is being shipped to Mobile, Pensacola, Port Tampa and Brunswick, where it is loaded to Central American points. Belize, which has heretofore been supplied by the English, is now buying from Alabama, and there are prospects of building up a large coal trade in the Latin-American countries. The recent granting of a differential in all rail and water rates has served to boost export coal movements.

Will Shake Up the Boys.

It is understood that it is the intention of Governor Johnston to have a rigid inspection and examination of all the companies comprising the Alabama National Guard, and to see that the laws are faithfully executed. Companies that have negligently lost arms and accoutrements, that have failed to comply with the law in reference to drills, and have allowed their numbers to fall below the minimum will be disbanded. There are a number of applications for enlistment so that there will be no trouble to supply any needed vacancy.

Will Report Against Buckley.

A report came from Washington that Postmaster Buckley, of Montgomery, is going to be turned down. Buckley was nominated for the Montgomery office during the recess and has been dispensing the mail since then. His nomination is one of many pending before the senate committee on postoffices and its confirmation has been bitterly fought by some of his fellow republicans on charges involving irregularities of several kinds. His case, with others from Alabama, was referred to a sub-committee, that committee agreed to report it adversely.

Montgomery Will Own Its Waterworks.

The city council has been offered par for its $600,000 issue of 30-year 4½ per cent. waterworks bonds and has by resolution accepted the proposition. Sperry, Jones & Co., of Baltimore, are the bidders. By direction of the council a final proposition of $350,000 has been made Mr. Rice, the owner of the present system of waterworks, and it is believed he will accept, in which event the $250,000 balance accruing from the sale of the bonds will be expended in extending and perfecting the system.

Will Establish a Masonic Home.

The Masons of Jefferson county, have taken steps to establish a home for the widows and orphans of members of the order and for aged and infirm Masons in Birmingham.

Probably Suicided.

The mysterious disappearance of A. O. McCord from Guntersville, is exciting comment and many think he has committed suicide. His accounts with the railroads and express company are straight.

Alabama Election Cases.

The Aldrich-Plowman contested election case comes up in the house Thursday. Two hours will be allowed each side for debate, when the vote will be taken.

A report in favor of Underwood will probably be made in the Crowe-Underwood case this week.

Birmingham's Bank Clearings.

The Birmingham clearing house receipts for the month of January, 1898, showed a very healthy and prosperous condition of the banking business of that city, and makes a very propitious beginning for the financial year of 1898. The figures are $2,162,039.69, as against $1,684,268.97 for January, 1897, an increase of $477,770.72.

Bill to Appropriate Land.

Senator Pettus introduced a bill in the senate Monday to grant to the Alabama Normal College 23,040 acres of public lands in Alabama. He also introduced a bill directing the secretary of the treasury to pay to the state of Alabama as trustee the net proceeds of the sale of coal and iron lands in Alabama which under the act passed in 1882 are required to be sold. The money is to be used as a state school fund.

For Congress.

Hannis Taylor, former minister to Spain, has announced for congress in the First district. Congressman G. W. Taylor will, it is understood, stand for re-election.

C. I. W. H. Denson is out for the democratic nomination in the Seventh district, now represented by M. W. Howard, populist. Colonel Denson served one term in congress from that district, but was defeated by Howard in 1894.

Killed a Corn Thief.

At Collinsville one night the past week Farmer Frank Bates heard someone about his barn; he took his gun and walked out; seeing three men with sacks filled with corn, he tried to halt them, but they ran; Bates fired and killed one of the men, named Traffenstedt, who is Bates' third cousin; another of the men was wounded. Bates and a man named Smith, who was with him at the time of the shooting, have been arrested.

Working for an Extension of the L. & N.

Montevallo has inaugurated a movement to get the Louisville & Nashville railroad to extend its mineral branch from Calera on to Montevallo and tap the Montevallo coal mines at Aldrich and the Montevallo Lump Coal Company's mines at Dogwood and on to the coal fields beyond. This extension has been talked of for some time, but the matter is now taking definite form and bids are being made to induce the Louisville & Nashville to come in.

Big Steel Plant May Be Built.

Information comes from New York that the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company has a representative in that city at this time endeavoring to place $500,000 of bonds with a view to building a big steel plant in the Birmingham district. It is further said that one man has agreed to take $100,000 of the bonds, which, if it develops that they can be placed, will be issued soon. Just how much truth there is in the story cannot be stated, as it has not yet been confirmed by officials of the company.

Investigating Alabama's Resources.

The Swedish-American Press Association composed of editors from the great northwest, are now making a tour of Alabama. The party consists of about twenty-five, and is composed of some very prominent men from that section of the country.

They will visit Thorsby, where there is a large Swedish colony. From there they will go to points in South Alabama, Georgia and Florida. They are gathering all the data they can as to the advantages this state offers to settlers from the northwest and from the old country.

State Credit at High Water Mark.

The auditor and treasurer of the state of Minnesota are in Montgomery this week and have spent most of their time at the capitol. They are here to register $505,000 of Alabama bonds, which Minnesota has recently bought as a permanent investment for her public school fund.

Minnesota has previously invested $25,000 in the securities and for this last half million paid 113, which is the highest price at which Alabama bonds have ever been sold. The bonds bear 5 per cent interest. The credit of the state is now at high water mark.

Busy Bismarck.

Mr. Meisner, manager of the Bismarck City Land Company, has just returned from a successful trip to St. Louis, where he went to organize the company to take up the lands. He is in fine spirits over the proposed company. Already a large number of the small farms lying adjacent to the city property have been sold, and a number of families are now on the ground, and others will follow.

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Of course, Tammany and other New York and New England political influences will do what they can to defeat the will of the people. Few are now simple enough to put any trust in politicians; especially New York politicians.

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All the land between London and Liverpool—a distance of 200 miles—legally belongs to six men, whose only claim to it is that they are the oldest sons of their fathers.—Commonwealth. The same men own still more land in the United States, and the sons and daughters of a great many Americans will work for the benefit of their oldest sons.

Organized labor is waking up. President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor wired the following to the Rocky Mountain News: "The plans for our political action in the interest of labor are only in a tentative state at present. The American Federation of Labor proposes, however, to take such political action as will compel the lawmakers, the executives and the judiciary to enact, to enforce and to define laws in the interest of our people. We shall elect our own representatives wherever possible, and at all times defeat the enemies of our cause irrespective of party. To achieve these purposes, however, we realize that it is necessary for the workers of our country, east, west, north and south, to unite and concentrate our entire efforts to attain the greatest success." And one of their cardinal principles, it should be remembered, is free coinage. Farther than this, the platform of the American Federation of Labor is practically the same as the People's party platform.

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LIKE HEROD OF OLD.

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The Hosts of Plutocracy Make High Jinks at the Expense of the People—What the Ladies Wore—A National Disgrace.

The capital is itself again. Our Republican court has cast aside the trappings and the suits of woe and appears in sables. Let the devil wear black! as the Prince of Denmark explained. Mourning after the manner of royal courts is at an end. Our mighty chief magistrate agrees with the prince's mother—"but to persevere in obstinate condolement is a course of impious stubbornness." Shine out, fair sun! On with the dance!

It was a great function, the first of the McKinleys' high jinks, the gayety that banished official mourning. It was resplendent. Were there sighs in Cuba? They were not heard in the heavily perfumed salons of the executive mansion. Were cotton operatives suffering in New England? Let them eat cake if they cannot get bread. It was a time for brocades and satins, not for prints, and it signalized prosperity. There was no Jeffersonian simplicity. The scene was one of more than imperial splendor. The vulgar herd was excluded. None but our "best people" were permitted to bask in the bright effulgence of the sun of Canton. But yesterday that demigod was in the hands of a receiver, so to speak. He couldn't meet his obligations and a local newspaper was crying aloud for a popular subscription in his behalf. But Hanna's broad shoulder was put to the wheel and the stalled McKinley was, like Richard, himself again.

The Marine band, erstwhile by government command at a horse show, burst into triumphant strains as the presidential party, whose coming was announced by a bugle call and, preceded by two flunkeys in the uniform of United States officers, entered the reception room. The period of mourning was over—of financial mourning particularly. The "first lady of the land," we are assured by administration Jenkinses, wore a dream of a gown, the lace vest of which sparkled with diamonds. What a blissful change from the day when the major couldn't meet his notes!

Jenkins advises us also that it was the most brilliant reception ever held in the White House. We may readily believe the assertion from a description of the gowns. The terms may not be intelligible, but the impression is therefore all the more dazzling. For instance:

"Mrs. Hobart's gown was worthy of a queen's drawing room. It was of white bengaline, trimmed about the skirt with white ostrich tips, aigrets of which ran from the left side at the waist line across the front to the hem. A splendid aigret sparkling with diamonds ornamented the left breast of the low-neck corsage, while a diamond star fastened the aigret on her head. A double necklace of strands of immense soltaires and pearl completed the costume. She carried a white ostrich feather fan."

And the treasury was there:

"Mrs. Gage wore a splendid directoire kown of cerise velvet that made her look as though she had just stepped out of a painting. Down the left side from the waist was a wall of Troy design in brilliants, each section fastened with a sparkling buckle of brilliants. The ostrich tip aigrets on the left breast and in the hair were fastened with a diamond star. A necklace of diamonds completed the costume."

And for those citizens of America who fancy this sort of thing what happiness in the assurance conveyed by Mark Hanna's recent dispatch, omitting the audacious and egotistical blasphemy, "The Republican party still lives!"

Prosperity Notes.

Tackmakers' wages of Massachusetts reduced.

Union Pacific employes at Cheyenne, Wyo., reduced 30.

Eighty per cent of the tin can makers have been discharged to make room for the new machine.

Ninety per cent of the can labelers have been laid off. A new machine does the work.

The striking glass workers of Kokomo, Ind., have been forced to accept the reduction given by their masters.

The Rod Mill and the Wire Drawers' union of this country have amalgamated. It will do them no good unless they go into politics.

The girls of the shoe factory at Charleston, S. C., are on a strike. They get less than 3 cents for preparing the uppers for the soles!

Another strike in the Indiana and Illinois coal fields is predicted by the operators. They know.

Humbug of Free Seed.

This ridiculous extravagance has gradually enlarged itself from a modest beginning until it now represents an expenditure of $130,000, that being the sum called for in the agricultural bill before the present congress. There is as much reason why the government should furnish farmers with their agricultural implements or their domestic animals as there is for this free distribution of seeds. We know of nothing in the written or unwritten law of the land which suggests, even indirectly, such a custom. It is paternalism in its most vicious and demoralizing form.

A "Touching" Event.

Mark Hanna's victory was not without its pathetic features. It was indeed a "touching" affair.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

Tell us the difference between Cleveland's hard time and panics and McKinley's prosperity and reduction in wages.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

Suicides occur among a people who do not have firesides oftener than anywhere else, or under all circumstances. It is seldom that the occupant of a good home, who feels there is no claim upon it, commits suicide. A home is a place to quiet nerves; it is next to heaven in its influence.—Colusa Sun.

The most troublesome problem before the country now is that of the unemployed. Roving bands of idle men are moving about from place to place preying on their fellows because they have nothing of their own and to use. Despair and pauperism are growing, burglary is frequent, larceny is common, and men and women who once had no need to take thought of the morrow are now driven by want into dissipation and crime.—Topeka Advocate.

It is beginning to dawn upon Mark Hanna that he is not the "whole thing;" that "there are others."—Grand Rapids Chronicle.

The work of devastating and almost exterminating the forests of the United States goes on at a rate so rapid that the young men of the country will live to see the end. Under such circumstances, it would be a better policy to offer a bounty for the importation of Canadian lumber than to shut it out altogether with a prohibitory tariff.—Yolo Democrat.

In 1894 the Department of the Interior paid the Bell Telephone Company an average (including salary of woman operator) of $75 to each 'phone. The department put in a system of its own, 140 lines connecting scattered buildings in Washington, and the cost to the department now (including extra electrician and help) is only $10.25 per 'phone. Still the capitalists tell us there is no economy in public ownership.—Social Democrat.

The percentage of bank failures to all banks was 1.06 in 1896, before "confidence" was restored and in the absence of "General Prosperity," but after "confidence and "General Prosperity" were fairly installed in 1897 the percentage increased to 1.25.—San Francisco Star.

Gage has not ventured an answer to Gompers. We are curious to see what reply he can make to the strong argument of Gompers. Of course it would be simply predictions and empty phrases about "sound money," "safe currency," "national honor," etc. However, let us have a response.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

Money cannot buy honor in the administration of public affairs as long as the administration of public affairs is for the secure division of the dishonorably gotten spoils of labor.—The People.

The results which the senatorial election in Ohio has thus far had, inspire the belief in certain minds that popular election of members of the upper house of Congress will be hastened thereby. Our own opinion is quite the contrary. The debauchery and corruption inseparable from the present system of choosing United States senators merely recommend it to the exploiters of the people. The men who run our political machines know that as long as the present senatorial election system prevails they can hope to retain control of the senate. Allow the people to elect the senators and there is a possibility that men of the Hanna type may be defeated. Consequently, the financiers and the corporations will insist upon the maintenance of things as they are. The more corrupt and debasing an institution is, the more likely it is to survive among us.—Twentieth Century.

It is also objected that a certain class will not work, if given an opportunity, but we believe that there are few indeed who will not do enough work to earn food and shelter; and we at least do our part when we give the opportunity. Governor Pingree's experiment in Detroit certainly proves that a very great percentage of the unemployed will seize hold of the offer to work for food. The strongest point the governor made was that it made independent men and women of them.—Colusa Sun.

Lucinda B. Chandler says: "Oh, for an impulse that shall revive the spirit of '76, that shall renew and strengthen our loyalty to the principles which, in the Declaration of Independence, were made the germ of our national existence." We have it, Lucinda. It has come in the shape of injunctions.—Peoria Labor Gazette.

An Australian Experiment.

Premier Reid, of New South Wales Australia, did not favor the partial adoption of the single tax in that state but he now speaks very heartily in its favor and is in favor of its future extension. He says there are 124,000 land-owners, of which 88,000 pay no land tax at all, and the remainder paid $1,300,000 last year, which they were exceedingly able to do, and will pay more hereafter. This $1,300,000 is equal to $1 per capita of all the people, but is $35 per capita for the large landholders, or holders of valuable lands, the owners of ordinary farms and homes coming within the exemption. In this way it has virtually the effects of a graduated income tax, but is more cheaply and certainly collected than an income tax, and no part of it is shifted to labor.—Topeka Advocate.

TEMPERANCE TOPICS.

NOTES OF INTEREST TO THE ANTI-LIQUOR LEAGUERS.

"Man's Inhumanity to Man Makes Countless Thousands Mourn"—A Startling Discovery—A Bacterium Which Lives and Grows in Alcoholic Drink.

Remorse.

AD is the thought of sunniest days
Of love and rapture perished,
And shine through memory's tearful haze
The eyes once fondliest cherished.
Reproachful is the ghost of joys
That charmed while life was wasted.

But saddest is the thought of joys
That never yet were tasted.

Sad is the vague and tender dream
Of dead love's lingering kisses,
To crushed hearts haloed by the gleam
Of unreturning blisses.
Deeep mourns the soul in anguished pride
For the pitiless death that won them—
But the saddest wail is for lips that died
With the virgin dew upon them.

Man's Inhumanity to Man.

It is my conviction that much of the hopelessness of inebriety depends upon man's inhumanity to man. It is necessary to isolate people not only on account of the promptings of their own cravings, but also on account of the promptings of their friends. One of the earliest cases that called my attention to the evils of drink occurred in Hardwick Hospital while I was resident there; a man was discharged one morning convalescent after a severe attack of delirium tremens; his friends met him at the gate, and took him from public house to public house, and so celebrated his recovery until the evening, that they were then able to return him suffering from a relapse—a relapse which ended fatally in a few days.

This is an extreme example of a common occurrence. I have often convinced people that their only chance of safety lay in total abstinence, and my efforts have been frustrated by so-called friends and relatives whose constant cry was, "A little can do you no harm. The little has too often been taken, and the flood gates have been opened.—Dr. Macdowell Cosgrave.

A Startling Discovery.

A startling discovery has been announced, one over which the liquor fraternity is considerably agitated. It is stated on scientific authority, and chronicled by the liquor press itself, that there is a bacterium which lives and grows in alcoholic drinks. The fact is naturally characterized in these same papers as "somewhat remarkable," they being evidently of the same opinion as "temperance fanatics" with regard to the destructive nature of alcohol. The discoverer regards this micro-organism as a "new species." Might we not suggest that it is the nineteenth century incarnation of the adversary? The public is promised later on a fuller account of the development of this remarkable microbe and the "chemical changes it produces"—in the drinks. It would be more to the purpose to know its effects upon the human organism. At any rate alcoholic beverages can no longer be recommended as safer than water because of their freedom from the "deadly bacteria."—Union Signal.

Among the "Upper Set."

Her Majesty's Inspector of Retreats under the Inebriates' Act makes some rather startling statements in his annual report just issued as a parliamentary paper. Here is one: "There is an easy optimism which is fond of repeating the statement that excessive drinking has ceased among the 'upper' classes, and will in time die out likewise among the 'lower orders.'" There is painful reason to believe the statement to be fallacious. Less wine is drunk at the dinner table, but it may be otherwise at the club, billiard room, the smoke room and the bar. There is ground for believing that immoderate drinking, though frightfully common among the industrial classes, is yet more prevalent in the classes usually contrasted with them." Another is that "among women, also, of all classes, it appears certain that drunkenness is on the increase." These, be it remembered, are the conclusions of no so-called "fanatic," but of an experienced the matter-of-fact government official.—Westminster Gazette.

"A Peculiar Scene."

The Halifax (N. S.) Recorder relates the following: "A peculiar scene was witnessed in a northend barroom on Saturday evening. A man, after leaving work, and while on his way home with his wages, called in at a saloon which he frequently patronized and called for a pint of beer. While he was drinking it a woman walked in, and, touching him on the arm, said: 'Well, are you going to give me a glass, also?' The man looked as if he had lost his senses. The woman, who was his wife, asked him why he did not answer. Still no reply. The woman remarked that they had a hard enough time to live without him throwing away his money on beer. The husband did not make any reply, and, with his head down, left the saloon with his wife.

A Sharp Contrast.

The New Jersey synod of the Presbyterian church among others has spoken its mind in regard to the signing of petitions for license to sell intoxicating liquors, and Grover Cleveland has also spoken his. They contrast like light and darkness. The church body says:

"The synod finds occasion to reiterate the judgment often expressed by the General Assembly and this synod, that the renting of property for the sale of intoxicants, and the signing of applications to sell intoxicating beverages, is inconsistent with Christian character and harmful to the cause of religion, and calls the attention of all its presbyteries and sessions, its ministers, teachers and church members, to this matter."

Grover Cleveland says:

"I do not care if all the synods and Presbyteries in the country were to offer an adverse decision, it would be no good reason why I should alter my opinion. I am very sorry that Dr. Shields has been bothered over this matter, as he is an old and very dear friend of mine. Otherwise the action of the Presbytery does not affect me in the least. When I signed the petition for the liquor license for the Princeton Inn I in no sense committed a wrong, and if the same proposition came up for my consideration again, I would do the same thing."

Just so. We do not for a moment doubt Mr. Cleveland's word, and hundreds of others will do the same thing. So long as this government is a partner in the business, and to sell liquor is a legitimate enterprise, church men may resolve and resolve, but all to no purpose.

Public Opinion and Temperance.

Our work in many places must seem slow and discouraging. The great mass of public opinion that rises up like an impregnable fortress before us, appears often impossible to overcome; and the victory for which we wait is yet distant; but I believe more absolutely than ever in the final triumph of all good over all evil; and while I think that time may appear to "drag its lengthening chain" to our finite minds, by and by when we understand the workings of those plans which comes from the Infinite, we shall realize how this slow evolution has been the training school for that eventual good which is working out in this world, and which I believe is preparing us for the wider work that awaits us beyond.—Lady Henry Somerset.

Modern Temperance Reform.

In reply to a query as to the status of the "modern temperance reform" our editor-in-chief sent out the following: 1. I take it that what we now mean by the temperance reform is personal prohibition, legal prohibition, political prohibition and prohibition by woman's ballot. 2. Its present status is like that of John Brown's soul, it still "goes marching on." 3. The duty of its friends is to illustrate and enforce its fourfold lines of work by means of voice and pen and prayer. Religion, science, common sense and the steadily growing sentiment of human brotherhood are all with us. The cause can no more fail than gravitation can petrify.—Union Signal.

Said by Temperance Leaders.

What comes from the heart goes to the heart.—Coleridge.

Woman is most perfect when most womanly.—Gladstone.

The society of ladies is the school of politeness.—Montfort.

My liberty ends when it begins to involve the possibility of ruin to my neighbor.—John Stuart Mill.

A duty is no sooner divined than from that very moment it becomes binding upon us.—Amiel.

We love music for the garnered memories, the tender feelings, it can summon at a touch.—L. E. Laudon.

Do good constantly, patiently and wisely, and you will never have cause to say that life was not worth living.—George W. Childs.

Infancy is the perpetual Messiah, which comes into the arms of fallen men and pleads with them to return to Paradise.—Emerson.

The public character of a man is the tinsel worn at court; his private character is the service of gold kept at his bankers.—Sir T. Overbury.

Our being miserable or not miserable when we fall into misfortunes depends on the manner in which we have enjoyed prosperity.—Bolingbroke.

There are some faults slight in the sight of love, some errors trivial in the estimate of wisdom; but truth forgives no insult and endures no stain.—Ruskin.

How easy is the thought, in certain moods, of the loveliest, most unselfish devotion! How hard is the doing of the thought in the face of a thousand unlovely difficulties.—George Macdonald.

Truth is the band of union and the basis of human happiness. Without this virtue there is no reliance upon language, no confidence in friendship, no security in promises and oaths.—Jeremy Collier.

No man or woman of the humblest sort can really be strong, pure and good without the world being the better for it, without somebody being helped and comforted by the very existence of this goodness.—Phillips Brooks.

Lord, none who are strong because care-free
Will carry a weight for another;
But one who's enduring and suffering for Thee
Has strength for himself and his brother
—M. Elizabeth Crouse.

Oh, the grave! the grave! It buries every error, covers every defect, extinguishes every resentment. From its peaceful bosom spring none but fond regrets and tender recollections. Who can look down upon the grave, even of an enemy, and not feel a compunctious throb that he should ever have warred with the poor handful of earth that lies mouldering before him.—Washington Irving.

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CANDIDATES in Elmore county have announced themselves for some of the offices, and the Pops are in it.

IN Shelby county the Populists have decided to hold a primary election on March 19. Several candidates have already annouced for the various offices.

AUTAUGA county has four Democratic candidates for probate judge already announced. If there are any Populist candidates they are keeping in the dark.

CHILTON county should be represented at the Good Roads convention to be held at Anniston, February 15 and 16. There are worse roads to be found than those in this county, but our roads might easily be improved. Let us send a delegation to the convention.

THIS cold spell is an undoubted blessing to the South. With several cases of yellow fever in Mississippi in January it is probable an epidemic of the dread disease may be looked forward to this summer. But this severe weather will do more good than all the quarantine connections can accomplish.

The policy of waiting for everyone else to act has not been a success in recent elections, and it would not appear that anything is to be gained in Chilton by waiting for anything or anyone. It would seem very desirable for the County Executive Committee to meet and come to some decision. Is it to be a primary election or a convention?

ONE of the first things we hope to see the new Clanton town council proceed with is the establishment of a volunteer fire department. There is no need for an expensive outfit, but the town could, and should, purchase a large number of water buckets and some well-made light ladders and a truck. These kept in some convenient place and in charge of someone appointed for that purpose, with the aid of a well drilled bucket company, would reduce the risk of a disastrous conflagration to a minimum.

German Crosby has surrendered to serve out the ten years sentence imposed upon him by the circuit court at its fall term, 1895. It will be remembered that Germen Crosby and William Martin, both convicted of murder, escaped jail soon after their conviction by sawing the bars of their cell in the jail at Clanton. Martin was soon afterward caught and is now serving his 15-year sentence, while Crosby enjoyed freedom's air until a few days since, when he voluntarily surrendered to serve out his sentence, going to the Hand Lumber Company at Dolive, Ala., who employ state and county convicts. He is at present working there.

Mr. Ward L. Smith, of Fredericktown, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhoea for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

MULES AS TIMEKEEPERS.

When They Have Done Their Trick on the Towpath, They Quit.

It was just before 7 o'clock in the morning and the sun had just come enough way from across the sea to climb up part way on the big globe and cast a pale gray light over the awakening city. Laborers and shopgirls were hurrying to work, shivering in the chill air that marked the sudden appearance of winter.

On the bridge crossing the canal at the weighlock two men stood watching the approaching boats, and yawning and stretching in contemplation of another day's work. One was a canal employee.

"See those sleepy mules," said he, as he stretched himself again sympathetically. "See that clock over there in the tower of the railroad station across the river. Two minutes of 7. Bet you those mules will give the time first before the whistle blows. They're great on time. Know it better'n you do. Just watch."

The three gaunt beasts, with their ears flapping in apparent forgetfulness, were urged into a trot over the bridge, and the two men dodged the towline that slipped over the bridge railing to the other side of the canal.

It was one minute of 7. The mules stopped on the towpath.

All three loudly brayed, and the chorus of "Enh hows" awoke the sleeping people along the canal bank for hundreds of yards. And then the whistles in all the factories sent out steam into the cold air and in tones shrill and somber sounded the beginning of the day's work.

"Wot I tell you? Them mules beat 'em out by a minute," remarked the canal employee leaning on the railing of the bridge. "They won't go no further. They know it's time for feed and rest. See the boatman. They're going to take a stub and put on a new team."

Lines were thrown and in a few minutes the canalboats were tied fast to the bank. Three dejected looking mules, still munching a wisp of hay, scrambled up the gangplank, and their places in the stable of the forward part of the boat were soon taken by the timekeepers.

"Way, those mules," remarked the canal man on the bridge, as he watched the new team starting under way and the towline stretching as the lines were cast off, "know more about the time of day than you do unless you look at your watch. They work just so many hours. They go along the towpath with heads cast down and ears drooping, to be awakened occasionally with the whip, when they have to hustle across bridges and take up the slack of the towline, but when breakfast or dinner or supper time comes, why you can bank all your money on it every time that they'll holler within a minute of the right time whether it rains or snows, whether it's dark as pitch or the sun shines out clear and bright. They may call 'em jackasses, but there's wuss that wears pants."—Rochester Union and Advertiser.

Puzzling.

Bass—I suppose you think I'm a fool?

Cass—That's what troubles me. If your supposition is correct, then you are a mindreader, and therefore you cannot be a fool, and yet—well, you understand. — Boston Transcript.

How to Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver be inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach be disordered, you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys be affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys. Purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at all Drug Stores

A newspaper in Ohio recently brought suit against 43 men who did not pay their subscription and obtained a judgment in each case for the amount of each claim. Of these, 28 made affidavit that they owned no more than the law allowed, thus preventing attachment. Then under a decision of the supreme court, they were arrested for petit larceny and bound over in the sum of $300 each. All but six went to jail. The new postal law makes it larceny to take a paper and refuse to pay for it—Ex.

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Political Pointers.

People's Press Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 2, 1898.

Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury, has recently been up to Philadelphia, where he addressed the commercial clubs and asserted that in spite of free silver heresies and Bryanism, prosperity has returned. He further declaired that larg numbers of factories had increased wages, many returning to the wage schedule of '93. These remarks were not applauded.

In spite of protestations from men of every party President McKinley has seated Jos. McKenna of California, on the Supreme bench. It is a bit of the irony of fate that the first matter submitted to this tool of the trust should be the constitutionality of the Texas anti-trust law.

The manifesto—joint or separate—to be issued by the chairmen of the Populist, Democratic and Silver Republican national chairmen is looked for with great interest, although the union they will recommend is already a foregone conclusion among reformers.

The Populists and Silver Republicans of Illinois have served notice on the Democratic state committee that they will, if not recognized, fight the Democrats.

The State Democratic committee of Missouri at its meeting in St. Louis, January 24, passed resolutions commending the Populists for what they had done to help redeem the state from Republican misrule and advised fusion on honorable terms in future with both Populists and Silver Republicans.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Lease, once of Kansas, now of Greater New York, recently occupied the pulpit of Rev. Dixon of that city, preaching to a crowded house on the theme "Christ or Ceasar."

The Monetary convention met at Indianapolis, January 25, and proceeded to lay plans for regulating and putting on a "sound" basis the finances of this country. Hugh H. Hanna, brother of the recognizable Mark, was the presiding officer. About 400 delegates were in attendance.

A. R.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who would become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. Stanfield & Matthews.

The Ever Present Terror.

Caller—Excuse the lateness of the hour, Mr. Homeleigh, but I could not resist the temptation to be the bearer of good news. You will be glad to hear the supreme court has just handed down a decision in the case we have been conducting for you, and that it is in your favor. I congratulate you, my dear sir, on the successful termination of your long struggle, and I trust you may live many years to enjoy the large fortune of which you may now at any time take possess—

Man of the House (turning pale)—Please don't talk so loud. You'll wake the baby.—Chicago Tribune.

Giving Direction to Profanity.

The Minister—Brother, when you grasp the handles of the plow, never look back.

Farmer Cincinnatus Weatherby—Ef I don't turn eround when I strike a 3 inch hickory root, et skeers ther hosses.—New York Press.

A Curious Stone.

One of the most curious stones in the world is found in Finland. It is a natural barometer and actually foretells probable changes in the weather. It turns black shortly before an approaching rain, while in fine weather it is mottled with spots of white.

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Program of Colored Teachers' Institute.

9 a.m. Institute opened by vocal music. Invocation by Rev. L. H. Hawkins.

9:15. Election of officers and calling the roll. Teachers must respond with quotation of scripture.

9:45. Welcome address by Miss Maggie Foshee. Response in behalf of the Institute A. C. Austin.

10. The object of the Teacher's Institute, by K. Draper.

10:30. How to teach beginners numbers, by Prof. B. J. Neely. Discussion, The best method of teaching orthography, opened by Miss Daisy Siegel. Discussion.

12 Intermission for dinner

1 p.m. Reading, how taught? by Prof. Wm. Amos. Discussion.

1:45 The effect of a good moral teacher in his community, by Prof. W. J. Lamar and H. E. Latham

2:15 The effects of good discipline in the school room. By Rev. L. H Hawkins and A. C. Austin.

3. Geography, how taught, by Mrs. Mary Ridwine and Miss Mamie Brown.

3:30. What should be done to better the condition of our schools? Opened by Prof. I. S. A. Bracy.

4:15 A lecture by Hon J. W. Moore, County Superintendant of Education. Intermission. Night session.

6:30 Devotional exercises.

6:45 The duty of the patrons to their school and teacher. Opened by T. S Callens.

7:30 Should the negro emigrate to Africa in his condition? General discussion lead by Prof. I. S. A. Bracy.

A committee report. Benediction.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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REDEMPTION.

MORNING.

I will sing you a song of a beautiful dream
Which came with the morning's birth,
A dream of a babe with eyes tinged blue,
Red lips bestowing warm smiles on you
And a crown of elves of a golden hue
With a halo of sinless mirth.

NOON.

I will wail you a sob of a sorrowful dream
Which came with the noonday's glare,
A dream of a youth with eyes flushed red,
Blue lips exuding blood grapes had shed
And a crown of imps on indulgence fed
With a halo of sin's despair.

NIGHT.

I will moan you a dirge of a horrible dream
Which came with the day's demise,
A dream of a man with eyes blanched white,
Pale lips and palsied with guilty fright
And a crown of lambent satanic light
With a halo of hellish guise.

DAWN.

I will chant you a psalm of a glorious dream
Which came with the stars' decline,
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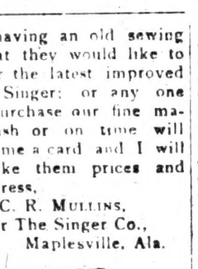

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Commencing at the south east corner of the south-west quarter of south-west quarter of section twenty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a westerly direction forty feet, thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and twenty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land, and lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

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The State of Alabama, Chilton county.

In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, North-eastern Chancery Division. January 29, 1898.

Nannie Davis, complainant, vs. A. Oscar Davis, defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. M. Adams, that the Defendant, A. Oscar Davis, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and that his residence and post office address is Comanche, Comanche county, State of Texas, and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said A. Oscar Davis, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 1st day of March, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 29th day of January, 1898.

W. E. STEWART,
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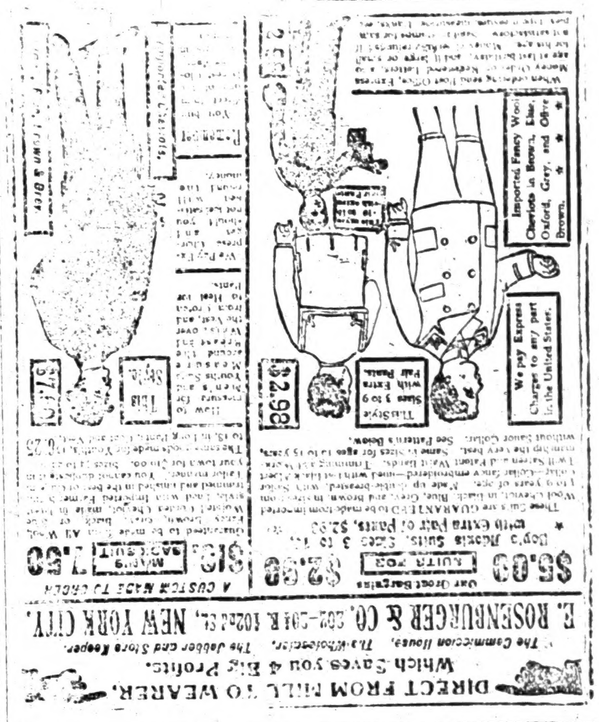

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CANDIDATES in Elmore county have announced themselves for some of the offices, and the Pops are in it.

IN Shelby county the Populists have decided to hold a primary election on March 19. Several candidates have already annouced for the various offices.

AUTAUGA county has four Democratic candidates for probate judge already announced. If there are any Populist candidates they are keeping in the dark.

CHILTON county should be represented at the Good Roads convention to be held at Anniston, February 15 and 16. There are worse roads to be found than those in this county, but our roads might easily be improved. Let us send a delegation to the convention.

THIS cold spell is an undoubted blessing to the South. With several cases of yellow fever in Mississippi in January it is probable an epidemic of the dread disease may be looked forward to this summer. But this severe weather will do more good than all the quarantine connections can accomplish.

The policy of waiting for everyone else to act has not been a success in recent elections, and it would not appear that anything is to be gained in Chilton by waiting for anything or anyone. It would seem very desirable for the County Executive Committee to meet and come to some decision. Is it to be a primary election or a convention?

ONE of the first things we hope to see the new Clanton town council proceed with is the establishment of a volunteer fire department. There is no need for an expensive outfit, but the town could, and should, purchase a large number of water buckets and some well-made light ladders and a truck. These kept in some convenient place and in charge of someone appointed for that purpose, with the aid of a well drilled bucket company, would reduce the risk of a disastrous conflagration to a minimum.

German Crosby has surrendered to serve out the ten years sentence imposed upon him by the circuit court at its fall term, 1895. It will be remembered that German Crosby and William Martin, both convicted of murder, escaped jail soon after their conviction by sawing the bars of their cell in the jail at Clanton. Martin was soon afterward caught and is now serving his 15-year sentence, while Crosby enjoyed freedom's air until a few days since, when he voluntarily surrendered to serve out his sentence, going to the Hand Lumber Company at Dolive, Ala., who employ state and county convicts. He is at present working there.

Mr. Ward L. Smith, of Fredericks-town, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhoea for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

MULES AS TIMEKEEPERS.

When They Have Done Their Trick on the Towpath, They Quit.

It was just before 7 o'clock in the morning and the sun had just come enough way from across the sea to climb up part way on the big globe and cast a pale gray light over the awakening city. Laborers and shopgirls were hurrying to work, shivering in the chill air that marked the sudden appearance of winter.

On the bridge crossing the canal at the weighlock two men stood watching the approaching boats, and yawning and stretching in contemplation of another day's work. One was a canal employee.

"See those sleepy mules," said he, as he stretched himself again sympathetically. "See that clock over there in the tower of the railroad station across the river. Two minutes of 7. Bet you those mules will give the time first before the whistle blows. They're great on time. Know it better'n you do. Just watch."

The three gaunt beasts, with their ears flapping in apparent forgetfulness, were urged into a trot over the bridge, and the two men dodged the towline that slipped over the bridge railing to the other side of the canal.

It was one minute of 7. The mules stopped on the towpath.

All three loudly brayed, and the chorus of "Enh hows" awoke the sleeping people along the canal bank for hundreds of yards. And then the whistles in all the factories sent out steam into the cold air and in tones shrill and somber sounded the beginning of the day's work.

"Wot I tell you? Them mules beat 'em out by a minute," remarked the canal employee leaning on the railing of the bridge. "They won't go no further. They know it's time for feed and rest. See the boatman. They're going to take a snub and put on a new team."

Lines were thrown and in a few minutes the canalboats were tied fast to the bank. Three dejected looking mules, still munching a wisp of hay, scrambled up the gangplank, and their places in the stable of the forward part of the boat were soon taken by the timekeepers.

"Why, those mules," remarked the canal man on the bridge, as he watched the new team starting under way and the towline stretching as the lines were cast off, "know more about the time of day than you do unless you look at your watch. They work just so many hours. They go along the towpath with heads cast down and ears drooping, to be awakened occasionally with the whip, when they have to hustle across bridges and take up the slack of the towline, but when breakfast or dinner or supper time comes, why you can bank all your money on it every time that they'll holler within a minute of the right time whether it rains or snows, whether it's dark as pitch or the sun shines out clear and bright. They may call 'em jackasses, but there's wuss that wears pants."—Rochester Union and Advertiser.

Puzzling.

Bass—I suppose you think I'm a fool?

Cass—That's what troubles me. If your supposition is correct, then you are a mindreader, and therefore you cannot be a fool, and yet—well, you understand. — Boston Transcript.

How to Look Good.

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Political Pointers.

People's Press Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 2, 1898.

Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury, has recently been up to Philadelphia, where he addressed the commercial clubs and asserted that in spite of free silver heresies and Bryanism, prosperity has returned. He further declaired that larg numbers of factories had increased wages, many returning to the wage schedule of '93. These remarks were not applauded.

In spite of protestations from men of every party President McKinley has seated Jos. McKenna of California, on the Supreme bench. It is a bit of the irony of fate that the first matter submitted to this tool of the trust should be the constitutionality of the Texas anti-trust law.

The manifesto—joint or separate—to be issued by the chairmen of the Populist, Democratic and Silver Republican national chairmen is looked for with great interest, although the union they will recommend is already a foregone conclusion among reformers.

The Populists and Silver Republicans of Illinois have served notice on the Democratic state committee that they will, if not recognized, fight the Democrats.

The State Democratic committee of Missouri at its meeting in St. Louis, January 24, passed resolutions commending the Populists for what they had done to help redeem the state from Republican misrule and advised fusion on honorable terms in future with both Populists and Silver Republicans.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Lease, once of Kansas, now of Greater New York, recently occupied the pulpit of Rev. Dixon of that city, preaching to a crowded house on the theme "Christ or Ceasar."

The Monetary convention met at Indianapolis, January 25, and proceeded to lay plans for regulating and putting on a "sound" basis the finances of this country. Hugh H. Hanna, brother of the recognizable Mark, was the presiding officer. About 400 delegates were in attendance. A. R.

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Man of the House (turning pale)—Please don't talk so loud. You'll wake the baby.—Chicago Tribune.

Giving Direction to Profanity.

The Minister—Brother, when you grasp the handles of the plow, never look back.

Farmer Cincinnatus Weatherby—Ef I don't turn eround when I strike a 3 inch hickory root, et skeers ther hosses.—New York Press.

A Curious Stone.

One of the most curious stones in the world is found in Finland. It is a natural barometer and actually foretells probable changes in the weather. It turns black shortly before an approaching rain, while in fine weather it is mottled with spots of white.

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9:15. Election of officers and calling the roll. Teachers must respond with quotation of scripture.

9:45. Welcome address by Miss Maggie Foshee. Response in behalf of the Institute A. C. Austin.

10. The object of the Teacher's Institute, by K. Draper.

10:30. How to teach beginners numbers, by Prof. B. J. Neely. Discussion. The best method of teaching orthography, opened by Miss Daisy Siegel. Discussion.

12. Intermission for dinner

1 p.m. Reading, how taught? by Prof. Wm. Amos. Discussion.

1:45 The effect of a good moral teacher in his community, by Prof. W. J. Lanier and H. E. Latham

2:15 The effects of good discipline in the school room. By Rev. L. H. Hawkins and A. C. Austin.

3. Geography, how taught, by Mrs. Mary Ridwine and Miss Mamie Brown.

3:30. What should be done to better the condition of our schools? Opened by Prof. I. S. A. Bracy.

4:15 A lecture by Hon. J. W. Moore, County Superintendant of Educaton. Intermission. Night session.

6:30 Devotional exercises.

6:45 The duty of the patrons to their school and teacher. Opened by T. S Callens.

7:30 Should the negro emigrate to Africa in his condition? General discussion lead by Prof. I. S. A. Bracy.

A committee report. Benediction.

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I will wail you a sob of a sorrowful dream
Which came with the noonday's glare,
A dream of a youth with eyes flushed red,
Blue lips exuding blood grapes had shed
And a crown of imps on indulgence fed
With a halo of sin's despair.

NIGHT.

I will moan you a dirge of a horrible dream
Which came with the day's demise,
A dream of a man with eyes blanched white,
Pale lips and palsied with guilty fright
And a crown of lambent satanic light
With a halo of hellish guise.

DAWN.

I will chant you a psalm of a glorious dream
Which came with the stars' decline,
A dream of a soul with eyes grace dried,
Meek lips repentance had sanctified
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—A. S. Houghton in Twentieth Century.

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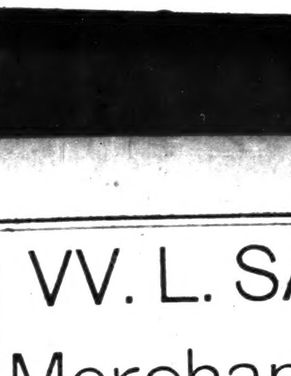

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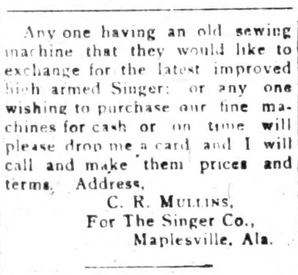

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Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1898,

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In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, North-eastern Chancery Division, January 20, 1898.

Nannie Davis, complainant, vs. A. Oscar Davis, defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. M. Adams, that the Defendant, A. Oscar Davis, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and that his residence and post office address is Comanche, Comanche county, State of Texas, and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said A. Oscar Davis, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 1st day of March, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

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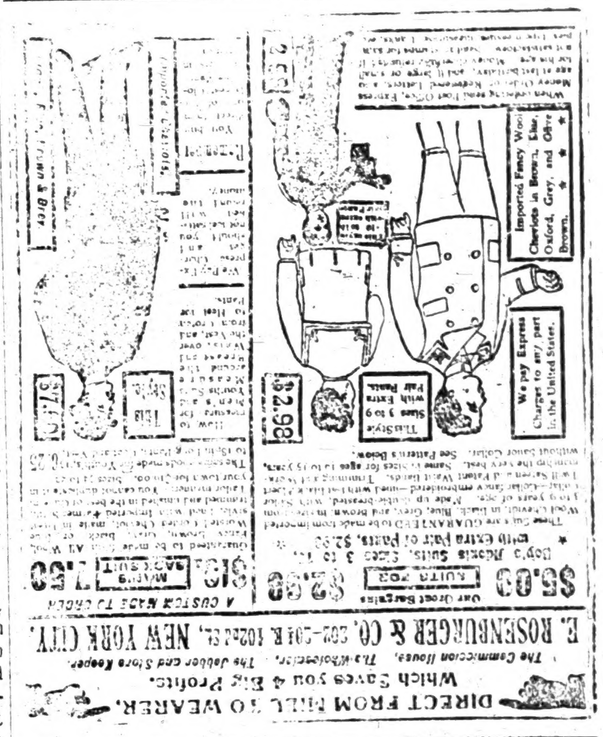

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HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE DYING

From Cold and Starvation on the New Foundland Coast.

ICE PACKS CUT OFF ALL COMMUNICATION

Harrowing News of Suffering Brought by the Steamer Portia—Vessels Penned in Huge Arctic Floes, and Many Succumb to the Cold.

The Red Cross Line steamer Portia arrived here four days overdue from St. Johns, New Foundland, and Halifax, after a desperate encounter with pack ice off the New Foundland coast, and with a harrowing tale of blizzards and destitution in the coast section of that country.

Hundreds of women and children, dead or dying from exposure and starvation with abundance close by, and hundreds more threatened with like fate, are the details of the condition of affairs brought by the Portia.

For four days the Portia was penned in by huge Arctic floes in plain sight of St. Johns, unable to move. She managed to escape by the merest accident.

Many other craft, several of them relief vessels, sent by Canadian government to succor the destitute fishermen, had to abandon their errands of mercy and return to St. John, where they were still in the ice when the Portia struggled into clear water.

ENCOURAGING INCREASE

In the Volume of Business Throughout the South, Says the Tradesman.

Business among Southern industries for the first month of the new year, as reported by the Tradesman's special correspondents, is very satisfactory, showing an encouraging increase in volume over the same period in 1897.

There is a large demand for all kinds of manufactured products. Prices, however, show but little change, though the tendency is upward.

The movement in iron is still characterized by activity, many mills being crowded beyond their capacity. Prices for the most part are firm and operators are confidently expecting an advance.

Among the most important new industries for the week the Tradesman reports the following: Brick works at Huntsville, Ala.; a $12,000 flour and grist mill at Gulfport, Miss., and flouring mills and Zolfo, Fla., Mint Hill, N. C., and Inman and New Market, Tenn.—ice factories at White Castle, La., Raleigh, N. C., and Graham, Va.; coal mines at Hanceville and Tuscumbia, Ala., and a quarry at Charleston, S. C.

A wheel factory will be established at Little Rock, Ark.; a 40-ton oil mill at Opelika, Ala., and one to cost $50,000 at Sherman, Tex. A sugar mill will be erected at Abbeville, La.; a $200,000 cotton yarn mill at Rossville, Ga.; another to cost the same amount at Albemarle, N. C., and a $16,000 knitting mill at Atlanta, Ga.

The Chronister Lumber Company, capital $50,000, has been chartered at Forest, Tex.; the Northwest Arkansas Lumber Company, capital $50,000, at Springfield, Ark.; a $25,000 saw and planing mill at Centreville, Ala., and other wood-working plants at Wynne, Ark.; Scranton, Miss., and High Point, N. C.

Concession From Venezuela.

Ex Representative Tazwell Ellett, of Virginia, has obtained from the Venezuelan government a concession for an American company to manufacture for a period of years in Venezuela alcohol and all alcoholic products, exempt from taxation of any kind. The concession granted Mr. Ellett enables the company to take into the country everything needed by them in the manufacture of liquor, free of duty.

An Order From Africa.

The Bloomsburg (Pa.) Car Manufacturing company has been awarded the contract to build 100 gondola cars by the Orange Free State Railway company, of South Africa. They will also build for the same company fifteen passenger cars similar to an American passenger coach, excepting a little smaller. These will be the first cars of this description built in America for use in Africa.

Suicide of a Train Wrecker.

Henry Goettel, a young German baker, after making a confession to the sheriff to the effect that Herman Breetz and himself wrecked a passenger train near Rivera, Fla., on the Florida East last Tuesday, committed suicide by hanging himself with a towel in the jail early Monday morning.

Louisianian Assassinated.

Sunday night John S. Hutchinson, a quiet and peaceable farmer, living two miles west of Tickfaw Station, in Tangipahoa parish, La., was murdered on his own front gallery by an unknown assassin. No theory can be advanced for his assassination. The murderer escaped.

AGED COUPLE MURDERED.

One Was Eighty and the Other Seventy Years of Age.

"Virginia Bill" Friley, aged 80 years, and his wife, about 70 years of age, were murdered Monday night at their home in Elliott county, Ky., and robbed of from $800 to $1,200. There is no clue to the murderers. A maul was the instrument used. No one was at home except the old couple. The crime is shrouded in mystery.

Judicious advertising pays.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

President Dole, of the Hawaiian republic, is now in Washington.

There are now 103 registered whisky distilleries at work in the Raleigh, N. C., district.

A heavy earthquake was felt at Helena, Ark., the past week. No serious damage was done.

Twelve distinct shocks from an earthquake were felt at Tehuantepec, Mexico, Friday morning.

Spain has decided to send the first-class cruiser, Infanta Maria Teresa, to America instead of the Vizcaya.

According to official reports at Bombay, India, there have been 643 deaths from the bubonic plague during the past week.

Trouble has broken out again between the blacks and whites of Lonoke county, Arkansas, and a race war is threatened.

Chicago parties will erect a school at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., for the education of the people of the mountain district.

United States officers will arrest many people charged with helping to burn the two Seminole Indians in Oklahoma territory.

It is announced in a special dispatch from Shanghai that four German sailors have been murdered by the Chinese. This will give Emperor William a chance to seize another Chinese port.

The bodies of Mrs. Jane Corbett and Stephen Bennett, snatched from the Eagleville, Tenn., cemetery, were recovered at Burlington, Vt., and brought back. One arrest was made, a Dr. Hiemack.

A can of kerosene oil exploded in the boiler house of the Beenville Cement company's mill at Rosendale, Pa., setting fire to the mill and storage house. Both were totally destroyed. Loss, $100,000; fully covered by insurance.

Herman Breetz and Henry Goettel were arrested in St. Augustine, Fla., suspected of train wrecking and attempting to rob the East Coast pay train, also of burning the San Marco hotel at St. Augustine some weeks ago.

At London a majority of the engineers have voted in favor of accepting the terms of the employers. The exact figures have not yet been divulged, but the proportion is said to be about 25,000 in favor of acceptance to 11,000 against it.

It is said that the United States minister to Hayti, Wm. F. Powell, has been recalled at the request of the German government on account of his connection with the Lueders incident, which resulted in Germany sending warships to Hayti to collect indemnity.

At St. Joseph, Mich., the steamer City of Duluth, which struck the bar outside the harbor piers, and went ashore during a gale, has broken in two in the center, and the wreck is pounding badly. The life-saving crew saved the crew, consisting of about twenty-five, and the few passengers aboard.

BIG COTTON MILL FOR GEORGIA.

A Northern Company Will Build a Large Mill in the South.

A decision has been reached by the New York Cotton Mills Company of Utica to practically move its colossal plants to Georgia. In Utica, N. Y., there are four large cotton mill companies, the Mohawk Valley, Utica Steam Cotton, the Capron and the New York mills. Together their series of mills are Utica's principal industry and more than 5,000 persons are employed there.

The New York Mills Company has decided to meet the southern competition by establishing an immense mill in Georgia. The company's plans have not been entirely made public, though an announcement to that effect has been given out, but the exact location is withheld. The capitalization will be $1,000,000.

Mysteriously Murdered.

William H. Mann, night clerk at the Arlington hotel in Pulaski, Tenn., and about 62 years of age, met his death in the passageway of the hotel Saturday morning under very mysterious circumstances. He was in the dining-room ten minutes before he was found lying on his face dead. From the nature of his wounds on the head there are strong suspicions that he was murdered. Mann, formerly lived in Birmingham, Ala.

Demand Senator Lindsay's Resignation.

After a hot debate Thursday morning the lower house of the Kentucky legislature adopted a substitute resolution offered by Representative Nelson, of Harding, for the one previously introduced, calling upon United States Senator William Lindsay to resign if he cannot support the Chicago platform.

The Gold Reserve.

The gold reserve Friday reached $163,670,000, the highest point in about seven years.

To Form Cotton Trust.

Price, McCormick & Co., of New York, are trying to form a cotton trust. They want to halve the product and double the price. A number of Southern representatives have received letters from the biggest firm of cotton brokers asking them to become members of an advisory board for this purpose.

Philips & Dean, dealers in general merchandise at Chariton, near Eufaula, made an assignment Friday. Assets and liabilities could not be learned.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

In the house today Mr. Boutelle, of Maine, reported back the two resolutions calling on the secretary of the navy for information as to the suitability of sites for an armor plate factory in the south, with the recommendation that they lay on the table. The report called attention to the fact that invitations had been issued for sealed proposals for the land, buildings and machinery for a government armor plate factory, which would be opened January 29, 1898, and that the secretary, when these were opened, would send a special report to congress containing all information.... Mr. Curtis, of Iowa, claimed the day for business from the District of Columbia committee, which consumed two hours ... The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill, and after completing seven pages the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the senate today Mr. Walthall, of Mississippi, presented the credentials of H. D. Money to succeed the late Senator George and the oath of office was administered to Mr. Money.... Mr. Walthall presented a joint resolution adopted by the legislature of Mississippi urging the United States to intervene in the Cuban war. Referred to committee on foreign relations.... The Teller resolution was then laid before the senate. Mr. Turpin addressed the senate in support of the resolution.... Mr. Morgan rose under a question of personal privilege to reply to a published statement of Mr. Cleveland concerning Hawaiian annexation... The pension appropriation bill was called up and debated, but no action taken, and at 5 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

In the house today a bill was passed granting American registration to the foreign built steamer Navajo. The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill. Mr. Smith, of Arizona, made an attack on the present system of educating the Indian. He declared that the Carlisle and Hampton schools were a mistake; that an Indian could not be civilized by teaching him how to read and write and sing psalms. The Indian, he said, must receive an industrial education, but it must be given him in the vicinity of his home; not in the east. In this bill he said $2,500,000 was wasted. .... A political debate was precipitated over the existence of prosperity. Among those who spoke were Messrs. Terry of Arkansas, Sims of Tennessee, Underwood and Wheeler of Alabama, and others.... Without reaching a vote on any of the bills the house adjourned.

The Senate.

The senate, on motion of Mr. Hoar, went into executive session today as soon as it convened.... At 12:15 p. m. the doors were opened and the senate proceeded to general business. Mr. Quay secured the passage of a bill to indemnify the state of Pennsylvania for money expended in 1864 for militia called into service by the government. The amount involved is $46,000.... Mr. Quay also reported the army appropriation bill.... Mr. Butler, of South Carolina, offered an amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill providing for an extension of the experiment of rural free delivery to every state and territory of the union, and to as many sections of those states and territories as possible.... Mr. Perkins called up the pension appropriation bill. The amendment proposed by Mr. Allen providing that the lowest pension paid by the government be $8 a month was ruled out of order and the bill was passed.... The Teller resolution was laid before the senate, over which a general debate arose. The remainder of the session was taken up in the discussion.

The House—Wednesday.

Without any preliminary business the house today went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill. The pending amendment was that to strike out the appropriation for the Carlisle Indian school. The amendment was defeated by a vote of 29 to 65. On motion of Mr. Griffin, of Wisconsin, an amendment was adopted to appropriate $10,000 for an Indian school building at Tomah, Wis.... The conference report on the urgent deficiency bill was submitted and agreed to.... Several minor provisions in the Indian bill were ruled out on points of order. In all, ten pages of the bill were disposed of today. At 5:32 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the senate today Mr. Hale, of Maine, presented the report of the conferees on the urgent deficiency appropriation bill and the report was agreed to.... Upon motion of Mr. Vest the senate took up the Teller resolution. The debate was opened by Mr. Teller, the author of the resolution, who was followed by others, and after an extended discussion of the silver question the senate went into executive session and ten minutes later adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

In the house today a bill was passed making Santa Fe, N. M., the permanent capital of the territory.... The Lewis resolution calling upon the president for the authority under the constitution under which he negotiated a treaty that will bind the treasury to pay $4,000,000 to Hawaiian bondholders was tabled by a vote of 143 to 101.... The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill.... Mr. Hartman, silver republican from Montana, got the floor on a pro forma amendment, and made a fiery attack upon the republican party, relating to bimetallism.... Without further amendment the committee rose and the Indian bill was passed. The house then immediately went back into committee and took up the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The general debate drifted quickly into the question as to whether prosperity had come with the Dingley law.... At 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

After transacting some minor business the Teller resolution was laid before the senate, and after considerable discussion, it was agreed that the vote should be taken at 6 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, the last four hours of debate to be under the fifteen minutes rule. After this agreement had been reached Mr. Daniel resumed his speech began last evening. He was followed by Messrs. Lodge and Lindsey, of Kentucky, the latter with a set speech in support of the pending resolution. At the conclusion of a speech by Mr. Cockrell the senate adjourned.

The House—Friday.

This was private bill day in the house under the rules, but Mr. Grout, of Vermont, in charge of the District of Columbia appropriation bill, attempted to supplant the regular order with the consideration of that bill. This immediately caused a renewal of the fight over the bill to pay the book publishing company of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, $288,000 for damages sustained by it during the war, which had already consumed the entire time of two private bill days. The friends of the latter measure, under the leadership of Mr. Cooper, of Texas, rallied in opposition to the motion and defeated it on a rising vote—72 to 129. The roll call developed such an overwhelming majority in favor of the bill (the vote being 75 to 168) that Mr. Dalzell offered to make terms with the friends of the bill for the relief of the Methodist Book Publishing company and it was finally arranged that after debate until 4 o'clock, a vote should be taken directly on the bill. At 4 o'clock the bill was favorably reported to the house and on the demand of Mr. Dalzell, the vote on its passage was taken by yeas and nays. The bill was passed, 188 to 67.... The house then took a recess until 8 o'clock. The night session was devoted to pension legislation. No disposition to contest developed and the entire calendar of twenty-nine bills was cleared before the hour of adjournment, 10:30, arrived.

The Senate.

In accordance with agreement the senate convened at 10 a. m. today. By unanimous consent the routine business was waived, and Mr. Stewart, of Nevada, opened the last day's discussion of the Teller resolution. The entire day was devoted to the discussion, during which time many amendments to modify the resolution were made and put to a vote, all of which went down under the formidable silver majority in the senate. When the final vote was taken the vice president announced that "the yeas are 47 and the nays 32, and the resolution is agreed to." The Teller resolution is a practical reaffirmation of that of Stanley Matthews in 1878, and is as follows: "That all the bonds of the United States issued, or authorized to be issued, under the said acts of congress hereinbefore recited, are payable, principle and interest, at the option of the government of the United States in silver dollars or the coin of the United States, containing 412½ grains each of standard silver; and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principle and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor."

The vote in detail:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bacon, Bate, Berry, Butler, Cannon, Carter, Chandler, Chilton, Clark, Clay, Cockrell, Daniel, Gray, Harris, Heitfeld, Jones (Ark.), Kenny, Kyle, Lindsay, McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Mantle, Martin, Mills, Mitchell, Money, Morgan, Murphy, Pasco, Pettigrew, Pettus, Pritchard, Rawlings, Roach, Shoup, Smith, Stewart, Teller, Tillman, Turpie, Turner, Vest, Warren, White and Wolcott—47.

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Allison, Baker, Burrows, Caffery, Chilton, Davis, Fairbanks, Foraker, Gallinger, Gear, Hale, Hanna, Hansbrough, Hawley, Hoar, Lodge, McBride, McMillan, Mason, Morrill, Nelson, Perkins, Platt (Conn.), Platt (N. Y.), Quay, Sewall, Thurston, Wellington, Wetmore and Wilson—32.

Turley with Deboe, Faulkner with Elkins, Gorman with Frye, Jones (Nev) with Proctor, Walthall with Spooner.

The first named would in each case have voted with the sustaining the resolution and against the resolution and for the amendments.

There was no demonstration on the announcement, and at 7 p. m., on motion of Mr. Allison, the senate adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

At the opening of the session of the house today a bill to permit the building of a dam across the Mississippi river at Coon Rapids, at the northern limits of the city of Minneapolis, was passed. Immediately afterward the clerk of the senate appeared and transmitted the Teller resolution, which passed the senate last night. The announcement was greeted by a terrific outburst of applause from the democratic side of the house. No motion was made at the time and the resolution remained on the table.... The fortification appropriation bill was reported, and then on motion of Mr. Grout the house went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The general debate was not confined to the general subjects dealt with by the bill. It covered a wide range. The Teller resolution, the Cuban question, Hawaiian annexation, the tariff and other political topics were discussed. After completing seventeen pages of the bill the house at 5 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Monday.

The Teller resolution from the senate, declaring the bonds of the United States payable in either gold or silver at the option of the government, was taken up in the house today. There was a great deal of activity among the leaders of both sides before the house met in anticipation of a very exciting debate over the resolution, which those in control had decided to defeat before sundown. The members on both sides had been notified in advance and the attendance on the floor was very large. The struggle opened immediately after the journal, when Mr. Dingley of Maine, chairman of the ways and means committee, reported back the resolution with the recommendation that "it do not pass." The debate consumed the entire day, when at 5 o'clock the vote was taken, resulting in its defeat by a vote of 182 to 132. Party ranks were held intact on the vote and only three breaks occurred. Republicans cheered long and loud over their victory, and then at 5:35 the house adjourned.

The Senate.

John C. McLaurin was sworn in as senator from South Carolina to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Earle.... The bill introduced by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, providing that all pensioners now receiving less than $10 per month receive that amount after the bill's passage was reported adversely.... The agricultural appropriation bill was placed on the calendar.... Mr. Morgan presented a resolution requesting the president, if consistent with public service, to send to the senate the correspondence relating to the negotiations and exchange of ratifications upon a treaty between the United States and Great Britain relating to compensation for the seizure of British ships in Bering sea.... Mr. Foraker called up the bill providing for the purchase of the Kansas Pacific branch of the Union Pacific railroad. The bill went over.... The army appropriation bill was passed, carrying $23,143,492.... The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, with slight amendments, was passed. The bill carried $21,505,245.... The senate then went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

THEY ARE DETERMINED.

Although Feeling Privation Deeply the Strikers Will Keep Up the Fight.

All is quiet in the New England strike cities. Although the operators are beginning to feel privation sharply there seems to be no wavering in their determination to keep up the fight. At New Bedford a larger number applied for aid at the offices of the overseers of the poor than at any time since the strike began. There several cold weather caused great suffering.

In view of various rumors about a compromise petition which was circulated at Biddeford, the strikers have again decided by a formal vote not to return to work except under the old schedule of wages.

How Aranguren Died.

The Herald's Havana correspondent gives these details of the killing of General Nestor Aranguren, the Cuban insurgent leader: Aranguren, with a small band, was surprised in a well concealed hut in Tapaste hills by Reina battalion under command of Colonel Benedicto. The insurgent general was seated at a table writing when the Spanish troops surrounded the house. At the first volley several of the rebel band fled, but Aranguren with four others was shot.

Five Months More.

General Arlons, at Havana, has said that Spain cannot carry on war in Cuba beyond July, and if by that time Cuba is not pacified Spain will be obliged to abandon it for lack of funds. He also expresses the belief that Senor Sagasta, the Premier, and the Minister of Colonies intend to abandon the island by July next.

Forty Below Zero.

Belated reports from remote places in northern New England show that the temperature was the lowest known in many years. In Lancaster, N. H., the mercury broke all records of the past twenty-five years. Forty below zero was reported from a number of places in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont.

Lumberman Killed in Collision.

At Estell, Miss., an extra and a regular freight train on the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroad collided. As a result Jack W. Aldrich, a lumberman, was killed and Fireman Williams was seriously injured.

Almost Wiped Out of Existence.

The first fire that Ashburn, Ga., has ever had that amounted to anything occurred Monday. The fire started in the roof of Jeffrey & Robbins' store and in less than one hour and a half everything from J. S. Betts & Co's. brick store to the corner of North street was burned. Eleven stores, one warehouse and two dwellings were burned. The loss is estimated at $50,000.

Russians for the Far East.

The Odessa correspondent of The Times says a volunteer fleet will convey in the quickest time practicable over 10,000 Russians to the far east. The first cruiser, with 2,000 men, will leave within a few days.

Snow comes down in the winter and we goes up in the summer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COM... FOR FEBRUARY 6.

Lesson Text: "Our Father's Care," vi., 24-34—Lesson Text: I Peter... Commentary on the Lesson... by the Rev. Dr. D. M...

24. "No man can serve two masters: either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon." There are but two masters, Christ and satan, God the Father and His Spirit, who in Christ have manifested their love for us and seek our eternal welfare, with all we need here, and sure to us, and the devil, who controls the world and the flesh and seeks our eternal ruin, giving us as a bait some of the things of earth for a season. The children of the King, on having received the Lord Jesus Christ as being made to Him a wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption, are begotten of God, heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ, being made to Him a new creation, and are looking for the city, and like Abraham, have respect unto the recompense of the reward and be laying up treasures not on the earth, affection set on things above, not on things on the earth, and are not seeking to please Him who hath called us.

25. Therefore I say unto you, take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? This is a wonderful saying unto you, is it not? In fact, too. He had got the Old Testament equivalent of "Thus saith the Lord" and should carry with it all confidence, for there is in it all power. I think I hear you saying the generations of all the fellows, and was counting on it will find it fourteen times in this one magnificent success Boston merit!

26. "Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap nor gather into barns, yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?" (Luke xii. 6). But you say life will not withhold food from the life, and He who made the body will surely supply raiment to clothe it. Do you who worry about these things realize that they have a Father in heaven who spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all. Now shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? (Rom. viii. 32.)

27. "Which of you, by taking thought, can add one cubit unto his stature?" What shall we eat, or what shall we drink, or wherewithal shall we be clothed?" Not in your heart nor give utterance to such thoughts. Fret not is a command, given three times in Ps. xxxvii., 1, 7, 8, also one of "Trust in the Lord and do good; so thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed." In Phil. iv., 6, it is written: careful (or anxious) for nothing." Weston says: "Anxiety for the things of this life is unnecessary and profitless, for our royal fiddler, the duke of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, is reported to have paid $5,000 knows, and God loves." He will provide for a Stradivarius violin. for His name is Jehovahjireh (Genesis 14, margin).

32. "For after all these things do the gentiles seek), for your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things." Leaves all worry and cares to them who have no father in heaven, but as children seemed worried and anxious that we might not feed and clothe them, still more so if they should go to others for these things, for which they should look to us alone.

33. "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." If I have been troubled with sciatic rheumatism and have been taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. I implored every day and now understand this, it means that having been made as well as I ever was in my life. I feel an heir of God through faith in Christ, we are to make it our one great business to years younger than I did before taking hasten His kingdom and the time when He shall reign in righteousness by letting Hood's Sarsaparilla. Wm. O'Brien, 2515 us use as He may please for any matter of Avenue, West Troy, New York. service in the matter of making Him known to all the world. When individual believers and churches and Sunday-schools do this for their own benefit, but to obey the commission of Math. xxviii., 19, 20; Mark xvi., 15; Luke xxiv., 47, then we shall have His exceeding abundance of blessing in every necessary way.

Make thou His service thy delight,
He'll make thy wants His care.

34. "Take therefore no thought for the morrow, for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." The thought in last lesson on living by the day are appropriate here also. "We are not to worry about to-morrow we will do thus and so, but as the Lord will we shall live and do this or that" (Jas. iv., 13-15). Neither are we to borrow trouble about to-morrow's cares, but just to-day live with Him "in quietness and in confidence" (Isa. xxx., 15). "Doing as occasion serves you for God is with thee" (I Sam. x., 7).

Strength for to-day is all we need, for
never shall be a to-morrow.
To-morrow shall prove but another to-day,
with its measure of joy or sorrow.
—Lesson Helper.

Receiver Asked For.

In the chancery court at Huntsville Austill filed a bill praying for a receiver for the Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City railroad, alleging that the road is insolvent and not able to pay its debts. He claims that he is a stockholder to the amount of $5,000, and that the road is otherwise indebted to him for services rendered as president in the sum of $25,000.

Demands Weyler's Imprisonment.

The public prosecutor of Spain demands a sentence upon Lieutenant General Weyler of two months' imprisonment.

Great Gathering of Game.

J. Tracy, of Stacyville, Maine, had an interesting and rather exciting experience a short time ago while in the woods on an exploring trip. He was in his camp by the side of a small pond about fifteen acres in extent, which abounds in trout, and is a favorite place for big game. He was sitting near this pond when he saw at one time fourteen deer, three moose, four black ducks, all within rifle shot.

Clothes.

Clothes do not make the woman, but they sometimes break the husband.

"Coasting" on the Ice.

"Coasting" on the Ice.

A friend of the listener is seen a night down in Maine. At a place which needn't be named there lives a small boy named Jonathan fellow, who is a third or fourth in of the poet, and he is a great too. One day this friend of the other was dozing past Jonathan's and saw the boy engaged at a distance in sliding down hill on a very crust on something that was sled. What could it be? Evident the scrutiny of the passer-by was observed by the boy, for he stopped his sliding and called out aloud: "I'm coasting on the Bible! And it's the fact, too. He had got the Old Testament equivalent of "Thus saith the Lord" and should carry with it all confidence, for there is in it all power. I think I hear you saying the generations of all the fellows, and was counting on it will find it fourteen times in this one magnificent success Boston merit!

That Way All Around.

That Miss Beverly, to whom I just now is a regular Klondike.
That so? Rich?
Yes, also cold and distant.

That Everlasting Irritating Itch.

Of course Tetter, Eczema and other spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all. Now shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? (Rom. viii. 32.)

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...package of the coffee and be pleased and like one of these." His glory was ... catalogue is sent you by John A. ... on, but the lily's glory is part of ... Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon re... Our Lord Himself is the true Lily of ... of 15 cents stamps and this notice. valley. His glory was in Him and ...

...out through Him in all His words ... permanently cured. Nervous... doubts, we may put on that which to ... after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great may seem very beautiful, but the ... Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free. love that upon the heart, and the three ... DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa. this whole sermon is reality, the real ... Cure cured me of a Throat and Lung the heart that is right with God. ... of three years' standing. E. CADY, ... Burton, Ind., Nov. 12, 1896.

30. "Wherefore if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall He ... Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children much more clothe you, O ye of little ... teething, softens the gums, reduces inflamma... If He clothe the perishable flowers ... allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle. much more will He clothe man, who ... has redeemed by His precious blood ... The greatest blood medicine in the world are has, by a sacrifice indescribably great, ... Bavarians. The best drink in Bavaria provided redemption clothing for every ... is about fifty cents per head of poor lost sinner, just as when the Lord ... population. The Bavarians come next to made unto Adam and to his wife coats ... the Germans.
skins and clothed them (Gen. iii., 21), ...
much more will He provide the temporal ... Use "C C C" Certain Chill Cure.
clothing needed by these bodies? ... In the world. CERTAIN CURE CO., ... Evansville, Ind.

31. "Therefore take no thought, saying, ... A Kansas City woman, arrested for swindling What shall we eat, or what shall we drink, ... people as a fortune teller, confessed the ... or wherewithal shall we be clothed?" Fret ... and offered to use her excuse for her business not in your heart nor give utterance to such ... that "few respectable women could earn thoughts. Fret not is a command, given ... a decent living unless they became swindlers three times in Ps. xxxvii., 1, 7, 8, also one ... of "Trust in the Lord and do good; so ... thou dwell in the land, and verily ... To Cure a Cold in One Day. shalt be fed." In Phil. iv., 6, it is written: ... Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All careful (or anxious) for nothing." Weston says: "Anxiety for the things ... druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. this life is unnecessary and profitless, for our royal fiddler, the duke of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, is reported to have paid $5,000 knows, and God loves." He will provide for a Stradivarius violin.

...w Star Tobacco. The Best.
...oke Sledge Cigarettes.

...crusade against the spitting nuisance ...now been taken up by the health associ...

...Diatic Rheumatism

...I have been troubled with sciatic rheu... ...ism and have been taking Hood's Sar... ...saparilla. I improved every day and now ...derstand this, it means that having been ... as well as I ever was in my life. I feel an heir of God through faith in Christ, we ... years younger than I did before taking are to make it our one great business to ... Hood's Sarsaparilla. Wm. O'Brien, 2515 hasten His kingdom and the time when He ... Avenue, West Troy, New York shall reign in righteousness by letting ...

...lood's Sarsaparilla

...s Pills cure all liver ills. 25 cents.

...AT "BOB TAYLOR," ... GOV. OF TENN., SAYS

...City Drug Mfg. Co., Knoxville, Tenn. ...emen:—In reply to your letter of re... ...date, will say that two years ago, ...I did receive great benefit from "Dr. ...'s Cough Cure." Having used the most ap... ...last season on living by the day are ... ...consider it the best remedy for coughs ... ...morrow we will do thus and so, but ... ...Lord will we shall live and do this or that ... ...(Jas. iv., 13-15). Neither are we to ... ...to-morrow's cares, but just to-day live with ... ...Him "in quietness and in confidence" ... ...(Isa. xxx., 15). "Doing as occasion serves ... ...for God is with thee" (I Sam. x., 7). ... ...Strength for to-day is all we need, for ... ...never shall be a to-morrow. ... ...To-morrow shall prove but another to-day, ...with its measure of joy or sorrow. ... ...—Lesson Helper.

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...While the weather is such that you cannot ride, send your ... wheel to a bicycle repairer ... to be overhauled, etc., ... when you want it and it ... will be delivered to you on ... time.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMM
FOR FEBRUARY 6.

Lesson Text: "Our Father's Case," vii., 24-34—Lesson Text: I Peter, Commentary on the Lesson W by the Rev. Dr. D. M. S

21. No man can serve two master or else he will hate the one and lov the other. Ye cannot serv God Mammon." There are but two ...and satan. God the Fathe and His Spirit, who in Christ have ...love for us and seek our ...warfare with all we need here ...and the devil, who contr... the flesh and seeks our ... as a bait some of the ... for a season. The child ... having received the Lord ... being made to Him a chil... expected, like Abraha... for the city, and, like Mo... into the recompense ... laying up treasure in h... the earth, affection set on t... things on the earth (Co... seeking to please Him who ...

...fore I say unto you, Ta... scrutiny of the passersby was ob... your life, what ye shall e... by the boy, for he stopped his ...drink, nor yet for you... and called out amiably, "I'm ...position." Is not the life ... downhill on the Bible." And it ...and the body than rain... the fact, too. He had got the ...about these things, from... leather-bound family Bible, ...Are you not much ... ning the generations of all the ...Are not five sparrows so... fellows, and was coasting on it ...and not one of them ... magnificent success. Boston ...(Luke xii. 6.) Ha... script. ...will not withhold food fo... That Way All Around. ...He who made the body will ... That Miss Beverly, to whom I ...raiment to clothe it. Do p... had just now is a regular Klondike. ...about these things, from... That so? Rich? ...have a Father in heaven ... Yes, also cold and distant. ...Son, but delivered ... shall He not ... freely give us all things? ...

...Which of you, by taking tho... What Excoriating Irritating Itch. ...unto his stature?" describes Tetter, Eczema and other ...cure; it also relieves in one minute the ...Cents pays for a box of Bo... Sores. Ointment pays for a box of Bo... Sent direct on receipt of price in stamps or postpaid for 50 cents ...Savannah, Ga. ...

...clothes do not make the woman, ...sometimes break the husband. ...

...$100 Reward. $100. ...

"Coasting" on the Bible. ...readers of this paper will be pleased to ...that there is at least one dreaded dis... ...friend of the Listener has seen a ...science has been able to cure in all ...sight down in Maine. At a place ...stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh ...which needn't be named, there ...Cure is the only positive cure known to the ...a small boy named Jonathan ...medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitu... ...Yellow, who is a third or fourth ...disease, requires a constitutional treat... ...of the poet; and he is a great ...Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, ...too. One day this friend of the ...acting directly on the blood and mucous sur... ...her was driving past Jonathan's ...of the system, thereby destroying the ...and saw the boy engaged at a ...foundation of the disease, and giving the pa... ...distance in sliding downhill, on a ...strength by building up the constitution ...crust on something that was ...and assisting nature in doing its work. The ...sled. What could it be? Evident... ...proprietors have so much faith in its curative ...scrutiny of the passersby was ob... ...powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars ...d by the boy, for he stopped his ...for any case that it fails to cure. Send for ...ing and called out amiably, "I'm ...list of testimonials. Address ...downhill on the Bible." And it ...F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. ...the fact, too. He had got the ...Sold by druggists, 75c. ...magnificent success. Boston ...Hall's Family Pills are the best. ...script. ...

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...For after all these things ... ...seeks, for your Heavenly F... ...knows that you have need of all ... ...heart leave all worry and care to ... ...is a father in heaven, but ... ...that is God. It would grieve us ... ...children cried or worried and anxio... ...we might not feed and clothe thos... ...more sure of this we should go to othe... ...things, for which they should be ...

...that seek ye first the kingd... ...and His righteousness, and all ... ...things shall be added unto you." If ... ...understand that having b... ...of God through faith in Ch... ...as to make it our one great busine... ...before His kingdom and the time wh... ...reign in righteousness, by letting ... ...in the matter of asking Him fo... ...whatever may please for any man ... ...Then, when in trivial be... ...perfected and Sunday schools ha... ...their own benefit, but to glory the ... ...Father (Matt. xxviii., 19, 20; ... xvi., 15; Luke xxiv., 47), then we shal... ...overflowing with tons of blessin... every necessary way. ...

Make thou His service the delig... ...How'll make thy wants His care. ...

...Take therefore no thought f... ...morrow: for to-morrow shall take th... ...sufficient unto the day is the evil ...thereof. The thoug... ...just as on living by the day are ... ...We are not to s... ...I will ye shall live, I do this o... ...I will, be clean. Neither are we to b... ...to-morrow's wages, but just to-day it's ... ...Him "Delighting as occasion serv... ...xxx. 13). "Doing as occasion serv... ...strength for to-day is all we need, for ... ...never shall be to-morrow. ...To-morrow's task is but another t... ...with its measure of joy or sorro... — Lesson Ho...

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GREAT GATHERING OF GAME.

J. Tracy, of Stacyville, Maine, ...n interesting and rather exciting ...dience a short time ago while in ...woods on an exploring trip. He ... his camp by the side of a small ... about fifteen acres in extent, ...h abounds in trout, and is a gath... ...place for big game. He was ...ing near this pond when he saw ...e time fourteen deer, three moose, ...four black ducks, all within rifle ...

EMINENT DIVINES' SERMON.

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

The Eleventh of the New York Herald's Competitive Sermons is on "The Sin of Despising Others"—Dr. Talmage Preaches on "Traps For the Unwary."

"He that despiseth his neighbor sinneth." Prov. xiv., 21.

There is a great deal of sin in the world which the ordinary conscience neither recognizes nor condemns. With most of us the standard of right and wrong is purely conventional. If we do not break the letter of the Ten Commandments; if we keep clear of acts which public opinion forbids; if we maintain a character upon which society sets no brand, then we feel at peace within ourselves and make sure that we are God's elect.

We do not see what subtle and far-reaching things good and evil are—how they interweave themselves into all our acts, our words and motives, and secret thoughts even; and how they depend not upon the fashion of the hour or the place, but upon eternal and unchangeable principles. An enlightened and sensitive conscience would see sin in a thousand things which pass with the majority as indifferent, if not actually praiseworthy. It is not in nice points of religious observance that places our moral character above suspicion half so much as in those weightier matters of justice and mercy and truth which are involved in all the business and intercourse of daily life. Thousands who would tremble to participate in any of the so-called amusements of society, and who are as strict and ostentatious as the Pharisees in regard to prayer and other duties are yet living in such an atmosphere of uncharitableness and wrong that they are actually further from the kingdom of heaven than the very publicans and harlots. In a terse, direct and emphatic way a form of guilt is pointed out by Solomon which we seldom think of, yet which we are all very prone to fall into, and which is one of the peculiarly besetting sins of that large class of men who are disposed to be religious without being godly. The chief characteristic of these people is to trust in themselves that they are righteous, and to treat others in a way which unmistakably declares, "Stand aloof, for we are holier than you," and they are so far from thinking such spiritual haughtiness sinful that they regard it as an actual proof of their divine sonship. Such conduct never fails to insure moral resentment and to elicit the rebuke, "He that despiseth his neighbor sinneth."

The parable of the Good Samaritan supplies a most beautiful explanation of the word "neighbor." It teaches that every man with whom we come in contact or relation is to be regarded and treated as our "neighbor." The fact that I know of a man's existence, and that I can in any way touch and influence him, is enough to bring me under responsibility in regard to him. The broad Atlantic may roll between us; whole continents and burning deserts and deadly swamps may separate us; but if there is any channel of communication between us any electric current, so to speak, by which sympathy may be created and love may act that man is as truly my neighbor as if we met in the same market or lived in the same street.

Notice what it is to despise our neighbor. To entertain mean and contemptuous thoughts of our neighbor is obviously to despise him. We should always remember that there is vastly more in common than there is of difference between the highest and most cultivated and the lowest and most ignorant. Frequently, however, we forget this, and from mere diversity of outward circumstances we look upon each other with feelings of haughty superiority and contempt. As a consequence the rich and the great sometimes undervalue and insult the poor and the lowly; and the poor and the lowly in return hate the rich and the great, and ascribe all their importance solely to their wealth and rank. Surely, in both cases, this is despising their neighbor forgetting their common humanity, their common dignity and their common origin.

To treat your neighbor with indifference, as if there were no ties binding you together, and no sympathy due from one to the other, is to despise him. The affinities of human nature are such that it is treason to place ourselves in proud isolation from the race to which we naturally belong, and grace upon the sufferings and helplessness of our kind with stoical indifference. Such conduct is not only reprehensible, it is actually sinful. It is sinful because it is a great wrong done to humanity. It rouses within man bitter, bad, resentful feelings, which sets class against class. Its tendency is to destroy self respect, and let a man once lose that and there is no telling what he may become.

Again, to despise one's neighbor is an offense against social unity. The social organism can only be held together by a true and proper recognition of the usefulness and necessity of each individual to the whole. Society is one only. Its members are manifold, but they are all knit together in the closest bonds.

There is no such thing as real independence. And hence for any man to despise his neighbor is just as wrong and foolish as it would be for the head to say to the feet, I have no need of you; for his influence, as far as it goes, operates to the disorganization of society, to the breaking up of that unity and sympathy upon which the general happiness and well being depend. Despising your neighbor is to sin against your own soul. By such conduct the good steps ever operating for the formation of your own character and the shaping of your own destiny are undervalued. We should act on each other. Every offense is felt by the whole. God, Humanity, is His child, the just and the sinful as well as the poor. If you despise his child, He says, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto Me."

W. H. Knaebow,
Pastor First Congregational Church, Park Ridge, N. J.

TRAPS FOR THE UNWARY.

Various Pitfalls Exposed by the Rev. Dr. Talmage.

"I" said he, "did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that was in my hand, and, lo, I must die." I Samuel xiv., 43.

The honey bee is a most ingenious architect. Who first taught the Greeks and Romans, and Germans, and Americans, and Britons, and Italians, and Spaniards, and Frenchmen how to build their hives? Who among insects, geometry drawing hexagons and pentagons, a freemason rearing the fields of poppies and aroma, wild-rose creature of God whose biography, written by Huber and Swammerdam, is an entertainment for any lover of nature.

Do you know that the swarming of the bees is divinely directed? The mother bee starts for a new home, and the noise of this flight rouses all the hives, and they must all swarm at that moment when it is the heat of the day, some say at noon, and they must die unless they leave their filled apartments, and they follow the mother bee and alight on the branches of a tree, and cling to each other and hold on until a committee of two or three scouts are sent to explore the region and found the pool, or a tree or rock not far off from a stream of water, and they hereset up a new colony, and ply their aromatic industries, and give themselves to the manufacture of the sacchariferous fluid. Bee who can tell the chemistry of that mixture of sweetness, part of it the very life of the bee, and part of it the life of the fields!

Plenty of this luscious product was hanging in the woods of Bethaven during the time of Saul and Jonathan. Their army was in pursuit of an enemy that by God's command must be exterminated. The soldiery were positively forbidden to stop to eat until the work was done. If they disobeyed they were accursed. Coming through the woods they found a place where the bees had been busy—a great honey manufactory. Honey gathered in the hollow of the trees until it had overflowed upon the ground in great profusion of sweetness. All the army obeyed orders and touched it not save Jonathan, and he not knowing the military order about abstinence dipped the end of a stick he had in his hand into the candied liquid, and as yellow and tempting it glowed on the end of the stick he put it to his mouth and ate the honey. Judgment fell upon him, and but for special intervention he would have been slain. In my text Jonathan announces his awful mistake: "I did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that was in my hand, and lo, I must die." Alas, what multitudes of people in all ages have been damaged by forbidden honey, by which I mean temptation, delicious and attractive, but damaging and destructive.

Corrupt literature, fascinating but dreadful, comes in this category. Where one good, honest, healthful book is read now, there is a hundred made up of rhetorical trash consumed with avidity.

Corrupt literature is doing more to-day for the disruption of domestic life than any other cause. Elopements, marital intrigues, sly correspondence, fictitious names given at postoffice windows, clandestine meetings in parks, and at ferry gates, and in hotel parlors, and conjugal perjuries are among the ruinous results. When a woman, young or old, gets her head thoroughly stuffed with the modern novel she is in appalling peril. There is a wealth of good books coming forth from our publishing houses that leave no excuse for the choice of that which is debauching to body, mind and soul. Go to some intelligent man or woman and ask for a list of books that will be strengthening to your mental and moral condition. Life is so short and your time for improvement so abbreviated that you cannot afford to fill up with husks and cinders and debris.

Stimulating liquids also come into the category of temptation delicious but deathful. You say, "I cannot bear the taste of intoxicating liquor, and how any man can like it is to me an amazement." Well, then, it is no credit to you that you do not take it. Do not brag about your total abstinence, because it is not from any principle that you reject alcoholism, but for the reason that you reject certain styles of food—you simply don't like the taste of them. But multitudes of people have a natural fondness for all kinds of intoxicants. They like it so much that it makes them smack their lips to look at it. They are dyspeptic and they like to aid digestion; or they are annoyed by insomnia, and they take it to produce sleep; or they are troubled, and they take it to make them oblivious; or they feel happy, and they must celebrate their hilarity. They begin with mint julep sucked through two straws in the Long Branch piazza and end in the ditch, taking from a jug a liquid half kerosene and half whisky.

One would suppose that men would take warning from some of the ominous names given to intoxicants, and stand off from the devastating influence. You have noticed, for instance, that some of the restaurants are called "The Shades," typical of the fact that it puts a man's reputation in the shade, and his morals in the shade, and his prosperity in the shade, and his wife and children in the shade, and his immortal destiny in the shade. Now, I find on some of the liquor signs in all our cities the words "Old Crow," mightily suggestive of the carcass and the filthy raven that swoops upon it. Men and women without number slain of rum, but buried, and this evil is pecking at their glazed eyes, and pecking at their bloated cheek, and pecking at their destroyed manhood and womanhood, thrusting beak and claw into the mortal remains of what once was gloriously alive, but now morally dead. "Old Crow!" But alas! how many take no warning. Remember Jonathan and the forbidden honey in the woods at Bethaven.

Furthermore, the gamester's indulgence must be put in the list of temptations delicious but destructive. You who have crossed the ocean many times have noticed that always one of the best rooms has, from morning until late at night, been given up to gambling practices. I meet of men who went on board with enough for an European excursion who landed without money to get their baggage up to the hotel or railroad station.

State Legislatures have again and again sanctioned the mighty evil by passing laws in defense of race tracks, and many young men have lost all their wages at such so-called "meetings." Every man who voted for such infamous bills has on his hands and forehead the blood of these souls.

Stock-gambling comes into the same catalogue. It must be very exhilarating to go into the stock market and, depositing a small sum of money, run the chance of taking out a fortune. Many men are doing an honest and safe business in the stock market, and you are an ignoramus if you do not know that it is just as legitimate to deal in stocks as it is to deal in coffee, or sugar, or flour. But nearly all the outsiders who go there on a financial excursion lose all. The old spiders eat up the unsuspecting flies. I had a friend who put his hand on his hip-pocket and said in substance: "I have there the value of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars." His home is to-day penniless. What was the matter? Stock-gambling. Gambling is gambling, whether is stocks or breadstuffs, or dice, or race horse betting. Exhilaration at the start, but a raving brain, and a shattered nervous system, and a sacrificed property, and a destroyed soul at the last. Young men, buy no lottery tickets, purchase no prize packages, bet on no baseball games or yacht racing, have faith in live, square business, no mysterious circulars, proposing great income for small investments, drive away the buzzards that hover around our hotels trying to entrap strangers. Go out and make an honest living. Have God on your side, and be a candidate for heaven. Remember all the paths of sin are thronged with thieves at the start, and therefore plenty of helpful hands to fetch the gay charger to your door and hold the stirrup while you mount. But further on the horse plunges to the bit in a slough of despair.

The best honey is not like that which Jonathan took on the end of the rod and brought to his lips, but that which God puts on the banqueting table of mercy, at which we are all invited to sit. When a man may sit at the King's banquet, why will he go down the steps and contend for the refuse and bones of a hound's kennel? "Sweeter than honey and the honeycomb," says David, is the truth of God. "With honey out of the rock would I have satisfied thee," says God to the repentant. Here is honey gathered from the blossoms of trees of life, and with a rod made out of the wood of the Cross I dip it up for all your sons.

LITTLE BOY SAVES THREE.

Hero of Ten Years Pulls Playmates Out of the Water.

Through the heroism of Jimmie Quick, a lad of ten years, the lives of three little boys ranging from five to nine years old, were saved from drowning in Underhill Pond, in Hudson, N. Y.

The ice gave way while the lads were riding on hand sleds, and they all fell in the water.

Young Quick, who had been skating nearby, heard their cries for help and hurried to the spot. He threw himself upon his breast, and crawling to the edge of the hole, with a "shinny stick," succeeded in pulling the three lads, one after the other, out of the water to a place of safety.

Chester Thornton, age five, had gone down twice, and it was with the greatest exertion and at the risk of his own life that Quick finally pulled him out. An application will be made to the Volunteer Life Saving Corps at Washington to present to young Quick a medal for his brave deed.

A Huge Commercial Fleet.

The Hamburg steamship line owns sixty-two steamers at present

SIGNALS FOR COACHMAN.

How His Movements May Be Controlled by a Push Button Device.

The luxurious French having tasted of the comfort and desirability of electric lamps in their railroad coaches and automobile carriages have now adopted it for use on ordinary horse-drawn cabs. While the storage batteries necessary for this are quite an additional load for the cabs, yet anything to surpass one's neighbor is fashion's dictum the world over. Added to this innova-

DIRECTING THE COACHMAN.

tion is a method of signaling the driver instead of having to twist one's neck into a most uncomfortable position to speak to cabby through the little trap-door. The proposed Parisian improvement provides a small box in front of the driver, on which, by pressing various buttons inside the cab, the following words appear in a red light: "Left," "right," "walk," "faster," "stop," "turn," "home" and "slower."

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Boston Man Cleverly Treats This Fascinating Subject.

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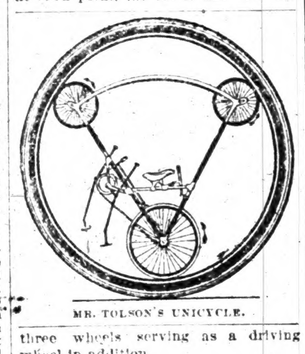

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three wheels serving as a driving wheel in addition.

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"It is impossible to describe the feeling John and I had as we noticed our daughter slowly passing away from us. We finally found, however, a medicine that seemed to

Most of the Time She Was Confined to Bed.

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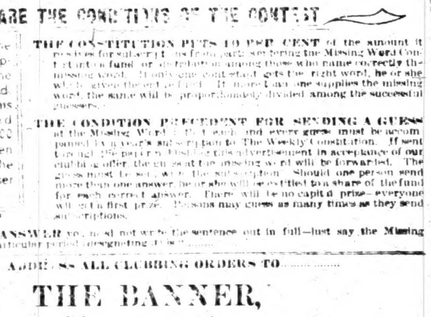

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WATCHING EMPLOYEES.

How Financial Institutions and Others Keep Track of Their Men.

It has become the custom elsewhere, and it is generally true in this city, that the employees in financial institutions are required to give bond, the amounts varying with the degree of responsibility of the duties which they perform. In addition to this, however, a supervision, varying in method, is maintained over each employee.

It is believed that the cultivation of expensive habits, the contraction of debts which indicate that employees are living beyond their salaries, and the association with undesirable characters all may be looked upon as furnishing ground for suspicion that, if the employee has not actually committed a breach of trust, he is in a fair way to meet a temptation which may prove too much for him.

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MULLINS—JOHNSON.

Marriages are made in heaven, and it sometimes happens on this sublunary sphere that a wedding occurs which affords unqualified satisfaction not only to the contracting parties, but also to all their friends and well-wishers. Of such a nature was the union of hands and hearts last Thursday night when Mr. Tipton Mullins and Miss Roberta A. Johnson became man and wife, Rev. B. D. Gray, of Birmingham, coming down especially to perform the ceremony. Everyone in Chilton knows Mr. Mullins, and his diligent application and close attention to his profession is rapidly leading him to the front ranks of the bar. While his bonny bride's devotion to her father have endeared her to all acquainted with her. Such filial devotion assures a good wife, and THE BANNER heartily wishes the happy couple many years of unalloyed happiness.

STANFIELD—THOMPSON.

On Tuesday last Mr. John W. Stanfield and Miss Maggie Thompson were happily married at the home of bride's sister at Sylacauga. Mr. Stanfield's handsome face and genial disposition have made him one of our most popular young business men, and all his friends are congratulating him upon bringing such a charming bride to adorn Clanton society. That this is one of those unions made above is an evident fact, and in welcoming the fascinating bride to her new home we only voice the sentiments of all our citizens in wishing both bride and groom a long life together replete with happiness and prosperity.

ROBINSON—KILLGORE.

This evening in the court house Probate Judge Honeycutt had the pleasure of joining together in holy matrimony Mr. J. B. Robinson and Miss L. B. Killgore, daughter of our esteemed friend Mr. Moses Killgore. Immediateiy after the ceremony the happy couple left to pass the honeymoon at Elmore. In extending congratulations we wish them all possible happiness and long life together.

A CLOUD OF WITNESSES.

Catarrh Can Be Permanently Cured.

C. W. Knaner, of Sheldon, Ia., was troubled with catarrh for over two years so that he could only work a few days at a time; tried various doctors without relief. Pe-ru-na cured him permanently. Mrs. Thomas Walz, New Brighton, Pa., suffered with aggravated sore throat which the doctor could not cure. Three bottles of Pe-ru-na cured her. Bernard King, National Military Home, Leavenworth, Kas., neglected a severe cold which developed chronic catarrh. Tried everything he saw advertised, to no avail. Pe-ru-na not only cured the catarrh, but an old case of bronchitis. A. F. Carlson, Lindstrom, Minn., took a course of treatment with Pe-ru-na for catarrh of the head and was cured. He delayed reporting for several months in order to see if cure was permanent; no symptoms reappearing, he has concluded that the cure is permanent. H. Cox was troubled with catarrh of the head and bowels. Six bottles of Pe-ru-na cured him, after fourteen years of enforced idleness.

A 32 page pamphlet containing several hundred testimonials, accompanied by a pen portrait of the writer, covering cures of catarrh in all forms and stages by Pe-ru-na, will be sent free to any who desire it by the Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

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Clanton, Ala., Feb. 7, 1898

Editor BANNER:

I notice many articles from various correspondents discussing the cotton question. Please allow me to offer a few suggestions. Let us not depend upon public sentiment alone in this case, but let each one take into consideration the question of the cost of raising and the price of cotton; and then ask ourselves can we afford to raise it? Farmers often say they are compelled to have money, and raising cotton is the only way they have to get it. This is a very poor excuse. How many of them ever get a cent for their cotton? It is generally turned over to the merchant for supplies and fertilzer that have already been consumed; and the merchant has to take chances to get his money back. Then the farmer begins to complain of hard-times, oppression and Providence if there was a drouth or a little too much rain during the year, when the fault is to a great extent in his management. It seems to me that to make a support for a family is a much better subject for discussion than raising four cent cotton.

I wish to offer a few thoughts for consideration upon the subject. Let every tiller of the soil try to raise every thing he needs at home. Be sure to plant enough land to make more than will be required for his own use, and the remainder cotton. Then if there should be a short crop it would not be felt so much. We need not fear over-production. If we make more than enough for ourselves, there are the cities, towns and public works filled with non-producers who are compelled to have a support. If we cannot sell all we make, we can feed it to our stock and have better stock and plenty of good home-raised meat and richer milk and butter. And don't plant the best land in cotton, but select two small patches of the best land you have, one in dry soil and the other in damp. Watch the seasons and plant in dry soil when it is very wet and when the weather gets very dry and hot plant in damp spots. Plant a small portion about every two weeks. Try it, and you are almost sure to have plenty of nice vegetables all the season, and they are a great help. There is another thing that farmers should begin to practice, and that is raising wheat and building wheat mills. If the people would adopt this plan I believe the merchants would give them a chance to redeem themselves instead of taking their homes, for they surely know that if experienced farmers can't make money farming the can't. I heard a merchant say a few days ago that if the people do not go to planting more corn and making more of that they use at home they would have to quit advancing to them. It is an evident fact that if farmers persist in the course they have pursued for the last fifteen years the country will be bankrupt. The country merchant and farmer will all go under together. D. F. J.

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Robbed The Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow. Eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides. No appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

Program Teachers' Institute.

An Institute for white teachers to be held at Macedonia, February 18 and 19, 1898.

FRIDAY—10 a. m—Devotional exercises.

10:30 a. m—Welcome address, J. R. Nix. Response. Wiley Logan.

11 a. m—Registration of teachers present.

11:30 a. m—English Grammar, R. E. R. Hicks.

AFTERNOON—2 p. m—How to teach Algebra, P. M. McKee.

2:30 p. m—Elocution. Miss John Wilkerson.

3 p. m—Monthly examinations, E. H. Adams, Miss Kate Garner.

3:30 p. m—Reading, Mrs. V. Z. Palmer.

SATURDAY—9 a. m—How to teach Fractions, J. T. Martin, Miss Celestia Dunlap.

9:30 a. m—Latin (why teach it?) E. Y. McMorries.

10:30 a. m—Literature in Common Schools, Miss Lillie Oakley.

11 a. m—Physics, A. B. Harwood.

11:30 a. m—Why am I a teacher? Wm. Askins. What Text Books should we teach. The Institute. J. W. MOORE, Pres.

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The Discovery of The7Day.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and to-day stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at all Drug Stores.

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Dolive, Baldwin Co., Ala. Feb. 1

German H. Crosby, who was convicted at the fall term, 1895, of the circuit court of Chilton county, and since the 13th day of March, 1896, has been at large, entered Dolive on the 25th of January, and voluntarily surrendered himself to Cap't J. C. Holman, Warden of the State convicts of the Hand Lumber Company, and he is now enlisted for the State, at the saw mill of the Hand Lumber Company.

Many of the readers of the Banner will remember the sad occurrence at Strasburg, on the 7th day of February, 1895, when Mr. W. C. Ogletree was fatally shot in trying to subdue a difficulty, in which pistols were usued, between Mr. J Bice and German H. Crosby, and later the arrest and conviction of German. German is a young man, born and raised in Chilton county, where he is well known and has many friends.

The woods of Baldwin abound with deer, turkey and foxes, hardly a day passes but what can be heard the blow of horns and the musical bark of from ten to fifteen hounds chasing deer or fox. Mr. I. D. Hand accompanied by Gov. Johnston, Col Tripp and Dr Blake of the board of convict inspectors, Hon. Ross C. Smith, railroad commissioner, and Dr. Judkins of Speigner, Ala., returned a few days ago from a three days hunt near Dolive. They report a good time, having jumped thirteen deer, killing five, but do not name the lucky ones who did the killing.

The Hand lumber company and the Carney lumber company each have a fine saw mill and planing mill plant, with abundance of long leaf yellow pine timber. They are running steady every day. A good number of Chilton county people are in their employ.

The weekly visit of the BANNER is looked forward to with great pleasure by more than one in Baldwin county, and no doubt quite a number of new subscribers will be added to its list from Baldwin in the near future.

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NOTICE.

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We have now a complete prescription department all of the best and freshest drugs in stock. We make prescriptions a specialty. Thanking you all for your past favors and soliciting a continuation of same; we are yours for square dealing.

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Notice of Administrator's Final Settlement.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County, Probate Court, Special Term, January 21, 1898.

Final settlement in the matter of the Estate of Nancy Sims, deceased.

This day came Drucilla E. Tilton, Administratrix of the estate of Nancy Sims, deceased, and presents to the Court, under oath, her account, vouchers, evidence and statement for final settlement of her administration. It is ordered that the 28th day of February, 1898, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Witness, at office, this 21st day of January, 1898. R. M. HOSKYCUTT, Judge of Probate.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19529.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on March 12, 1898, viz: Thomas A. Davis, Homestead entry No. 23,433, for the sw¼ of section 34, tp 21 s of r 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Walter Kendries, E. L. Manning, B. J. Goss, Tom Parish, all of Burwell, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

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Notice No. 19,440.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 3, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on February 12, 1898, viz: James A. Sims, Homestead entry No. 24,446, for the se¼ of ne¼ ne¼ of se¼, section 24, tp 20, n r 12 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: J. Johnson, L. M. Tidwell, James M. W. M. Roberts, all of Stanton.

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Abyssinia's social code provides for a fair chance to young married couples by forbidding the bride's mother to visit her daughter till a year after the marriage.

It is thought that the influence of the French language, with its unaspirated h, is the primary cause of that letter being so much ignored by English people. French having been spoken so long in England and the people near the coast having come in contact continually with that language, an indelible impression, it is said, is left upon it, increased now by usage.

Germany's Asiatic policy was not unlooked for. The Kaiser has long been of the opinion that Europe must prepare for trouble with the yellow races. That was the theme of the picture he painted two years ago, wherein Germania was shown standing with drawn sword, among her European sisters, waiting the onset of the Orientals. His recent course in Eastern waters merely shows that he means to take time by the forelock and meet his enemies on their own ground, attacking them, if the way opens, before their military strength becomes too great.

According to the Chief of the Pennsylvania State Bureau of Railroads, the bicycle is hurting the business of the railroads. He says: "In cities like Harrisburg and many others it cannot be gainsaid that the bicycle has become a most serious competitor of the railway. To reinforce this view of the case an observation was made on Third street in that city during the month of October, 1897. The observation covered two days, from seven in the morning to six in the evening. During that time 6078 persons passed a given point, 1962 in the cars and 4116 on bicycles; 67 7-10 per cent. on bicycles and 32 3-10 per cent. on the cars, or more than two to one in favor of the wheel."

Says the Philadelphia Record: Justice Patterson of New York, in a speech before the Law Club of that city recently, deplored the fact that the law had become so largely a trade instead of a profession; and on the following day Dr. Edward Everett Hale, in an address before an educational body in the same city on "Morality in the Public Schools," made the declaration: "There is danger of the managers of a great machine taking more pride in the machine and its workings than in the results it turns out. This is the danger in our public schools." These words will, of course, be accepted as the views of pessimists; they come from men qualified to ... as public teachers, and ... ultaneously they gain an emphasis which must command attention ... are accustomed to flatter ... atives with the idea that our development along material lines necessarily involves a corresponding development along intellectual and moral lines. However that may be, the fact can no longer be denied that the commercial instinct is beginning to dominate almost every action of our people.

Anent the agitation in the South for more ... farming as a partial ... alleged over-produc... correspondent of the ... s and Courier directs ... fact that many years ... na had a place in the ... porter of wheat flour ... flour exports began ... ontinued into the ... until cotton sup... is believed that ... is manufacted in ... the State one ... years ago than now, although population and resources have multiplied many fold. A century and a half ago corn was "an important article of export" from the State, and the trade continued for over fifty years, as there is a record of about 100,000 bushels exported in 1792. Not long thereafter corn became an article of import, and some years ago was reported as "the largest" article of that character. What was done with the soil of the ... te 100 years ago, the Courier says ... e done again. In one country th... ing and grinding of wheat for lo... sumption has been undertake... other counties are advised to ... the example. "We have prove... long and stumbling experience," Courier says, "that cotton does take the place of wheat as the 'sta... life,' and that no community can thri... whose only manufacturing industry ... that of ginning the fibre for marke...

CURRENT EVENTS IN OUR OWN STATE.

ANNUAL SUMMARY FOR 1897 OF THE CLIMATIC AND CROP SERVICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU.

Deplorable Accident in Which a Teacher Accidentally Kills a Pupil—Alabama's Coal Output for the Year 1897—Shipments of Cattle from the State Has Been Very Heavy—An Ex-Tax Collector Short in His Accounts.

STATE'S CLIMATIC CONDITIONS

During the Year 1897 as Compiled by the United States Weather Bureau.

The United States department of agriculture has just issued an annual summary for 1897 for the Alabama section of the climatic and crop service of the weather bureau.

The publication is authorized by the secretary of agriculture under the direction of Willis L. Moore, chief of weather bureau, and is compiled by Frank P. Chaffee, section director, stationed at Montgomery.

The following general climatic summary for the year 1897 for the state of Alabama will prove of interest to every class of citizens, who are subject to climatic influences:

The climatic condition in Alabama during the year 1897 were marked by a wet and backward spring and unseasonably cool and wet spell during the greater part of August and a generally dry and late fall. The late spring was detrimental to cotton, which also received a decided set back by the deficiency in warmth and excess of moisture at its most critical stage in August, but the late fall matured a large portion of the crop, which in the middle of October was not at all promising. The monthly rainfall for March was heavier in many portions of the state than for any March of which the weather bureau has a record, causing almost floods in the larger rivers and submerging lowlands, while during the fall months the deficiency in moisture caused such low rivers that navigation was suspended in the Alabama rivers for several weeks and many small streams and wells were dry. The rainfall for the year was partial to the northwestern and southwestern counties and was least in central portions of the state.

There was but one real severe freeze during the year, which occurred during the last few days of January, and it was not so severe as to seriously damage fruit trees. The month of June was marked by a number of destructive wind storms, which, while causing considerable damage to crops and property in a number of places, were mostly of a local nature, and fortunately caused no loss of life.

Temperature—Average for northern section, 62.4; for southern, 66.1; for state, 64.2, which is 1.2 degrees more than the yearly normal, but 1.4 degrees less than the average for 1896; highest, 105, at Hamilton, June 27th, Pine Apple, June 29th, Scottsboro, July 2d and Decatur, July 3d; lowest, 7 below zero at Valley Head on January 28th; annual range for entire state, 112 degrees; the greatest yearly average was 68.3 at Citronelle and the least 60.4, at Madison.

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Long Distance Telephones to be Placed.

W. S. Ford, of Boston, chief engineer of the American Bell Telephone Company, and W. T. Gentry, assistant superintendent of the Southern Bell Telephone Company of Atlanta, are in Birmingham arranging for making extensive improvements in Birmingham's telephone service. The Bell Company has recently purchased the two-story brick building on Second avenue, next to the postoffice. It will be at once remodelled and fitted up for a telephone office. A switch board that will cost more than $20,000 will be put in, and before very many months long-distance telephone lines will connect Birmingham with Atlanta, Nashville, Montgomery and other cities.

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Two Mormon elders are in Selma this week, and declare their intention of establishing a Mormon church there. They are making a house-to-house canvass of the city, and when permitted, enter and discuss their doctrines. They claim to have eighteen organizations, consisting of 865 members, in the state.

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Preparing for the Chautauqua.

Mr. Wellington Vandiver has been elected manager of the Alabama Chautauqua and he will associate with him twenty of Talladega's best business men, who will constitute a board of control. All receipts of the Chautauqua will be retained by the citizens and devoted to the improvement and continuation of the Chautauqua. The manager will conduct it free of charge, and without compensation, except as the board of control may determine. The amount to be paid for talent will be $1,000. The program will last but fifteen days—from June 30th to July 16th. Some of the attractions the management will try to secure will be Hon. Jerry Simpson, of Kansas; James Whitcomb Riley, the Bell Ringers, the Moving Pictures, Eli Perkins, Wm. J. Bryan, John Temple Graves, Jerry Black's Picture Play, Slayton Jubilee Singers, Arion Quartette, President Geo. Hindley, Miss Hearn, Kellogg Bird Carnival and other well known attractions.

Of Interest to Confederates.

Governor Johnston is in receipt of a letter from an old federal soldier at East Beady, Pa., seeking to ascertain the names and whereabouts of the relatives of one J. D. Brown, a Confederate soldier and member of Company K, Nineteenth regiment, Alabama volunteers, who fell a victim on the battlefield at Missionary Ridge.

Teacher Accidentally Kills a Pupil.

A deplorable accident occurred at Yantley, Butler county, last week. John D. Phillips, who is teaching at that place noticed two of his scholars quarreling, and went out to quell the disturbance. He told the boys to desist and go into the house. One of them went in very readily, but the other, James Wilson, refused to go. Phillips started toward him to assert his authority as master of the school. Wilson refused and struck him twice with a base ball bat. In the meantime Phillips had picked up another bat and struck Wilson a light blow on the temple, at which he dropped to the ground and became unconscious. He never rallied, and soon after he died.

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There is no longer any doubt that the coal fields in the western part of the state in Marion county will be speedily developed and opened up to the world. Captain W. H. Spradin is now at Winfield on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad to make the survey for a railroad from that town to some point where direct transportation can be had to the seaboard. A survey will first be made to Tuskaloosa by way of Fayette. By this route the Winfield coal can be taken to the Warrior river at Tuskaloosa, and loaded on the barges there for Mobile, or distributed throughout the southern part of the state by means of the new Mobile & Ohio extension from Tuskaloosa to Montgomery. Coal could also be shipped from Tuskaloosa down the Alabama Great Southern to New Orleans.

Three other surveys will be made from Winfield, one to Columbus, another to West Point via Vernon, and the third to Aberdeen. For a direct route to New Orleans, the route by way of West Point seems to be the most favorable. At that point it can connect with the Illinois Central.

This scheme is being carried out by the Mississippi Valley Coal and Railway company, and not by the Illinois Central or any other of the big roads, as has been stated. In this company are Henry Wellman, president of the Teutonic Savings bank of New Orleans, and several other capitalists of that city and Mississippi. The object of the company is to get a splint coal into New Orleans that can compete with the Pittsburg product. They sent a coal expert throughout the south to look up the best field of this coal, and the very best quality was found in Marion county. The bed is six by eight miles in size, the seam is from three feet to forty inches thick and is very easily mined. This company bought it all up, 18,000 acres.

Capt. W. H. Spradlin, the chief engineer, who is to make the surveys, is one of the pioneer railroad builders of this state, having had charge of the work on the South & North and other roads in Alabama. He has already sent a carload of surveying and camping implements necessary to make the survey to Winfield.

Will Participate in Democratic Primaries.

Twelve leading populists of Jefferson county have issued a call to the members of the people's party in that county to hold a meeting in Birmingham February 19, to determine whether or not they will participate in the democratic primaries. Following is the list of names signed to the call: G. W. Ellis, M. C. Ragsdale, G. U. Belcher, J. B. M'Cormack, C. P. Ward, R. M. Inzer, T. W. M'Donald, W. A. J. Reed, W. F. Lambert, W. H. Fitzpatrick, M. A. McCutcheon, Jare Fountain.

Six Million Tons.

State Mine Inspector J. D. Hillhouse has received reports from all the coal mines in the state except four on last year's output. The total so far foots up 5,800,000 tons, and Hillhouse says when all are heard from it will go to the six million ton mark. The total output of 1896, heretofore the largest in the state's history, was 5,743,697 tons. Last year's showing even breaks this big record. Alabama's coal industry was never so prosperous before as now.

Marion Nominates City Officers.

As a result of the mass meeting of citizens held in the court house last Friday afternoon to nominate municipal officers to be voted for at the coming election on the 1st day of March. Mr. E. T. Robinson received the nomination for mayor, Messrs. R. B. Wallace, S. A. Nelms, T. T. Daughdrill, James Gregory, W. H. Mason, Sr., and A. L. Pope for councilmen.

Murdered His Parents.

One of the most horrible crimes ever perpetrated in the state took place five miles north of Mulberry, in Franklin county, Arkansas, Thursday night. Sol F. Autrey, a farmer, accompanied by his family, went out to visit his aged father and mother, living neor Mulberry. Shortly after his arrival Autrey became engaged in a religious argument with the old folks. Suddenly he grasped an iron bar, killing his aged father, mother and his 10-year-old son and seriously wounded his wife and three remaining children, two of whom are not expected to live. The murderer is insane, declaring that witches were the cause of the act.

Cost of the Cuban War.

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IS IT RETALIATION?

Sixteen Thousand Barrels of American Apples Denied Admittance by Germans.

A special from Berlin says: The Prussian minister of finance, Dr. Miguel, issued a decree the past week, which goes into effect immediately, prohibiting the importation of every kind of American fresh fruit. The decree has been sent to all the German ports and frontier stations excepting Bavaria, Saxony and Wurtemburg.

The United States embassy was not previously warned, and the United States ambassador, Mr. Andrew D. White, sent a formal letter to the foreign office inquiring upon what authority this inimical step was taken.

The United States consul at Hamburg, Dr. Hugh Pitcairn, telegraphs that 16,000 barrels of American apples have been forbidden to be unloaded and that two trains of American fruit have also been forbidden to cross the frontier at Emmerich, which, aside from Hamburg, is the principal place of entry.

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Over 90 Per Cent of All Big Bakeries in the Consolidation.

All the big biscuit and cracker companies between Salt Lake City on the west, Portland, Me., on the east, St. Paul in the north and New Orleans on the south, are now under one management, under the name of the National Biscuit Company. It is capitalized at $25,000,000 of preferred and $30,000,000 of common stock.

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United States Car Plant Sold.

The properties of the United States Car Company, comprising the plants in Anniston and Decatur, Ala., saw mills and timber lands in Etowah, Calhoun and Cherokee counties, were sold Thursday. The sale was made by J. A. W. Smith, special master, and the property was bought by Richard Reid Rogers, of New York, representing the reorganization committee, for $60,000. The property is now being operated by the Illinois Car and Equipment Company, a corporation formed by the reorganization committee.

Klondike Speculators.

The steamer Queen sailed from Tacoma Friday for Skaguay and Dyea. She carries northward 1,000 passengers, 1,300 tons of freight, 200 dogs, 30 horses and a score of carcasses of dressed cattle, hogs and sheep. The women wore short skirts, knickerbockers and other snug costumes. Nearly all the passengers on the Queen intend to ultimately go to the interior of Alaska. The passengers are from every quarter of the globe.

Reindeer Start for America.

A cablegram received at the war department Friday from Dr. Jackson, at Altens, Norway, announced that the steamship Manitoban, chartered by the United States government, had just sailed from that port for New York with 530 reindeer and 87 Lapp men and women to care for the animals and drive them on the government relief expedition when they arrive in Alaska.

To Investigate Tobacco Culture.

Secretary Wilson, of the agricultural department, will leave Washington in a week or ten days for a visit to the South, his objective points being North and South Carolina and Florida. Probably most of his time will be spent in the latter state, where Secretary Wilson wants to look personally into the question of the raising of high-grade tobacco. He believes the Florida country capable of producing tobacco almost, if not quite, equal to that of the finest raised in Cuba and Sumatra.

Scheme to Settle Americans in Cuba.

Jim Patterson, of Minneapolis, Minn., who is well known throughout the northwest, is in Aberdeen, S. D., working quietly, but persistently, upon a scheme to take 100,000 men to Cuba and land them there on the 4th of July. He says he is backed by a syndicate of Americans, who have large landed interests in the island, and claims these Americans are anxious to cut up their holdings and dispose of small plantations to able-bodied men on long time and at a low rate of interest.

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At a meeting of the board of directors of the Board of Trade of New Orleans, resolutions were adopted memorializing President McKinley and congress, as well as the secretaries of war and the navy, and Major-General Miles, to place there a adequate force of well drilled artillerymen at points where the new defensive works are to be placed to protect the coast from attacks of foreign fleets.

The preamble of the resolutions point out that the officials themselves have declared the artillery forces inadequate even for peaceful times.

A Good Worker.

We find the following among the resolutions passed by the white Teachers' Institute, of Montgomery county, before they adjourned Friday.

"Resolved third, That thanks be extended to Dr. E. B. Eldridge, president of the Troy Normal State College, for the invaluable services he rendered in making the institute beneficial and interesting. Time will never efface from our minds the important information which he imparted while in our midst."

Dr. Eldridge is an untiring worker in the cause of education and leaves an impress on the minds of teachers wherever he may be called. He is doing a great work for the cause in the state and more especially for the institution over which he presides.—Citizen-Journal, Troy, Ala.

Tom Watson for Governor.

It is announced and from high sources that Hon. Thomas E. Watson will be the populist candidate for governor of Georgia. It is a fact that the state convention, which meets in Atlanta March 16th, will nominate him by a unanimous vote, and that he will accept there is now no doubt.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

The New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

At southern trade centers, business, as reported by The Tradesman's many correspondents shows a healthy increase, with indications favorable for still greater improvement when the spring season opens.

While this is the "waiting season," the demand for iron continues good and the furnaces are well stocked with orders. While the consumption of pig iron is gaining, the production at present somewhat exceeds the demand, though not enough to cause prices to decline. The demand for finished products and car material is especially heavy.

The southern lumber market is firm, the mills are all busy and prices are advancing. An encouraging feature of the trade is the increased demand for common grades of lumber, for which there has heretofore been practically no market.

Business at the coal mines continues active and the textile mills report a good sale for their products.

Among the most prominent new industries for the week The Tradesman reports the following:

The Rose Manufacturing Co., capital, $50,000, Dallas, Tex.; brick works at Natchez, Miss., and brick and tile works at St. Augustine, Fla.; a $25,000 brewery at Louisville, Ky.; the Oak Hill Roller Flouring Mill, capital, $10,000, at Greensboro, N. C., and other flouring mills at Green Forest and Pedro, Ark., High Point, N. C., and Gibbs Tenn., glass works at Morgantown, W. Va.; the Georgetown Ice Co., capital $10,000, at Georgetown, Tex., and two ice factories at Rocky Mount, N. C. The Kellett-Chatham Machinery Co., capital, $50,000, has been chartered at Waco, Tex.; the Gilreath Coal and Iron Co., capital, $25,000, at Birmingham, Ala.; the Copper River Gold Mining and Prospecting Co., at Fort Worth, Tex., and the Alpha Mining Co., capital, $80,000, at Rockford, N. C. The Helena Box Factory, capital, $60,000, has been incorporated at Helena, Ark.; the Velasco, Box Factory, capital, $10,000, at Velasco, Tex., the Brooks Lumber Co., capital, $100,000, at Bath, S. C., and the Lexington Lumber and Manufacturing Co., capital, $20,000, at Lexington, Ky. Saw mills will be erected at Cluttsville and Jemison, Ala., and at Hale, Miss.

Crosby Surrenders.

German H. Crosby, a convicted murderer, in Chilton Co., Ala., who escaped soon after sentenced, has surrendered. The case of Crosby and the circumstances surrounding make it indeed remarkable in view of the fact that he surrendered to serve out the ten years' sentence imposed upon him by the court at its fall term, 1895, not knowing that his case had been passed upon by the supreme court. His case was reversed and remanded and set for a re-hearing.

Japan No Longer Objects.

Japan has been removed as an element in the opposition to the consummation of the annexation of the Hawaiian islands by the United States. This result has been attained by the conclusion of an agreement between our government and that of Japan, presented by Minister Toro Hoshi, which by practically settling the status of the Japanese in Hawaii, removes the only substantial difference that has existed between the two governments.

His Nerve Was a Surprise.

"Boys, string me up if you like, but remember you are hanging the steadiest man with a six-shooter that ever came out of Montana. You say it's all right to hang me, and I guess it is. I am only sorry I did not get the rest of them." These were the last words spoken by Doc Tanner when he faced his executioners near Seattle, Wash., a few days since, who was lynched for the crime of murdering two of his companions.

Southern Labor Organization.

A movement to organize "The Southern Confederacy of Labor" has been started in Atlanta, Ga., and is now so far under way that a convention probably will be held to formally launch the new organization. The plan is to call a convention of the white organizations of the South for the purpose of bringing about harmony and concert of action among them, independent of big labor unions and federations of the North.

New Railroad for Arkansas.

The White River, Lonoke & Western railroad company, with a capital stock of $350,000, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state of Arkansas. It is the intention of the promoters of the enterprise to build the road from a point near Jacksonville, in Pulaski county, to the town of Lonoke; thence in an eastern direction to Arkansas county, on the White river.

Fire in Anniston.

The handsome residence of John B. Knox, at Anniston, Ala., valued at $10,000, was totally destroyed by fire Thursday. It was insured for about one-fourth the value.

A distinct earthquake shock was felt at Lynchburg, Va., Saturday. Telegrams show the disturbances were felt through southwest Virginia. Bedford City reporting that a sound, as if of an explosion, differing from the usual rumbling, preceded the shocks.

George W. Finch, the murderer who broke jail at Fort Scott, Kan., who had been sentenced to hang, called Sheriff Wheeler up on the telephone from Lamonte, Mo. Finch said he had surrendered to a Lamonte constable, and would be brought to Fort Scott at once.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

The Teller resolution from the senate, declaiming the bonds of the United States payable in either gold or silver at the option of the government, was taken up in the house today. There was a great deal of activity among the leaders of both sides before the house met in anticipation of a very exciting debate over the resolution, which those in control had decided to defeat before sundown. The members on both sides had been notified in advance and the attendance on the floor was very large. The struggle opened immediately after the journal, when Mr. Dingley of Maine, chairman of the ways and means committee, reported back the resolution with the recommendation that "it do not pass." The debate consumed the entire day, when at 5 o'clock the vote was taken, resulting in its defeat by a vote of 182 to 132. Party ranks were held intact on the vote and only three breaks occurred. Republicans cheered long and loud over their victory, and then at 5:35 the house adjourned.

The Senate.

John C. McLaurin was sworn in as senator from South Carolina to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Earle.... The bill introduced by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, providing that all pensioners now receiving less than $10 per month receive that amount after the bill's passage was reported adversely.... The agricultural appropriation bill was placed on the calendar.... Mr. Morgan presented a resolution requesting the president, if consistent with public service, to send to the senate the correspondence relating to the negotiations and exchange of ratifications upon a treaty between the United States and Great Britain relating to compensation for the seizure of British ships in Bering sea.... Mr. Foraker called up the bill providing for the purchase of the Kansas Pacific branch of the Union Pacific railroad. The bill went over.... The army appropriation bill was passed, carrying $23,143,492.... The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, with slight amendments, was passed. The bill carried $21,505,245.... The senate then went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

The military academy appropriation bill was reported to the house today. The anti-civil service reformers won a slight victory when Mr. Perkins, of Iowa, presented a resolution for printing the hearings of the civil service committee.... A bill was passed authorizing the secretary of the treasury to build or purchase a suitable vessel for revenue cutter service on the Yukon river, to cost not exceeding $40,000.... The senate resolution for the relief of Ex-Senator Call, of Florida, was adopted.... Then at 12:30 p. m. the house went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill which was begun on Saturday.... At 1 o'clock the debate drifted into politics.... Mr. Mahany, of New York, presented to the house a petition of 100,000 voters in opposition to the Lodge immigration bill. He made an impassioned speech against the tolerance of those who desired to close the gates to immigration, after which the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the session of the senate today Mr. Clark rose to a point of personal privilege to defend his vote for the Nelson amendment to the Teller resolution, providing that gold and silver coins should be maintained at a parity.... The resolution of Mr. Pettigrew declaring it to be the policy of the United States not to acquire territory to defend which a navy would be required, went over until tomorrow at the request of the author.... Mr. Morgan's resolutions presented yesterday calling upon the president for correspondence and information relating to the arbitration of the British seizure claims was adopted.... The senate then, at 12:40 p. m., on motion of Mr. Davis, chairman of the foreign relations committee, went into executive session.... At 4:45 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

At the opening of the session of the house today Mr. Grow, of Pennsylvania, asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a resolution directing the secretary of war to issue medals to 530 Pennsylvania soldiers who belonged to the command which passed through the mob at Baltimore April 13, 1861, and who received the thanks of Congress July 22, 1861. Consideration was objected to, and the resolution went over.... The army appropriation bill was sent to conference.... The house then resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The bill was completed and passed, after which the house took up the fortification appropriation bill. It was arranged that the general debate should close tomorrow at 3 o'clock. Debate for the day was closed at 5 o'clock and the house adjourned.

The Senate.

In the senate today Mr. Hawley, of Connecticut, secured the adoption of a resolution directing the secretary of the interior to furnish the senate the total per capita cost of educating Indian children at certain schools; the total cost of transporting pupils to and from the schools, including the number transported; approximately what proportion of the children educated in the schools return to the blanket and camp condition, and what can be done to prevent such retrogression and continue the children in the lines of progress on which they have entered.... At 12:35 p. m. the vice president laid before the senate the resolution of Mr. Pettigrew, declaring it to be opposed to the policy of the United States to acquire territory to defend which a navy would be required. On motion of Mr. Hale the senate went into executive session to consider the resolution, which was concluded at 4:20. The senate then proceeded to the consideration of open session business. The agricultural appropriation bill was called up, and after being read, the senate adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

A bill was passed in the house today appropriating $10,000 for a survey and report on the practicability of securing a 35-foot channel in the southwest pass of the Mississippi river. The house then resumed consideration of the fortifications appropriation bill. At 3 o'clock general debate closed and the bill was taken up for consideration under the five minutes rule. Mr. McClellan, of New York, offered an amendment to increase the appropriation for gun and mortar batteries from $1,000,000 to $5,000,000. It was voted down. Without completing the bill, at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

A bill repealing an act granting American register to the steamers Claribel and others, was reported and passed.... Germany's order prohibiting the importation of American fruits into that empire called out a resolution from Mr. Davis, of Minnesota, calling upon the president to transmit to the senate the correspondence and other information bearing upon the matter in his possession, or in that of the state department. The resolution was agreed to.... Mr. White, of California, introduced the following resolution and asked that it lie on the table: Resolved, That of right, it belongs wholly to the people of the Hawaiian islands to establish and maintain their own form of government and domestic policy; that the United States ought in nowise to interfere therewith and that any intervention in the political affairs of those islands by any other government will be regarded as an act unfriendly to the United States.... Mr. Cullom then called up the agricultural appropriation bill, the reading of which was concluded last evening. An amendment was offered to the effect that $20,000 be included to provide for gathering information and other data on the subject of irrigating arid western lands. The amendment was adopted and the bill carrying $3,527,202 was passed.... A bill providing for the appointment of an additional district judge for Texas was passed.... The senate then adjourned.

The House—Friday.

In the house today a bill was passed to amend the act of January 31, 1895, granting rights of way through the public domain for tramways, canals and reservoirs so as to grant those rights for cities and private corporations.... Mr. Fleming, of Georgia, asked unanimous consent to set aside next Monday for the consideration of the bill reported by the Pacific railroad committee to grant additional powers to the president in the matter of the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad. It was objected to.... The house proceeded to the consideration of private bills. The private pension bills favorably acted upon at the session last Friday night were first considered. A desultory debate followed upon the measure.... Mr. Fleming during the consideration of one of the pension bills took advantage of the latitude allowed for debate to discuss the question of protecting the government's interests in the approaching sale of the Kansas Pacific road.... At 5 p. m. the house recessed until 8 o'clock, the evening session to be devoted to the consideration of private pension bills.

The Senate.

A bill providing for the erection of a public building at Beaumont, Tex., at a cost not to exceed $100,000, was passed.... Mr. Platt, of New York, offered a resolution which was referred to the committee on military affairs, directing the secretary of war to return to the Seventh regiment artillery (formerly the 113th New York, V. L.), the flags of the regiment.... A bill authorizing the construction of two bridges across the Choctawhatchie river, a navigable stream, in Dale county, Alabama, was passed.... Mr. Lindsay then took the floor to speak on the resolution of the Kentucky legislature asking him to resign, during which he spoke briefly in defense of his course in the senate.... At 12:35 o'clock the senate went into executive session, and at 3:40 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

At the opening of the session of the house today a resolution was presented declaring that in the contest between Samuel Hudson and William McAleer, of Pennsylvania, for a seat in the house Mr. McAleer is entitled to the seat. Without division the report was adopted.... A bill granting to the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad Company the right to construct a branch of its railroad in the Indian Territory was passed.... A senate bill authorizing the Muscogee Coal and Railway Company to construct and operate a railway through the Indian Territory and Oklahoma was passed.... The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the fortifications appropriation bill. After several minor amendments were offered and defeated, the bill was passed, and the house adjourned until Monday.

May Exclude American Horses.

Baron Von Hammedstein-Loxten, the German minister of agriculture, at Friday's session of the Prussian diet, declared that American horses developed influenza after importation. He added: "If the importations increase we shall certainly be forced to adopt a suitable quarantine in order to protect ourselves."

JOHN W. TOMLINSON

Feels the Political Pulse at the Nation's Capitol.

Hon. John W. Tomlinson, of Birmingham, has returned from a brief visit to Washington. He was there during the stirring fight in the senate over the Teller resolution and was a guest at the annual banquet of the Grid Iron club Saturday night at the Arlington. Mr. Tomlinson stated to a reporter that he had a lengthy conversation with Chairman Jones, and he said that "systematic work was being quietly but effectively done all over the country in preparation for the great contest in 1900. He declared there must be no wavering in Alabama or any other state, and to prevent this the people should be very careful and select the right men to go to the county conventions and state conventions, and see that the executive committees are made up of the right material.

"What is the sentiment regarding Mr. Bryan?" and before continuing Mr. Tomlinson repeated the question. "The concluding paragraph in an editorial of the Washington Post Sunday expresses the almost universal opinion in Washington, when it says: 'Mr. Bryan is the acknowledged leader of his party, and is daily becoming more securely entrenched in the confidence and affections of the democratic masses.'"

Compressed Flour.

The importance of lightness and compactness in the kit of soldiers has stimulated the manufacturers of army food stuffs to reduce all manner of concentrated products for use on the march or in camp. Of these the latest is compressed flour, which is now being tested by the British War Department. The objection to the establishment of national granaries is the impossibility of storing wheat for any length of time. The grain soon germinates and is ruined. This flour is now molded into bricks by hydraulic pressure, in which shape it is unaffected by damp, is mold-proof and sweet and wholesome. The compression is said to destroy all forms of larval life, and the flour becomes immune against the attacks of insects. Since the cubic space occupied by 100 pounds of loose flour will hold 300 pounds of the compressed flour, it will be seen that the saving instorage is enormous.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Plugged with Autograph and Cents.

When the pedestal of the statue of Blair, which Missouri has presented to Statuary Hall, was standing in that hall the other day awaiting its bronze figure, some one noticed that in the center of the stone block was a small square hole. The Missouri delegation was present to watch the placing of the statue, and a congressman, fishing through his pockets, found a cent. He put the coin in the square hole, and also deposited a bit of paper with his autograph.

The example was contagious. Every member of the delegation put in a cent and his name, some curious bystanders did likewise and by the time that the statue was placed in position there was almost enough copper in the pedestal to sheathe a ship.—Washington Post.

Miss Clara Barton, President of the Red Cross Society, is living at Glen Echo, a suburb of Washington, ten miles from the capital, where the headquarters of the society now are. She is attending daily to the work of the Red Cross, and says her health is as good as could be wished for.

Shaker Colony in Georgia.

Brobston & Fendig have formally delivered 10,000 acres of land on the Altamaha river in Georgia, to the Shaker community of Union Village, O. A Shaker colony will be established thereon.

Six Persons Killed at a Fire.

Six firemen, including a district chief, a captain and a lieutenant, were killed at a fire in Boston Saturday morning which burned out the interior of a five-story building on Merrimac street, occupied by G. W. Bent & Co.

To Run McMillin for Governor.

West Tennessee politicians returning from Nashville bring with them a slate they think will heal all wounds caused by McMillin's defeat. They propose to run McMillin for governor, with Taylor in sight for the senatorship, in the spring.

Contracts were let Thursday to Johnson Brothers & Faut, of St. Elmo, Ill., to build 110 miles of railroad between Sapulpa and Oklahoma City.

The Brooklyn Sails for West Indies.

The big armored cruiser, Brooklyn, left the navy yard about 8 o'clock Friday morning on her way to begin her cruise of the West Indies. She first goes to Newport News for a supply of coal.

Senator Walthall Very Ill.

Senator Walthall, of Mississippi, is seriously ill in Washington city. Last Thursday he was seized by a chill in the senate and was forced to leave the chamber. He has since been confined to his bed.

Progress of the A. & A. Air Line.

Contractor Carson, of the Atlanta & Alabama Air Line, has suspended a large part of his force awaiting the arrival of the iron for the first ten miles, which is now graded. The grading has now really reached thirteen miles from Selma, and it will not be long now before trains will be running on the road.

The Cuban relief committee gave out the information that Clara Barton will go at once to Cuba to minister to the starving and dying people.

WHISTLING WELLS.

They Foretell Storms Accurately and Serve as Barometers.

A freak of nature which is attracting considerable attention is a series of blowing or "whistling" wells, located in the northern part of the town of Eureka, in Polk County, Wis. There are six of these hysterical wells, ranging in depth from 120 to 160 feet. The one owned by James Coltin exhibits most remarkable features. This well is 120 feet deep, and was dug fifteen years ago. The first twenty feet was hard pan and the rest coarse gravel.

Before a rain storm the wind blows out of this well with great force, making a roaring sound that can be heard a long distance. This wind is so hot that water placed on the cover of the well will boil. The wind blows out only before a storm, and the severity and duration of the storm are always in exact proportion to the force of this current and its duration before the storm commences. It is, therefore, an accurate and trustworthy barometer, as it foretells a change from cold to hot, or vice versa, with equal accuracy, but remains quiet in settled weather.

In winter a current of air is drawn in before a change of weather, just as forcibly as it blows out in hot weather. This current will freeze the water 120 feet from the surface of the earth as quickly as it would at the surface, and though many attempts have been made to use a pump in the well, they have all failed, and a number of pumps of different makes have been destroyed by the water freezing and bursting the cylinders and pipes.

The other five wells, which resemble this one in many respects, are all located within the radius of about one mile, and vary in depth from 130 to 160 feet. Some of the characteristics are not so pronounced as the one described, while others are even more remarkable. Within half a mile of these wells water is obtained at a depth of from 10 to 30 feet, and the wells exhibit no unusual symptoms.

All sorts of speculations have been indulged in and theories advanced concerning an underground passage, but no outlet has ever been discovered, and if there is one it must be a great distance away in order to foretell the approach of storms so long a time in advance. The weird, unearthly sound produced by the wind blowing in and out of the wells often frightens superstitious persons or those unacquainted with the phenomenon.

Leather Coats.

Leather coats are made of sheepskin, of horsehide, and of dogskin. They are lined with corduroy, with flannel, and with sheep's wool. The corduroy lined coats are made reversible, so that they may be worn either side out. The coats of sheepskin are usually finished black, the horsehide and dogskin coats russet colored. A leather coat of sheepskin, corduroy lined, costs about $5; horsehide coats sell for $12 to $15, and dogskin coats for $18.

Leather coats are worn West by truckmen and policemen and hunters and lumbermen. The leather coat is serviceable and warm, without great bulk. The duck shooter, lying, perhaps, for an hour in a battery, waiting, keeps warm in a leather coat. The sportsman after big game wears a leather coat. It keeps the wearer warm without impeding his movements.

A leather coat is sometimes worn under another coat for the sake of its warmth, as, perhaps, by a policeman. And the leather coat may be worn with the corduroy side out so that more leather coats are worn in cold cities than might be supposed.—New York Sun.

McClellan for Chief Justice.

Oneonta News-Dispatch.

Judge T. N. McClellan of the supreme court of Alabama, ought to be, and will be, overwhelmingly elected chief justice of that court. He is senior justice now, and according to a well established democratic precedent will be promoted to the chief justiceship. Besides, in our judgment he is the ablest jurist on the supreme bench, in fact, one of the ablest in this country. Furthermore, he is in thorough accord with the principles of the party declared in its last national convention in Chicago. He does not merely reluctantly acquiesce in what the convention did and refuse to state whether he stands on the platform adopted by the convention or not, as his opponent does; but he thoroughly approves of the course of that convention and believes in the platform of principles adopted by it, and does not hesitate to say so. He is also in thorough accord and sympathy with the state democratic administration; he favored and worked for the nomination of Governor Johnston in his race for the governorship.

In this district, Judge Tally's judicial district, some have very quietly talked it that Judge Tally and Judge Tally's friends would fight Judge McClellan. We know it to be a fact that such is not the case, Judge Tally himself disclaiming any such purpose. It has been said that some of Judge Coleman's friends have sought to use the decision of the supreme court rendered by Justice McClellan in the Tally case against Judge McClellan in his race for the chief justiceship; but this paper thinks that there is very little of that being done; that if any of it is, it is without the approval of Judge Coleman, who, at the time of said decision, was also associate justice of the supreme court and fully concurred in said opinion and is as much responsible for it as Judge McClellan or Judge Coleman in regard to the decision; and it would be against the best interest of the people to oppose a judge for the honest discharge of his oftentimes unpleasant duties.

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We understand the County Executive committee is to be called to meet very soon.

JOHN A. GAFFORD was pronounced guilty of the murder of Francis B. Loyd (Rufus Sanders) and sentenced to death.

YESTERDAY the House of Representatives, by a vote of 143 to 112, declared Mr. Plowman not entitled to his seat, and that Hon. W. F. Aldrich had been duly elected. Mr. Aldrich took the oath and his seat. This is the first election case decided by the present house against the sitting member.

We are glad that such a howl is going up all over the State against the thieving practices which distinguish our elections. The people begin to realize that the "habits" are not commenced and ended at the ballot box. They go into the taxpayers pockets and even rob poor children of their niggardly tuitions. In fact the people begin to realize that a thief is a thief.—Sheffield Reaper, Dem.

Our friends (the Democrats) seem to think that the only object of party organization is to posses the spoils. They ask the Peoples Party to disband, and propose themselves to disband (that is what it amountsto) and without regard to convictions of great and burning govermental questions, unite in a joint primary, solely for the purpose of having the white people once more work in harmony together. They want to revive the Solid South; they want to go back and begin where we began in 1868; they would roll back the wheels of time and knock twenty years of experience—rich experience out of our lives.

We ought to ask ourselves if a united party of all the whites has, in the past, been calculated to promote good government in Butler county. Can these democrats say that the administration of public affairs in Butler, under democratic auspices, during the days when the solid South was in the saddle, was al they would have it be. Could they honestly consent to contrast the best administration of theirs with that of the Populists since that party came into power. We ask them to pick out their best, and say nothing of the others. We would not needlessly inflict pain on any one, but "facts is facts."—Living Truth.

The same period of time cannot be given to studies in the country schools as in the town and city schools. In fact, it has been found that children in the country schools will accomplish more in the same length of time. Whether this is because there is less to attract their attention from their studies or because they concentrate their energies more upon the work before them, is immaterial. The work of the teacher of the country school should be, and generally is, given to the essentials and to the most practical features; information, intellectual power and character.

New and Decorative.

Straw colored cameo glass makes ideal vases for flowers.

Stag horn handles have appeared on silver mounted cut glass jars.

The newest toilet pincushions are not far from 27 inches long and from 6 to 8 wide.

Silver bonbon dishes, richly embossed, are out in novel designs and graduated sizes.

Bronze paperweights from Vienna afford miniature but exceedingly faithful studies of animal life.

Of high artistic quality are the Vienna paintings on wood panels. The same may be said of the enamels on copper.

Maple Springs.

Mr. P. R. DeVaughn, who has been very sick, is now improving and we hope he will be up in a few days.

Mr. Gus Dunlap and Miss Lucinda Mims tied the everlasting knot last Sunday at half past ten o'clock. We wish them much joy through life and hope they will live a happy husband and wife.

Miss Annie Harris is visiting her friends and relatives in Coosa county.

UNCLE SNAP.

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Mr. Ward L. Smith, of Fredericks-town, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhœa for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

A Rabbit Stopped Family Prayers.

One Sunday we were all at regular family prayer. A sporting friend was visiting me, and he and I knelt, facing a low window, with our elbows upon the sill. And from round a corner, lo, there came unto us a coney, and he reared up not two yards from us, and he hearkened unto the prayers, and he winked his nose at us, till my friend forgot himself and exclaimed, "We kin catch that devil!" I threw up the window so hard that I cracked a pane, and out we leaped in redhot chase. And the dear old archdeacon almost burst trying not to laugh, for he had seen the rabbit and was a keen sporteman withal. We ran that rabbit across four two acre lots as hard as we could split, and at last we got him into deep snow, where he gave up and was captured alive. And on looking back to the first fence we had cleared I saw a fuzz of white whiskers above it and heard a strong old voice shout, "They got him, they got him!"—Ed W. Sandys in Outing.

I have given Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a fair test and consider it one of the very best remedies for croup that I have ever found. One dose has always been sufficient, although I use it freely. Any cold my children contract yields very readily to this medicine. I can conscientiously recommend it for croup and colds in children.—GEO E. WOLFF, clerk of the circuit court, Fernandina, Fla. Sold by Dr. J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

The Reformatory Value of Happiness.

I believe it is Mr. Stevenson who says that the duty of being happy is the most underrated duty in the world. And in spite of all we may wish or assert to the contrary there is indubitable evidence that happiness, up to date, at least, has a basis in physical well being. I supposed one of the reasons why the reformers of the earth have not been notably delightful persons to live with is because they were either too busy or too tired to be happy. And yet a happy man, and especially a happy woman, is a radiating focus of reform, for such a person possesses that gentle and diffused persuasiveness which leads us into willing good endeavor simply because it displays to us the good taste of enjoying fine behavior.—Helen Watterson Moody in Scribner's.

A few months ago, Mr. Byron Every, of Woodstock, Mich., was badly afflicted with rheumatism. His right leg was swollen the full length, causing him great suffering. He was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first bottle of it helped him considerably and the second bottle effected a cure. The 25 and 50 cent sizes are for sale by Dr. J. S. Johnson, jr., druggist.

A POETIC ROMANCE.

(BY LITTLE ETHEL)

"I won't one," the maiden said
To her handsome beau;
"For pa and ma have both forbade
Your presence at our door!"

Up rose her handsome lover,
And brushed away her tear,
And gave her apple to her
And bade her have no fear.

For he had been to Stanfield's drugstore
(Dear me! he had, indeed!)
And bought her ma a peck, or more,
Of Bowen's garden seed.

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And they are now in Jumbo,
Where maidens never sigh,
Where lovers all are happy,
And people never die.

Valuable to Women.

Especially valuable to women is Browns' Iron Bitters. Backache vanishes, headache disappears, strength takes the place of weakness, and the glow of health readily comes to the pallid cheek when this wonderful remedy is taken. For sickly children or overworked men it has no equal. No home should be without this famous remedy. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Political Pointers.

People's Press Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 9, 1898.

Much notice is being given just now to the cotton mills question. The probability of a widespread strike among the New England factory hands has grown to a certainty. The factory owners are but little concerned at this, declaring, the closing of the mills will injure no one but the workers, as a small outpnt insures higher prices; but the condition of the factory hands is deplorable. Many mill owners are preparing to transfer their industry to the South, where labor, cheaper by one-half, can be found among the negroes.

The great bridge between New York City and Brooklyn was built by the people of those cities and is therefore their property, but the municipal "powers that be" have sold to the street car corporation the right to lay its tracks on the bridge. Such tracks render the bridge unsightly and unsafe, and the intelligent and wide-awake portion of the people object but are helpless to hinder, and the track-laying goes on.

The last report as to the condition, earnings and expenditures of the line of railroad, owned and operated by the Canadian government is so favorable that many Canadian newspapers are advocating the purchase by the government of all lines tributary to that already owned. The silence of the United States press on the subject of this success can be felt. Few people know that our Interstate Commerse Commission has had to permit roads that compete with the Canadian government railroad lower their rates in order to hold their business between the Atlantic seabord and Lake and Pacific points.

J. A. Edgerton, State Chairman of the People's Party in Nebraska, and Deputy Labor Comissioner under Gov. Holcomb, is coming to the front as a poet. His verses are along reform lines and are written with much taste and elegance.

A friendly suit in chancery at Pontiac, Mich., threatens to have the Bland-Allison silver act declared unconstitutional, because it does not demand free coinage, but only provides that the government must, with gold, buy silver at its depreciated price and pocket the seignorage.

The Teller resolution making certain United States bonds payable in silver, after having passed the senate was killed in the House January 31. Populists and Democrats voted for, and the Republicans against, the measure. This vote puts the Western Republicans in a bad light with their constituencies, who favor silver almost to a man and who had believed that the Republicans would "do something for silver."

Immediately on hearing of the clear party lines that the vote on the Teller resolution had drawn, Senator Dubois of Idaho, left for Washington, D. C. He is chairman of the executive committee of the Silver Republican party. He stated that he felt the time had come for a union of the Silver forces, but not the disbanding of any organization.

The International Paper Company is a new paper trust in which has been united nearly all the paper mills of this country. The trust opens up with $45,000,000 capital and can turn out 1543 tons of finished goods per day.

J. H. Edmiston, inspector of oils for the state of Nebraska, has defrayed all expenses and turns over to the treasury $1,890 wreress his Republican predecessor had a deficit of $5,000.

In spite of gloomy forebodings and dire prophecy the news comes from all points that the Populists are still at their post, none having given up their principles or deserted their organization and a hot fight in the next election is promised. A. R.

"Just as Good"

as Scott's and we sell it much cheaper," is a statement sometimes made by the druggist when Scott's Emulsion is called for. This shows that the druggists themselves regard

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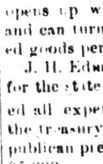
of Cod-Liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda as the standard, and the purchaser who desires to procure the "standard" because he knows it has been of untold benefit, should not for one instant think of taking the risk of using some untried preparation. The substitution of something said to be "just as good" for a standard preparation twenty-five years on the market, should not be permitted by the intelligent purchaser.



Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion. See that the man and fish are on the wrapper.
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HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention THE BANNER and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N.Y. The proprietor of this paper guarantees the genuineness of this offer.

Cuba, Hawaii, and China furnish the principle topics discussed editorially in the American Review of Reviews for February. There are also a few paragraphs of pointed comment on current domestic politics—the factional differences among Ohio Republicans and the swelling tide of Crokerism in the Democratic party. The editor gives his views on Tammany's attitude toward the New York rapid-transit problem and on the reckless expenditure of canal-improvement funds by the Republican bosses of the State.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and billousness? Thousands experience them who would become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. Stanfield & Matthews.

Program of Colored Teachers Institute.

9 a.m. Institute opened by vocal music. Invocation by Rev. L. H. Hawkins.

9:15. Election of officers and calling the roll. Teachers must respond with quotation of scripture.

9:45. Welcome address by Miss Maggie Foshee. Response in behalf of the Institute A. C. Austin.

10. The object of the Teacher's Institute, by K. Draper.

10:30. How to teach beginners numbers, by Prof. B. J. Neely. Discussion. The best method of teaching orthography, opened by Miss Daisy Siegel. Discussion.

12. Intermission for dinner

1 p.m. Reading, how taught? by Prof. Wm. Amos. Discussion.

1:45 The effect of a good moral teacher in his community, by Prof. W. J. Lamar and H. E. Latham.

2:15 The effects of good discipline in the school room. By Rev. L. H Hawkins and A. C. Austin.

3. Geography, how taught, by Mrs. Mary Ridwine and Miss Mamie Brown.

3:30. What should be done to better the condition of our schools? Opened by Prof. I. S. A. Bracy.

4:15 A lecture by Hon. J. W. Moore, County Superintendent of Education. Intermission. Night session.

6:30 Devotional exercises.

6:45 The duty of the patrons to their school and teacher. Opened by T. S Callens.

7:30 Should the negro emigrate to Africa in his condition? General discussion led by Prof. I. S. A. Bracy.

A committee report. Benediction.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Pursell of Knittersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Hon. C. R. Bricken, Grand Chancellor, of the order of Knights of Pythias, will be in Clanton on the 22nd inst. for the purpose of organizing a Knights of Pythias Lodge at Clanton.

A freight train collision occured on the L. & N. south of Montgomery by which several persons were killed and injured.

CUBAN OIL cures Cuts, Burns, Bruises, Rheumatism and Sores. Price, 25 cents. Stanfield & Matthews.

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The Circus in town next Wednesday. Everybody come to the show.

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Liver troubles quickly result in serious complications, and the man who neglects his liver has little regard for health. A bottle of Browns' Iron Bitters taken now and then will keep the liver in perfect order. If the trouble has developed, Browns' Iron Bitters will cure it permanently. Strength and health will always follow its use. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Marriage licenses have been issued this week by the Probate Judge to the following persons.

Mr. Tipton Mullins and Miss Alberta A. Johnson. Mr. A. C. Bishop and Miss Lucinda Mims. Both colored. Willie Gilbert and Miss McCants.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt-Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. S. Johnson.

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"My wife can tell what time it is in the middle of the night when it is pitch dark." "How does she do it?" "She makes me get up and look at the clock."—Chicago Record.

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Dr. A. J. Massey, the Expert Dentist will be at the Davis House, Clanton, on 12, 13 & 14 of Jan. 1898, and at Prattville Jan. 17th and the two weeks of court; call on him for fine Dental work.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Sallie Hanlin, by the sale of the following described property, to wit:

Commencing at the south-east corner of the south-west quarter of south-west quarter of section twenty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a westerly direction forty feet, thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and forty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land, and lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 6th day of January, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The Way To Weigh More

Good weight means good health. Good health means good blood. Good blood is at the bottom of it all. If a man or woman is losing flesh, chances are ten to one that the blood is impure and lifeless. Pure blood builds up good, firm flesh. It makes muscles that you can use. There is no fictitious fat about it. It gives you a balance in the bank of health that you can draw on without fear.

Sarsaparilla is Nature's remedy for impure or impoverished blood. It is just the sort of remedy that grandmother used to dig up in the garden. It is simple, pure, efficient. It puts the digestion into perfect order, stimulates the appetite, assists nutrition, cleanses and purifies the whole body.

The surest and purest and safest and best of all sarsaparillas is

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Quart Bottles, One Dollar.
WILLIAMS, DAVIS, BROOKS & CO.
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Liverettes for Constipation and Sick Headache, 25c.

THE CROSS AND CROWN

Is the title of a treatise on the doctrine of perfection or sanctification, by A. L. Pattillo, of Verbena, now in the press. It is written in a plain, homely fashion by one deeply impressed with the necessity of Christians living a perfect life, who desires to see all professing religion imbued with the same spirit. The Author, who is also a poet, has written several poems, all on religious subjects. The whole when complete will make a book of over 200 pages, bound in a stiff board cover, which at the small charge of 50 cents, should speedily exhaust the edition.

This book has a double claim on the people of Chilton county and should find a place in every home in the county, from the fact that it is entirely a home production, being the first book ever written, printed, bound and published in Chilton. It will be ready early in October. Price only 50 cents. Orders can be sent to THE BANNER, Clanton, or to A. L. Pattillo, Verbena.

Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton county.
In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, North-eastern Chancery Division. January 29, 1898.

Nannie Davis, complainant, vs. A. Oscar Davis, defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. M. Adams, that the Defendant, A. Oscar Davis, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and that his residence and post office address is Comanche, Comanche county, State of Texas and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said A. Oscar Davis, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 1st day of March, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confessso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 29th day of January, 1898.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.

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All come and make the most of this opportunity for bargains.

Bundles of very heavy Ducking, in remnants, from a yard up to three and four yards, about 6 and 7 lbs in each bundle that will make you a little shirts and children's comfortable clothes, at 90c a bundle.

Men's Shoes from $1.00 and up;
Ladies Shoes from 75c and up;
Children's Shoes 60c and up.
We have good Coats and Vests (Pawnbroker's goods, made of very fine material) from $1.25 and up.
Men's Pants from 75c and up, Boys Knee Pants from 15c and up; Men's Fine Macintoshes, made of the best rubber cloth, $2.50; Good Heavy Overcoats from $2.00 up; Very good Towels from 5c and up; Men's Suspenders from 9c and up; Good Pins at 1c a paper: Men's Good Sateen Handkerchiefs, 3 for one dime only; Ladies' Capes from $1.25 and up; 36 Sheets of Good Writing Paper for 5c only; Good Worsted Dress Goods, 39 inches wide, for 9c a yard only.

We can sell you any other goods at your own price. If you have not got the money come anyhow, and we will give you a pair of good pants for a song.

We pay the highest market price for Wool, Beef Hides, Beeswax, and Furs skins. We give from 10c to 12c a pound for hides, from 5c to 6c for green hides; from 15c to 25c a lb for clean wool.

Thanking you for past favors and soliciting your further patronage I am yours respectfully. H. TURNANSKY,
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Cold Extremites
Loss of Memory
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THE GREAT CUTDOWN

REDUCTIONS NOT DUE TO SOUTHERN COMPETITION.

As a Rule the Same Magnates Own the Southern and Northern Mills—The Workers Have to Do More for Less Money.

When it was announced a few weeks ago that 28,000 operatives in the city of Fall River would have their wages reduced 11 per cent there was great surprise. When this was followed by the news of a cut in every textile center in New England the people were dumbfounded.

The excuse, and only excuse, offered is competition with Southern cotton mills. The writer has toiled six years for the greatest cotton corporation in the world. He has also been in some of the largest and best Southern mills. I mention this only that the reader may know that I know of some things in connection with the textile industry. If we take into consideration the kind of work done and the amount turned off per hand, there is no great difference between the Southern and Northern mills. That competition between the said manufacturers, both North and South, is partly the cause of this gigantic cut, is true. Let me add right here that the cotton millionaire lords who own our Northern mills are to a very large extent the very same lords who own the Southern mills. A sort of competition between themselves for revenue only. Well, they can't lay this cut to the tariff, for they have their own sweet tariff. Under our present system we are making more goods than we can sell; this is true of both Northern and Southern mills. In Fall River, a surplus of 75,000 pieces are piled up each week, and the total surplus in that city today is more than 1,800,000 pieces. Goods are being piled up in every textile center.

And even on the same work the worker has to do 30 to 50 per cent more than was required ten years ago. To illustrate: A loom-fixer who received $2.25 per day to look after 40 looms ten years ago looks after 60 today for $1.80; 90 men, women and children do as much in the dye houses as 800 could only fifteen years ago. The Northrup or Draper loom, which was invented some two years ago, promises to revolutionize weaving—at least on plain goods. Thousands of these looms are already in operation. They run 190 picks per minute. One operator can tend, from twelve to twenty looms—an average of sixteen. The loom has two novel features, one is a stop motion by which the loom is stopped when ever the work happens to break, and the other is an arrangement whereby when the filling on a shuttle runs out another is substituted automatically. The loom will run for more than an hour with practically no attention. A good weaver by running sixteen looms can make about $8 per week, the average being about $7. One weaver will weave from 2,000 to 3,000 yards in a week. Compare this with the number of yards your grandmother could weave.

In 1892 gingham weavers received 46 cents per cut—43 yards—for weaving. In 1897 they received 27 cents per cut, now they receive 24 cents. In 1890 there were 137,359 cotton operatives in New England, and the average wage rate was, according to Carroll D. Wright, $356 per year. By 1896 the wage rate had been reduced to $320 per year, while the productivity of the workers had increased more than 20 per cent. The average pay at present is $288 per year. This is for New England. The great 10 per cent reduction which has just taken place affects more than 100,000 textile workers in the six New England states. In round figures these wealth producers will receive $300,000 less wages per month in 1898 than they received in 1897. And they will consume $300,000 less goods per month. This will intensify and make worse the already miserable conditions. During the past dozen years the stock of these New England cotton corporations has averaged six per cent above par.

A history of one of these corporations is a history of all. The great Amoskeag corporation—the greatest cotton manufacturing company in the world, commenced business seventy-five years ago with a capital of $200,000. They bought several thousand acres of land at $3 per acre. They have sold some of that land at $3,000 per acre. The original investment was paid back several times during the first few years of their operation. This great corporation is worth from forty to fifty million dollars, all made by the toilers. The 8,500 wage slaves who create fabulous wealth for the cotton lords are unorganized. They vote the old party tickets, just about half exist, and think "protection to American labor" a great thing.

The condition of the textile workers in America is steadily growing worse. Their average wages are not above $250 per year. In his report for 1890, Carroll D. Wright instances hundreds of cases of wage hands working for 21 cents a day. His investigations were made in twenty states.

Ninety-one per cent of the textile workers are homeless, only nine per cent owning homes of their own. The rapid motion of the textile machinery, the constant application of brain and muscle, depletes the vital energy of the workers. A female weaver who constantly tends six of those rapid Butler looms or sixteen of the Draper looms is completely tired out in a few weeks, and in five or six months 90 per cent of them are either sick or compelled to take a vacation. The discouragement, the hopelessness, the loss of ambition, can only result in a lower standard of morals, an increase of crime, intemperance and prostitution. If the textile workers of America want better conditions, if they want short hours, an abolition of child labor—in a word, if they want justice for themselves and humanity, they must join and vote for the abolition of this miserable system.—F. G. R. Gordon.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

We want to move on. The problems of yesterday are not the problems of today. Party managers are relentless autocrats that we shun as we would a venomous serpent; we hate them (in that capacity), as we do the unlawful systems that they perpetuate with their favor.—Pueblo Courier.

J. Pierpont Morgan and a syndicate including the Standard Oil Company have organized a national bank trust, the purpose being to run the small national banks out of existence. The National City Bank of Greater New York with deposits amounting to over $111,000,000, is the hub of this greatest of all concentration plans. The big millionaires have robbed the masses of about all they have and now they purpose to organize to rob each other. —Chicago Express.

Singerly, the Philadelphia banker who failed and swiped about four million of his dupes' money, is a rabid gold bug who supported McHanna for president, because any other course was dishonest and meant repudiation! Of course he is honest. All of them are. Everybody else are rogues. The people took the advice of such men, and behold the glorious results.—Appeal to Reason.

The express companies charge the large daily papers one-half cent a pound for carrying their papers. Our postmaster general wants the postage rates for newspapers raised to eight cents a pound. It would be cruel to suggest that this is a scheme to assist the strong in oppressing the weak. It does not seem to have occurred to the "servants of the people" than an act of congress requiring all common carriers to give the government as favorable rates as they do any private shippers would not only be just and reasonable, but would render an increase of postal rates entirely unnecessary. —Social Democrat.

VERSE FOR THE TIMES.

SHALL GREEDY LORDS THE LAND POSSESS?

What means this cry of dire despair
That rises up on every hand,
And fills the startled ambient air—
Is red war lurking in the land?

No, not a war where swords and guns
And cannons smite and heroes lead;
But where our loved and helpless ones
Are ground beneath the heel of greed.

The money-lender's selfish hand
Is outstretched wide for farms and homes;
Starvation stalks within the land,
Despair throughout the nation roams.

The cry we raise for help, alas!
Our haughty masters proudly spurn;
What power ordained a pampered class
To thankless spend what others earn?

Shall greedy lords and land possess,
And revel in their sordid gains?
Shall those we love, in sore distress,
Toil hopeless on while life remains?

No, by the shade of Lincoln, no!
A proud and fearless patriot band
Shall rise and thwart the common foe,
And rescue yet our native land!

A. O. GENUNG.

HENRY GEORGE.

Hail, friend of man! Hail and farewell!
Unerring prophet of the day to be
When men from landlord's serfdom shall be free.
We who yet tarry, send "God speed" with thee.

Hail, friend of man! Hail and farewell!
There may be other worlds in need of light
Where men are born as here, without the right
To use their planet as free agents might.

Hail, friend of man! Hail and farewell
We soon shall follow who now wait behind
To see thy message sink in every mind:
"Earth is the heritage of all mankind."
—Miles Merander Dawson.

A PERFECT SYSTEM.

We thank thee, Lord, that thou hast sent
affliction to the rich—
Dyspepsia, gout, insomnia and other troubles which
Disturb their souls by day and night and cause as much or more
Of real distress than do the ills that thou has sent the poor.

We may not have enough to eat. They eat too much, and so
It's just about an even thing which hath the most of woe.
We have no time to rest by day. They cannot rest at night.
So, all in all, it seemeth things are pretty nearly right.

We can't afford to ride, but there, again, their joy we balk
For, oh, thou sendest them the gout, and so they cannot walk.
Thou sendest them rich food and drink, weak stomachs, headaches, wealth.
To us thou sendest poverty, plain living, toil and health.

Oh, glad are we the rich must have, while living, off the fat,
Hay fever, likewise parysis and lots of things like that.
And so we are thankful for our joys, the greater part of which
Is thinking of the many woes thou sendest to the rich.

Nixon Waterman in L. A. W. Bulletin.

Experiments Necessary.

To stop experiment is to stop action, for the modern world is a new world and in it there are no tried and beaten paths. The floods and glaciers of innovation have carried away the ancient landmarks, and by raising new barriers and structures largely shut off from all progressive peoples, even the kindly rays of the lamp of experience. No agitators, but science and invention, have pushed us away from the ancient world, with its well-worn roads and lighthouses, and where we walk now human feet never trod before. The light from our foreheads is our only lamp, and eternal truth our only guide, prefer to experiment, or to be experimented on; to be the surgeon, or the corpse.—Walter Vrooman, in New Democracy.

THE CONSPIRATORS.

WHO ARE CALLED MONETARY COMMISSIONERS.

They Are Like the Fourteen Men Who Swore to Kill Paul—All Their Claims Have Been Refuted and Exploded Long Ago.

There is an account given in the New Testament of fourteen men who bound themselves together by an oath that they would neither eat nor sleep till they had killed Paul. They did not succeed in killing the apostle and were necessarily compelled to break their wicked oath. The reason why these fourteen conspirators desired the death of Paul was that he was preaching against idolatry and other deceptions that were practiced against the people by a corrupt money class who misled the people with false doctrines.

This band of ancient conspirators have something like a prototype in the eleven conspirators who banded themselves together at the instance of the bankers' Indianapolis convention of "sound money" deceivers, and spent weeks in Washington in secret conclave, devising a plan to destroy the liberties of the American people. Vermont's discarded ex-Senator at the head of this band of conspirators. Their work has been laid before the public, and is probably the most ingenious piece of sophistry, false assumption and cunning, innocent appearing assertion, ever produced. The false theories of money invented and practiced by bankers and hoary usurers, and that have been exposed and refuted by undeniable facts a thousand times, are all mustered with inimitable skill. This class base their hopes on the old adage that a lie well stuck to is as good as the truth.

It would be as tedious as unprofitable to follow their long meandering trail through their dissertation on money, and particularly the government money of the United States, which is pronounced as "bad" except its gold coins. The whole contention of the band of conspirators is for "standard" money, and that standard money must be gold, and the continuation of the present gold standard. They attempt to give no reason why gold is a "standard" money or should be a standard, and the only standard money and not silver, except that it is more handy than silver. Silver was as much of a standard money for thousands of years before 1873 as gold, simply because the mints of all countries were open to its coinage, and there was always a demand for the metal beyond the supply. Open them again and the same conditions will produce the same results. There would be the same demand for silver as for gold. Close the same mints against gold and it will fall in price in the bullion market the same as silver has fallen, only a great deal more.

The monetary scheme concocted by the eleven conspirators of the Indianapolis bankers' convention, in principle and object, is the same as the concoction of Secretary Gage and President McKinley's greenback retirement plan, only the former is more ingeniously presented and worked out in detail. The fundamental falsehood on which they are all built, is "a standard of value." There is no standard of value, never has been, and never can be. Value is the relative difference between articles of merchandise or things controlled by the fluctuations of trade. The value of the same articles changes almost daily, influenced by demand and supply, whether that demand be natural or artificial. Money is a medium of exchange and recorder of prices, and it is nothing else unless its legitimate function is abused by cornerers, usurers and speculators. The whole object of the class for whom the eleven conspirators speak, is to make money scarce so they can corner it with facility. Any commodity that can be cornered can be given an artificial price.

The conspirators tell us there are two kinds of money, or rather there are two distinct functions for money. One is the "standard of value," the other a "medium of exchange;" that gold is the only standard-of-value money, and they imply that no other commodity—they acknowledge that gold is a commodity—is endowed by the intrinsic power of constituting standard money. The exchange function they claim inheres in all other kinds of money composed of silver, paper, etc. Gold, while possessing the sovereign power of "standard" money, has also the function of exchange in common with its subject money, as of course the sovereign should have.

It will be noticed that the "divine right" is at the bottom of the gold-bug theory of money. Gold is king, and money created of any other substance must owe its power to exist to the will of the sovereign. All other moneys formed of baser clay must have the consent of the sovereign to exist. The imperial gold must stand ready to "redeem" this half-way or purgatory money from perdition.

The gold-bug idea of government is monarchical, the gold-bug idea of money is monarchical, and the gold-bug idea of the people is that they should be the wage slaves of labor for the class who own the gold and the "obligations payable in gold." The political power of this class is embodied in the Republican party. There is no longer any question or doubt on this subject, since McKinley and all of his Cabinet have proclaimed it, and indorse the work of the eleven Indianapolis convention monetary commission conspirators.

The method to enslave the people under the old feudal and knightly regime was to claim a divine right to tax and enslave the masses for the aggrandizement of their masters. The monetary system of these modern barons of mammon is for the same object.

"There is a clear distinction between the functions of money as a standard of value and a medium of exchange," say the conspirators, but they fail to point out the necessity for such difference, except that bank issued money can never be anything but a "promise to pay" money. From these premises they argue, or assume, that government cannot make a "standard" money out of anything but gold. The term "standard money" is only an ingenious juggle for the term legal tender. They assume to deny the sovereign power of government to "coin money and regulate the value thereof," by claiming in this enlightened age that money is only a commodity having a certain fixed value, and that gold has a fixed value, hence it is the divinely appointed money metal! Prior to 1873 silver possessed this fixed value in France. In the United States it was three per cent above the gold value and was royal "standard" money everywhere in the world. A change in the minting laws of three or four great nations altered the value of silver at once. These stubborn facts upset the flimsy theory of the goldites.

The function to transfer values is the only legitimate function money possesses, and that is given it by law Money is a creation of law as Aristotle proclaimed three thousand years ago, a fact that had never been questioned till Satan raised up the modern gold-bug plutocracy. An to transfer value and record price is all the work money ever did or ever can do.

Gold as a commodity is used to balance accounts between traders of different nations, and so is every other commodity.

It is not used to transfer values between citizens of the same country, but must first be stamped into money by the government. Pound a gold coin into a shapeless mass, and no trader will accept it in satisfaction of his bill. No bank will credit it on a depositor's account. And yet the Shylocks have the brass to gravely tell the people that all money must have a commodity value equal to its money value! Whenever their claims for money are put to the test of analysis every one fails, and proves their claims to be sophistries and a tissue of falsehoods.

"Redemption" is another fake, like the chained lions in Pilgrim's Progress, utterly harmless. Money must be redeemed, declare the conspirators one and all. And it must be redeemed in gold. One simple fact refutes this theory. There is not one dollar of gold to redeem with, to twenty, or probably a hundred of the kind to be redeemed if redemption were a legitimate factor in the money problem. Redemption is a banker's fake. His bills are not money at all, and have to lean on something for support, hence the senseless claim of redeeming true money.

Money is a medium of exchange. A exchanges merchandise with B for money. B has the merchandise and A has received the recorded value in the shape of money, and the same, or similar transactions is repeated a million times. It is going on every hour in the day from year's end to year's end, and the identical same money is doing the work. Where does the "redemption" come in, and what object can there be in redeeming money? Exactly the same object that two men have who are playing poker. One "calls" the other when he believes he has the advantage of him. This redemption poker-money game was played by Pierpont Morgan and Cleveland. Morgan came down with a flush hand of greenbacks, and Cleveland pretended he couldn't see Morgan, and went out and borrowed two hundred and sixty-two millions, giving Morgan notes payable in ten to thirty years on the government. Cleveland, unlike most players, was richer after losing than before. This is the nature and true inwardness of redemption money. The object is to cheat the people.

There is another class of redemptionists. They are not gamblers or rogues, and it would not be just or kind to call them fools. They probably are not well informed. They say money is redeemed every time it is paid in taxes or exchanged for other things. But is it? A carter is hauling sand from the river bank to the masons. When he delivers a load of sand does he redeem his cart? He has made a transfer or exchange of sand from place to place. That is all. His cart is still intact, ready for another load. When the hod-carrier receives his pay from the builder does he go through the process of anything like redeeming? He has exchanged his labor for the money. He will soon exchange the money for groceries. Has gold any other function as money? Can it have any other that is honest, whether used as a commodity or as money?

The entire scheme of these eleven conspirators is to juggle. The people don't want any gold standard money. They want enough of Uncle Sam's full legal-tender money to keep them at work and afford good prices for their products, and they mean to have it.

E. E. EWING.

The Nervy Bankers.

The banks demand that the government furnish them money with which to carry on their business without charge, says the Silver Knight-Watchman. The boldness of the demand makes our head swim. All the tailors in the United States should now demand that the government furnish them cloth to carry on their business, the shoemakers should demand leather, the carpenters wood, the bricklayers bricks, and so on ad infinitum.

IT HAS A WARLIKE RING.

Sagasta's Reply to Woodford Again Declines Intervention.

SAYS HE CANNOT ENTERTAIN SUGGESTIONS

And Refuses to Fix Time for Ending War in Cuba—Sagasta Also Complains of Filibustering—Relations Becoming Strained.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Standard says Senor Sagasta's response to the official note presented yesterday Saturday by General Woodford, United States minister, complains of filibustering expeditions and declares that Spain cannot entertain the suggestion for fixing a date for her completion of the pacification of Cuba.

Pessimist impressions are now current regarding the relations between the United States and Spain and have depressed the Madrid and Barcelona bourses.

Public feeling among all classes is strong against America.

Woodford Ignores Sherman.

Premier Sagasta has declined the third offer of friendly mediation on the part of the United States. This information was conveyed in a cipher message, received from Minister Woodford by President McKinley on Friday.

The message was a most unusual one, instead of being addressed to the secretary of state it was addressed to the president, a thing which has not happened since Consul General Lee's famous cablegrams to President Cleveland of nearly a year ago.

This cablegram from Woodford was not long, but recited the fact that Premier Sagasta refused to admit that Spain had reached the end of her rope in Cuba; that she was unable to suppress the insurrection; that autonomy was a failure, or that she needed the assistance of the United States in bringing the Cubans' struggle to an end.

A CATHEDRAL BURNS.

One of the Finest Ecclesiastical Structures in America a Mass of Ruins.

The magnificent cathedral of St. John the Baptist, at Savannah, the head seat of the Catholic church in the state of Georgia, burned to the ground Sunday night. Fire was discovered by a motorman breaking out through the front of the building shortly before 11 o'clock, and at midnight the destruction of the cathedral was about complete.

The cathedral cost about $225,000 and was insured for $60,000. The convent of St. Vincent de Paul, adjoining the cathedral, was saved because of the fact that the wind was blowing in the opposite direction.

The cathedral was one of the finest ecclesiastical structures in the south. It was built under Cardinal Persico, then bishop of Savannah, and was dedicated in 1876 by Bishop Gross, now archbishop of Oregon. Bishop Becker succeeded to the diocese in 1884.

Another Fire.

Another fire broke out in Savannah at 8 o'clock, doing damage to the amount of $125,000. The fire started in a warehouse on the wharf, and before it could be extinguished had destroyed several brick buildings.

RENEWING HOSTILITIES.

Greek Peasants Rout Turks Who Are Burning Villages.

A special from Athens says: The Turks, after severe fighting, have occupied and burned four villages in the Agrappa district, in the north of Acarnia, about midway between Arta and Peroko. Eight thousand Turkish troops were engaged in the conflicts.

It is reported that in the neighborhood of Paleokastron the Turks were repulsed.

A panic prevails among the inhabitants of the neutral zone. The Greek outposts have been strengthened and the situation is ominous. It is probable that the Cretan question will be dropped until the evacuation of Thessaly has been secured.

Spoilsmen Win a Partial Victory.

Spoilsmen have at last won a part at victory. The president has prepared an order exempting a number of places from the civil service, according to the suggestions of cabinet officers, and it will be published soon. The cabinet officers have been expecting the order to be promulgated for several days. The order is complete and on the president's table.

A Tennesseean Suicides.

W. P. (Buck) Tanner shot and killed himself in Nashville about midnight Sunday. Tanner was treasurer of the Tennessee Centennial, and also held a similar office in the Hermitage club.

Gompers On the Strike.

In an interview after a secret conference of the leaders of the labor organizations at Boston Monday, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, said unless the hostile factions of the textile unions come to some agreement very quickly the strike at New Bedford would be of little avail. It was for the purpose of harmonizing these unions in the interest of the strikers that Mr. Gompers is now making an extended tour of the textile centers of New England.

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Off for the Klondike.

Another Klondike expedi
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engineer on the Louisville a
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organized in that city a f
since, is off for the Alaskan g
He was accompanied by A. J.
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Birmingham's Cotton R

The total receipts of Bir
up to date are 97,751 bales; t
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According to T. W. Pratt,
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of Huntsville, there are thre
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Lunacy Board Extinct

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creating a lunacy board, com
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G. A. R. Will Meet in Dec

The Grand Army of the R
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eral members of his staff.

To Revive a Shoe Facto

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Beneath His Station.

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...ott Heavens! And ride with
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MINENT DIVINES' SERMON

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORK-
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"Giants" Is the Subject of the Twelfth of the New York Herald's Competitive Series—Dr. Talmage Preaches on the Style of the Christian Character.

"There were giants in those days."—Genesis, vi., 4.

This text represents the wail of the moral man who refuses to enter into the activities of life and finds no fit leadership among the men of to-day. He views the men of yesterday and, by comparing them with his own nothingness, calls them giants. Unwilling to follow his rightful leaders, he pines for the mighty men of the past.

If the wail were only the expression of dissatisfied donothings in the world it would be of little account, but the cry regarding the ancient giants has connected with it an inference that no giants exist today, because there is no opportunity for giant life. This pseudo reverence for the great men of the past carries with it the poisonous pessimism that says, "There can be no giants now." It is discouragement dressed down and sugar-coated with a pious worship of ancient worthies.

Cæsar, Napoleon and Wellington were great generals, but there never will be any more. "There will never be another poet like Homer." "No more orators like Burke, Pitt and Webster." "No more preachers like Wesley, Whitefield and Edwards." "No more statesmen as Madison and Jefferson." There is no chance for such men to-day, society demand for them.

This is a fair specimen of the idle talk of men who pretend to appreciate the greatness of the fathers and with this pious plaint immerse themselves in the worship of yesterday. Were this simply the silly talk of imbecility no protest from the pulpit would be in place but in behalf of discouraged youth I purpose to enter an unqualified denial of the spirit of all this word. Did it not seem too impious rejection of sacred writ, I would affirm that there were no giants in those days. The men of yesterday were not so great as the men of to-day.

Physically men are better than ever before. The average men of to-day is too lazy to wear the English armor discarded by giant warriors of a few centuries back. The collegian of to-day surpasses the ancient Olympian. Cicero and Demosthenes were giants in oratory by comparison. Orators were few and poor at that time, so these were easily noted. There are better preachers to-day than Wesley. Edwards is far surpassed in truthful presentation of the word by modern sermon makers. Bismarck, Blaine and Gladstone overshadow ancient men in statecraft. Macaulay tells us that men usually put the golden age of England at a time "when noblemen were destitute of comforts which would cause rest in a modern workhouse."

So men are constantly raising the age of mental and spiritual greatness in times when men were conspicuous not so much for their own individual merit as because of the lack of ordinary merit among their fellows. In a very true sense we may say that in the light of the nineteenth century men there were no giants in those days. There is a proper egotism which boasts of to-day, and imperiously declares that no such men lived in the past as our generation has produced.

Turning from this, we may bow with deference to the coming man. The youth of to-day may rise above the best of their fathers. There was never a greater call for giants than now, and a giant here and there, but a race of giants. Every profession is crowded with little men and is crying for giants. Professions, like skyscrapers, have vacant rooms on the top floor.

Railroads are anxious for first class men; editorial offices will give handsome salaries to skilful writers; pulpits seek commanding preachers; corporations seek in vain for properly qualified counsel; the nation calls for better statesmen, the colleges for better teachers, the merchants for better salesmen, the manufacturers for better artisans. "Helps wanted for rent" is hung out at every corner, inviting boys who are willing and able to climb the old-fashioned stairs. There is no elevator for carrying the climbers to the top of business and professional life. Men who work at the head of a profession or business must have strength, and that strength best comes by toiling up to the high places.

Giants are not born, they are made. Inherited adaptability will have some bearing, but earned qualities will have more. Common strength, common sense, common honesty are the first requisites. The perils of hard work, frugality of time and power, controlled by an indomitable "I will," must enter into the make-up of a great man. Time, money and nerve power dissipated by young men, not in true recreation and relaxation, but in idle loitering, would, if truly directed, make many great.

Nor will we forget that "Godliness is profitable." The giants spoken of in Genesis were grandsons of God; the giants of to-day are children of God. The strongest men are they that are strong in the Lord. Jesus is the giant of the age, and the nearer related to Jesus the more gigantic is man. Christian qualities are reliable assets, for Christ rules to-day more than all earthly potentates. Men who scoff at religion desire Christlike qualities in their employes.

Faith, hope and charity are fit emblems for the market, for commerce and the professions. There are Calvarys along the road to greatness; men must bear crosses if they would rise. It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. It is more than good, it is essential, and the first work in the typical emblem by which men may work their lives, by the grace of God to present day giants.

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Pastor of First Congregational Church of Newark, N. J.

KIND OF PEOPLE NEEDED.

Dr. Talmage Describes the Style of Christian Character Required To-day.

TEXT: "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"—Esther iv., 14.

Esther the beautiful was the wife of Ahasuerus the abominable. The time had come for her to present a petition to her infamous husband in behalf of the Jewish nation, to which she had once belonged. She was afraid to undertake the work, lest she should lose her own life; but her cousin, Mordecai, who had brought her up, encouraged her with the suggestion that perhaps she had been raised up of God for just a peculiar mission. "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

Esther had her God-appointed work, and I have ours. It is my business to tell you what style of men and women you ought to be in order to meet the [illegible] of this day. You need to be men and women of [illegible] and you want [illegible] you are to be better [illegible] They are the chief obstacles to the progress of Christ's kingdom at present. I am speaking of another kind of Christians. All the provisions for your coming an earthly Christian are at your hand, and there is a straight path for you into the broad [illegible] God's forgiveness. You may this moment be the bondmen of the world, and the next moment you may be princes of the Lord God Almighty.

But you need to be aggressive Christians, and not like those persons who spend their lives in hugging their Christian graces and wondering why they do not make progress. How much robustness of health would a man have if he hid himself in a dark closet? A great deal of the piety of to-day is too exclusive. It hides itself. It needs more fresh air, more outdoor exercise. There are many Christians who are giving their entire life to self-examination.

This style of self-examination is a damage instead of an advantage to their Christian character. I remember when I was a boy I used to have a small piece in the garden that I called my own, and I planted corn there, and every few days I would pull it up to see how fast it was growing. Now, there are a great many Christian people in this day whose self-examination proved by amounts to the pulling up of that which they only yesterday or the day before planted. Oh, my friends, if you want to have a stalwart Christian character, plant it right out of doors in the great field of Christian usefulness, and though storms may come upon it, and though the hot sun of trial may try to consume it, it will thrive until it becomes a great tree, in which the fowls of heaven may have their habitation. I have no patience with these flower-pot Christians. They keep themselves under shelter, and all their Christian experience in a small, exclusive circle, when they ought to plant it in the great garden of the Lord, so that the whole atmosphere could be aromatic with their Christian usefulness. What we want in the church of God is more strength of piety.

Again, if you want to be qualified to meet the duties which this age demands of you, you must, on the one hand, avoid reckless iconoclasm and, on the other hand, not stick too much to things because they are old. The air is full of new plans, new projects, new theories of government, new theologies, and I am amazed to see how so many Christians want only novelty in order to recommend a thing to their confidence; and so they vacillate and swing to and fro, and they are useless and they are unhappy. New plans—secular, ethical, philosophical, religious, cis-Atlantic, trans-Atlantic—long enough to make a line reaching from the German universities to Great Salt Lake City. Ah, my brother, do not take hold of a thing merely because it is new! Try it by the realities of the Judgment Day. But on the other hand, do not adhere to anything merely because it is old. There is not a single enterprise of the church of the world but has sometime been scoffed at. There was a time when men derided even Bible societies, and when a few young men met in Massachusetts and organized the first missionary society ever organized in this country, there went laughter and ridicule all around the Christian Church.

All the great enterprises in and out of the Church have at times been scoffed at, and there have been a great multitude who have thought that the chariot of God's truth would fail to please if it once got out of the old rut. And so there are those who have no patience with anything like improvement in church architecture, or with anything like good, hearty, earnest church singing, and they deride any form of religious discussion which goes down walking among everyday men, rather than that which makes an excursion on rhetorical stilts. Oh, that the Church of God would wake up to an adaptibility of work! We must admit this simple fact that the churches of Jesus Christ in this day do not reach the great masses. There are fifty thousand people in Edinburgh who never hear the gospel. There are one million people in London who never hear the gospel.

Ah, my friends, there is work for you to do and for me to do in order to this grand accomplishment. I have a pulpit. I preach in it. Your pulpit is the bank. Your pulpit is the store. Your pulpit is the editorial chair. Your pulpit is the anvil. Your pulpit is the house scaffolding. Your pulpit is the mechanics' shop. I may stand in my place and, through cowardice or through self seeking, may keep back the word I ought to utter while you, with sleeve rolled up and brow besweated with toil, may utter the word that will jar the foundations of heaven with the shout of a great victory. Oh, that we might all feel that the Lord Almighty is putting upon us the hands of ordination! I tell you, every one, go forth and preach this Gospel. You have as much right to preach as I have or any man living.

I remark again that in order to be qualified to meet your duty in this particular age you want unbounded faith in the triumph of the truth and the overthrow of wickedness. How dare the Christian Church ever get discouraged? Have we not the Lord Almighty on our side? How long did it take God to slay the hosts of Sennacherib or burn Sodom or shake down Jericho? How long will it take God, when he once arises in his strength, to overthrow all the forces of iniquity? Between this time and that there may be long seasons of darkness, and the chariot wheels of God's Gospel may seem to drag heavily; but here is the promise and yonder is the throne, and when omniscience has lost its eyesight and omnipotence falls back impotent and Jehovah is driven from his throne, then the Church of Jesus Christ can afford to be despondent, but never until then. Despots may plan and armies may march and the Congresses of the nations may seem to think they are adjusting all the affairs of the world, but the mighty men of the earth are only the dust of the chariot wheels of God's providence. And I think before the sun of the next century shall set the last tyranny will fall, and with a splendor of demonstration that shall be the astonishment of the universe God will set forth the brightness and pomp and glory and perpetuity of His eternal government. Out of the starry floors and the emblazoned insignia of this world God will make a path for His own triumph, and returning from universal conquest He will sit down, the grandest, highest throne of earth His footstool.

I prepare this sermon because I want to encourage all Christian workers in every possible department. Hosts of the living God, march on! march on! His Spirit will bless you. His shield will defend you. His sword will strike for you. March on! march on! The despotisms will fall and paganism will burn its idols, and Mahometanism will give up its false prophet, and the great walls of superstition will come down in thunder and wreck at the long, loud blast of the Gospel trumpet. March on! march on! The besiegement will soon be ended. Only a few more steps on the long way; only a few more sturdy blows; only a few more battle cries, then God will put the laurels upon your brow and from the living fountains of heaven will bathe off the sweat and the heat and the dust of the conflict. March on! march on! For you the time for work will soon be passed, and amid the outflashings of the judgment throne and the trumpeting of resurrection angels and the upheaving of a world of graves, and the hosannas and the groaning of the saved and the lost, we shall be rewarded for our faithfulness or punished for our stupidity. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting and let the whole earth be filled with His glory. Amen and amen.

THE SOUTH'S IRON INDUSTRY.

Faith in It Leads to a Large Investment by Englishmen.

An English syndicate, whose agents first visited the Birmingham (Ala.) district last spring and made a careful inspection of its coal and iron resources, has, it is said, practically completed arrangements for the expenditure there of a million dollar steel plant. It is said, is convinced that Alabama is to be the future seat of the iron and steel industry of the world, and that Alabama offers the best opportunities for cheap steel production.

It is known that extensive options on mineral lands near there have been secured by the foreigners, and that negotiations for the building of the steel plant have been practically concluded.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 13.

Lesson Text: "The Call of Matthew," Matthew ix., 9-17—Golden Text: Matthew ix., 9—Commentary on the Lesson Written by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

9. "And as Jesus passed forth from thence He saw a man named Matthew sitting at the receipt of custom, and He said unto him, Follow Me. And he arose and followed Him." The sense, the paralytic, the fever stricken, the possessed with demons, the tenth, the fossil, the blind, the boneless and even the dead are made to know and enjoy His power. The winds and the sea obey Him, so that the people might well ask, "What manner of man is this?" The demons know that He is the Son of God, but the people only marvel at Him. It may be that all these different phases of the devil's work on the bodies of people are very suggestive of the condition of Israel spiritually at that time, and also of the condition of all who are out of Christ to-day, but as then He cast out the spirits with His word and healed all that were sick so He can now deliver from all the power of the enemy, for He is still "this same Jesus." Blessed are the poor in spirit who are humble enough to receive Him, and follow Him, and become His disciples. Undisturbed by the breaking up of the roof, He had just honored the faith of the four who expected Him to heal their friend, and now He chooses Levi (Luke v., 27), or Matthew, to be one of His faithful few. Matthew is to follow Him, not Peter, nor John, nor the others who were called before Him. And so it is still—we are to behold the Lamb of God and see no man save Jesus only, and run with patience looking unto Jesus (John i., 29; Math. xvii., 8; Heb. xii., 2).

10. "And it came to pass as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with Him and His disciples." This also is a picture of things as they still exist. There are true disciples, but there are many who sit with them in the house of God who might be disciples also if they would; for whosoever may, but they prefer to continue unbelievers. Matthew modestly refrains from telling us that the feast was prepared in his own house, but we find it in Luke v., 29. In the same way John does not tell who the other was who followed Jesus that first day (John i., 40), nor does Luke tell the name of the second who walked to Emmaus (Luke xxiv., 18), nor does Mark tell the name of the young man who fled away naked (Mark xiv., 52), but as in Matthew no doubt less in the others the unbelievers remain.

11. "And when the Pharisees saw it they said unto His disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners?" It is not the way of the wisdom of this world to have much to do with those not in their set or circle in society. I am writing this lesson as I cross the sea from Japan to China, and there sits in the social hall with me at another table a young man of Japan, a graduate of the imperial university, a strong Buddhist, who insists that the teachings of the Bible may be necessary for some, but the teachings of Buddhism suit him better, for they are so much more profound in his estimation.

12. "But when Jesus heard that He said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick." It is difficult for a learned man to think himself intellectually sick, or for a moral man to think himself morally sick, but until one is convinced that he is sick he will not be apt to want a physician. The majority of people are so whole in their own estimation and going about to establish their own righteousness (Rom. x., 3), and it is only the Spirit of God who can convince of sin and show the need of a Saviour (John xvi., 8).

13. "But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy and not sacrifice; for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." This is a quotation from Hos. vi., 6, the context of which teaches that Israel, puffed up with pride, continued to offer sacrifices as a religious act, but continued in their sinful ways. The first sacrifice of which we read in Scripture, and which was offered by God Himself on behalf of sinful man (Gen. iii., 21), shows man's utter helplessness to offer God anything, but that God in mercy provides garments of salvation by the shedding of blood for sinful man.

14. "Then came to Him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but Thy disciples fast not?" They certainly put themselves in poor company when they said, "We and the Pharisees," but perhaps in the matter of fasting they were still very like the Pharisees and fasted as a religious duty. Perhaps they had not heard His teaching as recorded in Matth. vi., 16-18. Their mistake seems also to be that of giving to God instead of first receiving from Him—duty instead of grateful service.

15. "The days will come when the Bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast." He is still quoting from Hosea, for there He is both Physician and Bridegroom (Hos. vi., 1; ii., 19). John the Baptist speaks of Him as Bridegroom (John iii., 29). Neither John's disciples nor Jesus' disciples knew of the days of separation that were to intervene before the millennial age. They were happy now with Him, and there was no occasion to fast.

16 17. The patched garments and the old bottles of these verses set forth different phases of the same truth. There is no patchwork or mixing up of old and new in the Lord's work. If any man be in Christ, he is a new creation. The carnal mind, or natural man, is not subject to the law of God and never can be. In our flesh or natural man dwelleth no good thing (II Cor. v., 17; Rom. viii., 7; vii., 18). To become a Christian is to receive from above Him who is in no one as they are born into this world, even Jesus Christ the Son of God (John i., 12; I John v., 12). Then to live a Christian life is to renounce the old, and let the new vessel, the divine nature in us when we receive Christ, be filled with the Spirit of God. Garments and wine are both marriage similitudes. He provides both garments enough and wine in abundance for all who will come to Him. Wine is suggestive of the joy with which He would have us filled, even His own joy, and the garments suggest the life made manifest by the joy within. The inward must be right before the outward can be right. Luther says that the bottles holding the wine are the men wearing the garments. When He has complete possession of us, then it will be manifest in and through us that "the kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness."—Lesson Helper.

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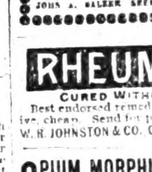

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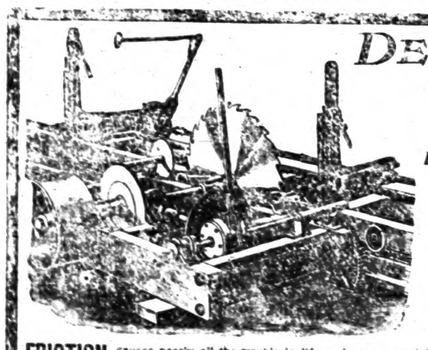

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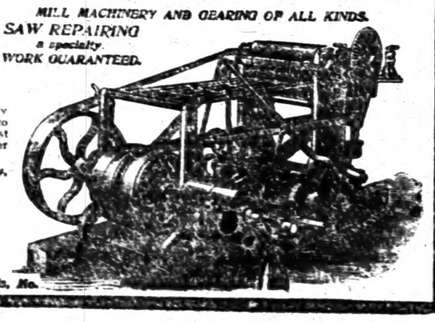

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Rates go into effect in the Southern Passenger Association territory on the 10th instant, and the extreme return limit is fixed at March 5.

A canvass of the different passenger offices reveals the fact that preparations are being made for the handling of an immense amount of travel to this point on account of the Mardi Gras.

Already Birmingham is wearing Mardi Gras colors. Banners and flags are kissing the breezes, telling the joyous event.

Preparations for the great Mardi Gras Carnival are progressing quite lively, and everything points to a great success. The floats of the Carnival Society are nearing completion. They are elegantly put together, and the finishing work is that of an artist.

All Birmingham is in a great stir over the great days of fun and frolic which will be February 21 and 22.

Costumes for the parade and the Rex ball have been purchased. Private firms have already made contracts for displays on an [illegible] scale of grandeur, and the Carnival Society has made arrangements for two grand parades which will far excel anything ever attempted in the South. The Rex ball on the night of February 22 will outrival anything that has ever been attempted in the South. The auditorium ball room floor is being put in excellent condition for the great event. As is now arranged, the floor is just 100 feet square, and five hundred couples can dance on it without inconvenience. The best music will be furnished the occasion, and this ball will be the talk of the South.

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An Attempted Escape.

Monday last about noon one of the negro prisoners in the jail, by the sheriff had trusted to bring water, thought he saw an opportunity to escape, and made a break for it. Our vigilant sheriff, not to be fooled, however, quickly gave chase, commanding the negro to stop. As the negro did not stop on command the sheriff fired a couple of shots at him, one of which taking effect, caused the negro to fall. Before he could get up to make the biggest jump of his life, and stop instantly. He was hurt and the sheriff again had him under lock and key.

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MOONSHINE RAID NEAR STRASBURG.

A raid was made last Saturday night by Deputy United States Collector Tutwiler and Deputy United States Marshal Bryan. The still was located four miles east of Strasburg. They found about twenty gallons of beer and several jugs marked to parties in Jemison. Deputy Collector Tutwiler had his horse-collar and leggings stolen by some of the moonshiners. They had quite a lively tussel with one of the moonshiners, who threatened to shoot them, but they succeeded in disarming him. Four men were arrested.

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A few months ago, Mr. Byron Every, of Woodstock, Mich., was badly afflicted with rheumatism. His right leg was swollen the full length, causing him great suffering. He was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first bottle of it helped him considerably and the second bottle effected a cure. The 25 and 50 cent sizes are for sale by Dr. J. S. Johnson, jr., druggist.

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Jemison Jems.

On 8th inst. death entered the happy home of Mr. Cordie Northcutt and snatched from a fond mother's care one of their beautiful twins, about five months old. Those two little boys were sweet beyond description. It is out of our power to give a word to ease the bereaved. God be with them.

On the 10th inst. Mr. Marion Askew was suddenly called to his last home. He was a good man who leaves a large family to mourn and miss him. Mr. Askew loved his family, his church and his God. His genteel, quiet, unassuming disposition will long be remembered. Our sympathy for the bereaved is boundless.

I am almost too feeble to sit up. Good luck to the BANNER.

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Kincheon.

The farmers of this section are progressing very nicely. They are finishing rolling logs, hauling guano and sowing oats.

Rev. W. B. Dennis will fill his regular appointment at Fairview Sunday evening at 3 o'clock.

I had the pleasure of shaking hands with Mr. Spence Ray of Jemison, who is in his 97th year. He is visiting relatives in Beat 6.

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Republican Mass Convention.

A mass convention of the Republicans of Chilton is hereby called to meet at New Convert church on Saturday, February 26, 1898, for the purpose of electing delegates to the Congressional and State conventions, and the transaction of any other business which come before the body.

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EDITOR BANNER: What is the matter with the people? Where is the patriotism that seemed to stir them a few years ago? Is there not just as much need for an awakening now as at any time in the country's history? I fear that the indifference on the part of the people is the forboding of no good to them. It may be that thousands have become discouraged and have resolved to quit voting, and if they should we know that it will only make the management of governmental affairs easier for the manipulators to handle in their own interest; but it will not decrease taxation; the people will continue to bear the burdens, and the tax gatherers will remind them annually that they are a part of this government whether they vote or not. The man who advises the people to relinquish their interest in the state by refusing to discuss public questions, men, and measures, is either uninformed himself, or wishes the people to become more ignorant in order that the old political schemers may handle them in such a manner as will best suit the officeholder. I wonder if the men who have been elected to office by the People's Party imagine that that was the purpose for which the party was organized? It seems that way to a looker-on. Some men who were elected by the Populists have, since they were elected, refused to say or do anything to advance the party's interest, and yet seem to think they have great claims on the party. If these men were to come forward for renomination in a Populist primary or convention, I imagine that I can hear them say: "Dear people, we once cried loud and long for this reform movement, but since we have been elected to office we feel that it is enough. Oh! let us have peace by electing us once again. Oh! thou dear people, have mercy on me and my wife, my son John and his wife—us four and no more—until next election."

Suppose we elect men who will talk long and loud in the interest of the people after they are elected to office as well as before.

LOOKER-ON.

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Mr. Ward L. Smith, of Fredericks-town, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhœa for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

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Maplesville.

A mistake was made in our last items. It was W. D. Lawrence's mill that burned instead of R. D. Martin's. Mr. Lawrence will rebuild soon. The material is all ready to start.

The new railroad is an old thing now and we do not make much ado about it. The town is full of railroad people of all classes. Trains will be running to Centreville by the 18th and to Montgomery in six weeks at the farthest.

We are glad to state that Zeke Martin is much improved from a very serious illness. He has gone to Selma.

Wheeler Fashee has been ill with a vaccinated arm. He came here recently from Blocton.

Our new Methodist minister, Rev. Williams, gave us a most instructive sermon the second Sunday of this month.

We regret that the Paisley family has left us, but are glad their house is now occupied by so useful a citizen as Mr. Perry, of Perryville.

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Turn-Round Topics.

Our energetic farmers are going right ahead with their work, sowing oats, cleaning up land and having log rollings.

We are sorry to report that Mr H. Kendrick is again on the sick list.

Messrs. Newton and Maxwell, of Montgomery, were visitors here last week.

Among the sweetest visitors to this delightful town is Miss Emma Mims, of Shelby. She is receiving a royal welcome.

Lewis Jones and family visited W. D. Goss Sunday.

B. J. Taylor, wife, and Miss Sallie Jones visited B. J. Goss Sunday.

R. H. Taylor spent Sunday with Walter Kendrick.

Uncle Joel Gulledge, of Verbena, was a welcome visitor to H. Kendrick Sunday.

Peter Kendrick spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. F. M. Connell jr. of Cross Roads.

Glad am I to know that both our prayermeeting every Saturday night and our singing every Sunday night are progressing and increasing like they are. May some good be accomplished from both, and our young boys and girls deserve praise for their good conduct.

Mr. McKee, of Cooper, was a visitor here Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Thomas filled his appointment here Sunday and delivered a most excellent sermon.

Willis Calloway and Miss Sallie DuBose, of Cross Roads, came down to church Sunday.

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Jemison, February 14, 1898.

Editor BANNER:—There is a song entitled "Old Time Religion," and the subjoined clipping shows old time democracy of fifty years ago.

Those who are inclined to the opinion that the Chicago platform is too radical for a Democratic platform should read the following, taken from an address issued by the "Young Democracy" at a convention held in Philadelphia fifty years ago, a copy of which is in the possession of Col. S. F. Norton of the Chicago Sentinel. As good as is the Chicago platform, compared with some others, it might go considerably further and still not reach the demands of the Democratic party fifty years ago, which were as follows:

"We demand that one man shall not hereafter be allowed to hold unlimited thousands of acres of the common inheritance, while hundreds and thousands of the race are homeless and destitute.

"We maintain that every man is entitled to as much of the earth's surface as may be necessary to supply the wants of each and all.

"The first great natural right of every human being—the most essential, the most vitally important of all with which man is most endowed, is the right to as much of the food and other necessaries of life as will make existence not only endurable but a pleasure and a blessing.

"This right is as old as creation—it is covered with man's wants, and is as inalienable as life itself.

"If a man has a right to live, he has a right to a place, a home in which to live, and a right to all the necessary means which to go to make life a benefit.

"Man has just as much right to all the means of living as he has to life; the one grows out of the other, and he can as justly be divested of the one as of the other.

"He who robs another of the means of life, as certainly commits a murder as he would have done had he thrust a dagger into his heart.

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Clanton Locals.

Goods sold at cost at L. E. Gullahorn's.

The young folks enjoyed a splendid time Saturday evening at a candy pulling at Mrs. E. A. Matthews.

Mr. W. H. Foshee went to Birminghan Tuesday.

Mr. W. H. Merritt went to Jemison Monday.

NOTICE.

We take pleasure in informing the citizens of Clanton and surrounding country, that we have secured the services of a competent druggist in the person of Mr. H. O. Bassett, who has had 20 years experience in one of the largest cities South. Mr. Bassett has exclusive charge of our prescription business and being a man of correct habits and thoroughly competent guarantees satisfaction and reasonable charges on all prescriptions and family recipes.

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Commissioners' Court

Commissioners' Court was in regular session Monday and Tuesday, all the Commissioners were present. There was a rather lively time discussing the merits and demerits of some propsed new roads, but finally most of the applications were granted.

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Notice of Administrator's Final Settlement.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County, Probate Court, Special Term, January 21, 1898.

Final settlement in the matter of the Estate of Nancy Sims, deceased.

This day came Drucilla E. Tilton, Administratrix of the estate of Nancy Sims, deceased, and presents to the Court, under oath, her account, vouchers, evidence and statement for final settlement of her administration. It is ordered that the 28th day of February, 1898, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Witness, at office, this 21st day of January, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT, Judge of Probate.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19'29.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala. on March 12, 1898, viz: Thomas A. Davis, Homestead entry No. 26,433, for the sw ¼ of section 34, tp 21 n of r 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Walter Kendrick, E. L. Manning, B. J. Goss, Tom Parish, all of Burwell, Ala.

ROBERT BA... Register.

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PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, ALABAMA.

India's area of wheat farms is now about two-thirds as large as that of the United States. The wheat is still thrashed by being trodden out by bullocks and buffaloes.

The Japanese do not intend to rest supinely under the classification of the Colonial Government of New South Wales, which recently decided to include the Japanese in the Chinese Restriction act, denoting them "as other colored people." The Japanese Consul at Sydney has protested against the proposed legislation.

One of the foremost publishers in America denies with earnestness that the taste of the public has deteriorated, as some observers think it has. When asked to justify the tons of rubbish sold annually he replied: "The rubbish fosters at least the reading habit. The children of the people who read trash will instinctively turn to the reading of something, good or bad, and there are many chances in favor of their turning to the good. Certainly there are proportionately more goods books sold to-day than fifty years ago. Don't be discouraged by what looks like the prevalence of vulgarity. The people are reading, and thousands of them are reading the best books." This good news may be set against the impression received from the superficial appearances of things, maintains the New York Tribune. The poor book or the poorer newspaper is more frequently seen in the hands of "the man in the street" than are the best books or the best newspapers. But figures are precious. The sanguine publisher whom we have quoted based his statements on figures, which is to say, on facts.

In the trial of a case at Newark, N. J., Vice Chancellor Pitney, one of the most erudite of New Jersey's judges, gave an interesting opinion on the effect of noises on human life. The case was a protest against the terrific hammering in a copper boiler shop. The complainants were property owners of the neighborhood. Said the Vice Chancellor: "Noises tend to shorten life. It is a well-settled fact that, all other things being equal, people living in crowded streets and subjected to incessant, often loud, noises, do not live as long as those whose surroundings are comparatively quiet. The rule is that which renders life uncomfortable should be stopped. In considering the effect of noise, we should apply it to ordinary, everyday people, such as the complainants in this case, not people brought up in a palace, unused to noise of any kind, or people who live in a rigsty, caring nothing for noise of any sort. The Court must be judge and jury in this case, and the Court has been in a boiler shop and knows what it is. One man holds a small hammer inside the boiler, while another man hammers on the outside." Although the case was continued, the Court intimated that people involuntarily subjected to such hurt-producing noises had redress at the hands of the law.

Says the Boston Journal: "It is calculated by military students that fully one-half of the 100,000 men who died in battle on the Union side from 1861 to 1865 were a bloody sacrifice to the North's fatuous neglect of the science of arms and of the most ordinary military precautions. If that is true, then one-half of the wounded and disabled veterans whose names are now borne on the pension lists owe their disability to the fact that their country, in its long peace, had forgotten the solemn admonition of Washington and had allowed the great mass of its youth to become absolutely ignorant of the use of weapons and of martial exercises. On this basis of reasoning the national folly of the years before the Civil War is now costing the National Government about $70,000,000 a year, or more than twice the cost of its present military establishment. We shall never have a Civil War again. Our only possible conflict is with a foreign enemy, and in all probability we shall never have that if we maintain an adequate navy and complete our new and admirable system of coast defenses. Seventy million dollars would finish these defenses and arm them. It would build a fleet of fifteen first-class battleships and make our navy the second most powerful on the planet. The men who believe in a policy of reasonable military preparedness for the United States can justify their position not only by an appeal to the national honor, but by the broadest considerations of genuine economy."

THE NEWS IN ALABAMA

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE MOBILE CONVENTION ASKING NATIONAL AID IN QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

Coal Production of the State for 1897—Goodwyn-Brewer Contested Election Case—E. & W. Bondholders Lose—Other Interesting Items.

THE QUARANTINE CONVENTION

Adopts Resolutions Asking Congress to Aid in Regulating Quarantine Affairs.

The quarantine convention, which was in session at Mobile the past week, adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention:

"1. That congress be required to provide for a department of public health as soon as possible.

"2. That it is the sense of this convention that congress should enact laws to provide for an efficient maritime quarantine to be uniform and impartial in its application to the different commercial ports of this country, so as to give to no one or more of them undue commercial advantage over the others, and to be enforced by the several state and municipal quarantine or health boards if they will undertake to do so, leaving to the states the power to prescribe and enforce additional reasonable safeguards of the health of their communities, provided that such state action shall not unreasonably obstruct commerce.

"3. That congress should aid the several states in establishing and maintaining uniform, reasonable and efficient quarantine lines, affecting but not regulating interstate commerce, leaving to each state adequate power to protect as it shall deem best the lives and health of its people.

"4. That congress should leave exclusively to the states the regulation of their purely internal commerce and the provision of such quarantine and sanitary laws and regulations as they may deem advisable to that end.

"5. That in the framing of quarantine laws and regulations and their enforcement congress should avail itself of the learning, experience and ability of the medical profession in the fullest manner possible, and especially by way of an advisory council."

BONDHOLDERS LOSE.

Kelly Estate in Control of the East & West Railroad.

Judge Dowdell of the chancery court at Ashville Friday rendered a decree in the case of W. C. Browning and other bondholders of the East & West Alabama railroad against the estate of the late Eugene Kelly, of New York, declaring that $625,000 of receiver's certificates bought by Kelly are prior to all other claims against the property. He also decided that Browning and others, who claim that Kelly entered into an agreement unless they paid to the Kelly estate the value of the receiver's certificates and other advances, amounting to about $1,000,000. The decision, in effect, if sustained by the supreme court, places the Kelly estate in absolute control of the road.

Goodwyn-Brewer Case.

The contested election case of Goodwyn vs. Brewer, from the Fifth Alabama district, was argued before the house committe on elections No. 1 Saturday. Mr. Goodwyn contested the seat held by Judge Cobb in the last house and was given the seat. Mr. Goodwyn was represented in the committee by Gen. W. W. Dudley, of Indiana, and Mr. Vaughan, of Alabama, and Mr. Brewer by A. D. Pitts and G. H. Patrick. Cobb's plurality on the face of the returns was 700; Brewer's almost 6,000. As in the Aldrich-Plowman contest, the principal allegation of fraud is made against the returns from the county (Lowndes in this case) where there is a large excess of colored population over white. The census shows that the population of Lowndes county consisted of 4,563 whites and 6,985 colored persons. The official returns from this county gave Brewer, democrat, 3,407, and Goodwyn, republican, 272.

Value of Diversified Crops.

Henry Stumpe, a German farmer of the St. Florian neighborhood, in Colbert county, has the past year demonstrated that it is not necessary to plant cotton to make a living. He states that last year he made an average of $110 per acre on his farm, planting potatoes, onions, etc., and not a stalk of cotton.

Tour of Inspection.

Adjutant General Ligon announced that at an early date officers will be detailed to inspect each and every military company in Alabama. Lieutenant Sam Jones and Colonel Barber, the staff inspector general, will make the tour.

Lumber Men Organize.

Several prominent lumbermen met in Montgomery Thursday and proceeded to rehabilitate the old Georgia and Alabama Lumbermen's association. The most important action taken by the meeting was to resolve upon an advance in the price of rift flooring of about 50 cents per 1,000 feet.

A company has been organized at Chicago to build an elevated railway costing $2,000,000 to operate on the South Side.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

A new hotel and bank will be erected at Centerville.

Mamie Wade, a negro woman, shot herself to death at Avondale.

A big grain elevator and flour mill will be erected at Tuskaloosa.

John H. Hooper, one of the most prominent men of Dallas county, died Friday.

Birmingham's cotton receipts since the first of last September have been 101,073 bales.

The supreme court adjourned for the term Friday. The court will meet again on the first Monday in April.

W. J. Siddall, who was shot on the streets of Opelika a few days since, died from the effects of the wounds.

The senate in executive session Friday recommitted the nomination of Dallas B. Smith to be postmaster at Opelika.

Hon. W. F. Fontaine, of Arlington, Wilcox county, died last week. He represented Wilcox county in the legislature of 1892-3.

Florence is now on a firm financial basis. The collections of January exceeded the collections of January of last year by $2,000.

The city council of Dothan has decreed that no hog, cow or other live stock shall be allowed to run at large in the streets of that city.

The work of track laying on the extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad from Columbus, Miss., to Montgomery, will be completed within two weeks.

Congressman O. W. Underwood has announced his candidacy for re-election to the house of representatives from the Ninth district. He is for the Chicago platform.

Col. A. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia Times, has accepted an invitation of the Commercial Club of Birmingham to be their guest at an early date.

Mrs. Florence Forbes, state superintendent of the railroad department of the W. C. T. U., has published an appeal to the members of the state to preach a special temperance sermon to railroad men on the first Sunday in March.

There are now 242 horses wintering at the race track at Selma and the expense of keeping them is about $12,000 per month, all of which is spent in Selma. Next year many more stables will be built, and an effort will be made to have at least 500 horses winter in Selma.

The Woman's Alabama Press Association met in Montgomery Friday for organization. Mrs. George C. Ball, of the Birmingham Age-Herald, was made president; Mrs. H. C. Hildreth, of the Decatur News, vice-president; Mrs. Dr. J. D. S. Davis, of Birmingham, secretary and treasurer; Miss Claudia Hood, of the Montgomery Journal corresponding secretary.

The following recent hog killings are noted in and near Alexander City: George McWhorter, one, weight 556; W. M. Jackson, two, weight 478 and 381; John Coley, three, weight 456, 432 and 326; W. L. Thomas, one, weight 449; Ed Rush, one, weight 416; W. B. Peterns, one, weight 365; R. M. Templeton, one, weight 334; E. P. Duncan, two, weight 350 and 336; Joe Knight, two, weight 336 and 323; Jim Coats, one, weight 276, ten months old.

Alabama Coal Production.

J. D. Hillhouse, chief mine inspector, Saturday gave out the final figures on Alabama coal production in 1897. The total is 5,868,271 tons, the largest in the state's history, and 122,654 tons greater than last year. The total number of men employed was 11,091. The total coke production was 1,395,252 tons, as compared to 1,689,307 tons for 1896, thus showing a falling off. He places the total number of coke ovens in blast last year at 4,662.

Saved by a Miracle.

A wreck occurred on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad, near Ensley City, in which Engineer J. T. Loveless and Fireman Dave Ingram were seriously injured. That five men, the entire crew, were not killed is a miracle, for an engine and caboose left the track while running at the rate of twenty miles an hour and the engine turned completely over down a little fill. There were three men on the engine, and with the exception of the engineer, who had two ribs broken, a slight fracture of the skull and a badly sprained leg, no injuries that could possibly result fatally were received.

Life Sentence Imposed.

The jury in the case of Dennis Atkinson and Lucien Atkinson, his son, on trial at Greenville for the murder of George Hunter, the son-in-law of Dennis Atkinson, brought in a verdict against both of guilty of murder in the first degree Saturday and fixed the punishment at confinement in the state penitentiary for the time of their natural lives.

Joseph W. Burke was appointed Friday by the president to be collector of customs for the district of Mobile.

FIGHTING IN GUATEMALA.

Strife and Bloodshed Has Followed the Assassination of Barrios.

A special from San Jose de Guatemala says civil strife and bloodshed have followed the killing of Barrios. Before the body of the late ruler had found sepulchre the factions were flying at each other's throats, and as a result General Marroquin, the chief supporter of Prospero Morales, one of the aspirants to the presidency, is dead, and his forces are seeking safety in flight.

Thursday night General Marroquin attempted to seize the reins of government in behalf of Morales. He made an attack in force on the palace barracks. The assault was vigorously resisted, and in the fighting General Marroquin and a few others were killed. Seeing that their efforts would not prove successful, the attacking forces, consisting of 2,000 men, headed by General Majera and Colonel Arrevalo, fled from the city.

General Toledo, who has been appointed minister of war by Manuel Gabrera, the president pro tem. of the republic, ordered the artillery in pursuit of the fleeing revolutionists.

The populace and soldiers are now demanding that General Mendoza be proclaimed president. The situation is becoming more alarming and the crisis is acute.

President Barrios' cabinet resigned Friday.

A BARON SUICIDES.

The Famous Prince of Trinidad Takes His Own Life.

Baron Harden Hickey, better known as the Prince of Trinidad, committed suicide by taking morphine at the Pierson hotel in El Paso, Tex. He left a letter addressed to his wife at Corona, Cal., in which he stated that he was going to die. Deceased was married to a daughter of John H. Flagler, of New York, the Standard Oil magnate, in 1891. Baron Hickey attained notoriety some time ago when he took possession of Trinidad Island and proclaimed himself military dictator.

Baron Harden Hickey was the first of the royal dynasty of Trinidad. He was born in San Francisco on December 8, 1854, of a Catholic and old royalist family. His ancestors, the Hickeys, originally came from Ireland, having accompanied the banished royal Stuarts of England in their flight to France.

PLEASED WITH FLORIDA.

Secretary Wilson Has Made a Tour of the State.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has completed a comprehensive tour of Florida. He visited orange groves, winter truck gardens, the sugar plantations of the Kissimmee valley on rich lands reclaimed by the Disston Company, the pineapple plantations of the east coast and tobacco plantations of many sections of the state. He was greatly impressed and astonished with the quality of leaf grown in Florida and of the development of the industry since the war in Cuba has limited the exports from that country; also of Florida's possibilities as a sugar producing state.

At Lake City he was presented with one hundred cigars made of '97 Florida tobacco, the box to be opened at the next cabinet meeting that he attends.

FIVE KILLED

In a Head End Collision on the L. & N. Near Brewton, Ala.

A terrible head end collision between freight trains occurred seven miles north of Brewton, Ala., at 1:30 o'clock Friday morning. Both engineers, Davidson and Ussery, a colored fireman, a negro railroad laborer and a white tramp were killed. Two white brakemen, a colored fireman and a tramp were injured seriously.

A disregard of orders by Engineer Davidson to meet the other train at Kirkland was the cause. The collision was on a straight stretch, but a dense fog prevented the enginemen from seeing the danger in time to save themselves.

Beyond a Million.

Savannah's cotton receipts reached the million mark Friday and went beyond. Friday's receipts of 3,190 bales carried the total to 1,000,025 bales. This is the earliest date in the season at which Savannah's receipts have gone to 1,000,000 bales.

President Barrios Assassinated.

Senor Lazo Arraga, the Guatamalan minister to the United States, Wednesday afternoon received an official cablegram from the minister of foreign affairs of Guatemala, announcing the assassination of President Barrios and the succession to the presidency of First Vice-President Manuel Estrada Cabria. No details were given.

Prominent Indiana Man Dead.

Thomas W. Woolen, formerly attorney-general of Indiana, died at his home in Franklin Saturday. He held numerous official positions in the state and was twice a member of the legislature, where he was a democratic leader.

Klondikers Frozen to Death.

According to news from Alaska by the City of Topeka, one of the small steamers plying between Juneau and Skaguay, brought word just as the Topeka sailed that five men had been found frozen to death in the Chilkoot Pass, and three others brought to Dyea.

Near Garrison, Tex., Joe Richardson and Joe Bates were killed by a lumber mill blowing over on top of them. Three others, names not known, were badly injured.

STRONG ADDRESS TO FARMERS

Commissioner Culver on Subject of What Planters Should Do.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, who is also president of the Alabama Agricultural Society, has issued an address to the farmers of the state.

The address appeared a day or two ago, incorporated in a pamphlet containing the constitution and by-laws of the society. Here is the address, and it is interesting:

It is an established fact that thorough organization is the corner stone to success in every enterprise.

The first organization for the promotion of agriculture that we have an account of was a small colony settled on the Tiber, extending five miles back to the Albion hills, and only four miles up and down the river. Out of this colony came Rome, with her world-spread dominion. Romulus only allowed one acre to each individual for cultivation, until Italy had been conquered, then the acreage was increased to four per capita. Cato, the first and most celebrated agricultural writer, tells how thoroughly agriculture was organized at the end of the second Punic war. He also enumerates the results of said organization. First thorough preparation and cultivation, rotation and rest. Also practiced a diversified agriculture. Rome's glory and power came from her agriculture, and as long as she fostered and protected that interest so long she maintained her position for power and conquest. The second effort was made in Italy, in the year 1900, in the establishing of an agricultural society, which soon failed.

Scotland did the same in 1723, and allowed, without good reason, the society to die out; but in 1783 organized the "Highland Agricultural Society." Only six men composed the organization. In 1787 said society was incorporated by royal charter, and a few years ago had over eight thousand members, paying as annual dues, six dollars, or for life membership, sixty dollars. Their constitution enumerates the object of the association, and we will do well to observe them. They are:

First—Sub-organizations through out Scotland with shows or fairs.

Second—Improved stock breeding.

Third—A proper system of agricultural education.

Fourth—The veterinary art and science.

Fifth—Analysis of soils and fertilizers.

Sixth—An annual publication of experiments and reports.

England has now her "Royal Agricultural Society," and so has every prosperous, progressive European country the same.

Well has it become known that an advanced and diversified agriculture is a potent factor in the prosperity of a nation, and well is it understood that only through organization can this be accomplished. Many of our own states have state organizations, societies and departments of agriculture, and there is no intelligent, progressive man in this state, or elsewhere, but recognizes the utility and necessity for such organizations. By organization, if we doubt for a moment its potency, either for good or evil, we have but to look at what has been accomplished by railroad combinations, manufacturers, merchants; indeed, today, every calling or profession in this country is backed by an organization thorough and complete. Not a single enterprise or business, public or private, that is not organized. Armies are handled and made effective only through organization. Religious denominations are maintained through their perfect system of organization. Denominations and sects of religionists disappear when organization is neglected. All nature, by God himself, stands organized, and to that extent within our power imitate Him. We are effectual in our efforts to accomplish a given enterprise. But, to be more practicable, we must be more specific with this question and display the results, or at least the more salient ones, to grow out of organization to us in Alabama as farmers and land owners. First, organization is a means of education. In our coming together we learn each other's defects, each other's wants, each other's capacity, in a word, become acquainted with each other, and by far the best of all we become acquainted with ourselves. We soon learn that God did not make us and then throw away the moulds, and that in us and with us all wisdom and knowledge of agriculture. Therefore, the most difficult part of man's education, "know thyself," is easily obtained when we are thrown together with men of whom we soon discover that they have forgotten more than we have ever learned, and while the most ignorant are the greatest learners, yet from them are many of our most practical and useful lessons obtained. Thus by the interchange of theory and practice; held and in operation on our individual farms, all are made common stock for improvement and progress. Again, we will learn that farming is not all art, but that science has much to do with successful farming.

The nature of our soils, the plant food extracted by a given crop, the necessary fertilizer, both as to kind and quantity, the value of rest, shade, air, sunshine, rain and dews are all illustrated by science. Those inclined to theory are held back by practical men that know of the art; thus all theory or book farming is passed through the mill of common sense, and we are often rid of the expense and worry of an experiment sure to fail.

When organized we can and ought to discuss the many subjects of vital interest to the farmers of Alabama, which can be done in our county and state societies. One of the first subjects that ought to come before us is the planting and raising of more food supplies of every kind for both man and beast first, and above all to influence each individual farmer to make his farm self-sustaining, and practice intensive farming, building up the productive capacity of his land by rotation and proper fertilization, thereby leaving to his posterity valuable real estates.

It is now a notorious fact that we have raised a ten and a half million bale crop of cotton this and with increased population and the increased area of cotton land we ought to be able to expect to cotton crop. In the year nature produces a surplus of all the common crops, and I am fully satisfied in my humble judgment that five cents cotton is here to stay for a long time. Then why not raise all the supplies and purchase no supplies and have no debts, is the why not face about and raise everything we need at home and then what cotton we can. If we plant for and raise twelve bales to the hand and but little food crops we may be able to realize all the way from three cents for our cotton, and then our cotton and our supplies to the bale if we should fail to raise them.

It is a matter of each individual planter and not for the legislature.

We hope that every county in the state that has not already a county society or club will at once organize, and it is my purpose to aid and assist in these organizations as rapidly as I can.

We hope that the counties will be organized in time to send delegates to the meeting of the State Society next August.

J. F. CULVER,
President Alabama State Agricultural Society.

Cost of Quarantine.

The state's quota for possible quarantine for the year 1898 has been about $2,000. This sum not has been known to some time, but on Friday a statement was made showing exactly how the quarantine fund stands. The sum of $5,000 for each year, 1897 and 1898, was appropriated, and the cost of last summer's quarantine amounted to $3,627; this is what it cost to guard the state. The balance left is only $373.

FASCINATION OF FOIBLES.

Little Frailties May Make the Possessor of Them More Lovable.

"No man is sincerely and securely loved, except by those who know his foibles," says Sir Arthur Helps. Rousseau qualifies his recognition of faults in his old friend Gauffrecourt by the surmise that without them he would probably have been less amiable. In no works is this better exemplified than in those of Charles Dickens. "When I know all the foibles a man has, with little trouble in the discovery, I begin to think he is worth liking." And of Dickens' father, and his notable Micawberisms of speech and demeanor, he declares that no one could know him without liking him the better for them. No one likes Micawber less for his follies, and Dickens liked his father better the more he recalled his whimsical qualities.

One of the notable examples of the fact that foibles may rather endear than estrange is in Oliver Goldsmith. The epithet so often heard, and ever in kindly tones, of "Poor Goldsmith" speaks volumes. Writing of him, Washington Irving says that when eminent talent is united to spotless virtue, we are awed and dazzled into admiration, but our admiration is apt to be cold; while there is something in the harmless infirmities of a good and great but erring nature that pleads touchingly with ours. Irving is persuaded that few who consider the real compound of admirable and whimsical qualities which formed Goldsmith's character would wish to prune away its eccentricities, trim its grotesque luxuriance, and clip it down to the decent formalities of rigid virtue.

"Let not his frailties be remembered," said Johnson; "he was a very great man." Washington Irving would rather say, "Let them be remembered, since their chief end was to endear."

Oliver Wendell Holmes asserts that we must have a weak spot in any character before we can love it much. "People that do not laugh or cry, or take more of anything than is altogether good for them, or use any but dictionary words, may be admirable subjects for biographies; but we don't always care most for those flat-pattern flowers that press best in the herbarium."

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"FIRST IN WAR"

Those glorious wars are long since past,
The votive marble adorns their dead;
The memory of their hopes and fears
Their gallant deeds
tears
And of the patriots noble race
Has faded into history's page;
We have them, her sons all and one
The first in war was Washington.

"FIRST IN PEACE"

Let victories no less reward
The long bright century have
Beneath the flattering hands
Science invents a wider

The power that sways a nation at
The pride to heaven
Are thine, columbia, and thy
Still first in peace as Washington

"FIRST IN THE HEARTS
New crises to new men impart
The sturdy arm, the faithful heart
But, while the old flag
The land he gave
Greater than king or emperor
We'll honor Washington in war
In peace, the first and now as then,
In all our hearts his countrymen

THE FAREWELL ADDRESS

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"First in Peace"
Lo victories no less renowned
The long, bright century have crowned;
Beneath the fostering hands of peace,
Science, invention, wide increase

The power that swayed a continent,
The pride to heaven's throne that sent
Are thine, Columbia, and thy son
Still first in peace as in war stands.

"First in the Heart"
New crises to new men impart
The sturdy arm, the faithful heart
But, while the old flag waves above
The land he gave it can believe
Greater than king or emperor
We'll honor Washington in war,
In peace, the first and now as then,
Install our hearts his countrymen.

THE FAREWELL ADDRESS.

PRESENT APPEARANCE OF WASHINGTON'S HISTORIC MANUSCRIPT.

To the student of handwriting George Washington will be a joy forever. The manuscript of his Farewell Address is as legible to-day as the Spencerian "West" are underlined once. The greatest changes occur on pages 10 and 11, which are, in fact, almost expunged. It is toward the close of his plea for the continuance of the Union and his warning against sectionalism, where he says

"With such powerful and obvious motives to Union, affecting all parts of our country, while experience shall not have demonstrated its impracticability, there will always be reason to distrust the patriotism of those who in any quarter may endeavor to weaken its bands."

The writing on the two pages which follow this sentence is almost entirely obliterated. Such suppression in this particular portion of his Address seems to show that it received the author's most careful attention.

This document appeared first in the American Daily Advertiser, a paper printed in Philadelphia by David C. and Septimus Claypoole, and sold for the price of six cents. It was an enterprising sheet for the times, but would hardly be called a lively newspaper nowadays.

In the issue of Monday, September 19, 1796, when Washington's address appeared, there was no other literary work, nothing more than the usual bills and notices. The address took up about two and a half of the precious four pages. It is printed well, with the long s's then in vogue and an occasional misspelled word, like "cloathed," or "stedfast," which are also found in the manuscript. The usage of the time may have justified this orthography, but even if it did not, people will not lay these slips up against Washington. Since William C. Ford began to publish his edition of Washington's writings in 1889, it has been known generally that the Father of His Country not only misspelled words sometimes, but even used strong ones occasionally.

The address, as printed in Claypoole's paper, bears the heading:

"TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES:
FRIENDS AND FELLOW CITIZENS."

The original manuscript lacks the first headline. In the paper the address bears the date of September 17, 1796, wherein the manuscript date is September 19, 1796. It is probable that the date of the manuscript was changed after the proof had already been corrected. It was on a Thursday, September 15, that Washington, then in Philadelphia, sent for the printer to come to him and informed him that he had a document which he wished published in the American Daily Advertiser. On Friday he sent the manuscript to the printing office, on Saturday he corrected the proof, and on Monday, the day on which it appeared in print, he left Philadelphia for Mount Vernon. That fact is surrounded thus in the next day's paper, above the quaint notice of a marriage between Robert Reed and Catharine Conner:

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WASHINGTON AND THE CHILDREN.

The Nation's Hero Was Kind and Generous to the Little Ones.

It is only of late that Washington's reputation as a cold and austere man seems likely to be cleared away. By his later biographers he is portrayed as a man of warm affections and kindly impulses. Mr. P. L. Ford, in his "Washington as the Man," dwells upon his relations with children. The son of Lafayette—during the period of Lafayette's imprisonment for revolutionary principles—became a member of Washington's family. "I was particularly struck," says a visitor at the mansion, "with the marks of affection which the general showed his pupil. Seated opposite him, he looked at him with pleasure and listened to him with manifest interest."

A business note in Washington's ledger serves to show both his delicacy and his generosity to the boy. "By Geo. W. Fayette, gave for the purpose of his getting himself such small articles of Clothing as he might not choose to ask for, $100."

At different times Washington adopted, or assumed the expenses and charge of, not less than nine of the children of his kith and kin, and to his relations he seldom wrote a letter without a line about the "little ones." Whenever death or illness came among the children of his friends, there was sympathy expressed.

Miss Stuart says, "One morning, while Washington was sitting for his picture, a little brother of mine ran into the room, when my father, thinking it would annoy the general, told him he must go away; but the general took him upon his knee, held him for some time, and had quite a chat with him."

"Permit me to thank my dear little correspondent for the favor of her letlet of the 18th of June last, and to impress her with the idea of the pleasure I shall derive from a continuance of them. Her papa is restored to her with all the good health, paternal affection and honors which her tender heart could wish. He will carry a kiss to her from me (which might be more agreeable from a pretty boy), and give her assurance of the affectionate regard with which I have the pleasure of being her well-wisher.

"GEO. WASHINGTON."

In his journey through New England, not being able to get lodgings at an inn, Washington spent the night in a private house, and when all payment was refused, he wrote his host from the next stopping-place:

August 13th 1745

George Washington

Geometry

From George Washington's copy book. His age 13 years. Exact size. Facsimile taken from the archives of the State Department at Washington.

writing in a model schoolboy's copy book. Any one who has once seen and studied a specimen of Washington's penmanship can easily recognize it again. Our model is remarkably clean, round, easy, businesslike, something of the character of the writer, well poised, self controlled in nature. The man who formed signatures and examples of Washington's handwriting of the Lenox Library in New York is one who knows of what he speaks.

Besides the Farewell Address the library possesses a number of the original manuscripts of his letters from Valley Forge and drafts of epistles to Madison and Hamilton. All the manuscript of the Farewell Address is a precious possession, and is carefully kept under double lock. It consists of thirty-two pages of note letter paper, written on both sides of the paper, and tied together in book form with a narrow, pale blue ribbon. The pages are thin and yellow, but that very fact enhances their value, which increases with the lapse of the distance from the time when they were first traversed by Washington's quill pen.

There is but little material alteration. Insertions and interlineations have been freely made, and there is an occasional marginal note or paragraph mark. In two places paper has been neatly pasted over the written text, and a new version set down on the pasted paper. One place toward the end has been left blank, as if the writer had thought he might come back and fill it up, but had never done so. The words "American" and "Union" are underlined twice when they occur, and the words "North," "South," "East" and "West" are underlined once. The greatest changes occur on pages 10 and 11, which are, in fact, almost expunged. It is toward the close of his plea for the continuance of the Union and his warning against sectionalism, where he says

"With such powerful and obvious motives to Union, affecting all parts of our country, while experience shall not have demonstrated its impracticability, there will always be reason to distrust the patriotism of those who in any quarter may endeavor to weaken its bands."

The writing on the two pages which follow this sentence is almost entirely obliterated. Such suppression in this particular portion of his Address seems to show that it received the author's most careful attention.

This document appeared first in the American Daily Advertiser, a paper printed in Philadelphia by David C. and Septimus Claypoole, and sold for the price of six cents. It was an enterprising sheet for the times, but would hardly be called a lively newspaper nowadays.

In the issue of Monday, September 19, 1796, when Washington's address appeared, there was no other literary work, nothing more than the usual bills and notices. The address took up about two and a half of the precious four pages. It is printed well, with the long s's then in vogue and an occasional misspelled word, like "cloathed," or "stedfast," which are also found in the manuscript. The usage of the time may have justified this orthography, but even if it did not, people will not lay these slips up against Washington. Since William C. Ford began to publish his edition of Washington's writings in 1889, it has been known generally that the Father of His Country not only misspelled words sometimes, but even used strong ones occasionally.

The address, as printed in Claypoole's paper, bears the heading:

"TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES:
FRIENDS AND FELLOW CITIZENS."

The original manuscript lacks the first headline. In the paper the address bears the date of September 17, 1796, wherein the manuscript date is September 19, 1796. It is probable that the date of the manuscript was changed after the proof had already been corrected. It was on a Thursday, September 15, that Washington, then in Philadelphia, sent for the printer to come to him and informed him that he had a document which he wished published in the American Daily Advertiser. On Friday he sent the manuscript to the printing office, on Saturday he corrected the proof, and on Monday, the day on which it appeared in print, he left Philadelphia for Mount Vernon. That fact is surrounded thus in the next day's paper, above the quaint notice of a marriage between Robert Reed and Catharine Conner:

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"Being informed that you have given my name to one of your sons, and called another after Mrs. Washington's family, and being, moreover, very much pleased with the modest and innocent looks of your two daughters, Patty and Polly, I do for these reasons send each of these girls a piece of chintz, and to Patty, who bears the name of Mrs. Washington, and who waited upon us more than Polly did, I send five guineas, with which she may buy herself any little ornaments she may want, or she may dispose of them in any other manner more agreeable to herself.

"As I do not give these things with a view to have it talked of, or even of its being known, the less there is said about the matter, the better you will please me, but that I may be sure that the chintz and the money have got safe to hand, let Patty, who I dare say is equal to it, write me a line informing me thereof, directed to 'The President of the United States' at New York."

A Fabius and a Camillus.

Washington has shown himself both a Fabius and a Camillus. His march through our lines is acknowledged to have been a prodigy of generalship.—Horace Walpole.

That Is All.

That story about George Washington chopping down a cherry-tree is not founded on fact, is it?"

"No; it was the invention of a backwriter."

Dining cars have not yet appeared in Russia. Express trains stop about once in three hours to let passengers refresh themselves, the stations being built about seventy-five miles apart.

HON. JOHN W. TOMLINSON,

State Chairman of the Democratic National Bimetallic Committee.

SPEAKS ON THE FINANCIAL QUESTION.

"The Flag So Gallantly Run up at Chicago in 1896 Must Not be Pulled Down or Lowered For One Moment," Says Mr. Tomlinson.

Livingston, Ala., Feb. 11.—The democratic silver conference held here today was a great success, every beat in the county being represented, and a large audience listened to a very able speech on the currency question by Hon. John W. Tomlinson, state chairman of the Democratic National Bimetallic committee.

The meeting was held at the court house, and was called to order by C. H. Allen, editor of the Sumter Sun. A silver club was organized and great enthusiasm was manifested throughout the meeting. I. B. McElroy, of Cuba, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we do now organize the 16 to 1 Democratic club of Sumter county, with L. P. Neal as president and C. H. Allen as secretary, with one vice-president for each beat in the county, to be appointed by the president of the club.

After Mr. Tomlinson's address Dr. M. B. Cameron, the only 16 to 1 straightout candidate for probate judge, made a short but effective speech, urging the necessity of standing by the Chicago platform.

On being made chairman, F. P. Neal introduced Mr. Tomlinson in a well worded speech, characterizing him as the uncompromising leader of the democracy of the state. For more than an hour and a half the gentleman entertained his hearers with a speech replete with logic and eloquence. At the conclusion he was loudly applauded and a vote of thanks was tendered him.

Mr. Tomlinson opened his speech by complimenting the democracy of the Black Belt. He said that men who had resisted black domination had the manhood to resist the domination of the enslaving gold standard. That never in the history of the great fight for silver's restoration were the prospects better for ultimate success.

After explaining the position of the different political parties on the question, he declared that the republicans were evasive and insincere, while the democrats by their aggressiveness for the coinage of gold and silver at 16 to 1 showed their sincerity.

Plans of the Parties

The speaker showed conclusively that the republican plan was to have only gold coinage supplemented with non-legal tender national bank currency to be issued or withdrawn at the will of the banker. That the plan further contemplated the non use as primary money of all the silver money now coined, which when carried out, as money measures property, would result in the reduction of all present prices and wages, uninfluenced by local conditions, at least one-half what they are now. Whereas the democratic party also recognizing the inadequacy of the gold supply for money purposes, proposes to supplement the deficiency by restoring the coinage laws of this country as they existed before 1873, which provided for the free and unlimited coinage of silver by this country at the existing legal ratio of 16 to 1; believing that money, the supply of which is regulated by Nature and not by man, is a fairer arbiter between debtor and creditor, and a more impartial medium of payment in the transaction of business of the world.

Reasons for 16 to 1

The reasons for adhering to the existing legal ratio of 16 to 1 are:

1. Because that is the natural ratio. The average production for centuries being, in weight, in that proportion; which is confirmed by the fact that the gold and silver coin of the world—the result of the coinage from the earliest times—Amounts to in round numbers the same, viz: $4,000,000,000 each. In the year 1896, the year of the great contest on the financial question, the world's production of gold and silver at the coinage value of 16 to 1, was exactly the same $215,000,000 each.

2. Because the bonded indebtedness of the United States was contracted payable in coin at the then present weight and fineness, which was gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, and to change the ratio, by enlarging the silver dollar, would be paying this debt beyond the legal and moral obligations involved.

3. Because the increasing of the ratio, by enlarging the silver dollar, would necessitate the recoining of all of the silver money in this country which, besides the expense thereof, would reduce the amount of silver dollars in exactly the same proportion that the ratio is increased, thereby producing contraction instead of expansion and defeating the very purpose of silver's restoration—more money.

4. Because it would put us farther away than ever from international agreement, as the European ratio is only 15½ to 1.

5. Because 16 to 1 is not only a principle but a programme on which the democratic, the populist and the silver republican parties are united, to abandon which would be to go from the strait road of fixed purpose to the open field of uncertainty and confusion that would likely result in the adoption of a larger ratio and, as we have shown, defeat the very purpose of the law—more money.

Gold Supply Inadequate

The speaker further contended: The coinage of gold alone is not keeping, and cannot keep pace with increasing population and business so as to afford an adequate supply of the circulating medium for the transactions of business. Republicans admit this by proposing to supplement with national bank currency. That as gold had become more valuable, the more it was sought after and consumed in the arts, little being left for money. That since 1873, the population of the United States had nearly doubled, that the coinage of gold had not kept pace. That as the volume of money measures the price of property, products and labor, if the supply of gold was as great as the increase in population and business, the coined silver remained as redemption money, prices would remain the same; that if not as great, and the silver coined no longer used as redemption money, then prices would decline.

Volume Money Regulates Prices

Quantitative theory is correct and is the key to the temple of all knowledge on the currency question. That it was axiomatic in monetary science, on which all writers on political economy agree from the days of Aristotle down, that the amount of money fixes the value of the money. That on the number of dollars out depends the value of the dollar. That cut in half the amount of dollars and you double the value of the remaining dollars, or double the number of dollars you cut in half the value of the dollar. That when you say the value of the dollar is doubled, you mean that it will buy twice as much of the products of human toil and of wages. That if the value of the dollar is worth one-half, that it will take only one-half the amount of the products of human toil and wages to get it.

Money Dearer, Prices Lower

That because of the dollar becoming dearer since the striking down of silver in 1873, prices have declined. That the French premier in a speech in the chamber of deputies recently explained that "with the same quantity of gold it is now possible to obtain a double quantity of products." That the general average of prices for a number of years, and not the price of one particular thing for one particular year, is valuable in establishing a general rule. That the index numbers of prices furnished by the Royal Statistical Society of London show general average of decline of more than 22 1-2 per cent. since 1873. That Prof. L. L. Price, of Oriel College, Oxford, says that in the light of converging lines of evidence it seems impossible to doubt the existence of a * * * connection between the recent fall of prices and the money changes of the last twenty years.

Bottom of Prices Not Reached

Mr. Tomlinson further showed from authority of unquestioned authority that the bottom of prices was not yet reached. That great economic changes are slow in taking effect.

He showed the condition of the agricultural laboring classes of England where children were put out at the tender years of 5 to 7 to work under strange taskmasters. But, he said, England had been on a gold basis since 1816, while this country had only been on a gold standard basis for less than a quarter of a century, and during part of that time with a limited coinage of silver.

He showed that the plan of the contractionists was not only to stop the coinage of silver but to do away with all of the silver now coined, which was one-half of the metallic money of the world, which, when accomplished, as money measures values, reduce the present values at least one-half where unaffected by local and other conditions; that the effect of this policy is being felt in the continuing fall in prices now, except in the manufactured products of the protected few.

Women and Children Must Work

That statistics show that 50 per cent. of the laboring people of this country now are unable to support the family without the wife and children working also, as got to be the case in England a good many years ago.

That domesticity is on the decrease, that there are fewer homes where "the love of country is born in the love of home."

To Debauch the Very Poor and to Use Them

He further showed that it is folly now to go in debt. That in the accomplishment of their purpose to do away with all silver money now in use, the extremely rich, as was the case on the decline of the Roman empire, are endeavoring to debauch the very poor, who must look, not to the future, but to their immediate necessities to satisfy the cries of hungry children. In this way it is attempted to debauch the very poor and to use them against the great middle classes who are to be defeated in this way.

Cato, the Wise, who made a visit to Carthage and beholding the insolence of the Carthagenians, on returning to Rome made a speech in which he said Romans must conquer the Carthagenians or the Carthagenians would conquer Rome, and after that in every speech he made he wound up with the same exhortation. We must conquer the gold standard or the gold standard will conquer us. The last contest was much closer than many supposed. Went in unorganized, came out an organized body; that very day the result was known the bugle note of renewed attack was sounded again along down the line, and led on by the gallant Bryan democracy had won in every contest since where it had stood firmly and aggressively by its principle.

Time is demonstrating the wisdom of the Chicago platform, not only on the money plank, but on all of the planks.

That Mexico is prospering under the double standard system of money; it is furnishing an object lesson to the world of the wisdom of true bimetallism. That while 400,000,000 people are under the gold standard, there are 900,000,000 who know nothing but silver—with whom mostly this country trades.

Fable of Wolf and Lamb

Mr. Tomlinson further contended that while the logic of events was proving the truth of the cause of democracy, yet to win democracy must fight, and continue to fight, and fight all along the line. That the gold standard people, like the wolf in the fable of the Wolf and the Lamb, would, if they could, have their dinner, the increments of an increasing dollar, in spite of all of our arguments; they are organized, aggressive, deceptive and misleading; and, unless watched, will in this state, under the plea of so-called "harmony" and under the plea "that in judicial fights the money question has no place," control our next democratic state convention, securing the state and county democratic executive committees so as to control the policy of the party in the great fight of 1900.

Help Those Who Help the Cause

That the policy of the silver advocates should be to help those who help the cause, and fight politically those who fight and sneer at the cause of silver; that any other course is illogical and unwise; that those who are earnestly in favor of silver will not put in the hands of others the club with which to fight silver, actions speak louder than words; those that are not for us are against us; those who profess to be for silver and work for the advocates of the gold standard in accomplishing their ends, are not fooling the people. When men say they are bimetallists, ask them if they are in favor of free coinage, second of unlimited coinage, third of independent coinage by this government, fourth at the existing legal rate of 16 to 1? If they answer yes, then they are true bimetallists, otherwise not.

Candidates for Solicitor

The speaker said, in proceeding with his speech, that he had heard that certain candidates for solicitor had been threatened that if they did not bring up their counties against silver in favor of certain candidates in the next state convention, that they would be beaten for solicitor in the next legislature. That if this was true, these candidates should not be influenced thereby; that they should remember that the next legislature will be controlled by the advocates of silver's restoration, and that if candidates for solicitor think that they will help their cause before that legislature by bringing up counties against silver, in the next state convention, they read the times incorrectly.

Aggressiveness Against Aggressiveness

If the banks of this state feel it to the interest to continue to fight the farmers, continue to fight for the gold standard in the interest of non-resident bond holders and against the producing and laboring classes of the state so that values and wages keep going down and down, then, the next legislature should reduce the rate of interest. If the railroads and telegraph companies desire to continue to do the same thing, then, the next legislature should, as it has a right to do, put down railroad and telegraphic rates. If water and gas companies are disposed to do likewise, then, let water and gas charges come down accordingly.

Mr. Tomlinson further explained, however, that while the silver forces should be aggressive in standing up for their cause, yet, there should be no abuse; there should be no needless opposition aroused, and he told a story illustrating how men could be won over by the use of tact and good judgment. But, he said, there must be

No Compromise of Party Principles

There must be no compromise of the principles of the party; no smothering them even for the time being. That the majority of those who did not support the national ticket last fall are quietly coming back into the party without making demands, but that the few who are making demands are making them in vain. That two years ago these very people advocated fighting for principle; this year, they are advocating just the opposite.

That for democracy to win, it must continue to stand by its principle and be aggressive in obtaining substantial relief for the people, and in such a manner as to convince the people that the party is in earnest, to do which the party must build not upon the shifting sands of uncertain expediency, but upon the eternal rocks of everlasting principle; and the flag which was so gallantly run up at Chicago in 1896, must not be pulled down or lowered even for one brief moment.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 20.

Lesson Text: "The Twelve Sent Forth," Matt. x., 2-15—Golden Text: Matt. x., 8—Commentary on the Day's Lesson Written by the Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

2-4. "Now the names of the twelve apostles are these. The first Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew, his brother." Jesus Himself went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people, but the multitudes who were as sheep without a shepherd touched His heart and He told His disciples to pray the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest (chapter ix., 35-38). When we pray this prayer from the heart it seems to imply a readiness on our part to go ourselves if He opens the way, for it is just following this command so to pray that we have the record of His choosing and sending forth these twelve. In Luke vi., 12, we read that just before He chose the twelve He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God. In Mark iii., 14, we read that He ordained them that they should be with Him, and that He might send them forth to preach and to heal the sick. The last night before His crucifixion He told them that He had chosen and ordained them that they should go and bring forth fruit, and that their fruit should abide.

5, 6. "These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the gentiles and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." This restricted commission will not be understood unless one is familiar with God's plan of blessing for all nations, which is to bless Israel first and then all nations through Israel. This is fully revealed in the prophets, and He will not depart from it, for the gifts and calling of God are without repentance (Rom. xi., 29). Take as samples passages Ps. lxvii.; Isa. xxvii., 6; lx., 1-3, 21; Jer. iii., 17, 18; Zech. xiv., 16, 17. There are two other prayers which we would do well to pray along with Math. ix., 38. One is in Isa. lxii., 6, 7, and the other in Rev. xxii., 20. To pray these three prayers from the heart daily will bring one very near to the heart of Christ. His primary mission was to Israel (Math. xv., 24); hence this restricted commission at this time to the twelve, but being rejected and crucified by Israel He after his resurrection gave the worldwide commission as in Math. xxviii., 19.

7. "And as we go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Thus preached the Baptist, and Jesus Himself, and the 12, and the 70, for in the person of the king the kingdom was verily among them (Luke xvii., 21, margin), and had they been content to receive a crucified and risen Messiah the kingdom would doubtless have been set up after His resurrection, but seeing their decided rejection of Him, He, before His death, told them in a parable that the kingdom was postponed till His return from the far country (Luke xix., 11-15).

8. "Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils; freely ye have received, freely give." Some one has suggested that verses 5 to 15 of this chapter contain special directions for the commission of the apostles at that time, verses 16 to 23 directions for gospel ministry in all ages, and verses 24 to 42 the service of Christ in its fullest and widest sense, calling attention to the fact that the last verse in each of these sections has His "Verily, I say unto you."

9. "Provide neither gold nor silver nor brass in your purses." In Isa. vi., 8, the question is, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?" If any one will go for God the Father, Son and Spirit on their business and wholly in their interests, they may rely upon Phil. iv., 19, being made true to them, "My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Or, as one has paraphrased it, "Make thou His service thy delight, He'll make thy wants His care."

10. "Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves, for the workman is worthy of his meat." If we are the Lord's messengers on the Lord's business, we have no occasion to be anxious about food or raiment or money, but disentangled and free and without fear (verses 26, 28, 31) follow where He leadeth in quietness and in confidence, for the silver and the gold and the cattle upon a thousand hills are His.

11. "And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, inquire who in it is worthy, and there abide till ye go thence." The prophets were plainly taught that not all would receive their message, but that some would hate them for it (Jer. i., 17, 19; Ezek. ii., 6, 7; iii., 7). In the second section of our present chapter, and in John xv., 18-20, we are taught to expect the same thing, but we are also taught that some will welcome Him, and also us for His sake. He will direct our steps in this matter also, and if some day He wants us to have fellowship with Him in being refused, His grace will be sufficient.

12, 13. "And when ye come into an house, salute it, and if the house be worthy let your peace come upon it, but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you." Even Israel was not to fight against a city until that city had rejected their offers of peace which they were to proclaim to it (Deut. xx., 10-12). Every believer is to count himself a messenger of the Prince of Peace, and, like the angels at His birth, we are to proclaim peace in His name (Luke ii., 14). Preaching peace by Jesus Christ is our work (Acts x., 36), for He has made peace by the blood of His cross (Col. i., 20). Blessed are the peacemakers! How beautiful are the feet of such! But there are many who know not these things (Math. v., 9; Isa. lii., 7; lix., 8).

14. "And whosoever shall not receive you nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet." Thus the apostles did (Acts xiii., 57; xviii., 6), and doubtless God was glorified, as He always will be if the messenger is faithful, whether men will hear or forbear. The faithful messenger is unto God a sweet savor of Christ, whether men believe or not (II Cor. ii., 15, 16). The messenger is responsible for the faithful delivery of the message, but the one who sends him is the one who will attend to the way the message is treated. Verse 40 says that as they treat the Lord's messenger so they treat the Lord Himself (See also Luke x., 16).

15. "Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment, than for that city." By comparing chapter xi., 22, 24, have we not a right to conclude that it may be more tolerable for the heathen who never heard of Christ, than for those in so-called Christian lands who having heard have not received Him.—Lesson Helper.

Senor Du Bose is now acting minister of Spain at Washington.

FASCINATION OF FOIBLES.

Little Frailties May Make the Possessor of Them More Lovable.

"No man is sincerely and securely loved, except by those who know his foibles," says Sir Arthur Helps. Rousseau qualified his recognition of faults in his old friend Gauffrecourt by the surmise that, without them he would probably have been less amiable. In no works is this better exemplified than in those of Charles Dickens. "When I know all my foibles a man has with little trouble in the discovery, I begin to think he is worth liking." And of Dickens' father and his notable Micawberisms, of speech and demeanor, he declares that no one could know him without liking him the better for them. No one likes Micawber, less for his follies, and Dickens filled his father better the more he recalled his whimsical qualities.

One of the notable examples of the fact that foibles may rather endear than estrange is in Oliver Goldsmith. The epithet seldom heard, and ever in kindly tones of "Poor Goldsmith" specks volumes. Writing of him, Washington Irving says that when eminent talent is united to spotless virtue, we are awed and dazzled into admiration, but our admiration is apt to be cold, while there is something in the harmless infirmities of a good and great but erring nature that pleads touchingly with ours. Irving is persuaded that few who consider the real component of admirable and whimsical qualities which formed Goldsmith's character would wish to prune away its eccentricities, trim its grotesque luxuriance, and clip it down to the decent formalities of rigid virtue.

"Let not his frailties be remembered," said Johnson, "he was a very great man." Washington Irving would rather say, "Let them be remembered, since their chief end was to endear."

Oliver Wendell Holmes asserts that we must have a weak spot in any character before we can love it much. "People that do not laugh or cry, or like motion of anything than is altogether good for them or use any but dictionary words, may be admirable subjects for biographies, but we don't want to care most for those that pattern flowers that press best in the herbarium."

The most not exacting and most intelligent cannot, perhaps, fail to find some faults in the nearest and best friends, but in not a few cases, foibles are even the strengtheners of regards.

Gen. Woodford's Life in Danger.

Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, the United States minister at Madrid, seems to be in grave and imminent danger. He may be the chief sufferer from the results of the DeLome letter.

The situation has become so serious that the Spanish government has surrounded the United States legation with several companies of cavalry and infantry. But with all these precautions Woodford is in danger. The troops the Spaniards are so aroused against the United States that they might be parties to the mobbing of the American minister in retaliation for the act of this government in expelling DeLome.

Spain Is Not Mad.

Senor Sagasta, the premier, and other members of the Spanish cabinet state publicly that the DeLome incident will not affect the relations between Spain and the United States, and that a new envoy, competent to conduct the diplomatic negotiations, will be selected.

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On Tuesday night a terrible explosion occurred on board the U. S. battleship Maine in the Harbor of Havana, by which 253 brave American seamen lost their lives. All sorts of rumors are afloat concerning the explosion, some claiming it was pure accident on the ship, and others that the Maine was blown up by the Spanish by means of a floating torpedo. While in the first place, if the first rumor is correct, it is a most deplorable accident, in the second if the destruction of the ship was the result of Spanish design it must inevitably lead to war.

CHAIRMAN Marion Butler of the Populist National Executive Committee, and both the chairman of the Democratic National Committee and the chairman of the National Committee of the Silver Republican party have each issued an address to the people, advocating the union of all the forces opposed to the gold standard policy, and concentrating the full strength of the voters of the entire country upon candidates pledged to monetary reform, overwhelmingly carry the elections for congress next November, and in 1900 obtain complete control of the government. It is obvious that without some such arrangement the probability is that the gold standard will remain the permanent policy of this government, and the depression we have undergone this last few years will be continued indefinitely, to the greater distress of the people.

WHEN the present management assumed charge of the Age-Herald we had hoped that the wide experience in journalism of the gentleman at the head would have led him to be sure of his ground before undertaking to defend an indefensible position. In a leading editorial last Saturday, referring to the Aldrich-Plowman contest, the Age-Herald takes occasion to say:

"Let there be a convention, and let the electorate be so simply and clearly defined that a contest of such a nature will become an impossibility. For the good name of the State, and her prosperity, it cannot come too soon. The Aldriches of the State should be forever deprived of their opportunity to throw mud."

Does the Age-Herald realize it is throwing mud, and that of the direst sort, in the imputation contained in the last sentence? All that the "Aldriches of the State" have done is to prove incontestably to congress that the Fourth Alabama district is entitled to be represented in that body by the man whom a majority of the voters have elected for that purpose.

The Age-Herald is throwing mud at the voters of the district, at the congressional committee on elections, and at congress itself, and in the process bespatters itself.

The good name of the State cannot be redeemed too soon, but it cannot be done until the Fourth district so conducts its elections that there will be no ground for a contest.

The Age-Herald says the "illiterate voter must be weeded out," and yet the majority officially reported for A. L. Plowman was made up in the only black belt county in the district (Dallas) against an actual majority for Mr. Aldrich in the other five counties of 123, the official returns for the five counties being Plowman 6,023 and Aldrich 6,145.

Neither congress nor the country is blind, and such reckless assertions as that of the Age-Herald only serve to retard the investment of capital in the State and hinder its prosperity.

DEATH OF MR. J. P. ALLEN.

For over twenty years Mr. J. P. Allen has been a prominent man in Chilton county, and his death at his home at Jemison last Tuesday morning, at the advanced age of 81 years, leaves a void not easily filled. Mr. Allen, by dint of hard work, had long since acquired a competence which enabled him in his old age to calmly contemplate passing events, while his even-tempered mind rendered him a favorite with all who came in contact with him. He was twice married, and a widow, four daughters and one son mourn his departure from his earthly labors, hoping to meet him in the realms above. For 55 years he was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, 56 years of which he was a Ruling Elder. The funeral took place at Jemison yesterday, a large concourse of friends and neighbors paying their last tribute of respect by their attendance. A good man has gone to his reward.

Verbena

A painful accident occurred last Monday at Verbena, in which Mr. J. A. Hester, the railroad agent whom everyone likes, was the sufferer. It was caused by his falling from a car and a pair of trucks falling on him. Mr. Hester came home to his mother and sisters at Clanton, and we hope will soon be able to resume his duties.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

SWEET, SWEET HANDS.

God's roses are sweet and his lilies are fair,
As they bend 'neath the dews from from above;
They are splendid and fair—but they cannot compare
With the beautiful hands of — love.
No jewels adorn them—no glittering bands—
They are just as God made them, these sweet, wee! hands!

And not for the earth's gems, or its bright diadems,
Or the pearls from the depths of the sea,
Or the queens of the lands, with their beautiful hands,
Should these dear hands be taken from me.
What exquisite blisses await their commands!
They were made for my kisses, these dear, sweet hands.

Ay, made for my kisses! And when some day
My life shall be robbed of its trust,
And the lips that are colder shall kiss them away
And hide them in daisies and dust,
I will kneel in the dark where the angels stand
And my kiss shall be the last on these dear, sweet hands.

I have given Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a fair test and consider it one of the very best remedies for croup that I have ever found. One dose has always been sufficient, although I use it freely. Any cold my children contract yields very readily to this medicine. I can conscientiously recommend it for croup and colds in children.—GEO. E. WOLFE, clerk of the circuit court, Fernandina, Fla. Sold by Dr. J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

West Chilton.

The dry fall, it seems, is being followed with an extremely wet winter. It has been raining almost ever since the first of December. All wagon roads leading into Selma has become so bad as to virtually stop people from traveling over them with loaded wagons.

There will be another large oat crop planted in these parts and less cotton this year. The people of West Chilton will go for hog and hominy, for every body is sold on five cents cotton.

Now is the time to set your stakes, and be sure and don't set them too far out. Set your stakes right and try to run to them and take them in next fall. Don't buy anything on credit unless you have to. We need a cash system, the credit system has ruined many a good man.

John O'Neal has bought a part of the old A. B. Oden land and is going to open up a stock farm.

Beef is going to be worth something here before long.

Mr. Pant, of Stanton, has sold out his store to C. W. Dyer and D. C. Gauldy we are informed.

Good wishes to all men.

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Are You Weak?

Weakness manifests itself in the loss of ambition and aching bones. The blood is watery; the tissues are wasting—the door is being opened for disease. A bottle of Browns' Iron Bitters taken in time will restore your strength, soothe your nerves, make your blood rich and red. Do you more good than an extensive special course of medicine. Brown's Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Political Pointers.

People's Press Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 16, 1898.

The farce of a trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies, who murdered striking miners at Lattimer Pennsylvania, last year, has been going on at Wilkesbarre, in that state. The evidence has shown the guilt of the accused, beyond question, but still very few people expect to see a conviction, although the judge and jury have been warned by letters to abide by the evidence.

Every week shows some new trust formed to control the necessaries of life. This week it is the cracker and bread trust with a capital of $55,000,000.

A Topeka, Kansas, paper is authority for the statement that a number of middle of the-road papers in that state have recently been sold outright to Republican stockholders and the present editors retained with the orders ending that the papers are to advocate socialism and the most extreme doctrines.

Governor Pingree is carrying out his suit against the railroad which refused to sell him a thousand mile ticket good for any member of his family, for twenty dollars.

Nebraska papers are putting W. J. Bryan forward as the next candidate for Governor of that state. Mr. Bryan has not yet stated his attitude on the matter.

The Populist and Free Silver Republicans among the Senators and congress-men at Washington, D. C., held an informal conference, February 5th, and agreed as to the necessity of absolute unity of action in the next election.

Investigation has revealed the fact that the War Department has for nearly twenty years maintained several clerks who were assigned to assorting a lot of old war documents and telegrams that it seems have many times before been assorted and that were absolutely valueless in the beginning.

The beauties of the recently enacted and much-vaunted Dingley Bill are daily being demonstrated. Germany has taken the lead and after excluding American beef and grains has now put a ban on American fruits.

The Honorable Jerry Simpson recently called attention to the fact that Dingley, the great apostle of protection, was wearing a London hat. Mr. Dingley, with the habit of his party, laid all blame on the working man, asserting that he had not ordered a hat made abroad. Jerry is a very troublesome fellow.

Senator Allen recently held up the appointment of one Bushnel as postmaster of Lincoln, Neb., alleging that he was guilty in the past of gross frauds.

Senator Marion Butler's speech against the Loud Bill has won golden opinions wherever it has been read.

Work is moving on nicely for the meeting of delegates at St. Louis, Mo., May 2nd, to perfect plans for the uniting of all the Labor Unions into one great body, organized and equipped for tremendous influence in the next Presidential campaign.

The Administration is being put in a very painful position on the Cuban question. Senator Mason of Illinois, who is very far from being a side-bound Republican and has refused to be silenced by the Hanna crowd, made a speech recently in which he bitterly arraigned the President and his advisers. The Spanish minister wrote a letter in which he referred to President McKinley as "a weak tool of bad men" and several other uncomplimentary terms. This letter has gotten back to Washington and having been published in the papers, it may arouse the Chief Executive to the seriousness of the situation. A. S.

Persistent Coughs

A cough which seems to hang on in spite of all the remedies which you have applied certainly needs energetic and sensible treatment. For twenty-five years that standard preparation of cod-liver oil,

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Program Teachers' Institute.

An Institute for white teachers to be held at Macedonia, February 18 and 19, 1898.

FRIDAY—10 a. m—Devotional exercises.

10:30 a. m—Welcome address, J. P. Nix. Response, Wiley Logan.

11 a. m—Registration of teachers present.

11:30 a. m—English Grammar, R. E. R. Hicks.

AFTERNOON—2 p. m—How to teach Algebra, P. M. McKee.

2:30 p. m—Elocution, Miss John Wilkerson.

3 p. m—Monthly examinations, E. H. Adams, Miss Kate Garner.

3:30 p. m—Reading, Mrs. V. Z. Palmer.

SATURDAY—9 a. m—How to teach Fractions, J. T. Martin, Miss Celestia Dunlap.

9:30 a. m—Latin (why teach it?) E. Y. McMorries.

10:30 a. m—Literature in Common Schools, Miss Lillie Oakley.

11 a. m—Physics, A. B. Harwood.

11:30 a. m—Why am I a teacher? Wm. Askins. What Text Books should we teach, The Institute. J. W. MOORE, Pres.
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Program of Colored Teachers Institute.

9 a.m. Institute opened by vocal music. Invocation by Rev. L. H Hawkins.

9:15. Election of officers and calling the roll. Teachers must respond with quotation of scripture.

9:45. Welcome address by Miss Maggie Foshee. Response in behalf of the Institute A. C. Austin.

10. The object of the Teacher's Institute, by K. Draper.

10:30. How to teach beginners numbers, by Prof. B. J. Neely. Discussion. The best method of teaching orthography, opened by Miss Daisy Siegel. Discussion.

12. Intermission for dinner

1 p.m. Reading, how taught? by Prof. Wm. Amos. Discussion.

1:45 The effect of a good moral teacher in his community, by Prof. W. J. Lemar and H. E. Latham

2:15 The effects of good discipline in the school room. By Rev. L. H Hawkins and A. C. Austin.

3. Geography, how taught, by Mrs. Mary Kidwine and Miss Mamie Brown.

3:30. What should be done to better the condition of our schools? Opened by Prof. I. S. A. Bracy.

4:15 A lecture by Hon. J. W. Moore, County Superintendent of Education. Intermission. Night session.

6:30 Devotional exercises.

6:45 The duty of the patrons to their school and teacher. Opened by T. S Callens.

7:30 Should the negro emigrate to Africa in his condition? General discussion led by Prof. I. S. A. Bracy.

A committee report. Benediction.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 3 in the town of Maplesville, Alabama, together with the two-story store house thereon, which said lot is bounded as follows, to-wit: On the east by the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad; on the south by property of A. S. Woosey, on north and west by property of Dr. J. S. Johnson, Sr., said lot is so dis subject to two mortgages executed by said S. A. Foshee to Minthorne Woosey, and by said Woosey duly transferred and assigned to H. J. Foshee. And also Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court house door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala., Feb 17, 1898.

DR. A. J. MASSEY

OF BIRMINGHAM

Dr. A. J. Massey, the expert tooth extractor, will be in the south-western part of Chilton county this week and north-western part of Autauga next week, and continue until his work is finished up. Write him at Clanton if you wish his services.

Your teeth extracted painless by use of Odontunder. No bad after effects as by using cocaine alone sometimes.

Dr. A. J. MASSEY
P. O. Woodlawn, Ala.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Sallie Hanlin, by the sale of the following described property, to wit:

Commencing at the south east corner of the south-west quarter of south west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a westerly direction forty feet, thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and twenty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land and lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 6th day of January, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

MAKE HAY While the Sun Shines

Do not wait until you are old to harvest good health and a sound constitution. Do not wait until next spring to begin a cure if you have "spring feelings" now. If you feel languid, peevish and out of sorts use

Johnston's Sarsaparilla

(QUART BOTTLES).

It will purify your blood, stimulate your nerves, brace your constitution against colds, and keep your stomach in good order. You will go through the winter bounding with energy and will fail to have "spring feelings" in the spring. The harvest of health will stand you and your children in good stead.

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Liverettes make the complexion bright and clear. 25c.

THE CROSS AND CROWN

Is the title of a treatise on the doctrine of perfection or sanctification, by A. L. Pattilo, of Verbena, now in the press. It is written in a plain, homely fashion by one deeply impressed with the necessity of Christians living a perfect life, who desires to see all professing religion imbued with the same spirit. The Author, who is also a poet, has written several poems, all on religious subjects. The whole when complete will make a book of over 200 pages, bound in a stiff board cover, which at the small charge of 50 cents, should speedily exhaust the edition.

This book has a double claim on the people of Chilton county, and should find a place in every home in the county, from the fact that it is entirely a home production, being the first book ever written, printed, bound and published in Clanton. It will be ready early in October. Price only 50 cents. Orders can be sent to THE BANNER, Clanton, or to A. L. Pattillo, Verbena.

Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton county. In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, North-eastern Chancery Division. January 29, 1898.

Nannie Davis, complainant, vs. A. Oscar Davis, defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. M. Adams, that the Defendant, A. Oscar Davis, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and that his residence and post office address is Comanche, Comanche county, State of Texas, and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said A. Oscar Davis, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 1-tt day of March, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 29th day of January, 1898.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.

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These Suits are GUARANTEED to be made from Imported Wool Cheviot, in Black, Blue, Grey, and Brown, in sizes from 3 to 9 years of age. Made up double breasted, with Sailor Collar. Collar fancy embroidered—lined with best Black Albert Twill Sateen and Patent Waist Bands. Trimming and Workmanship the very best. Same in Sizes for ages 10 to 15 years, without Sailor Collar. See Pattern Below.

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Guaranteed to be made from All Wool, fancy Brown, Grey, black, or Blue Worsted Corded Cheviot, made in latest style, lined with Imported Farmer Satin, trimmed and finished in the best of custom tailor manner. ... your town for $18.00. Sizes 34 to 42.

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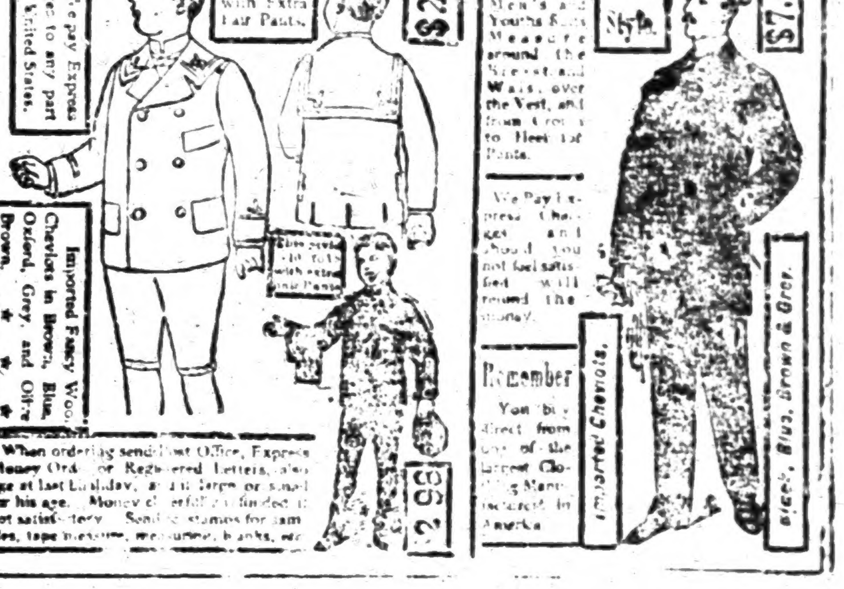

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This Style Sizes 3 to 9 with Extra Pair Pants. $2.98

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When ordering send Post Office, Express Money Order or Registered Letters, also age at last birthday, and if large or small for his age. Money cheerfully refunded if not satisfactory. Send 4c stamps for samples, tape measure, measuring blanks, etc.

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All come and make the most of this opportunity for bargains.

Bundles of very heavy Ducking, in remnants, from a yard up to three and four yards, about 6 and 7 lbs in each bundle that will make you all the shirts and children's comfortable clothes, at 90 c a bundle.

Men's Shoes from $1.00 and up;
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We have good Coats and Vests (Pawnbroker's goods, made of very fine material) from $1.25 and up.
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We can sell you any other goods at your own price. If you have not got the money come anyhow, and we will give you a pair of good pants for a song.

We pay the highest market price for Wool, Beef Hides, Bees wax, and Furs skins. We give from 10c to 12c a pound for hides, from 5c to 6c for green hides; from 15c to 25c a lb for clean wool.

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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Happenings of General Interest Fresh From the Wires.

GEORGIA'S SECRETARY OF STATE RESIGNS.

Ensign Breckenridge Washed Overboard and Drowned—Italian Warship Ordered to Hayti—No Apology to be Asked of Spain.

A canning factory will be built at McMinnville, Tenn.

W. L. Trent has been appointed postmaster of Knoxville, Tenn.

Judge John M. Taylor, of Lexington, has announced his candidacy for governor of Tennessee.

McKisson, the defeated senatorial candidate in Ohio, will contest the election of Mark Hanna.

Levi P. Morton's seven story office building in New York was destroyed by fire. Loss $500,000.

Edwin S. Cunningham, of Tennessee, has been appointed by the president to be consul at Aden, Arabia.

President McKinley will not demand an apology from Spain, as he is satisfied with De Lome's departure.

Italian warships have been ordered to Hayti to enforce pending claims of the Italian government to the amount of $120,000.

Ensign J. R. Breckenridge was washed overboard from the torpedo boat Cushing, now in Havana harbor, and was drowned.

Hon. Allen D. Candler, of Georgia, has tendered his resignation to the governor as secretary of state, to make the race for governor.

The corner stone of the Coleman Cotton mill, at Concord, N. C., was laid Friday. It is the only mill in the world owned and operated by negro labor.

J. Hadley Clack who has been chief of police of Nashville for many years was defeated by the new police board and Robert Sidebottom elected in his place.

A proposition is before the Louisiana Constitutional convention to pension ex-Confederates, which will probably become a part of the new constitution.

After celebrating his 56th birthday, George Hartman, living near Louisville, Ky., became suddenly despondent and plunged into a cistern, and was drowned.

The house committee on commerce killed the senate bill to permit the state of South Carolina to control liquors brought into the state in original packages. The motion to report it favorably was lost on a tie vote.

A special from Bonham, Texas, says that in an attempt to arrest William Green and Bob Hunter, near there, both men were killed, and Officer Tom Milstead and Charles Bridges were so badly injured that they will likely die.

One of the new bills introduced in the Kentucky house of representatives Friday was by Mount, populist, proposing to change the name of Carlisle county to William Jennings Bryan county.

Official advices received by the French foreign office from Pekin say Japan has notified China that she intends to keep Wei-Hai-Wei permanently. Such a report, however, has not been confirmed at Washington.

A Warsaw dispatch says: During a funeral service in the synagogue at Idzienciol, in Grodno, Wednesday, the woman's gallery collapsed. In the panic that ensued twelve women, five men and three children were crushed to death and many others were seriously injured.

The contest which has been waged in the house committee on invalid pensions ever since the assembling of congress over the question of barring from the pension rolls the widows and children of soldiers who marry hereafter, came to an end Thursday in the defeat of the proposition.

The American line steamer St. Louis, Captain Raddle, which arrived at New York Saturday from Southampton, reports the loss at sea of the Holland-American line steamer Veendam, Captain Stenger, from Rotterdam for New York. The passengers and crew of the Veendam were saved by the St. Louis.

The Goebel election law passed the Kentucky senate Thursday and will be rushed through the house. The governor will veto it and then it will be passed over his head. The law is such as to keep the republicans from carrying the elections in that the franchise will be regulated to the interest of the democrats.

The Spanish government has requested the Clyde Bank Ship Building Company to push Spanish work. The company has dispatched to Spain a high-speed torpedo cruiser, fully manned by Spaniards. In addition, two torpedo boat destroyers are being completed for Spain, the crews for which have arrived at Glasgow.

South Carolina's latest plan for reducing the number of homicides is a bill recently introduced in the legislature which makes it unlawful to have a hip pocket in the rear of the trousers or coat. Provision, however, is made for persons who may be permitted, for good reason, to carry a gun; they are granted a license, but must also wear conspicuously a metal badge which bears the legend: "I have my gun concealed."

Rev. William C. Cantrell, for twenty years president of LaFayette College at Philadelphia, died the past week.

ORDERED TO STRIKE.

Decision of the New England Textile Unions' Meeting Today.

At a meeting Sunday in Boston of sixty-five representatives of textile unions in New England, it was unanimously voted to recommend that all unions call out the operatives in every cotton mill in New England.

The meeting was practically the outcome of the recommendation of President Gompers made to the Federation of Labor last Sunday, in which he urged the different unions to unite on some settled policy regarding the mill situation in New England.

It now remains for the various national unions to take action on the recommendation, but what this action will be is a matter of conjecture. If all should acquiesce and vote to strike, 147,000 operatives would undoubtedly cease work and the manufacture of cotton goods throughout New England would be at a standstill. If, on the other hand, only a few unions should vote to strike, the refusal of the others would still keep a large portion of the mills in operation.

SATISFACTORY ADJUSTMENT

Expected by the State Department Regarding the DeLome Incident.

A special from Washington says: The state department Monday officially denied the rumor that General Fitzhugh Lee, consul-general to Cuba, has tendered his resignation.

It can be stated also that, while the details are not obtainable, matters regarding the DeLome incident have assumed such shape that an early and entirely satisfactory adjustment of affairs between the United States and Spain is confidently expected by the state department.

The 300 word cipher dispatch received from Minister Woodford Saturday night was translated at the state department Sunday, but no intimation of its import could be secured from official sources.

Bernarbe Succeeds De Lome.

The Spanish cabinet met Monday and discussed the present state of the war in Cuba and the DeLome matter at great length. It was decided to publish a decree accepting the resignation of Senor Dupuy DeLome as minister at Washington, and appointing Senor Louis Polo Bernarbe as his successor.

Murdered at a Church Door.

At a country church near Blue Ridge, Ga., Sunday, a young man named Rawlins was shot to death by Whitt Dillard. Rawlins was in the act of going into the church when several young men on the outside began poking fun at him, which precipitated a quarrel and a general fight ensued. Dillard drew a pistol and fired, instantly killing Rawlins. Several of the leading citizens who were in the church mounted their horses with the determination to avenge the murder, and soon overtook the fugitive. He was called upon to surrender, but paid no attention to the command. Firing began, and a bullet from the posse struck him, killing him instantly.

No Food in Forty-Four Days.

Mrs. Annie Burr, widow, 21 years old, living in northeast Nashville, has not taken food, solid or liquid, for forty-four days. Neither has she taken a drink of any sort within twenty-two days. Two physicians called in have been greatly puzzled over the case, which appears to be some affection of the throat. She suffers a great deal from hunger, but has not lost much flesh.

To Stay the Terrors of Death.

Two Brooklyn physicians have discovered a new anti-toxin with which they believe they can easily check the progress of pneumonia and other bacterial diseases. The doctors have not perfected their method as yet, and will not give full particulars, but as a remedy for pneumonia they say the anti-toxin will stand on its merits.

Colonel Hernandez Is Dying.

Colonel Nieves Hernandez, who was suspected of complicity in the Garza conspiracy and was tried by court martial and sentenced to death, and whose sentence was subsequently affirmed by the supreme court of military justice, is now dying at the Santiago military prison in Mexico.

Chinese Attack Foreigners.

Authentic reports have reached Shanghai of recent date from all sections of the Chinese empire, indicating that riot and attack upon the foreigners is the order of the day. The attacks seem to be that of isolated ruffians rather than of a concerted action on the part of the populance.

Wrecked by Morphine.

Dr. John R. De Velli, once a prominent physician of Louisville, Ky., died from the excessive use of morphine. His body was almost one mass of sores, caused by the use of the hypodermic needle, there being 150 abscesses on him when he died.

A New Expedition.

The tug Dauntless left Savannah Saturday morning loaded with sixty tons of coal. It is rumored that she will meet her mate and an expedition off Tampa and proceed to Cuba. Spanish authorities at Savannah have just learned of this new expedition.

425 Miles in 426 Minutes.

New York to Buffalo, 425 miles, in 426 minutes actual running time, was the record made over the Erie railroad Sunday by a special newspaper train.

MAINE BLOWN TO ATOMS

In Havana Harbor and One Hundred Soldiers Killed.

MAY HAVE BEEN A PLOT OF THE SPANIARDS

It Is Believed the Explosion Occurred in a Small Powder Magazine—The Vessel Burning—Sailors Blown From Their Bunks into the Air.

A special from Havana says: At a quarter of 10 Tuesday evening a terrible explosion took place on board the United States cruiser Maine in Havana harbor. Many are killed or wounded. All the boats of the Spanish cruiser Alfonso XIII. are assisting. As yet the cause of the explosion is not apparent. The wounded sailors of the Maine are unable to explain it. It is believed the cruiser is totally destroyed. The explosion shook the whole city. The windows were broken in all the houses.

The correspondent of the Associated Press says he has conversed with several of the wounded sailors, and understands from them that the explosion took place while they were asleep, so that they can give no particulars as to the cause.

The Wildest Consternation.

The wildest consternation prevails in Havana. The wharves are crowded with thousands of people. It is believed the explosion occurred in a small powder magazine. Captain Sigsbee and the other officers have been saved. It is estimated that over 100 of the crew were killed, but it is impossible to give exact details. Admiral Manterola has ordered that boats of all kinds should go to the assistance of the Maine and her wounded. The Havana firemen are giving aid, attending carefully to the wounded as they are brought on shore. It is a terrible sight.

General Solano and the other generals have been ordered by Captain General Blanco to take steps to help the Maine's crew in every way possible.

Captain Sigsbee says the explosion occurred in the bow of the vessel. He received a wound in the head. Orders were given to the other officers to save themselves as best they could. The latter, who were literally thrown from their bunks in their night clothing, gave the necessary orders with great self-possession and bravery.

At 11:30 the Maine was still burning.

The first theory was that there had been a preliminary explosion in the Santa Barbara (magazine) with powder or dynamite below the water. Admiral Manterola believes that the first explosion was of a grenade shell that was hurled over the navy yard. The air is full of all kinds of rumors, and hundreds of opinions are advanced as to the probable cause of the blowing up of the warship. There is a strong belief that it was the work of the Spanish with dynamite, fired from one of the Spanish war vessels lying nearby in the harbor. It was with great difficulty that an outbreak was averted from Americans, who desired to begin shooting Spaniards on the streets.

Official Confirmation From Sigsbee.

The secretary of the navy received the following telegram from Captain Sigsbee:

"Maine blown up in Havana harbor at 9:40 and destroyed. Many wounded and doubtless more killed—and drowned. Wounded and others on board Spanish man-of-war and Ward Line steamer. Send light-house tenders from Key West for crew and few pieces of equipment still left and such as are now above water. Public opinion should be suspended until further report. All officers believed to be saved. Jenkins and Merritt not yet accounted for. Many Spanish officers, including representatives of Gen. Blanco, now with me and express sympathy. Signed, SIGSBEE."

Long Sends Assistance.

Secretary Long received Captain Sigsbee's dispatch but a few minutes before the Associated Press dispatches from Havana were handed in. He received the news with apparent calm, and his first act was to comply with Captain Sigsbee's request that assistance be sent from Key West. He immediately wired Captain Forsythe, at Key West, to proceed with the naval tenders Fern and Mangrove to Havana harbor.

Secretary Long then sent for Captain Dickens, and the two discussed Captain Sigsbee's brief telegram. No other naval officers were present, and besides the secretary and Captain Dickens, the naval colony at Washington is ignorant of the disaster, the greatest which has befallen the American navy since the disaster at Apia many years ago.

Description of the Maine.

The Maine was built in New York in 1890 at a cost of $2,588,000. She had a steel hull and a complement of 374 men. It is a battleship of the second class, and is regarded as one of the best ships in the new navy. She was built at the Brooklyn navy yard, and is 318 feet long, 57 feet broad, 21.6 mean draught, and 6,682 tons displacement. She carries four 10-inch and six 6-inch breech-loading guns in her main battery, and seven 6-pounders and eight 1-pound rapid-firing guns and four Gatlings in her second battery, and four Whitehead torpedoes.

OF INTEREST TO ALABAMIANS.

PROBABLY LOST IN A SHIPWRECK

Forty Klondikers Are Supposed to Have Been Drowned—Several Birmingham Boys Aboard.

A special from Victoria, B. C., says: The steamer Islander brings news that the steamer Clara Nevada, of Seattle, was burned in Lynn canal and forty men who were on board are supposed to have perished.

The Nevada left Skaguay for Juneau on February 5, and when the Islander, which arrived from Como Monday morning, reached Juneau the Nevada had not arrived there. The day she should have arrived at Juneau fire was seen on the waters of the canal and the opinion is general that the flames were from the burning steamer. Whether the passengers and crew reached land or whether they perished is not known. It is feared that they met with death, as there has been a terrible wind and snow storm prevailing in the north for several days and small boats could hardly live through it.

Aboard the Clara Nevada was a party of Alabama boys bound for the Klondike in the interest of the Birmingham Gold Mining company. The party consisted of Joe Biddle, Jim Biddle, Charles J. Smith, John Neale and G. W. Stapleton, who left Birmingham only a few weeks ago for Seattle where they embarked on the 5th instant aboard this ill-fated steamer.

Will Join the United Mine Workers.

Arrangements are being made for the holding of a state miners' convention in Birmingham some time in March, when it is expected that a division of the United Mine Workers of America will be formed from among the mining camps in Alabama. A movement in this direction was begun last October, but the miners at Pratt City proved a stumbling block by refusing to join. Recently a district assembly was organized at Pratt City, and now the miners of that place are ready to affiliate with the national organization.

Good Roads Convention in Session.

The Good Roads convention is now in session at Anniston, with an attendance of from 400 to 500 delegates from every county in the state. The object of the Good Roads convention is to bring about concerted action among all the counties toward perfecting a permanent organization which will work to get a uniform road law passed by the legislature. Several states already have such laws and they have proven a great success.

A Limestone Farmer Wears the Belt.

Mr. Ira H. Davenport, who lives near the county line of Lauderdale and Limestone, is the champion hog grower of all that section. Last year he had the heaviest porkers, and now this year he still leads the van. He butchered last Monday, when his largest porker turned the scales at 555, his next largest at 518, and the third at 396. He also killed two "pigs," 11 months old, that averaged 260. His 555 pound hog was 25 months old. Mr. Davenport still wears the belt.

Col. H. L. Watlington Drops Dead.

Col. Harry L. Watlington, one of best known lawyers of West Alabama, died at his home in Jasper Sunday morning from heart failure. Colonel Watlington had been troubled with spells of something like smothering for a long time, and of late they had been more serious. Sunday morning he walked out for something in the yard, and while there felt a spell approaching. He hastened into the house, but fell lifeless on the threshold.

Alabama War Data.

Adjutant General Ligon has received a letter from the federal pensions and record bureau at Washington requesting the temporary transfer to that city of the military records of Alabama. It is the purpose of the government to have copied and to publish for distribution all official American war data obtainable.

Executive Committee in Session.

The executive committee of the democratic and conservative party of Alabama are in session at Montgomery. They meet to fix the time and place for holding the state convention, the basis of representation and prescribe the qualification of voters who will be allowed to participate in the primaries.

Labor Sets the Pace.

The first man to be formally placed before the people as a candidate for representative to the legislature was named Monday, when the Union Label League, of Birmingham, by a unanimous vote placed in nomination the name of R. L. Russell. At the same meeting John McQueen was indorsed.

May Build Two Furnaces.

The Howard-Harrison Iron Co. are considering the building of two blast furnaces in Bessemer that will turn out 500 tons a day.

John Gafford Condemned to Death.

After three and a half days' deliberation the jury in the case of John Gafford, who killed Bartow Lloyd at Greenville, Ala., returned a verdict of murder in the first degree and fixed the penalty at death.

Adolph Luetgert Found Guilty.

Adolph Luetgert, of Chicago, was convicted of the murder of his wife and sentenced to imprisonment for the term of his natural life. He received the verdict with a laugh.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

A bill was passed to ratify the act of the territorial legislature of Arizona, authorizing the erection of a capital building. Without further preliminary business the house went into committee of the whole and took up the consideration of the military academy appropriation bill. The bill carried $455,540, $18,769 less than the estimates and $26,036 less than the current law. The debate then drifted in politics, for a while, after which the bill was passed. Mr. Dingley asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a bill unanimously reported by the committee on ways and means, limiting the time in which the outstanding refunding certificates of deposit of 1879 can be refunded into bonds of 1907 to December 31, 1899. About $40,000,000 of these certificates were issued in furtherance of the redemption act. But $42,000 of them remain now outstanding. There was no objection and the bill was passed. The senate amendments to the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation were disagreed and the bill was sent to conference. At 4:45 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

A communication was received by the senate from the secretary of war today presenting the urgent necessity for immediate action to control the disorderly elements that are assembling in Alaska. Mr. Chandler presented a memorial which called the attention of the senate to one of the most thrilling events of the civil war. The memorial prays that congress grant to the surviving members of Lieutenant Worden, who commanded the Monitor in the historic fight at Hampton Roads between that vessel and the ironclad Merrimac, the sum of $200 each in the nature of prize money. A house bill authorizing the secretary of the treasury either to purchase or have constructed a suitable revenue cutter for use on the Yukon river, Alaska, at a cost not to exceed $40,000, was passed. Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, called attention to the resolution introduced a few days ago concerning this country's attitude to Hawaii, which was referred to the foreign relations committee. The senate then went into executive session, and at 5 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

In the house today a bill was passed authorizing the Lewiston and Concord Bridge Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Snake river, between Idaho and Washington. The senate amendments to the agricultural bill were non-concurred in and the bill sent to conference. Mr. Taylor, of Ohio, chairman of elections committee No. 1, then called up the contested election case of William F. Aldrich vs. Thomas S. Plowman from the Fourth Alabama district. Mr. Plowman, the sitting member, is a democrat, and Mr. Aldrich was the populist and republican candidate. The majority of the committee reported solidly in favor of unseating Mr. Plowman. The case was argued at length by Mr. Taylor, who spoke in favor of sustaining the majority report, while Mr. Fox, of Mississippi, presented the case of the minority, which reported that Mr. Plowman was entitled to his seat. Messrs. Mann, of Illinois, and Settle, of Kentucky, followed; when at 5 o'clock the house adjourned without reaching a vote.

The Senate.

Mr. Bate, of Tennessee, presented the credentials of Thomas B. Turley to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Senator Isham G. Harris, of Tennessee. Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, presented a Cuban amendment to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill, that since the opening of hostilities in Cuba more than 300,000 pacificos had died of starvation, or of diseases directly traceable to insufficient food or lack of proper sanitary conditions. He said he had been informed that it was the custom of the Spanish government to herd hundreds of families together in inadequate quarters, starving them until they have been more than decimated by disease. He expressed the hope that the committee on foreign relations would act promptly on the amendment so that the senate could have an opportunity to vote upon it. The amendment is as follows: "That a condition of war exists between the government of Spain and the government proclaimed and for some time maintained by force of arms by the people of Cuba, and that the United States of America shall maintain a strict neutrality between the contending powers and accord to each all the rights of belligerency in the ports and territory of the United States." Cuban resolutions to the same effect were also offered by Messrs. Cannon, of Utah, and Mason, of Illinois.

The House—Wednesday.

The house to-day resumed the consideration of the Aldrich-Plowman contested election case from the Fourth Alabama district, with the understanding that a vote be taken at 4:30 p. m. to-day. Previous to the reopening of the debate the special deficiency appropriation bill passed, carrying $200,000 for the payment of juror's fees in the United States courts and $25,000 for witness fees... Representative Sulzer attempted to secure recognition for the introduction in open house of a resolution to the effect that the Spanish minister be "given his passports and sent home in disgrace." He was cut off by the demand for the regular order... The vote was then taken on the minority report of the Aldrich-Plowman case, which declared Mr. Plowman entitled to his seat. The motion was voted down by 124 to 145.

Mr. Bailey demanded a division on majority resolution declaring Plowman not entitled to his seat. The vote was 129 to 145. Party lines were strictly drawn upon the vote, except in the cases of Messrs. [illegible], Rep., O., and Fowler, [illegible], J., who were present and [illegible] vote. The second resolution seating Mr. Aldrich was adopted by 144 to 132. Mr. Aldrich took the oath and at [illegible] the house adjourned.

The Senate.

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Mr. Mason [illegible] floor in support of his resolution, after which the Senate adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

The house was in a very bad [illegible] today and the whole session was consumed in filibustering against [illegible] of minor importance. Neither [illegible] further than the engrossment [illegible] third reading. The trouble [illegible] over the enforcement of the [illegible] against the discussion of irrelevant subjects when Mr. Handy, democrat of Delaware, attempted to reply [illegible] floor during the consideration of [illegible] bills to a letter recently written by Mr. Thomas F. Bayard, secretary of state under the Cleveland administration, in denunciation of the free [illegible] democracy. Roll call followed roll call all day long and partisan [illegible] reached a high pitch. Finally [illegible] it became evident no progress [illegible] be made with the bills presented [illegible] adjournment was taken until Monday.

The Senate.

General William Booth, of England, founder of the Salvation army, officiated as chaplain at the opening of the senate's session. Mr. [illegible] reported favorably from the committee on commerce a bill to amend the [illegible] relating to navigation. He said [illegible] as the proposed bill related only to Alaskan waters, it was necessary that prompt action should be taken. The bill was passed without division. The Indian appropriation bill was then considered. Considerable discussion arose over an amendment proposed by the committee, providing "that hereafter no Indian, or tribe of Indians, shall lease for mining purposes lands that are not patented to said Indians." It was agreed to. In the course of discussion of an amendment offered by Mr. Thurston, Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, made a sharp attack upon the speaker of the house of representatives. He declared, [illegible] was impossible to secure the passage through the house of any meritorious measures because one man stood at the entrance of the caverns into which proposed legislation was dumped [illegible] would permit nothing to be done [illegible] that of which he did not approve. [illegible] said that "in the other end of the capitol this one man stands for [illegible] and his bold, unwarranted, undignified action was a disgrace to the country and to the American people." The house then adjourned.

The Senate—Friday.

In the senate today a joint resolution providing for a survey and to determine the practicability of opening a navigable channel through the southwest pass of the Mississippi river passed. Mr. Allen introduced a resolution directing the committee on foreign relations to inquire whether or not the yacht Buccaneer, owned by William R. Hearst, has been seized and is being held by the Spanish government. The resolution was agreed to. The Indian appropriation bill was then taken up and the [illegible] amendment was adopted without discussion. It is as follows:

"That all settlers under the homestead laws of the United States upon the public lands acquired prior to the passage of this act by treaty or agreement from the various Indian tribes who have or who shall hereafter settle upon the tract entered in good faith for the period required by existing law, shall be entitled [illegible] the land so entered upon the payment to the local land officers of the usual and customary fees and no other further charge of any kind whatsoever shall be required from such settler to entitle him to a patent for the land covered by his entry, provided, that the right to commute such entries and pay for said lands, in the option of the settler and in the time and at the prices now fixed by existing laws, shall remain in full force and effect. Provided, however, that all sums of money so released, which if not released would belong to any Indian tribe, shall be paid to such Indian tribe by the United States."

The amendments to the bill, which carries an appropriation of nearly [illegible],000,000, were agreed to, and as amended the bill was passed. The senate then adjourned until Monday.

Engineer Augur Drops Dead.

W. S. Augur, engineer at the Alabama Great Southern shops in Birmingham, dropped dead Monday from heart failure.

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[illegible] Not Do Hard Work Until Hood's Sarsaparilla Cured.

[illegible] had a severe pain in my left side and [illegible] not do any hard work. My husband [illegible] a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla and [illegible] taking it and soon I was able to do [illegible] work. I was also troubled with scrofula [illegible] throat, but Hood's Sarsaparilla has [illegible] this." MRS. EMMA PARKER, North [illegible], N. Y. Remember

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EMINENT DIVINES' SERMONS.

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

"Four Anchors" is the Title of the Thirteenth Sermon in the New York Herald's Competitive Series—Dr. Talmage Preaches a Sermon to Sisters.

TEXT: "They rest fast and remain out of the storm."—Acts xxvii., 29.

The symbolism of the text is striking and suggestive. Many lives have been shipwrecked for the need of anchors holding them to steadfastness. However deep we may feel the waters to be through which we are sailing, we are often nearer the shoals and reefs than is imagined.

The first anchor which should be thrown out is steadiness of purpose. The innermost secret of successful lives is in the concentration of power along certain definite lines. Paul says: "This one thing I do," and the world will ever do him reverence. Dr. Hudson Taylor says: "This one thing I do," and China is opened as never before to higher ideals and larger visions of life. The Earl of Shaftesbury says: "This one thing I do," and he goes down to the Holborn viaduct, in London, and the bootblacks and hucksters and street arabs and costermongers are transformed. The great names in art, in science, in philosophy and in finance are always identified with pain and purpose. Life's power but power undirected is lost. Only constant striking on the same spot makes an impression. Purpose connects and studies our months and years and makes of them all but parts of a single whole. Each day ought to be a link tempered and welded into the chain of a completed life. Three-fourths of men's failures may be attributed to the lack of purpose. The house can scarcely be constructed without a plan, how much less can a human life be fashioned without a conception of what it will be when finished. Plan must precede construction; the ideal before the realization, the purpose before the accomplishment. Only the man who aims will strike the mark. Turn your life into a definite channel; let it not cover too much territory, for it is the deeply flowing stream which cuts away the obstructions and at last reaches the sea, while the stream which spreads itself in shallowness goes silently into the swamp land and its life is ended. The analysis of every completed life reveals a central point about which energy and devotion cluster [illegible].

But purpose to exert its influence must be accompanied by perseverance, so cast out the second anchor. Here is a vast difference between the aim and the accomplishment. Perseverance is the bending of the bow to send the shaft at the target, and the bow is the will. "I will fight it out on this line if it takes all summer," was the great general. But as the spirit which conquers, so also under heaven plans be drafted or our purposes more than circumstances and difficulties seem to conspire to defeat and ruin them. Many a man has seen his star in the east, but only here at there has ever been possessed of the courage and devotion to follow it over an unbeaten path until it led him to his treasure. It is blood earnestness which tells. The man who is ever unconscious of defeat is he who some day will plant his standard upon the enemies' ramparts and win the day. He who holds on in the face of the storm in spite of discouragements, calmly suffering temporary delays, is he who finally secures his crown and his reward. Shall we complain of difficulties when a thousand lights are pointing at wonderful achievements, when other overcoming tremendous obstacles? Helen Keller, without sight, without hearing, without language, presses on until she passes the entrance examinations to Harvard University. John Bunyan, the drunken tinker of Bedford, rises to the authorship of "Pilgrim's Progress." It is half heartedness which fails, but the "doing with thy might" which succeeds. Before a determined will and a passionate devotion men will stand aside and let you pass. They cannot help it; difficulties will vanish. They cannot withstand your determination will be crushed their puny strength deserts them.

In order to make perseverance possible another the third, faith in one's self. To attain the estimate of our power falls far short of what it really is. Emerson's word, "Trust thyself," carries with it a true philosophy, for one may not achieve until there is a firm belief in one's own soul. If we rate our ideal at 100 and our power at fifty the accomplishment will be but one-half. The great crime men commit against themselves is not in overrating, but in underrating. My self-set limitations determine the extent of my achievements. And what right has man to rate in the image of God, with unknown and undeveloped powers, standing before a hidden future, to measure and to circumscribe his capabilities and to limit his possibilities of success in the construction of his destiny? No man is measure man, for only God knows the height the individual may reach. Men who today are almost powerless in their intellectual sweep are they who have not dared with compass and rule to set their bounds. This is not conceit, but a respect for the untouched, undreamed of potency of your own soul. So then, believe not only in your ideal, but in the possibility of realizing it.

And then the fourth anchor, faith in God. We may imagine Paul as the last anchor is thrown out calling to the sailors, "Men, does it hold?" and the answer coming back, "Lost the rope is taut; we do not see the ledge down below the waves, but the anchor holds." All that is the blessed experience of those who always grasps the solid rock, the unseen rock of God. Faith connects man with Omnipotence. Faith is the conductor which passes at our disposal living grace and power. This is the testimony of every child of faith. "I can do all things through Him." This is the power of our faith which may be appropriated. And there are times when the safety of the whole life depends upon this anchor. The anchor of purpose may be dislodged and flung high upon the shore by storm and tempest; the anchor of perseverance may be worn away by the fretting tide and the cutting sands, the anchor of faith may snap in twain in some fearful crisis when the strain is great and the heart is sick, but away down below the crashing billows of passion and temptation rests the anchor of faith embedded in the heart of God. So let us live with a noble purpose worthy the patient endeavor and unfaltering devotion we bestow upon it mindful of our own godly stored resources and holding fast to the rock of God.

REV. CHARLES AUGUSTUS CAMERON,
First Presbyterian Church, Providence, R. I.

FOR GIRLS.

Rev. Dr. Talmage Preaches Directly to the Sisters.

TEXT: And his sister stood afar off to witness what would be done to him.—Exodus ii., 4.

Princess Thermutis, daughter of Pharaoh, looking out through the lattice of her bathing-house on the banks of the Nile, saw a curious boat on the river. It had neither oar nor helm, and they would have been useless anyhow. There was only one passenger, and that a baby boy. The boat was made of the broad leaves of papyrus tightened together by bitumen. "Kill all the Hebrew children born," had been Pharaoh's order. To save her boy, Jochebed, the mother of little Moses, had put him in in that queer boat and launched him. His sister, Miriam, stood on the bank watching that precious craft. She was far enough off not to draw attention to the boat, but near enough to offer protection. There she stands on the bank—Miriam, the poetess; Miriam, the quick-witted; Miriam, the faithful; though very human, for in after time she demonstrated it.

Oh, was not Miriam, the sister of Moses, doing a good thing, an important thing, a glorious thing when she watched the boat woven of river plants and made water-tight with asphaltum, carrying its one passenger. Did she not put all the ages of time and of a coming eternity under obligation when she defended her helpless brother from the perils aquatic, reptilian and ravenous? She it was that brought that wonderful babe and its mother together so that he was reared to be the deliverer of his nation, when otherwise, saved at all from the rushes of the Nile, he would have been only one more of the God-defying Pharaohs for Princess Thermutis of the bathing-house would have inherited the crown of Egypt and as she had no child of her own this adopted child would have come to our nation. Had there been no Miriam there would have been no Moses. What a guardian for a faithful sisterhood!

Miriam was the oldest of the family; Moses and Aaron, her brothers, were younger. Oh the power of the elder sister to help decide the brother's character for usefulness and for heaven! She can keep off from her the other morsels than Miriam could have driven back water fowl or crocodile from the ark of bulrushes. The older sister decides the direction in which the cradle boat shall sail. By gentleness, by good sense, by Christian principle she can turn it toward the palace, not of a wicked Pharaoh, but of a holy God and a brighter prospect than Thermutis could lift him out of peril, even religion, whose ways are ways of pleasantness and all her paths are peace. The older sister knew much the world owes her! Born while yet the family was in limited circumstances, she had to toil and take care of her younger brothers. And if there is anything that excites my sympathy, it is a little girl lugging around a great fat child and getting her ears boxed because she can not keep him quiet! By the time she gets to young womanhood she is pale and worn out, and her attractiveness has been sacrificed on the altar of sisterly fidelity and she is consigned to celibacy, and society call her by an unfair name, but in heaven they call her Miriam.

Let sisters not begrudge the time and care bestowed on a brother. It is hard to believe that any boy that you know so well is your brother can ever turn out anything very useful. Well he may not be a Moses. There is only one of that kind needed for six thousand years. But I tell what your brother will be either a blessing or a curse to society, and a candidate for happiness or wretchedness. He will, like Moses, have the choice between rubies and living coals, and your influence will have much to do with his decision. He may not, like Moses, be the deliverer of a nation, but he may, after your father and mother are gone, be the deliverer of a household. What thousands of homes to-day are pestilence stricken! There are the careless, now well inspected hand, yielding to temptation for the sport of sisters and younger brothers, because the older brother rose to the leadership from the day the father lay down to die. Whatever you do for your brothers will come back to you again.

Don't smile him. Don't deprecate his ability. Don't talk discouragingly about his future. Don't let Miriam get down off the banks of the Nile and wade out and upset the ark of bulrushes. Don't tease him.

Don't let jealousy ever touch a sister's soul as it sometimes does because her brother gets more favor or more means. Even Miriam, the heroine of the text, was struck with the pestilence of jealousy. She had possessed unlimited influence over Moses, and now he marries and not only so, but marries a black woman from Ethiopia; and Miriam is so disgusted and outraged at Moses first because he had married at all, and next because he had practiced miscegenation, that she is drawn into a frenzy, and then begins to turn white, and gets white as a corpse, and then whiter than a corpse. Her complexion is like chalk, the fact is, she has the Egyptian leprosy. And now the brother whom she had defended on the Nile comes to her rescue in a prayer that brings her restoration. Let there be no room in all your house for jealousy either to sit or stand. It is a leprous abomination. Your brother succeeds. O sisters, is your success. His victories will be your victories.

If you only knew it, your interests are identical. Of all the families of the earth that ever stood together, perhaps the most conspicuous is the family of the Rothschilds. As Mayer Anselm Rothschild was about to die, in 1812, he gathered his children about him—Anselm, Solomon, Nathan, Charles and James—and made them promise that they would always be united on "Change." Obeying that injunction, they have been the mightiest commercial power on earth, and at the raising or lowering of their scepter nations have risen or fallen. That illustrates how much, on a large scale and for selfish purposes, a united family may accomplish. But suppose that instead of a magnitude of millions it be the object, it be doing good, and making salutary impression, and raising this sunken world, how much more ennobling! Sister, you do your part, and brother will do his part. If Miriam will lovingly watch the boat on the Nile, Moses will help her when leprous disasters strike.

General Baker, of the Russian cavalry, had in early life wanderlust off in the army, and the family supposed he was dead. After he gained a fortune he emigrated to his native Hesse, his native place, and made a banquet, and among the great military men who were to dine he invited a plain miller and his wife, who lived near by and who, although poor, bearing some harm would be done them. The miller and his wife were placed one on each side of the general at the table. The general asked the miller all about his family, and the miller said that he had two brothers and a sister. "No other brothers?" "My younger brother went off with the army many years ago, and he, dear, was long ago killed." Then the General said: "Soldiers, I am this man's younger brother, whom he thought was dead." And how loud was the cheer and how warm was the embrace!

Brother and sister, you need as much of an introduction to each other as they did. You don't know each other. You think your brother is crotchety and cross and queer, and he thinks you are selfish and proud and unloving. Both wrong. That brother will be a prince in some woman's eyes, and that sister a queen in the estimation of some man. That brother is a magnificent fellow, and that sister is a morning in June. Come, let me introduce you: "Moses, this is Miriam." "Miriam, this is Moses." Add seventy-five per cent. to your present appreciation of each other, and when you kiss good morning do not stick up your cold cheek, wet from the recent washing, as though you hated to touch each others lips in affectionate caress. Let it have all the fondness and cordiality of a loving sister's kiss.

I read of a child in the country who was detained at a neighbor's house on a stormy night by some fascinating stories that were being told him, and then looked out and saw it was so dark he did not dare go home. The incident impressed me the more because in my childhood I had much the same experience. The boy asked his companions to go with him, but they dared not. It got later and later—7 o'clock, 8 o'clock, 9 o'clock. "Oh," he said, "I wish I were home!" As he opened the door the last time a blinding flash of lightning and a deafening roar overcame him. But after awhile he saw in the distance a lantern, and lo! his brother was coming to fetch him home, and the lad stepped out and with swift feet hastened on to his brother, who took him home, where they were so glad to greet him, and for a long time supper had been waiting. So may it be when the night of death comes and our earthly friends can not go with us, and we dare not go alone, may our Brother, our elder Brother, our Friend closer than a brother, come on to meet us with the light of the promises which shall be a lantern to our feet; and then we will go in to join our loved ones waiting for us, supper all ready, the marriage supper of the Lamb!

San Jose Bug in Germany.

Dr. Heinrich Dohrn, of Stettin, writes that the San Jose bug has long been known in Germany as the blut-laus and that the present scare is unjustified.

A Beautiful Girl's Affliction.

From the Republican, Versailles, Ind.

The Tuckers of Versailles, Ind., like all fond parents, are completely wrapped up in their children. Their daughter Lucy in particular, has given them much concern. She is fifteen, and from a strong, healthy girl three years ago has been one weak and sick failing off in flesh until she became a mere skeleton. She seemed to have no life at all. Her blood became impure and finally she became the victim of nervous prostration. Doctors did not help her. Most of the time she was confined to bed, was very nervous and irritable, and seemed on the verge of St. Vitus' dance.

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Discussed Their Daughter's Case for Hours.

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FRANK TUCKER,
MRS. FRANK TUCKER.

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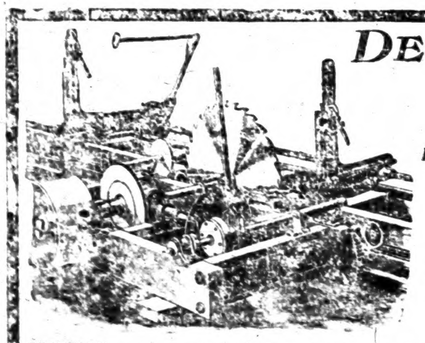

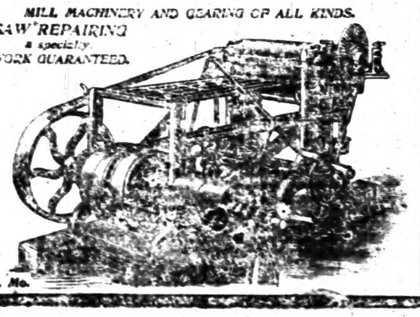

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Dear Sirs:—I am anxious for the sake of the suffering and out of gratitude to give my personal endorsement of your wonderful remedy. On the second day of January I was in Washington and was suddenly seized with an excruciating pain in the right limb, so severe and painful was the attack that within a few minutes I was perfectly helpless and I was entirely unable to dress without assistance. I secured a bottle of "5 Drops" and took a dose that night, rubbing some on externally. To my surprise the next morning I was surprised to find myself completely relieved, and could walk as well as ever. I woke the second morning cured. My aged wife also found relief from pain and soreness and stiffness had disappeared. The coldness and complete paralysis had left the limb. I have known for over a year of the great curative power of "5 Drops" and have several friends who have been cured by it of Neuralgia, Catarrh and Asthma. Wishing you every success and trusting that these similarly afflicted will be induced to give this remedy a trial. Sincerely yours,

J. P. LANNEMAN,
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CURES THE INCURABLE.

Dear Sirs:—I would like to thank you for your great remedy "5 Drops" and tell you what it has done for me. I had been a sufferer from Catarrh for many years and had Catarrh of the head for 40 years. I was so deaf that I lost the use of one ear and could not move without pain. I was also afflicted with Asthma for seven years, and our family physician and best friend, who is a graduate of Yale and Catarrh were incurable and I believed him. But now after using "5 Drops" two months, I can truly say I have not felt so well for seven years. "5 Drops" is more than is claimed for it. At this time my Catarrh is entirely cured, my Asthma and my Rheumatism are all gone and the heart weakness and nervousness are relieved, and my eyesight is much better. I have gained more than ten pounds in weight and am able to do a full day's work. I take pleasure in recommending "5 Drops" to all sufferers, for I believe it is the only remedy that will do all that is claimed for it. I have given it to my children for the worst cases of colic and colds and it relieves them in a few minutes. Yours respectfully,

Jan. 29, 1900.

We received the following letter from Mr. [illegible] and have been personally acquainted with him for many years. He is a man of high standing in his community and we believe what he says in the letter is entirely reliable.

Reliance Savings Bank.

Mill City, Ark., Jan. 15, 1900.

Dear Sirs:—Your letter of recent date at hand. I have used "5 Drops" in my family. The company with manufactures and sells it has been in business here since January 1st, 1899. To my personal knowledge there were a number of cases of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Catarrh and Asthma in this place that have been entirely cured by the use of "5 Drops" and I have received many letters from users, and it is a pleasure for me to recommend it to your neighbors what I have written about it. I have sympathized with those who are afflicted for, although I suffered so long with Rheumatism, I have been entirely relieved by the use of "5 Drops." Dr. S. W. Kellems, my brother, uses "5 Drops" in his practice and takes pleasure in endorsing this great remedy. He says for a case of kidney trouble it is a specific.

Yours truly,

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Sept. 21, 1899.

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THE CORONATION CHAIR.

It Is Claimed as the Most Precious Relic In All England.

The most precious relic in all England, and to the English in all Europe, is an old Gothic chair which stands in the Chapel of St. Edward in Westminster abbey beside the sword and shield of Edward III. It is made of black oak in the Gothic style, and the back is covered with carved inscriptions, including the initials of many famous men. The feet are four lions that look like poodle dogs with their tails curled up over their backs. The seat is a large stone about 30 inches long by 18 inches wide and 12 inches thick, and all the sovereigns of England for the last 800 years have sat upon it when they were crowned. The chair is known as the coronation chair, and the stone is claimed to be the same which Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham, used as a pillow when he lay down to sleep on the starlit plains of Judah that memorable night as he was on his way from Beersheba to Haran in search of a wife. It was then he had his dream and saw angels and archangels ascending and descending a ladder that reached to heaven, and Jehovah came to him and made the great promise which is being fulfilled to the Jews this very day. And Jacob took the stone and set it up for a pillow and poured oil upon it and vowed a vow and called the name of the place Bethel.

The kings of Israel were crowned upon this stone from the time that they ruled a nation—David and Saul and Solomon and all the rest.

The story goes that 580 years before Christ, at the time of the Babylonian captivity, Circa, daughter of Zedekiah, the last king of Judaea, arrived in Ireland and was married at Tara to Heremon, a prince of the Tuatha de Danan, which is said to be the Celtic name of the tribe of Dan. The traditions relate that this princess went originally to Egypt in charge of the prophet Jeremiah, her guardian, and the palace Tuphanes, in which they resided there, was discovered in 1886 by Dr. Petrie, the archeologist. After some years they went hence to Ireland, and from Circa and Heremon Queen Victoria traces her descent through James I, who placed the lion of the tribe of Judah upon the British standard.

Jeremiah is said to have concealed this sacred stone at the time of the destruction of Jerusalem and the captivity of the Jews and to have brought it, "the stone of the testimony," Bethel, the only witness of the compact between Jehovah and Israel, to Ireland, where it was known as the ha phail (stone wonderful). It was carried to Scotland by Fergus I, and thence to London in the year 1200, and has been used at the coronation of every king and queen of England from Edward I down to Victoria. It is thus the most priceless historical object in the British empire, as it was the palladium of Israel. It is a curious fact that the altars of Ireland were called bothel, houses of God.

In the same chapel surrounding the coronation chair in Westminster abbey are the graves of six kings, five queens, four princesses, a duke and a bishop.—W. E. Curtis in Chicago Record.

There's Something In This.

An Australian society has circulated a card with a list of questions covering almost everything that young Christians could attempt. In order to ascertain just what work is most suited to the individual member, each is requested to put a cross against the work that he would like to undertake. The first card is followed by another, on which the receiver is requested to enter a record of work done. Both lookont and nominating committees would find such a list helpful.—Exchange.

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Household Gods.

The ancient Greeks believe that the Penates were the gods who attened to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshiped as household gods in every home. The household god of to-day is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds and for all affections of the Throat, Chest and Lungs it is unrivalled. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure, or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Free trial bottle at J. S. Johnson's Drug store.

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Our darling boy's manly manliness, his affection to attention in affliction to his mother, and kindness to all with whom he came in contact; his love for active industry and honesty; his love for music and the Sabbath-school; his early religious inclination, and many virtues, have always overbalanced what is called boyhood follies.

This dear boy knew every word of the Lord's prayer the day he was three years old. When a little over five years old he tendered thanks at a picnic table, something he was accustomed to do at home in his father's absence. In the same year, one Sunday morning, the superintendent of the school being absent, this little fellow went forward and opened the Sunday-school in regular order by repeating the Lord's prayer. Thus there was no failure that morning. At the age of six years he memorized all of the 23rd Psalm and repeated it to a large gathering.

No more on earth we will meet, dear brother:
No more I will see your face;
But bye and bye we'll meet again,
By God's abounding grace.

Each day and every hour
We miss you more and more,
But far beyond this earthly vale
We'll meet to part no more.

Yet but a little while, dear brother,
In that bright world so fair,
Where tears and grief are never known,
I'll meet you over there.

BROTHER.

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Mr. Ward L. Smith, of Fredericksburg, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhoea for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

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Whereas, God has seen fit to remove from earth to heaven one of his precious jewels, Jules Williams, son of J. W. Williams. Deceased was born February 28, 1879, died February 13, 1898, aged 19 years. He was a good boy and a member of the Missionary Baptist church. He left a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. He said he was prepared to go if it was God's will to take him. Don't weep, dear friends, for he is at rest. Prepare to meet him in the morning of the resurrection.

The writer stood by the dying friend and relative, and as I stood there it seemed to me that I could almost hear the Master say: Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the everlasting happiness prepared for the faithful.

A FRIEND.

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Teachers' Institute.

Montevallo, Ala., Feb. 22, 1898.

Owing to the unpleasant weather very few teachers were present. Only two teachers having subjects to discuss were in attendance. The teachers present, eleven in number, discussed the subjects of the program as published. The teachers will long remember the hospitality of the people of Macedonia.

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Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. Stanfield & Matthews.

Turn-Round Topics.

Eli and George W. Jones visited relatives at Coopers Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Mary E. Dennis, after an extended visit to relatives and friends here, returned to her home at Prattville last Saturday, accompanied by Mr. John Howard and daughter, little Ellen. The latter returned to their home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs Jesse Jones spent Sunday 13th with H. Kendrick.

Adelbert and Napoleon Goss attended church at Bozeman Sunday.

R. D. May, from near Prattville was a visitor here Saturday and Sunday.

Lewis Jones and family spent Saturday night with Mrs. J. C. Norris.

J. N. Goss and sister Miss Geneva visited friends at Bozeman the 12th and 13th inst.

Uncle Jesse Jones and family visited relatives at Coopers Saturday and Sunday.

J. P. Jones and wife spent Saturday night with E. L. Jones and family.

Frank Dawson, of Mountain Creek, was in our community on business last Saturday.

Miss Emma Mims spent Saturday night with Miss Emma Shaw.

Tobe Forner, of Mississippi, is with us again.

Mrs. W. D. Goss, we are sorry to say, is at present very sick.

Mrs. F. M. Connell, jr., of Cross Roads, is spending a few days with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs H. Kendrick.

Moses Pinson, jr., and wife, of Prattville, have returned home after a short visit to relatives here.

H. Kendrick and Mr. Norris, I am sorry to say, is no better at present.

A-ma-vi and A-men.

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Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or $1.00 per bottle.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CALL.

The members of the Executive Committee of the People's party of Chilton county are hereby requested to meet at Clanton on Friday, March 11, 1898, for the purpose of arranging for the election of delegates to the State and Judicial conventions, to determine the time and manner of nominating candidates for the county offices which are elective this year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the committee for action.

Respectfully,
H. I. HONEYCUTT,
Chairman.

Clanton, Ala., Feb. 22, '98.

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Republican Mass Convention.

A mass convention of the Republicans of Chilton is hereby called to meet at New Convert church on Saturday, February 26, 1898, for the purpose of electing delegates to the Congressional and State conventions, and the transaction of any other business which come before the body.

SECAR HARRIS,
Ch'rm. Rep. Ex. Com. of Chilton County.
W. F. FOSHEE, Sec'y.

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A few months ago, Mr. Byron Every, of Woodstock, Mich., was badly afflicted with rheumatism. His right leg was swollen the full length, causing him great suffering. He was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first bottle of it helped him considerably and the second bottle effected a cure. The 25 and 50 cent sizes are for sale by Dr. J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County. In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama. Seventh District. Northeastern Chancery Division.

Allen P. Howison, complainant, vs. E. E. Jackson and William Jackson, defendants.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of H. C. Tompkins, Esq., that the Defendant, William Jackson, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at Salisbury, in the State of Maryland, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in The Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said William Jackson, to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 28th day of March, 1898, and failing so to do a decree, pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 22 day of February, 1898.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19520.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala. on March 12, 1898, viz: Thomas A. Davis, Homestead entry No. 26,433, for the sw ¼ of section 34, tp 21 n of r 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Walter Kendrick, E. L. Manning, B. J. Goss, Tom Parish, all of Burwell, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

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The Fish Commissioners of this country are troubled about the threatened disappearance of terrapin.

The Japanese do not intend to rest supinely under the classification of the Colonial Government of New South Wales, which recently decided to include the Japanese in the Chinese Restriction act, denoting them "as other colored people." The Japanese Consul at Sydney has protested against the proposed legislation.

One of the foremost publishers in America denies with earnestness that the taste of the public has deteriorated, as some observers think it has. When asked to justify the tons of rubbish sold annually he replied: "The rubbish fosters at least the reading habit. The children of the people who read trash will instinctively turn to the reading of something, good or bad, and there are many chances in favor of their turning to the good. Certainly there are proportionately more goods books sold to-day than fifty years ago. Don't be discouraged by what looks like the prevalence of vulgarity. The people are reading, and thousands of them are reading the best books." This good news may be set against the impression received from the superficial appearances of things, maintains the New York Tribune. The poor book or the poorer newspaper is more frequently seen in the hands of "the man in the street" than are the best books or the best newspapers. But figures are precious. The sanguine publisher whom we have quoted based his statements on figures, which is to say, on facts.

In the trial of a case at Newark, N. J., Vice Chancellor Pitney, one of the most erudite of New Jersey's judges, gave an interesting opinion on the effect of noises on human life. The case was a protest against the terrific hammering in a copper boiler shop. The complainants were property owners of the neighborhood. Said the Vice Chancellor: "Noises tend to shorten life. It is a well-settled fact that, all other things being equal, people living in crowded streets and subjected to incessant, often loud, noises, do not live as long as those whose surroundings are comparatively quiet. The rule is that which renders life uncomfortable should be stopped. In considering the effect of noise, we should apply it to ordinary, everyday people, such as the complainants in this case, not people brought up in a palace, unused to noise of any kind, or people who live in a pigsty, caring nothing for noise of any sort. The Court must be judge and jury in this case, and the Court has been in a boiler shop and knows what it is. One man holds a small hammer inside the boiler, while another man hammers on the outside." Although the case was continued, the Court intimated that people involuntarily subjected to such hurt-producing noises had redress at the hands of the law.

Says the Boston Journal: "It is calculated by military students that fully one-half of the 100,000 men who died in battle on the Union side from 1861 to 1865 were a bloody sacrifice to the North's famous neglect of the science of arms and of the most ordinary military precautions. If that is true, then one-half of the wounded and disabled veterans whose names are now borne on the pension lists owe their disability to the fact that their country, in its long peace, had forgotten the solemn admonition of Washington and had allowed the great mass of its youth to become absolutely ignorant of the use of weapons and of martial exercises. On this basis of reasoning the national folly of the years before the Civil War is now costing the National Government about $70,000,000 a year, or more than twice the cost of its present military establishment. We shall never have a Civil War again. Our only possible conflict is with a foreign enemy, and in all probability we shall never have that if we maintain an adequate navy and complete our new and admirable system of coast defenses. Seventy million dollars would finish these defenses and arm them. It would build a fleet of fifteen first-class battleships and make our navy the second most powerful on the planet. The men who believe in a policy of reasonable military preparedness for the United States can justify their position not only by an appeal to the national honor, but by the broadest considerations of genuine economy."

BRIEF SUMMARY OF STATE NEWS.

THE GOOD ROADS CONVENTION WHICH MET IN ANNISTON ADOPTED A PLAN FOR BETTER ROADS IN ALABAMA.

Alabama Chapter of Confederacy's Daughters Will Establish a Home for Disabled Confederates—The Defunct Commercial Bank of Selma Will Pay 15 Per Cent to Depositors—Southern Iron Mill Men Can't Agree.

A PLAN FOR GOOD ROADS

Adopted by the Good Roads Convention Which Met in Anniston.

The Alabama state good roads convention which met in Anniston has adjourned. The most important action of the convention was the adoption of the report of the committee on permanent organization and the election of officers of the "Good Roads Association of Alabama." The following is the report of that committee:

Resolved, That this convention declare itself a permanent body and adopt the following for its government: That its name shall be the "Good Roads Association of Alabama;" that the association elect as permanent officers a president and nine vice-presidents, who shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected; that the president with the vice-presidents shall constitute a board of management, five of whom shall be a quorum; that this board shall elect a secretary and treasurer of the board, who shall be the medium of communication; that the board shall appoint for each county a suitable person as corresponding secretary for the county, and through whom all correspondence shall be had; that the vice-president of the district shall have charge of and organize the counties of his district.

The Scope and Plan.

That the board of management prepare and publish an address setting forth the scope and plan of this work and ask of the several boards of revenue or county commissioners a contribution from the several counties for an expense fund; that the board of management be charged with the duty of securing such legislation as will give needed relief; that in the event of a vacancy or declination of any officer the board of management shall have the right to fill the same.

The organization of the "Good Roads Association of Alabama" was perfected and the following officers elected:

President, Dr. T. W. Ayers, editor of the Anniston Daily Hot Blast.

One vice-president from each congressional district, as follows: Geo. E. Sage, Mobile; J. M. Falkner, Montgomery; J. M. Carmichael, Ozark; John A. Edwards, Talladega; Morgan M. Smith, Autaugaville; A. P. Smith, Eutaw; S. W. Riddle, Gadsden; Milton Humes, Madison; Geo. I. Young, Birmingham.

The Plan Recommended.

The report of the committee of eleven outlined the plan of work. The committee recommends that the constitution of the state of Alabama be so amended to allow county boards of commissioners or revenue to levy a property tax for the construction, improvement and maintenance of public roads and bridges. That no man liable to work the public roads be allowed to pay not more tax than $5 nor work over ten days. That this per capita tax may be discharged in labor on the public roads of the county at the rate of forty to fifty cents per day. That the commissioners' courts or boards of revenue be authorized to issue bonds in such sums as the commissioners' court may decide to be necessary. Proceeds of such bonds to be used exclusively in building public roads or bridges or repairing same. No bond to be issued, however, without the approval or ratification of such issue by a majority vote at an election to be held for the purpose of testing the issuance of such bonds. And we further recommend that the limits of age of road workers be from 18 to 45 years.

Will Pay 15 Per Cent to Depositors.

At Selma Friday evening Clerk and Register Evans filed a partial report on the Commercial Bank cases. The assignees of the bank have collected $87,906.39. In his report, the clerk says 15 per cent can safely be paid to depositors, making in all 30 per cent saved from the wreck.

Southern Iron Men Can't Agree.

Representatives of several southern iron furnaces met at Birmingham and an effort was made to prevent cutting prices and to agree upon a fixed price for pig iron. The smaller furnaces refused to enter into any binding agreement, and the matter of organizing to maintain prices was necessarily abandoned for the present.

Aged Cousin of General Lee Dead.

Major Allen Lee, aged 88 years, died suddenly at Valley Head last week. Major Lee was an officer in the Mexican war and in the war of the rebellion. He was a cousin of General Lee and grandfather of Dr. J. B. Lee, of Chattanooga.

Big Bi-Product Plant for Birmingham.

A syndicate of capitalists will within the next ninety days begin the construction of a bi-product plant in Birmingham. It will require an expenditure of cash amounting to more than $750,000, and possibly $1,000,000. The Bi-product Company will make coke, fuel and illuminating gas, coal tar and ammonia, and will sell its coke to the Sloss Iron and Steel Company, its gas to a gas company, and its other products in the open markets.

Mr. A. T. London and Mr. Sol Haas represent the parties who will organize and operate the new gas company.

CONFEDERACY'S DAUGHTERS.

Alabama Chapter Will Establish a Home for Disabled Confederates.

The state convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy, which met in Birmingham, closed Friday, after a most successful session. It was determined to hold the next convention in Selma, which city sent a special invitation. It was decided to establish a temporary home for disabled confederate veterans at Montgomery. A building will be rented and different rooms will be furnished by various chapters and individuals. On a call for pledges to furnish rooms there were responses from a dozen chapters and ladies. The committee in charge of the project of purchasing the old White House of the confederacy at Montgomery will have charge of the temporary home, which they will endeavor to establish at once. Mrs. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Gayle, of Montgomery, were added to the committee. The old officers were re-elected for another year. They are: President, Miss Sallie Jones, of Camden; first vice-president, Mrs. Joseph F. Johnston, of Birmingham; second vice-president, Mrs. W. A. Gayle, of Montgomery; corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. G. Lewis, of Birmingham. The question of joining the national organization was brought up, but a proposition to join was voted down.

Negro Conference for Next Wednesday.

The Tuskegee Negro Conference, held each year under the supervision of Booker T. Washington's famous negro institution for the training of the black youth of the South, meets again Wednesday, February 23d. Reports received from local conference organizations in all parts of the South show that the largest attendance of any in the history of these gatherings will attend next week. A package of garden seeds is to be given to each delegate with the hope that the "one crop system" may, in a measure, be changed. Many Northern visitors and representatives from nearly all the Southern colored institutions of learning will be present to avail themselves of the opportunity to study the real condition of the negro, to note his progress and his needs.

Madison's Tax Valuation.

Assistant State Examiner Foster, after an examination of the tax assessment books of Madison county, has reported to the governor that the county commissioners have allowed abatements in tax valuations amounting to $100,832. He also states that many more thousands of dollars will have to be added to the list to obtain a correct adjustment of this year's assessment. Last summer the commissioner made a considerable cut in the tax valuations by deciding that chattel mortgages are non-taxable.

Big Cargo for Havana.

The steamship John Wilson left Mobile port Friday afternoon bound for Havana with one of the largest cargoes which a vessel has ever taken out of Mobile. The cargo of the Wilson consisted of grain in sacks, hay, and a very large shipment of chickens, numbering 5,000. The vessel goes direct to Havana. This is the second or third shipment of this size consisting of fowls that has been made from this port to Havana.

For a Constitutional Convention.

The annual meeting of the Alabama Commercial and Industrial Association, consisting of all the commercial clubs in the various cities of the state, will be held in Birmingham on Wednesday, April 27. The programme has not yet been made out, but one of the most interesting features will be the adoption of resolutions urging upon the people of the state the necessity of a constitutional convention.

Bursting of a Mill Rock Kills Two Men.

A most horrible disaster occurred Friday at the steam mill of Mr. McDonald, two miles from Letohatchie, caused by the bursting of a mill rock. The result is that a negro man, Black Cain, had his brains dashed out; another, negro, Jim Howell, was fatally wounded, and Mr. C. E. McDonald has a fearful gash in his head, inflicted by a piece of the flying rock.

Underwood-Crowe Contest Dismissed.

The elections committee has dismissed the contest election case of Underwood vs. Crowe in the Ninth district, Mr. Underwood retaining his seat in congress.

Crushed by the Wheels.

At Selma, Will C. Johnson, 12 years old, attempted to jump on a rapidly moving Southern passenger train near the city limits and fell beneath the wheels. His left leg was completely severed and he is in a critical condition.

Congressman Wheeler's Opposition.

It is said that Zee Trimble, a well-known character, will be a candidate for congress. There are already three avowed candidates—General Wheeler, for re-election; Hon. Samuel Blackwell and Judge Richardson.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Percy A. Ellis has been elected mayor of Warrior.

At Union Springs J. C. James, fell and expired in a few minutes from heart failure.

R. F. Bankhead, brother to Congressman Bankhead, died at Sulligent last Thursday.

W. H. Null, aged 47, committed suicide at Adger, Jefferson county, by shooting himself in the head.

Walter Darwin, aged 29, suicided at Huntsville Saturday by swallowing three tablespoonfuls of morphine.

The second annual convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy convened in Birmingham the past week.

Frank Martin was sentenced to life imprisonment at Rock Springs Saturday for killing Will Alexander last October.

Jefferson county will hold a primary on April 9th for the nomination of county officers and six representatives to the general assembly.

Unknown parties in ambush shot Wash Green, a farmer living at Turkeytown, while he was standing in his doorway. He will recover.

The trial of the cases of the State against the bondsmen of the ex-Tax Collector Lott, of Mobile, has been postponed from March 4 to March 10.

A committee has been appointed by the citizens of Wyam to confer with the commercial club of Birmingham with a view of co-operation in the extension of the Ensley dummy line to Wylam.

Albert S. Johnson, a machinist at the Hardie-Tynes foundry in Birmingham, was accidentally killed Saturday. He was caught in the belting and whirled round and round, producing wounds from which he died soon after.

Negro Convention.

About 200 colored farmers of Montgomery county met at the court house Saturday and organized a farmers' congress. The call was issued by J. C. Leftwich who was subsequently made president of the congress. A set of resolutions were drafted and adopted urging the colored farmers to discontinue mortgeging their crops, and to practice more economy in their livelihood.

Died of Grief.

Mrs. Anna Gafford, relict of the late Col. Frank Gafford, and mother of the now celebrated murderer of the same name, who is lodged in the county jail awaiting the action of the supreme court on a new trial, died at Greenville Saturday, from grief over the fate of her son.

Farmers Preparing for Crops.

Farmers throughout Colbert and adjoining counties have broken a great deal of land for planting corn, and several are plowing for cotton, but the cotton acreage will not be nearly so large as last year.

MOB USING THE TORCH.

Property Destroyed in an Arkansas County as a Result of Race War.

Rioting has been resumed in Lonoke county, Arkansas. A mob has been at work for the past several nights in Crooked Creek township burning and otherwise destroying property. Nearly every school house in the township has been burned and other public property destroyed.

The grand jury of Lonoke county, which has just adjourned, says in its report:

"We have made especial efforts to investigate and ferret out the depredations and outrages committed against some of the colored residents of the town of Lonoke, but regret to state that our efforts have been without success and we are compelled to refer these matters to the next grand jury."

Eighty-Seven Perish.

Teneriffe, Canary Islands—The Campagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique line steamer Flachat, bound from Marseilles for Colon, was totally wrecked off Garaport, this island. Her captain, second officer, eleven of her crew and one passenger, were saved. Thirty-eight of the crew and forty-nine passengers were lost.

President of a Bank Killed.

A tragedy occurred at Greenwood, Miss., Friday in which Ivo Miller, manager of the Leflore Telephone Company, shot and killed J. S. McDonald, president of the Delta bank. Family matters is given as the cause of the killing.

Sam Jones for Governor of Georgia.

The following announcement from Rev. Sam Jones has been made public.

"Cartersville, Ga.—I arrived home early this morning from an extended tour and after going hurriedly through my mail and seeing the great pressure on all sides, and consulting myself and wife, I have upon mature deliberation decided to announce myself as a candidate for governor of Georgia.

"With the assurance that I will not be the 'hind dog' in the race, I ask the public to await further announcements of my platform and plans, reasons and regrets."

PREPARATIONS AT FT. M'PHERSON

Orders Received to Hold Two Companies of Infantry Ready to Go to Key West.

A special from Atlanta says: It develops here that orders have been received at Fort McPherson to hold two companies of United States infantry for immediate movement to Key West. Two companies have been detailed and private soldiers are under orders not to leave the reservation even when off duty. Inquiry developed the fact that this order had been expected ever since the riot in Havana, but it was not received until several days after the Maine was blown up. It is understood to have reached Atlanta Monday, but was kept quiet, and is not yet generally known. The soldiers who have been detailed for this duty understand that Key West is not their real objective point, but they are only a small part of a force to be mobilized at Key West and held ready for a quick trip to Havana, which may be made in six hours. It is understood that the officers at Fort McPherson, like the private soldiers, look upon this as a serious move, indicating a purpose on the part of the war department to be prepared for emergency at Havana. It is learned on good authority that the immense fortification built at Key West for the government by the Venable Construction Company, is nearing completion, and that the government has been advised that the guns may be mounted immediately, consisting of four ten-inch and two eight inch guns. These are immense guns, fifteen feet long, weighing about twenty-six tons each. At the Tybee Island fortification the government is mounting the first of the four eight-inch guns which compose the battery.

ALMOST A CERTAINTY.

Powder Cans on the Maine Are Found Intact, Proving Spanish Treachery.

A special from Havana says: Simultaneously with the announcement of the finding of the battered 6-inch and 10-inch shells intact, the announcement is made that the findings of the board of inquiry on the Maine disaster will not be given out until after the board's return to the United States. Obviously these powder cases would not be as they are had they passed through the sudden heat and fierce shock of a magazine explosion. On the other hand, they would be in just the condition they are had an external force ruptured the magazine and jammed the powder cans against each other and against the bent walls.

Tuesday an almost identical discovery was made in reference to the big magazine forward. A can for the 10-inch gun was recovered near the forward magazine. It was even more badly battered than the smaller can. The 6-inch casing is supposed to be one of the half dozen or so that were kept in the small magazine with the saluting powder for immediate use. The 10-inch shell, on the other hand, was undoubtedly from the Maine's forward magazine. So far the circumstantial evidence points directly away from any theory of accident. The only grain of evidence for the Spanish side so far disclosed (and every paper in Havana and Spain has made the most of it), is that no dead fish floated after the explosion, as might have been expected.

Tremendous importance is attached to the finding of the powder cans.

A REVOLTING CRIME.

Negro Postmaster and Child Killed, and Three More of His Family Wounded.

The most revolting crime ever perpetrated by white men in South Carolina was committed at Lake City Tuesday morning, when Postmaster Baker, a negro, and his family were burned out of their home, the postmaster and a babe in arms killed, his wife and three daughters shot and maimed for life.

Baker was appointed postmaster three months ago. Lake City is a town of 500 inhabitants, and the negro population in the vicinity is large. There was a protest at Baker's appointment, but not very vigorous. Three months ago, as the postmaster was leaving the office at night he was fired on from ambush, but escaped unhurt. Tuesday morning the mob again appeared and applied the torch to the house and began firing into the burning building, which resulted in killing Baker and his baby and seriously wounding three more of his family.

Gen. Gordon Very Ill.

General John B. Gordon, the brilliant ex-confederate officer, was to have lectured in Toledo, O., Tuesday night. Shortly after noon a telegram came from Port Huron announcing that the general had been taken suddenly ill at that point and could get no further. Private advices since are to the effect that he is very ill.

A Judge Resigns.

Judge Robert W. Hughes, of the federal court of the eastern district of Virginia, appointed by President Grant in 1874, has forwarded his resignation to President McKinley.

Little Child Badly Burned.

Little May Horton, daughter of Tax Assessor Horton, of DeKalb county, Alabama, was seriously burned Tuesday. While playing near the fire her clothes ignited and she was enveloped in flames in a few moments. Mrs. Horton extinguished the flames with difficulty, but not before the child was badly burned.

A Murderer Executed.

Leon Shows was executed at Hattiesburg, Miss., Tuesday for the murder of Harriet Murphy.

GIGANTIC COLONIZATION SCHEME

Is Set on Foot by John Jacob Astor to Develop Honduras.

The greatest colonization scheme that the world has ever seen was practically begun in New York Thursday when John Jacob Astor started for Honduras.

The syndicate has already started a national bank in Honduras, erected light houses, established a revenue cutter service, and begun the extension of the Honduras railroad to the Pacific ocean.

It has taken control of the custom houses under guarantee to the government of $1,000,000 a year, and is already of $1,000 a month of old time smuggling gains has been made.

Astor will go to the capital, Tegucigalpa, to see President Bonilla. The new railroad has reached the great coffee country now, and there will be a colony formed there in which every man will have a chance for a fortune.

Only men with families, with some little money, with practical farming experience and with the best references, will be taken. To them will be given concessions as to land, implements, etc., and beyond a certain point financial aid will be given.

Details of the colonization plan have not been perfected, and will not be arranged and made public until after the Astors return in March.

IT IS CLOSED.

The De Lome Incident Satisfactorily Closed Disavowal From Spain.

Spain has officially disclaimed in a positive manner the reflections contained in the De Lome letter, and as officially announced by the state department, the incident is satisfactorily closed. The statement given out is as follows:

The following is an abstract of a note sent by the Spanish government to Minister Woodford at Madrid:

The Spanish government on learning of the incident in which Minister Dupuy De Lome was concerned and being advised of his objectionable communication, with entire sincerity laments the incident which was the cause of the interview with the minister.

It states that minister De Lome had presented his resignation and it had been accepted before the presentation of the matter by Minister Woodford.

That the Spanish ministry, in accepting the resignation of a functionary whose services they have been utilizing and valueing up to that time, leaves it perfectly well established that they do not share, and rather, on the contrary, disauthorize the criticisms tending to offend or censure the chief of a friendly state, although such criticisms had been written within the field of friendship and had reached publicity by artful and criminal means.

THREATS WERE MADE

To Blow Up Our "Rotten Navy"—Spanish Circular of Menacing Character.

The Atlanta Journal's Washington correspondent says: Mrs. Sigsbee has given out a circular sent to her by Captain Sigsbee over two weeks ago, on which was written the warning words: "Lookout for your ship. We will blow your whole rotten navy to pieces if you send it here."

The circular is printed in Spanish and headed "Long Live Spain With Honor," then follows a vast amount of abuse against the Yankees.

Mrs. Sigsbee says she cannot give out the contents of the letter in which this circular was enclosed, but she has felt vague fears ever since Captain Sigsbee sent it to her.

To Exempt Manufacturers.

The directors of the chamber of commerce of Nashville appointed a committee to draft a call for a convention of business men and manufacturers, to be held in that city with the object of agreeing on a proposed amendment to the state constitution so as to permit the exemption of manufactories from taxation; also on reforms of the state tax laws.

Rushing Fortification Work.

Dispatches from Newport, Newport News, Charleston and other cities report the work on fortifications is being pushed with greatest energy in anticipation of a conflict with Spain. Also reports from big ammunition plants say that the works are being run night and day filling orders for the government.

HURRYING THE WORK.

Huge Pieces of Ordnance Are Being Turned Out.

The big Niles Tool works at Hamilton, O., are turning out 12-inch mortars for the government as speedily as possible. Two naval attaches, assigned to the ordnance department, have been at Hamilton engaged in pushing forward the work and superintending the construction of the huge pieces of ordnance. Within the past few days the work has been greatly hastened to all appearance. The officials of the company deny that any special effort has made to hasten the work since the recent war scare.

The Vizcaya Anchored.

The Spanish cruiser Vizcaya, in command of Capt. Eulate, passed through the Narrows Sunday afternoon to New York harbor and anchored off Tompkinsville, S. I., where she is closely guarded by navy yard tugs and police patrol boats.

The Vizcaya has been lying outside of the bar since Friday night and was unable to come into the harbor owing to the dense fog and rainstorm which have prevailed for over forty-eight hours.

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Piteous Cries for Help.

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A Plot to Blow Up American C

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GIGANTIC COLONIZATION SCHEME

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Is Set on Foot by John Jacob Astor to Develop Honduras.

The greatest colonization scheme that the world has ever seen was practically begun in New York Thursday, when John Jacob Astor started for Honduras.

The syndicate has already started a national bank in Honduras, erected light houses, established a revenue cutter service, and begun the extension of the Honduras railroad to the

Key West

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[illegible] the capital, Tegucigalpa [illegible] Bonilla. The [illegible] reached the great [illegible] and there will be [illegible] which every [illegible] chance for a fortune, [illegible] with families, with some [illegible] practical farming [illegible] with the best reputa- [illegible] here. To them will be [illegible] as to land, importa- [illegible] etc., and beyond a [illegible] land will be

[illegible] organization plan have [illegible] and will not be ar- [illegible] under police until after the [illegible] in March.

IT IS CLOSED.

The De Lome Incident Satisfactorily Closed. Disavow From Spain.

[illegible] officially proclaimed in a [illegible] the relations con- [illegible] De Lome letter, and, [illegible] announced by the state [illegible] satisfactorily [illegible] statement given out [illegible]

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THREATS WERE MADE

To Blow Up Our "Rotten Navy" Spanish Circular of Menacing Character.

[illegible] Washington [illegible] Mrs. Sigsbee [illegible] sent to her by [illegible] two weeks ago, [illegible] warning [illegible] countrymen. We [illegible] rotten navy to [illegible]

[illegible] printed in Spanish [illegible] Spain With [illegible] vast amount of [illegible] Yankees.

Mrs. Sigsbee says she cannot give [illegible] the letter in which [illegible] received, but she has [illegible] since Captain [illegible]

To Locate Manufactories.

The [illegible] chamber of [illegible] appointed a [illegible] for a conven- [illegible] and manufactur- [illegible] that city with the [illegible] of securing on a proposed [illegible] to the state constitution [illegible] granting the exemption of man- [illegible] from taxation, also on re- [illegible] of the state tax laws.

Rushing Fortification Work.

Dispatches from Newport, Newport News, Charleston and other cities relative to the work on fortifications is being pushed with the greatest energy in anticipation of a conflict with Spain. Also private [illegible] ammunition plants say that the works are being run night and day filling orders for the government.

HURRYING THE WORK.

Huge Pieces of Ordnance Are Being Turned Out.

The Bethlehem Iron works at Hamilton, O., are turning out 12-inch mortars for the government as speedily as possible. Two naval attaches, assigned to the ordnance department, have been at Hamilton engaged in pushing forward the work and superintending the construction of the huge pieces of ordnance. Within the past few days the work has been greatly hastened to all appearances. The officials of the company deny that any special effort has made to hasten the work since the recent war scare.

The Vizcaya Anchored.

The Spanish cruiser Vizcaya in command of Capt. Eulate, passed Sandy Hook at 7:30 yesterday morning and anchored off [illegible] N. J., where she was [illegible] by revenue cutters and [illegible] police boats.

The Vizcaya was lying outside of the bar since Friday night and was unable to come into the harbor owing to the defective [illegible] which have prevailed for over forty-eight hours.

DESTROYED FROM WITHOUT

Government Divers Find No Trace of Internal Explosion of the Maine.

THE TOTAL LOSS OF LIFE REACHED 246.

Evidence Accumulating That the Vessel Was Blown Up by the Spaniards With Submarine Mine—Court of Enquiry at Work.

Havana, via Key West.—The divers sent by the United States began official inspection Saturday. Their first discovery proves that the Maine was wrecked from without. The stars and stripes is floating at half mast above the wreck of the Maine, and half a dozen divers are at work under Captain [illegible] direction.

The forward [illegible], including the [illegible] magazines, are intact. This is proved by the condition of the wreck, the magazines themselves not having been actually reached.

Only the small caliber shells in the pilot house and some saluting charges are now unaccounted for.

There is not an American officer in Havana who is not satisfied that the Maine was anchored over a government mine, the explosion of which did the awful work.

The elimination of the Maine's magazines from the explosion makes it almost certain that a greater amount of explosive than any torpedo contains was fired under the Maine.

The refusal of the American government to permit Spain to have any part in our investigation, now generally known here, has angered the populace more than anything since the Maine arrived. The government here has not yet indicated how it takes the refusal.

Details of the Sinking.

The officers of the Maine state that the explosion was in the central magazine, and that the Maine was raised out of the water and then went partially to pieces. All but the surgeon were in the ward room at the moment of the explosion. Then came the stupendous shock. All the officers below rushed on deck, but could get no further forward than the middle superstructure on deck. Only a very pitiful few of the 350 jackies ever got from below. The water rushed over them and many were stunned and drowned, but not mangled. The officers on deck narrowly escaped. In the junior officers' mess all had to clamber out through water and wreckage waist deep. One ladder from the after torpedo compartment was jammed with men struggling for life. All agreed that a double explosion occurred from the natural result of an under water explosion of the magazines.

Piteous Cries for Help.

Brass pipe, angle iron, etc., fell in a shower on the decks of the City of Washington, so injuring two boats that when lowered they were useless. Out of the dense smoke came anguished cries for help. Simultaneously with the cessation of falling fragments, search lights were thrown on the wreck and its load of agony. Spanish boats from the shore joined those of the Washington alongside at once, but the regular ferry boats, passing soon after the explosion, did not stop to offer aid.

Total Lost 246.

The navy department has compiled the following summary, showing the total results of the Maine disaster, from all available official information up to the close of the departments Thursday night:

"Total officers and men on board Maine, 355; total officers, 26; total men, 329; total officers saved, 24; total men saved, 76; total officers lost, 2; total men lost, 246; total officers injured, none; total men injured, 57; doubtful men, 7.

"The seven men appearing as doubtful probably represent that number or less whose lives have been saved, but who cannot be identified at present on account of errors in the transmission of telegrams.

"The 57 appearing as injured are included in the 76 appearing as saved."

A Plot to Blow Up American Consulate.

The Associated Press correspondent has secured a circular printed in Havana, which shows up a latter plot to blow up Gen. Lee and the consulate. It follows:

"Spaniards: The time has arrived when the patience of the loyal has vanished before the decided protection that the Americans lend to the bands of turbulent foreigners who lay waste our country. Death to them. The moment has arrived to lower the colors at the heels of the Americans and prove to them that our unconquerable nation can reach the doors of the capitol at Washington, demand reparation for the grave offenses which they daily inflict upon us. Expel, yes, expel Consul-General Lee, who, with his fame, is nothing more than the miserable secretary of the bandits. Away, away with the Yankee consulate protector of criminals of the lowest degree. Every moment the action of justice is impeded by American interference. Are we to continue only? No; no, a thousand times no.

"Consul-General Lee, when the suspicious explosion comes that will carry consternation to the whole city, if you have the strength left, it would be well for you to inure yourself to your country and relate what has happened to you.

"Long life to Spain; long life to Spanish Cuba. Death to our enemies."

A special from Madrid says: Orders have been issued to Captain Peral to open inquiry into the cause of the disaster to the Maine. The government has received a cable message from the Washington government thanking Spain for the assistance rendered by the Spanish authorities at Havana after the disaster.

The Court of Inquiry.

The navy department received a dispatch from Admiral Sicard, in command of the North Atlantic squadron giving the details of the court of inquiry to investigate the Maine disaster as follows: "Captain Sampson, president of the court; Captain Chadwick, Lieutenant-Commander Schroeder, Lieutenant-Commander Marix."

Captain Sampson, president of the court, is commander of the battleship Iowa, now at Tortugas. Captain Chadwick is commander of the New York at Key West. Lieutenant-Commander Schroeder is executive officer of the battleship Massachusetts, now at Tortugas. Lieutenant-Commander Marix is executive officer of the Vermont.

It is believed that under the most favorable circumstances this investigation cannot be made for several days. Arrangements must first be made for the proper working of the diving outfits.

Torpedo Story Unconfirmed.

A correspondent of the Associated Press has just returned to Key West on board the Olivette from the scene of the wreck of the United States battleship Maine, who reports that the divers who have been working about her bottom have discovered an eight-inch percussion hole in the plate, which appears to have been made by a torpedo. This report lacks official confirmation. Secretary Long says there is no such thing as a percussion hole; that there is no eight inch torpedo, and no other way in which such a hole could be accounted for.

All officers and men who were aboard the warship Maine at the time of the explosion say that the explosion was due to some interior cause, and was not the result of an explosion of a torpedo on the outside.

A Spanish Officer's Opinion.

Lieutenant J. G. Sobral, naval attache of the Spanish legation at Washington, has given his opinion of the explosion of the Maine in the following interview with a New York Herald reporter:

"It was the result of an explosion inside the ship which took place in one of the forward magazines. The fact of the matter is that the discipline and the watch observed on the ship were very lax. This, as one English newspaper the other day declared, is the case on American warships generally. This sort of things have occurred on previous occasions on American warships."

Newspaper Divers Not Allowed.

Admiral Manterola refuses to allow the divers sent to Havana by American newspapers to make an investigation near the wreck, at least until Captain Sigsbee shall have finished his official investigation.

Sigsbee Convinced of Treachery.

News was received at Key West from Havana Sunday morning to the effect that Captain Sigsbee and his officers were now convinced of treachery and foul play in the Maine wreck and that Captain Sigsbee had made an important report to the Washington officials to that effect. No details are given, save the bare fact that something has been discovered convincing Sigsbee of foul play.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS

A cotton factory will be built at Greensboro, Ga.

Richard James was hanged at Gainesville, Fla., for having murdered his wife.

At Crawford, Fla., J. A. Austin, a civil engineer, was instantly killed in a wreck on a tram road.

The Spanish armored cruiser Almorante Oquendo has sailed from the Canary Islands for Havana.

The United Secret Service has discovered a new counterfeit $10 national bank note. It is on the Hibernia National Bank, New Orleans, series 1882.

Four men, comprising the crew of the barge Excelsior, which foundered off Cape Cod Wednesday night, were lost.

Geo. Oaks, of Indianapolis, has written a challenge to Gen. Lew Wallace to mortal combat on the field of honor.

Tom English, a young man, who lived near Clarksville, Ga., was killed while hunting by the accidental discharge of his gun.

The Spanish armored cruiser Vizcaya reached New York Friday, and is heavily guarded by six patrol tugs to prevent any hostile demonstrations by Americans against the cruiser.

Incendiaries started a fire in Murfreesboro, Tenn., Thursday night in which $21,000 worth of property was destroyed.

At Helsinfors, ice on the coast of the gulf of Finland broke adrift in a snowstorm and was carried to sea with 200 fishermen and several horses.

Additional troops will be dispatched to overawe the lawless in Alaska, who have inaugurated a reign of terror in Skaguay, Dyea and Juneau.

John R. Freeman, postmaster at Ada, Ga., was shot from ambush and instantly killed the past week.

Ex-Congressman George D. Tell will make the race for governor of South Carolina for the avowed purpose of "reuniting the people and correcting evils that exist.

Thomas Jefferson's birthday anniversary will be celebrated on April 13th at Washington by the National Association of Democratic Clubs. William J. Bryan will be the principal speaker.

Christopher Luby, the wife murderer, was hanged at Blakely, Ga., Friday. He cracked jokes with the officers as he mounted the gallows, but maintained his innocense to the last.

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE

Shows That Favorable Features Prevail in Business Circles.

A SHARP RISE IN THE PRICE OF WHEAT.

The Iron and Steel Trade Still Shows Marked Activity—The Maine Disaster Had Little Appreciable Effect on the Markets—Cotton Steady.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s review of trade says:

The dreadful disaster to the Maine, much as it has affected all hearts, has not much affected business. Only in the stock market, but in no other speculative markets was an effect felt, nor in general business.

Wheat has risen 3½ cents, and exports continue so heavy that a material advance is natural. Atlantic exports in three weeks have been 8,416,495 bushels, flour included, against 5,661,971 last year. Such shipments, with heavy engagements for the future, in spite of 11,430,831 bushels exported, against 12,597,214 bushels in the same week last year, are conclusive proof of the urgency of foreign needs.

The bottom fact is that the world needs wheat, which this country can only supply for about six months to come.

Cotton has held unchanged for spot, though a little lower for options, prospects of decrease in the next yield being the main support.

The iron output February 1, with reports of stock on hand not held by the great steel companies, indicates a consumption of at least 3,000 tons per week greater in January than the previous maximum attained in November, 1895.

The production is at present greater than consumption, stocks having increased 9,050 tons weekly in January outside the steel companies, whose stocks presumably decreased.

Some weakness in pig would naturally result, but while grey forge has declined at Pittsburg to $8.90, with Southern iron offered at Chicago at concessions, no changes appear in products. Though new business has been somewhat disappointing, the works are mainly supplied for months ahead.

In the cotton manufacture production is restricted by strikes, and some grades are a shade dearer. The recent opening of high grade woolens at advanced prices meets less demand than was expected, with less activity in lower grades and unexpectedly numerous cancellations in light weights, indicating larger buying than consumption has yet warranted.

Kansas Pacific Sold.

The eastern division of the Kansas Pacific road, 140 miles in length, was sold under the first mortgage at the Union Pacific depot at North Topeka. Judge W. D. Cornish, of St. Paul, special master, conducted the sale, and the property was bought in by Mr. Alvin W. Krech, on the part of the reorganization committee, for $4,500,000.

Two Negroes Drowned.

Bill and Ab Campbell, negroes, were drowned in Duck river, near Cortner's station, Tenn. They were being carried across the river in a boat, when it sank. Four other negroes who were in the boat swam out.

Snow Seven Feet Deep.

The blizzard which started in Saturday morning and of which Milwaukee is the center, still continues. Snow to the depth of seven feet is piled up all along the different street railways.

Forest Fires Doing Damage.

More news of the damage by forest fires in North Carolina the first three days of this week comes in. The loss in Cumberland county alone foots up over $100,000. In the state it undoubtedly was over $500,000. Railway and lumber companies sustained losses. Over 100 buildings of various kinds were destroyed.

E. G. Massey, a prominent citizen and constable of Little River county, Arkansas, was murdered Saturday by Ned Aiken and his son and two negroes he was trying to arrest.

Enquiry Court Will Sit One Week.

Admiral Sicard is negotiating with the Merritt Wrecking Company for the services of the tug Right Arm, which arrived at Havana Sunday to tow the leaking vessel north. The Maine court of inquiry will probably be at Havana one week.

Murder in Birmingham.

William Carney, a puddler in the Birmingham rolling mill, was shot and instantly killed Monday night by John O'Brien, a negro bartender.

Notices were posted in the mills of the Boston Manufacturing company at Waltham, Mass., announcing a cut of 10 per cent. in wages in all departments, to take effect February 28.

At Meridian, Miss., in a fit of despondency, Sanford Houston placed a gun to his side, pulled the trigger and emptied the entire load of shot in his side. He died instantly.

Senator Robt L. Berner, of Forsyth, and Hon. Louis F. Garrard, of Columbus, will both be candidates for governor of Georgia.

Contractors are tearing down the Hoffman house in Bridgeport, preparatory to its removal to Sewanee, Tenn.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

Considerable excitement was caused among the members of the house today by the rumor, broadly circulated before the house convened, that important action relative to Cuba was to be taken. It turned out to be simply a resolution of inquiry unanimously reported by the foreign affairs committee last week calling on the state department as to the condition of the concentrados in Cuba and the progress made in Spain's effort to induce autonomy. The resolution was adopted without division, and is similar to the one adopted by the senate today. The day was consumed with speeches relative to the Cuban situation.

The Senate.

Mr. Bate, of Tennessee, presented his colleague, Mr. Turley, and the oath of office was administered.... Mr. Morgan reported adversely from the committee on foreign relations an amendments to the diplomatic and consular bill recognizing the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents. He objected to the amendment being tacked to the appropriation bill. After further discussion Mr. Morgan's original Cuban resolution was presented and passed. The resolution as passed is as follows: "Resolved, That the president is requested, if in his opinion it is not incompatible with the public service, to send to the senate copies of the reports of the consul general and consuls of the United States in Cuba, written or received since March 4, 1897, which relate to the state of war in that island and the condition of the people there, or that he will send such parts of said reports as will inform the senate as to these facts. Second, That the president inform the senate whether any agent of the government in Cuba has been accredited to this government or the president of the United States with authority to negotiate a treaty of reciprocity with the United States, or any other diplomatic or commercial agreement with the United States, and whether such person has been recognized and received as the representative of such government of Cuba."..... A bill carrying $800,000 was passed, making appropriation for the expense of the United States courts and other purposes.... Mr. Harris, of Kansas, introduced a resolution with reference to the latest phase of the Kansas Pacific sale. He said in connection with the resolution that the reason for its presentation at this time was that the attorney-general had informed him less than a week ago that he proposed to redeem the first mortgage bonds of the Kansas Pacific and have a receiver appointed for the road. The resolution went over until tomorrow, and the the senate adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

Mr. Payne called up the senate bill to amend the navigation laws of the United States. Mr. Payne explained that the bill had been prepared by the treasury department, and was designed solely to protect our seacoast trade along the Pacific coast with Alaska. The bill was passed without division. .... Mr. Undergraff, of Iowa, from the committee on judiciary, called up a bill to amend the act of 1887 relating to the fees of United States officers so as to correct some existing abuses, and it was passed.... Mr. Cox, of Tennessee, called up a bill to "better control and promote the safety of national banks." The bill provided that no national bank shall make a loan to the president or any other officer or employe of the bank until such officer or employe has submitted the proposition for the loan in writing to the directors and it has been approved by a majority of them, and in no case shall the loan exceed the amount permitted by law. The bill was passed by a vote of 65 to 28.... Mr. Ball, of Texas, presented a resolution calling upon the secretary of war for an estimate of the cost of creating a channel 760 feet wide at the mouth of Double bayou, Galveston bay, and it was adopted.... A bill presented by the committee on merchant marine and fisheries was passed amending the law relating to the licensing of mates of ocean and river steamers..... Mr. Loud called up the bill to make it lawful to transmit through the mails private postal cards with a 1 cent stamp affixed. The bill was passed. At this point Mr. Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, asked for a modification of the order for consideration of the bankruptcy bill (which begins tomorrow) by which the final vote should be taken on Saturday instead of Monday as originally ordered with the understanding that Monday should be private bill day. Agreed to.... A bill was passed empowering registers and receivers of general land offices to issue subpœnas and compel attendance. A bill was passed repealing the statute requiring affirmative proof of loyalty by the holders of bounty or land warrants. At 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

Mr. Pettus, of Alabama, secured the passage of a resolution requesting the president to inform the senate what action had been taken in reference to the murder of Legundo N. Lopez, a citizen of the United States, in April, 1896, in Cuba by armed soldiers of Spain..... The resolution introduced yesterday directing the attorney-general to furnish the senate information as to the agreement reached by the government with the reorganization committee of the Union Pacific railroad concerning the Kansas branch, was laid before the senate. Mr. Gear moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on Pacific railroads. The motion was defeated—19 to 34—and the resolution was then adopted without division..... At 2:30 the senate went into executive session. After the executive session the report of the attorney-general on the Harrison resolution was read, and the senate adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

Representative Underwood opened for the opposition to the Torrey bill in the debate on the bankruptcy measure in the house today. He said he was opposed to any feature that forced a man into bankruptcy whether he was willing or not, and has offered an amendment to strike out that part of the bill. He also opposed in speech that part of the bill which extended the operation of the law to corporations, and said at the proper time he would move to eliminate it. The present laws, which provided for receiverships, were, he said, good enough, and any plan to allow corporations to go into a bankruptcy court, he said, would only help them to defraud their creditors..... The committee on elections, by a unanimous vote today, decided to dismiss the case of Dr. Crowe, who has been a contestant for the seat held by Oscar W. Underwood. The committee found that while some of Crowe's allegations as to fraud may have been true, there was not sufficient evidence, even admitting all the statements of the contestant to be true, to justify them either in seating Crowe or declaring that no legal election had been held. Admitting all the claims of Crowe, the committee found that Underwood was still elected by a large majority. A report will be presented to the house Monday and will probably be agreed to without opposition.

The Senate.

A discussion upon coast defenses was the interesting feature of the senate today. Many senators took the ground that the appropriations should be for the full amount of the estimates by the war department, instead of some $4,000,000 less. Senators Perkins and Hale said it was the policy of the appropriations committee to make an annual expenditure of $10,000,000 for fortifications. Senators Stewart, Hawley, Chandler and Lodge spoke in favor of increases..... In the early part of the day there was a discussion of the Kansas Pacific railroad sale, but no action was taken..... The fortifications bill was then taken up. Mr. Perkins said the committee on appropriations was unanimous in its action in increasing the aggregate sum appropriated by the house bill. Mr. Teller spoke briefly in favor of the measure. An amendment to increase the amount appropriated for powder and projectiles from $650,618 to $950,618 was accepted. This completed the consideration of the bill, and it passed without division. At 6:05 o'clock the senate adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

The debate on the bankruptcy bill dragged along listlessly in the house today, interest in it being overshadowed as on yesterday by the Maine disaster. The speeches on the floor attracted almost no attention and were delivered in most instances to a handfull of members. At 5 p. m. the house recessed until 11 tomorrow.

The Senate.

After a spirited debate occupying more than two hours the senate today by a vote of 39 to 29 agreed to the resolution of Mr. Turple, declaring the senate's opposition to the confirmation of the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad except upon the terms of the original claims, and the interest thereon due to the United States from said railroad company of the Kansas Pacific division be paid in full by the bidders..... The only reference thus far made to the disaster to the battleship Maine was in the form of this resolution introduced by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska: Resolved, That the committee on naval affairs be directed to make an immediate and thorough investigation into the cause of the disaster to the battleship Maine in the harbor of Havana on the 15th instant and report to the senate. Several senators objected to the resolution and it went over until tomorrow.

The senate, at 4:10 p. m., went into executive session and five minutes afterward adjourned.

The Senate—Friday.

Soon after the senate met today Mr. Hale, of Maine, obtained the floor and introduced the following joint resolution: That the secretary of the navy be, and he is hereby authorized, to engage the services of a wrecking company or companies having proper facilities for the prompt and efficient performance of submarine work, for the purpose of recovering the remains of the officers and men lost on the United States steamer Maine; and of saving the vessel, or such parts thereof and so much of her stores, guns, material, equipment, fittings and appurtenances as may be practicable; and for this purpose the sum of $200,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated and made immediately available.

The resolution was prepared at the navy department and introduced at the request of Secretary Long, who, in forwarding it to Mr. Hale, also sent a letter explaining its purpose. He says in this letter: "It was deemed proper and important that steps should be taken immediately to recover the remains of the officers and men lost on the occasion of this most deplorable catastrophe; to raise the vessel or to save such parts of her armament and equipment as may be practicable." The resolution was passed by the senate without objection, being amended so as to authorize and to direct that the remains of officers and sailors be brought to the United States for interment.... Mr. Mason offered a resolution for the investigation of the Maine disaster providing for a special committee to make the investigation. The resolution produced a long and heated debate, but went to the calendar without a vote. The senate then went into executive session, and soon after adjourned.

The House.

Immediately after the reading of the journal in the house today, Mr. Boutelle, of Maine, chairman of the naval committee, asked unanimous consent for the consideration of the resolution prepared by the navy department and passed by the senate. The mere mention of the Maine affair on the floor brought members in crowds from the cloak rooms and lobbies, and they thronged down the aisles to listen. The spectators in the galleries leaned over with breathless interest as Secretary Long's letter was read. The resolution was adopted.

The House—Saturday.

After four days' of consideration the house today passed the bankruptcy bill reported by the house committee on judiciary as a substitute for the senate bill passed last summer. The bill is known as the Henderson bill and contains voluntary and involuntary features. It is considered less drastic than the measure passed by the last house by a vote of 157 to 87. The involuntary feature, however, had but sixteen majority. Today a motion to strike out the involuntary features was defeated by a majority of 19 and the bill was passed by a majority of 23, the vote standing ayes 158, nays, 125. Eighteen republicans voted against the bill and twelve democrats for it. The populists, with one exception, voted against it.

There was no session of the senate today.

The Senate—Monday.

The joint resolution providing for the bodies of the officers and men from the wrecked battleship Maine and for the recovery of valuable property on the ship, which was passed by the house last week, was presented to the senate and passed immediately. It carries an appropriation of $200,000..... Mr. Hoar introduced a joint resolution directing the transfer of valuable historical documents from the several governments to the national library..... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, introduced the following resolution: Resolved, That the committee on naval affairs be, and it is, hereby directed to make a thorough inquiry into the destruction of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor on the 15th inst., and report to the senate. The resolution was passed immediately without a word of debate..... Unobjected bills were passed as follows: Requiring masters and mates of sail vessels of over 700 tons to have license issued by United States inspectors; granting to the state of Wyoming 50,000 acres of land to aid in the continuation, enlargement and maintenance of the Wyoming state soldiers' and sailors' home; authorizing the White and Black River Valley Railroad Company to build a bridge across the Black river in Arkansas; to require patents to be issued to land actually settled under the act entitled "An act to provide for the armed opening and settlement of the unsettled part of the peninsula of Florida, approved August 4, 1842," and to amend an act to prohibit the passage of local or special laws in the territories to limit indebtedness, etc..... Mr. Allen's resolution calling for senate investigation of the measure providing for the twelfth census was passed.

The House.

After the passage of twenty-two pension bills, the house went into committee of the whole on the private calendar. The first bill, to appropriate $15,000 for damage and injury sustained by Newberry college, South Carolina, while occupied by a New York regiment as a barracks, in 1865, after Lee's surrender, was favorably acted upon without a division. Two other minor bills were laid aside with favorable recommendations..... Mr. Bailey moved that the house observe Washington's birthday by adjourning over tomorrow. Mr. Dingley opposed the motion, but it carried 158 to 35. At this moment the speaker announced that under the rule the house was in recess until 8 o'clock tonight, the evening to be devoted to private bills.

FIRED HER SKIRTS.

Negroes Attempt to Burn a White Girl to Death.

Bare facts regarding the horrible efforts of three unknown negroes to burn to death the daughter of James Alday, in Decatur county, Georgia, have just come to light. The girl, who is about 16 years of age, had occasion to go to a spring about 200 yards from her father's house, and on returning she was seized upon by three negroes, and when they discovered that she was the daughter of Alday two of them firmly held her, while the third applied matches to the skirts of her clothing. She was detained until the flames were licking her face and had eaten into her under garments and then released and ordered to fly for her life. She ran screaming to her father's door, where she arrived with not a shrewd of clothing on her body and literally one huge blister. Immediate attention was given her and every effort to save her life was made, but the latest reports from the place indicate that her death was hourly expected.

GREATER REPUBLIC ENDED.

Salvador Withdraws From Central American Union.

News from Salvador is to the effect that the greater republic of Central America has ceased to exist, the republic of Salvador, the backbone of the union, having withdrawn. The consolidated republics included the three states of Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua and it was expected the other two republics of Guatemala and Costa Rica would join in time. Salvador quarreled with her two neighbors, is witnessing a rebellion in Nicaragua, and is opposing Honduras, and has therefore seceded from the union.

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THE County Executive Committee is called to meet at Clanton on Friday, March 11

BIRMINGHAM'S two days carnival was well attended and was pronounced by all present as a great success.

THE atmosphere is charged with war talk, and from present appearances very little more is required to cause a declaration of war. The talk is that Spain will be asked for an indemnity of ten million dollars for the loss of the Maine, and in the event of a refusal war will be declared.

WILLIAM J. BRYAN will make six addresses to the people of Alabama, commencing at Tuskaloosa Tuesday night, March 1, then at Birmingham on the 2; Mobile on the 3; Pensacola the 4th; Talladega the 5th and Montgomery the 7th.

PROSPECTIVE candidates would do well to bear in mind that the present Governor has inaugurated a system of supervision over county officers which renders it more than ever necessary the offices should be filled by men qualified in every particular to discharge the duties of the office.

MR. PLOWMAN has returned to his home in Talladega, and his friends are already industriously at work seeking his renomination by the Congressional convention next November. It appears, however, that he will have to meet competition again. Hon. Percy Clark, of Dallas, covets the nomination, and it is said that Hon. Gaston Roberts, of the same county, also aspires to serve the people of the Fourth once again. Hon. R. P. Thomas, of Oxford, is also said to have a well-developed yearning for congressional honors, and if the four enter the race it will undoubtedly be a spirited one. All of the gentlemen have been candidates for congress before in the Fourth, Mr. Roberts having served two terms there and Mr. Plowman part of one term.

There has been one Alabamian at Washington lately who has covered himself with glory. He is Tyler Goodwyn, and his fame was won by the splendid argument he made in the Goodwyn Brewer contest case before the election committee of the House. Young Goodwyn was the junior counsel and Chairman Vaughan and Gen. W. W. Dudley the senior attorneys. On Saturday, February 12, the case was argued before the committee, and Tyler Goodwyn was to make the opening argument of fifteen minutes duration for his father, but when his time expired he was told to go on by Gen. Dudley, and then by the chairman of the committee, until he had spoken for two hours. After he had finished he was warmly congratulated by his associates, the chairman and the committee. It was said to be one of the best arguments ever heard before an election committee. Afterwards Gen. Dudley told me that Tyler Goodwyn was the best analytical lawyer he was ever associated with, and that his argument in this case was the best and most thorough that he had ever heard before an election committee. These words of praise, coming from a lawyer like Gen. Dudley, who is accorded the best contest lawyer in the country, are words of praise indeed. General Dudley is not alone in his opinion of young Goodwyn's argument as every one who heard it is of the same opinion.

ENTREE TO ENGLAND'S 400.

How Millionaires Achieve the Pleasures of Aristocratic Company.

"How do they do it?" I asked a lady last week whom I thought likely to know how money is got out of an African millionaire bitten with a desire to become a man of fashion. She said: "Well, of course, when they take a fine house, guests have to be found. Then there is a competition to 'run them.'" "Yes," I said, "but supposing that I were a fine lady, poor, but greedy, and did not aspire to more than a few hundreds?" "You would have to be one of the right set, you know," she explained. "Yes," I continued, "I will suppose myself a bright particular star of the right set and both nice looking and influential." "You need not be the first; the second would be enough. You first have to make the acquaintance of your intended victim, but this is easy. Then you find yourself talking to him at a party or somewhere. You say to him, with a simple, innocent look, that you have a little money that you would like to invest, and you ask him to invest it for you. He probably will agree to do this. Then he invests it and soon returns you £200 or £300." "But supposing that the £100 is lost?" I asked. "Oh, but you don't really give him the £100; you only say that you want to invest it. He understands what is meant, and just buys whatever society influence he thinks that you may have." "And do many ladies try this game out?" I asked. "Plenty," she answered, "and I do not blame them. They have to live, and if they have something to sell and a millionaire thinks it will do him good to buy it, why no? After all, you don't suppose that people of this sort are received and made much of for any other reason than for getting what they can out of them? All the talk about investing is only a delicate way of letting the man know that if he wants social currency he must pay his footing." "Oh," I said.

And yet what possible pleasure can these millionaires find in being admitted into the outer courts of a society that laughs at them and that only tolerates them in order to plunder them—a society to whose ways they are strange and in which they are as much fish out of water as would be a fine lady in a Johannesburg barroom? Some of these millionaires have the good sense to perceive this. They enjoy life with their own friends and in their own way. These I respect. But for those who are buying their way into a position that is contemptible I feel the utmost contempt. I never knew the late Barney Barnato—indeed to my knowledge I never saw him—but I once heard that a number of fine ladies and gentlemen had been invited to meet him. Each went to the dinner in the hope of getting something out of him, and their hopes rose when, after the dinner was over, he thanked them for the pleasure of finding himself among them, and said that he was anxious to do something to show his appreciation of their kindness. Then he recited to them the soliloquy of Hamlet and wished them good evening. I always had a sneaking admiration for the departed Barney after I heard this story.—London Truth.

Not In It.

Penelope—Pauline is ahead of you, my dear. She can accompany the new tenor on the piano.

Perdita—Yes, but I can accompany him on the bicycle.—Town Topics.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventative of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. Stanfield & Matthews.

I have given Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a fair test and consider it one of the very best remedies for croup that I have ever found. One dose has always been sufficient, although I use it freely. Any cold my children contract yields very readily to this medicine. I can conscientiously recommend it for croup, and colds in children.—Geo. E. WEEE, clerk of the circuit court, Commanding, Fla. Sold by Dr. J. S. Johnson, Jr., druggist.

The dogs of war are loose—are loose;
And hover o'er the fray;
For maddened by the ogre's use
They ark at deeds most foul.

The dogs of war are loose—beware!
Their fangs are faith-resistin;
Their massive jaws fit gr sp and tear,
And climb from tomb to dread.

The dogs of war are loose—their bay
Is a herald for the fray
Of faithless Spain to her dismay
For all the battles' brun'.

Diseases of the Blood and Nerves.

No one need suffer with neuralgia. This disease is quickly and permanently cured by Browns' Iron Bitters. Every disease of the blood, nerves and stomach, chronic or otherwise, succumbs to Browns' Iron Bitters. Known and used for nearly a quarter of a century, it stands to-day foremost among our most valued remedies. Brown's Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau }
St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 23, 1893 }

The Kansas Pacific railroad has been sold by decree of court to the reorganization committee and at a loss of seven million dollars to the government. The proposition of purchase by government officials seems to have been made only to calm public sentiment and make it easier for the Wall street interests to fleece the people. It furnishes another striking illustration of the servility of the present administration to corporate interests.

W. J. Bryan, in a signed letter to the New York Journal, expresses himself strongly in favor of co-operation on the part of all the people opposed to the gold standard. In support of this plan he cites nine distinctive propositions which are cardinal tenets of faith with Democrats, Populists and Free Silver Republicans, and asks, "Why should the Republican be allowed to nominate the policy of the country, when only minor differences exist in the ranks of those who believe in a government of, by and for the people."

From the many sensational reports appearing in the press of late it looks like the United States might be drawn into a little brush with Spain. Delome only said of President McKinley what his political opponents in this country have been reiterating constantly, yet the Spanish Minister's utterances created a feeling of indignation which caused his return to Spain in disgrace. Many well informed people are of the opinion that the sequel to this war talk is a desire of the administration to perpetuate Republican rule.

The Senate Committee on Education and Labor has decided by a unanimous vote to report favorably the bill prepared by the chairmen of the country and recently introduced in the Senate by Senator Kyle, providing for the arbitration of railroad strikes by a board of arbitrators to be chosen by the strikers and the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Both houses of the Massachusetts legislature have concurred in the request of the Committee of Labor for an investigation of the reduction in wages lately made by the cotton mills of that State. Similar action should be taken in other States

A proposition has been introduced in the legislature of New York to organize and equip a State police force to protect corporate interests and be paid by the corporations. This system would benefit the railroads principally, who are perfectly willing to take upon themselves the position of legislator, judge, jury and executioner in the general government of the country.

The total reduction of the state debt of Nebraska under the first year of Populist rule was $530,376,83.

The American Nonconformist of Indianapolis, Ind., which has been on nearly all sides of every question advocated by the People's party and had a very stormy career, is about to be removed to Nebraska, but for just what purpose deponent sayeth not.

The conservative Populist leaders of Minnesota held a conference at Minneapolis on Wednesday of last week for the purpose of taking the preliminary steps toward consolidating the silver forces.

The action of the Democratic, Populist and Free Silver Republican National Committees in issuing an address to the public through their chairmen, advising co-operation of all the forces opposed to the gold power, is meeting the approval of all patriotic citizens. It is not proposed to disband any of the reform organizations now in the field but it is possible to secure the co-operation and cash in rescuing the government from the plutocrats and restoring it to the people to whom it belongs.

The conversion of Richard Croker, the great Tammany leader of New York, to Free Coinage, is announced. If true, the event is emedy of value in showing a change in political sentiment and the desire of Eastern politicians of doubtful hue, to go with the popular tide. A. R.

SCROFULA.

One of America's most famous physicians says: "Scrofula is external consumption." Scrofulous children are often beautiful children, but they lack nerve force, strong bones, stout muscles and power to resist disease. For delicate children there is no remedy equal to

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of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda. It fills out the skin by putting good flesh beneath it. It makes the cheeks red by making rich blood. It creates an appetite for food and gives the body power enough to digest it. Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion.

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Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stands for it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar.

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FACTS IN A FEW LINES.

Water alone has been known to sustain life for 65 days.

Scotch broth is greatly improved by the addition of a dessert spoonful of sugar.

The silver half dollar was authorized April 2, 1792, and coinage was begun in 1794.

The nickel cent was authorized Feb. 21, 1857, and its coinage was begun the same year.

The 2 cent bronze piece is composed of 95 per cent copper and 5 per cent of tin and zinc.

The 1 cent bronze piece is composed of 95 per cent of copper and 5 per cent of tin and zinc.

The 10 cent silver piece was authorized by congress in 1792, and its coinage was begun in 1796.

The library of Gottingen has a Bible written on palm leaves. There are 5,373 pages, each made of a single leaf.

The Krupp foundries at Essen, near Dusseldorf, employ 27,155 persons, whose families amount to 67,597 persons.

Since the beginning of operations in the Torres straits fisheries, in the seventies, all the pearls have gone to England or the continent.

Among the Chinese "How old are you?" is neither more nor less than a formula of etiquette like "How do you do?" in English.

An Orange City (Fla.) woman has a rose bush 8 feet tall, with a spread of 6 feet, and on which has been grafted or budded more than a score of varieties from deep red to pure white.

No fewer than 36 specimens have been added to the reptile house of the London zoological gardens during the last few weeks, several of which are new to the collection. The chief of these is an Indian python.

The popularity of the bicycle as a means of exercise, sport and pleasure is fully established in France. The full extent of the use of this machine has recently been brought before the public in the national tax collectors' report.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who would become perfect strangers to them by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. Stanfield & Matthews.

Our highly esteemed friend Mr. A. H. Maxfield, who for several years was a resident of Birmingham, came down from New York and was married last Monday to Miss Mabel Armstrong at Birmingham. Mr. Maxfield is a gentleman of ability and will make his mark in the world, and his charming bride is one of the fairest of the fair daughters of the Sunny South. We predict a bright and happy future for the young couple.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Purcell of Knittersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Dr. W. H. Foster and wife [illegible] Birmingham Monday to attend [illegible] rdi Gras.

Jr. B. L. Grace and wife of Ripley visited Clanton Sunday.

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Mr. J. H. Midleton has returned from a pleasant visit to relatives and friends in Lowndesboro.

If you want sugar-cane seed go to [illegible] Knight.

Col. L. Amorine, formerly lieutenant-colonel of the 2nd Alabama regiment but better remembered as captain of the Montgomery Grays, and whose splendid [illegible] made that company famous, was a pleasant visitor in Clanton Tuesday. Come again, Colonel; all Alabama is proud of you.

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Through heavy frosts have been visitors, the work of gardening goes on.

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	44
	1.51
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Messrs. J. M. Dorough, A. M. ... P. R. Price, and L. M. ... Harrison's mill went to ... Gras.

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By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

East Number 3 in the town of Maplesville, Alabama, together with the two-story store house thereon, which said ... is bounded as follows, to-wit: On the east by the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad; on the south by property of A. S. Woosley; on north and west by property of Dr. J. S. Johnson, Sr., and to stand as subject to two mortgages executed by said S. A. Foshee to Matthews, Woosley and by said Woosley, which transferred and assigned to H. J. Fegues. And also Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

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Dated at Clanton this 5th day of February, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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A RIDICULOUS FRAUD.

THE ARGUMENT OF EX-SENATOR EDMUNDS.

The Attorney for the Goldbugs Claims that Gold Has a Fixed Value When He Knows It Has Doubled in Purchasing Power Since 1873.

Before the committee of the house on currency and banking, ex-Senator Edmunds made the following arguments on the "standards:"

The commission felt that such a thing as a double standard had never existed in the world through natural operations. There have been double standards established by law, but never in fact. When it comes to an actual standard there can be but one. By law the United States has a double standard, a silver coin and a gold coin established on the theory that they could be maintained at an exact equality.

Mr. Edmunds then referred to the experience of the great nations of the world all showing, he said, that a single standard meant stability and safety, while legal attempts at double standards meant disaster and panic. From this universal experience, Mr. Edmunds said he and his associates had come to the conclusion that the first principle on which to base a currency was to have one standard, that gold is the best standard because it is the most stable of all standards of value, subject to the least fluctuation from year to year and from century to century.

Thus the commission was brought to the gold standard as their first proposition. That, however, did not exclude the idea of bimetallism, for it did not exclude the use of silver or any other metal to the largest extent that they could be maintained on an equality with the one fixed and invariable standard of gold.

"That conclusion was reached," Mr. Edmunds added, "with no prejudices, with no private political considerations, but solely from the conviction of those of the commission representing the various sections of the country."

The idea of a man like Mr. Edmunds pretending to be puzzled over a "double standard" of money, is one of the most ridiculous frauds ever attempted by the gold standard conspirators. It would be just as difficult for him to find a single standard, because there is no such thing as a standard of value. Standard of value is what is assumed by double and single standard. Value is an imaginary thing, and cannot be reduced to substance. Value is a comparative term and expresses the difference in price between two or more pieces of property. That price or value is constantly shifting, and is unstable as the the sands on the sea shore. It is utterly impossible to have a standard for anything that is constantly changing. There is no single standard of value, and this is the reason there can be no double standard. Had Mr. Edmunds been asked to define a single standard of value his argument would have refuted itself. There is nothing that has substance and can be created but can readily be duplicated.

To claim that gold "is subject to the least fluctuations from year to year and from century to century" is absurd. The same amount of gold will purchase today twice the amount of staple products of a hundred or five hundred different kinds, that it would twenty-five years ago. The five hundred things have kept on the same level of prices, bearing the same, or nearly the same percentage of value to each other that they had twenty-five years ago, while gold has gone away above and beyond them.

The falsehood of this assumption—it has not the dignity of an argument—has been pointed out hundreds of times, but they keep repeating it in the hope that maybe it can be made to stick. If gold could be made a "standard of value" and anchored securely so that it were impossible for it to vary, there would be no difficulty in adjusting silver to it, and two substances fixed and stable, they would stand as firmly as two stone walls.

For thousands of years before 1873 silver money had been a recorder of price the same as gold. It was then demonetized by the great powers of the world. In every country for thousands of years the silver coin bearing the same face or mint value that gold coin bore, would purchase the same quantity of goods, and pay the same amount of debt. And the silver coins today are doing the same work. It is worse than folly, it is an insult to common sense, to claim that gold "is the most stable of all standards of value, subject to the least fluctuations from year to year and from century to century." But what falsehood is too brazen for one of these old hoary senate lawyers to tell with a solemn face—if he is paid to do it?

When Senator Edmunds or anybody else succeeds in making a single standard of value out of gold, or any other metal or any other substance, there will be no difficulty whatever in making a duplicate standard to place beside it. The whole trouble exists in being unable to make the single standard. The value of their "standard" and the goods it is to exchange with are constantly fluctuating. That "value" can't be made to hold still, but always keeps moving. When either grows scarce in proportion to the demand it rises in value. Gold is growing scarce measured by the demand for it, and is steadily rising in value.

The ex-senator's climax is a little too funny for anything, where he says: "That conclusion was reached with no prejudices, with no private political considerations, but simply from the convictions of those of the commission representing the various sections of the country." If the senator had added the "goldbugs" of these sections, his claim would never be doubted. But their "convictions," such as they are, represent only goldbugs.

What is wanted to bring prosperity to the country is more legal tender government money. It doesn't matter what material the government uses if congress enacts a law ordering more—a good deal more—legal tender to be issued by the secretary of the treasury. Gold cannot be gotten. That is out of the question. Silver could be used to the extent perhaps of $100,000,000 per year, but that is not sufficient to supply the growing demand for money to exchange an ever increasing production, and the bankers acknowledge this fact by their eagerness to have a law of congress permitting them to issue all the currency they desire to circulate.

The government should not only provide means for increasing the quantity of legal tender money, but also provide the necessary machinery to control, safe-keep, and distribute the money for the people, and take this privilege out of the hands of bankers who are fast growing to be a select class as dangerous to the government as the Mamelukes were to their Turkish masters.

The government could as readily establish banks or depositories for the safe keeping, discounting, and loaning money as postoffices. This, it will be found, is the only "currency reform" that will ever reform the currency in the interest of the people. It would be but a few years till a system of government banks would change the entire business of the country by establishing a paper currency stronger and better than any gold currency can ever be made. In fact, gold, of all metals or materials that was ever chosen for money purposes, is the very worst.

As between gold and silver, the latter is far preferable. No nation can get along without silver money if metal money is used at all, while no nation ever misses gold money when it disappears, at the first sound of the war trumpets or the alarm of panics.

A full legal tender government currency, with finances managed by government banks would banish gold from the marts of trade. Nobody would use it when they could get legal tenders and silver. There can be little if any doubt that a United States legal tender currency managed by the government as the people's banker, would send this nation to the front of all commercial nations of the world, and its currency to a premium over gold in every country in Europe, as the credit system of the Bank of Venice stood for hundreds of years at a premium of twenty per cent above gold. The hundreds of millions swallowed up by bank interest under our present system would be saved to industry, and a stability of prices which would surely be maintained, would change the whole framework of society changing the moans of the tramp and the sorrowings of enforced idleness to songs of rejoicing.

We do not believe that the sophistry and misrepresentations of the hired attorneys, such as Edmunds, of the goldbugs, can continue to deceive and mislead the American people. They are slow but mighty in their wrath when stirred by conviction.

E. E. EWING.

Trusts Monopolies and Combines.

Exceedingly injudicious combinations have been formed in the United States which have deprived thousands of persons of a livelihood, and these combines of capital have been the means of driving a large number of people out of trades and occupations in which they were employed, because they were unable to combat against united wealth, and the unequal and greedy methods of doing business. It may be asked, why did not the people who were ousted turn to some other occupation? To which is answered that many did and found other trusts, monopolies and combines had been formed in other lines, which in like manner had deprived thousands of other persons of employment, through which they supported themselves and their families.

It is argued in extenuation that by these large combines of capital and destroyers of competition, goods are produced cheaper. That is admitted but the price paid for the concession is as naught compared with the starving families which they have caused. Capitalists seem determined to control both money and manufactories, and abstract therefrom still greater wealth, and the subservience of the people, whether families starve through the operation or not.—W. T. Wood.

Minority Representation.

We shall never have really just and equitable laws until we adopt the principle of minority representation, and a cumulative vote along with the initiative and referendum, says the Journal of the Knights of Labor. By minority representation we should always have a minority so strong and so fairly and directly representative of the people in our legislative bodies that no majority could enact vicious or tyrannical legislation. By cumulative voting we should always have the ablest and most honest men in the nation in our congresses, legislatures and city councils. And all shades of opinion and all classes of reformers would be fairly represented.

TEMPERANCE TOPICS.

NOTES OF INTEREST TO THE ANTI-LIQUOR LEAGUERS.

No Political Party Named in the National Convention Proceedings—Liquor at the Capital—The Duty of Christians—Wearing the White Ribbon.

Age.

The year is hasting, and the days
Are burdened with ungarnered sheaves;
And underfoot our treasured hopes
Lie thick, as the neglected leaves.
But listen! did you hear a song
Sweet as if by an angel band?
"Only the Golden Rule of God
Shall bring the golden age of man."

'Tis true that in the path of life
We stumble oft, and often fail;
Sometimes our listening ears grow dull
And give not heed to duty's call.
Then comes the warning: "Child, arise,
March onward, 'tis the Father's plan;
Only the Golden Rule of God
Will bring the golden age of man."

Lift up the fallen, bind the wounds
That man has given brother man.
For sin, and want, and woe, and shame
Grow rampant since the world began.
Shall we who bear the name of Christ
Be lagging found? No, reach the van.
Proclaim "The Golden Rule of God
Shall bring the golden age of man."

Then scatter seeds, what if so small
That God alone the seed can see?
He giveth increase, and He knows
We give our best, and give it free.
We're pledged to crush the world's great foe,
Men, women, children, help who can
To prove "The Golden Rule of God
Will bring the golden age of man."

—Union Signal.

No Party Has a Monopoly.

That the National Convention did not name any particular party in its resolutions this year is not to be construed as indifference to "prohibition by a party." The National stands just where it has stood for years in relation to this question. It believes in prohibition by law, and that this is to be accomplished by the ballot box. It does not propose to desert a cause or a friend. It will go with its principles one mile, or it will go with them twain, if it can, but it will go no part of a mile further than its principles go. In other words, the National has declared its principles, and will stand by them wherever found. Therefore, to be consistent, it could not name and commend one party embodying a fundamental principle and ignore another having precisely the same principle, as was contemplated by the resolutions as first offered. It is well to keep in mind that wherever parties have been named and commended in state or National conventions, it has been only so far as they have exemplified our principles and no farther. Sympathy and affiliation have never been offered beyond this. It is more than probable that, had Miss Willard's unique resolution, formulated and passed unanimously in her own inner consciousness, and so announced to the Convention, been presented for a vote, it would have passed.—Union Signal.

Wearing the White Ribbon.

A writer in the Union Signal, the organ of the W. C. T. U., says: Do our members wear the white ribbon? Why not? It speaks volumes! I am a very busy business woman, but I stick to my bow of white ribbon, and wherever I go my little badge of loyalty brings me many a pleasure. In my work among business men, often is my ribbon mentioned. One gentleman said: "I see you wear the white ribbon; I should like you to go home with me to dinner, my wife would be pleased to meet you." Another, pastor of a church that I attend, said: "I am pleased to meet any one associated with my wife in her work."

Do you not love to meet those wearing the badge of your order? Why should not we be as proud as our order as the secret societies, the Free Masons and Odd Fellows, and numerous others. Is not our society as worthy our loyalty? Then let us stick to our badge. Be sure we have enough white ribbon to put a knot on every dress and outside wrap, and let it speak a silent language for our grand cause of total abstinence.

Liquor at the Capitol.

When we read in the papers that on the opening of Congress no intoxicants could be had at the capitol—for the first time in many years—we rejoiced and congratulated the Fifty-fifth Congress and the nation at large. Our felicitations, however, were nipped in the bud. We learn that "after a spasm of virtue, which lasted just twenty-four hours, the committee on rules of the Senate and House of Representatives authorized the sale of liquor again at the capitol restaurant." We are told further that the relapse was due to pressure brought to bear by certain law-makers, who threatened to bring the matter up on the floor and demand a vote unless their beloved grog were nearer at hand than the Congressional Hotel across the way. This so alarmed the members who represent both "prohibitionists" and brewers, the church voter and the saloonkeeper, that they proceeded to labor with the committee on rules, and the result is that the capitol bar is opened for "light drinks."

The Duty of Christians.

At a recent meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Synod of the Lutheran Church, the following resolution, determinative of the duties of Christians of that denomination towards the temperance cause, was passed:

Resolved, That in our judgment as a synod, domestic wines and so-called "hard cider" in the houses of our people are a menace to the moral welfare and sobriety of our young people.

Resolved, That in our judgment, no communicant member of the church should ever sign a petition for license, as such an act is inconsistent with the baptismal confirmation promise to renounce "the devil and all his works."

Resolved, That the individual Christian should be a total abstainer from all intoxicating drinks as a beverage, because of the influence of his example, and,

That the state should adopt absolute constitutional prohibition as the only consistent way for the state to deal with intoxicants as a beverage.

For Drinkers to Remember.

In the blood liquor tends to prevent the interchange of vital gases in the red corpuscles, which constitutes a portion of the function of respiration or breathing. Notice the blue lips and fingers, the red face, and shortness of breath of the excessive drinker. He is suffering from all the symptoms of slow asphyxia or strangulation. In the liver we have a repetition of the same inflammation which we have described in relation to the stomach. It first becomes full of blood (congested) and enlarged, and later contracted and excessively small, and covered with nodules. In England gin is so frequently employed in this manner that the term "gin-drinker's liver" is commonly used to describe this prevalent and fatal disease.—Prof. C. H. Steele.

Intemperance in England.

Says an English correspondent of the Eight Hour Herald: I asked John Burns what was the greatest cause of poverty in England.

"Drink," was his laconic reply.

"What is the greatest obstacle to the advancement of the working classes?"

"Drink," he said again.

"What is the reason that the working classes of Great Britain are less intelligent, less tidy, and less ambitious than those of the United States?"

"Drink," he again ejaculated.

"What is the greatest incentive to crime and vice among the working people?"

"Drink."

"Is there any hope for the elevation of the working classes of your country to the same standard as those in the United States?" I asked.

"Not as long as there is a public house at every cross-roads in Great Britain," he replied.

Temperance Notes.

The annual convention of the Kansas state temperance union will be held December 27-28.

Illinois Prohibitionists have issued a call for their state convention, to be held at Peoria, June 1 and 2, 1898.

A dispatch from Berea, Ky., states that Glade Precinct, in Madison county, in which Berea college is located, has gone dry by a vote of 15 to 1.

The U. K. A., the Band of Hope union, and the Temperance Hospital of London, have each received a legacy of a thousand guineas, bequeathed by the late Mrs. Caroline Wallis.

News from Indian Territory says that the Indian agent, Wisdom has ordered the arrest of any persons found with liquor in their possession, or who are intoxicated. Such persons will have to tell where they got their liquor or be declared in contempt of court for refusing to do so.

The United States supreme court has rendered a decision in which it is held that the provisions of the Dingley bill did not take effect until the bill was signed by the president, which was on July 24. The brewers will therefore get their 7½ per cent rebate without the necessity of suing for it.

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the American association for the study and cure of inebriety was held in Boston, Mass., recently. These officers were elected: President, L. D. Mason, Brooklyn; first vice president, Isaac M. Quimby, Jersey City; secretary-treasurer, T. D. Crothers, Hartford.

Prof. Samuel Dickie, chairman of the national prohibition committee, addressed the Methodist preachers' meeting of Chicago the other day on the "Relation of the Preacher to Politics, Politicians and Voters." He stirred up lively discussion and the meeting was extended an hour beyond the usual time.

Mayor Davis of Coffeyville, Kan., has been arrested on a warrant charging him with violating certain provisions of the prohibitory law, which enjoins upon all city officials the duty of enforcing the law. It is claimed that he allowed places to run wide open, and monthly collected fines from such places, as is shown in the city records.

The Kentucky court of appeals has decided that the special local option acts, allowing the people to vote on the question of selling liquor, were not repealed by the new constitution, and that the counties where the sale of liquor is now prohibited under said acts, are still "dry" till they become "wet" by a vote of the people of the county.

At the recent session of the Des Moines, Iowa, conference the following resolutions were adopted: First, that the destruction of the saloon is the paramount political issue in Iowa; second, that the passage of the manufacturer's bill was betrayal of a public trust; third, that we urge the submission of a prohibitory constitutional amendment to a vote of the people at a non-partisan election, and fourth, that to support candidates for office who are in any way committed to the liquor interests, is a weak and recreant surrender to partisan prejudice.

A PAYING COTTON CROP.

Best Method of Growing the Staple to Make a Profit.

The low price of cotton is already bringing out various schemes for reducing the acreage in this crop. At present prices for the staple there is no profit in cotton growing for the average farmer who follows the old plan of growing cotton after cotton on land that has long since parted with all its vegetable matter, and who cultivates three acres or more to get a bale. There should of course be a reduction of the acreage in cotton, and an increase of the acreage in the crops used for forage and the improvement of the land. There should be more intelligent farming and less of mere plodding in the old ruts. We have often shown that a man by systematic use of the chopper forms of fertilizers or peas can accumulate vegetable matter in his soil that will enable him to use the commercial fertilizers to greater profit on his crops. A soil full of decayed vegetable matter will give better results from the use of commercial fertilizers than one in which there is no such deposit. It will withstand the effects of drought better, is warmer and earlier in the spring, and its mechanical texture is such that it is easier to work. What we need now is not so much to reduce the total crop of cotton in the South as to grow the crop on fewer acres and at less expense. If cotton will bring but five cents per lb. then if we are to grow it at a profit we must produce it at a less cost than five cents. We have seen it grown at an actual cost of three and a half cents when all the labor was paid for in cash, and an accurate account kept. But the crop was a long way over half a bale per acre. With but half a bale per acre or less the cost of growing cotton will exceed its present price. And this is now just the condition of the majority of the cotton growers in the Southern uplands. Reduce your acreage, but make the efforts to get just as much cotton on the reduced acreage. The way to do is not to take an old cotton field and give an extra dose of fertilizer, but start at once in the work of building up the land and stocking it with vegetable matter till you can give all the fertilizer that can profitably be used. You have an old piece of land that has been in cotton for generations. You have grown no peas, as you should have done, and have no pea fallow for the cotton. What is next best? We would cut the cotton area in such a case right in two or less, and would go to work at once to cover all the portion to be cultivated with some sort of decayed vegetation. Get to the forest and haul out during the winter all the decayed mould you can get and cover all the land over broadcast. Do not go to the labor of composting, but cover the land all over with the refuse from the forest. Spread all the cotton seed out the same way, and then apply broadcast, too, a mixture of Kainit and acid phosphate in equal parts at rate of 400 pounds per acre. Put it out during the winter, and do not be afraid it will get away from you. It will simply get into better condition for the crop by being put on the land a month or two ahead of planting. With the land covered over bodily with the black mold and leaves from the woods you will have an amount of humus added to the soil that will make your fertilizers more effective, and the leaching away of the salt in the Kainit will render soluble some matters in this mold that will be of value to the crop. Then when you come to prepare for the crop a light dressing of some complete fertilizer, or only some cotton seed meal, will give the plants an early start, and through all the summer they will be finding new food as their roots extend. Kainit has a special value in bringing about conditions that enable the plant to resist the attacks of rust and leaf blight, and although under general conditions we believe that the more concentrated potash salts, like the muriate or the sulphate, are the cheaper with the cotton crop we would use Kainit with an abundance of acid phosphate. The same mixture applied to a crop of peas, and the peas let die on the land, will give you a coat of vegetable matter ready spread that will be better than that which you could haul there. But for the present try the hauling of vegetable decay and cover the land all over, and then get the acid phosphate and Kainit there a month or so ahead of the planting. Broadcast manuring and the growing of peas are the means for bringing land up to the production of 4000 pounds seed cotton per acre.

In all the special fertilizers for cotton there is too small a percentage of potash for the sandy lands of the Southern coast plan, which need this element badly. While, therefore, a man may use a complete fertilizer in the furrow for his cotton, he will, if he is on sandy land, find that the broadcast application of Kainit which we have recommended will pay well, and will reduce the amount necessary to use in the furrow to give the cotton a start by fully one-half.

W. F. MASSEY.

FRANCES E. WILLARD.

President of the Woman's C. T. U., Died in New York.

Miss Frances E. Willard, president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, died shortly after midnight Thursday, at the Hotel Imperial, in New York. Miss Willard had been seriously sick about three weeks. She had been a sufferer for several years with profound anemia, but fatal results were not anticipated until a few days ago, when she took la grippe, which hastened the end. She was 59 years of age.

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It has developed that on [illegible] the state department of war [illegible] with Lodd's gun store at M[illegible] for the immediate repair and [illegible] of all of the guns belonging [illegible] Alabama National Guard [illegible]

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Big Mill for Huntsville.

A wealthy eastern man [illegible] submitted the following prop[illegible] the citizens of Huntsville: "I[illegible] citizens of Huntsville will give [illegible] of $10,000 we will build a [illegible] in this city at once, said [illegible] $200,000. We will run night [illegible] with 100 operatives. We w[illegible] our own site, furnish our own [illegible] and have the mill running be[illegible] uary 1, 1899."

The proposition is sub[illegible] good faith, and the man wh[illegible] is the authorized representat[illegible] large cotton milling concern [illegible] thought little trouble will [illegible] rienced in raising the bonus.

Exhibit at Omaha.

The Alabama Commercial [illegible] dustrial association will meet [illegible] session in Birmingham on [illegible] The meeting will be an impor[illegible] for the reason that steps will [illegible] to provide an Alabama exhibit [illegible] Omaha exposition. An effort [illegible] be made to have the state a[illegible] through Governor Johnston, [illegible] the matter up, and in the [illegible] this fails the various commer[illegible] of the state will get together [illegible] a fund and themselves provide [illegible] the exhibit.

Jefferson Populists Call a Con[illegible]

A conference of the leadi[illegible] lists of Jefferson county was [illegible] urday in Birmingham, which [illegible] in the calling of a mass mee[illegible] March 5. The call for the [illegible] was issued several weeks a[illegible] purpose of considering the a[illegible] of participating in the demo[illegible] maries and such other m[illegible] might come before it.

Alabama Hibernians M[illegible]

The biennial state conventi[illegible] Ancient Order of Hibernians [illegible] Birmingham the past week [illegible] showed the order to be in a fi[illegible] condition, with 825 members.

Officers were elected as [illegible] President, Hugh McGeever, [illegible] ham; secretary, Wm. Gra[illegible] City; treasurer, J. J. Cur[illegible] mingham.

Must Reduce Price of C[illegible]

Representative Underwo[illegible] on the secretary of the navy [illegible] to ask that some of the [illegible] our naval vessels be bought [illegible] bama. He was informed [illegible] would be done if the Alaba[illegible] would make their prices [illegible] now paid by the department [illegible] same grades of coal.

Rebuilding the B[illegible] Pipe W[illegible]

The work of rebuilding the [illegible] portion of the Pipe works a[illegible] is being pushed rapidly. M[illegible] brick work has been comp[illegible] the large plant begins to be [illegible] before fire devastated it. In [illegible] ability this great plant wi[illegible] to resume operations by Apr[illegible]

Grocery Store Stolen.

Burglars carried off an [illegible] cery store in Oxanna Satur[illegible] J. V. Watkins' store, in w[illegible] cated the postoffice, was [illegible] burglars and everything [illegible] that could be carried away [illegible] The postoffice was not moles[illegible]

Suicided With Morphi[illegible]

Thomas Stidman, aged 2[illegible] Alabama City, committed [illegible] Anniston Sunday. Stidman [illegible] parted from his wife, and [illegible] town to effect a reunion [illegible] he swallowed a quantity of [illegible] and walked into her moth[illegible] handed his wife the empty b[illegible]

Primary Election Ca[illegible]

The Morgan county de[illegible] ecutive committee has ca[illegible] mary for April 9 to nomi[illegible] candidates. Delegates to [illegible] convention will be voted [illegible] also at the primary, and th[illegible] ing the highest vote will go [illegible] vention.

A Farmers Loss by F[illegible]

W. W. McCutchen, one of [illegible] est farmers near Scottsboro [illegible] barn with all its contents, [illegible] of 3,000 bushels of corn, [illegible] of hay, most of his farm [illegible] ments, and six head of horse[illegible] Nine horses were saved by [illegible] The total loss was at least $[illegible] no insurance.

The senate has confirmed [illegible] nation of H. V. Cashin, col[illegible] receiver of public moneys [illegible] ville.

As They All Do.

[illegible] course the bride's father gave [illegible] way, but didn't any one give away [illegible] groom?

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[illegible] with Her Stomach [illegible] Not Sleep Hood's Cured.

[illegible] Hood's Sarsaparilla

[illegible] Pills [illegible]

Cotton,

[illegible] every other crop, needs [illegible] fertilizer [illegible] nitro[illegible] phos[illegible] not [illegible]

Potash,

[illegible] TATOES $1.50 a Bbl.

[illegible] GING [illegible] Netting [illegible] LABARGER, 48 F St., Atlanta, Ga.

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EMINENT DIVINES' SERMONS

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

"Stirring Folks Up"—Fourteenth Sermon in the New York Herald's Competitive Series to be a Pennsylvania Minister—Dr. Talmage On Ordinary People.

Ahab, who incited Jezebel his wife stirred up. 1 Kings xxi. 25.

A large part of the evil and a larger part of the good in the world would never be done but for the ones being stirred up to it.

Life is much like the sea: there seems always some wind to ruffle the surface or some strong undercurrent to send its restlessness up from the depths.

Too loss is many sided. If fully considered it covers the whole complex question of our relationships. It is not one part of a world against the other, part of the world giving the other ever receiving. Instead of one who is stirred up to evil we see a constant impulse to another's good.

No matter how weak one may be or how ineffectual in others, there is still some energizing force, consciously or unconsciously, which makes more positive the good or evil of the world's conflicting forces.

We find ourselves passed by life's invitations or irritations. Its attractions and its repulsions find no allies in our inclinations, and often we fail because we understand not the opposing forces, or we joyously realize that we have been impelled to a usefulness we had thought beyond our power.

The example of Jezebel, the daily Mail and Express, the "new woman" of nearly three thousand years ago is not to be despised. Women are more prone to stirring up to evil than men, though blessed is the woman who "stirs up" her husband who ever he needs it, and happy is the man who never stirs up his wife to anything.

We are ready to condemn Jezebel for having stirred up Ahab to evil, but we lose sight of how Ahab influenced Jezebel. His negative weakness provoked her positive badness. We sometimes comfort ourselves that we are not bad because we are not great sinners, forgetful that our very weakness may provoke some one else into sinning.

Ahab wanted a piece of ground that was near the royal palace. It was the property of Naboth, who with tremendous reverence refused to part with it. Pitied by Naboth's refusal Ahab went to bed, turned his face to the wall and refused to eat. Ahab, the king, peevish as a child because he could not have his own way! It was from Jezebel's murderous plans were formed. Ahab's peevish sulkiness stirred up the wicked spirit of Jezebel. Had he been by himself he could not have been so evil.

Whom provoked his wife stirred up?—stirred up to evil. Had that power been turned to good even what a rich might have been one of the world's helpers.

The power for great evil reveals the possibilities of great good; the power in the direction of wrong is the measure of benefit if turned in the opposite direction.

Who can estimate what the world would have lost had not Wendell Phillips heard his true hearted wife say, "Wendell, don't shilly-shally." That put an end to possible infidelity. Was Lady Palmerston's "stirring up" of Pitt to be? She stood her life in the ring and kept her husband in his proper position.

What a rare tribute was paid by General Charles H. Taylor to the memory of Eben D. Jordan when in a Boston Globe editorial he said: "No man of my acquaintance ever possessed a rarer gift of developing the gifts of other men, and no one ever helped others with more patience and generosity." He stirred up to their best possibilities those with whom he made them by his help what, possibly, they never could have been without it.

Are those who are near you weak and sinful because you have not stirred them up to be their best selves?

The world will ever be grateful to Dr. W. Robertson Nicholl for his persistent stirring up of Ian Maclaren. He gave him no rest until he led the world to the "Bonnie Brier Bush," while, like the Bush Moses saw, it was "not consumed."

Parents, sometimes, are lenient to the world at large—stirred up.

If not just the right kind of relations with one of the wild boys of his power and wisdom be masters, not servants, of fate. Don't hang it has been said!

Lingering wealth in the waves of

As we journey through life,
Let little of it said
About the failings of the dead,
And of the living be the style.

How are we using the hours which some think are dragging heavily? Are we sowing the seeds which are to spring up and bear fruit on the footsteps of others? Are we doing a little good every day that we live? Are we speaking kindly words to the sorrowful? Are we trying to lighten the burdens of others? Are we doing our duty? Are we living as we would wish to have lived when we look back upon our lives from the dying bed? Are we living as we would wish to have lived when we look back upon our lives from the dying bed? Are we living as we would wish to have lived when we look back upon our lives from the dying bed?

Now, what is wanted is grace—divine grace for ordinary business men, men who are harassed from morn till night and all the days of their life harassed in business. Not grace to lose a hundred thousand, but grace to lose ten dollars. Not grace to supervise two hundred and fifty employes in a factory, but grace to supervise the bookkeeper and two salesmen and the small boy that sweeps out the store. Grace to invest not the eighty thousand dollars of net profit, but the twenty-five hundred of clear gain. Such a grace as thousands of business men have today—seeming them through, whether goods sell or do not sell, whether coal mines pay or do not pay, whether tariff is up or tariff is down, whether the rope are luxuriant or a dead failure, calm in all circumstances, and amid all vicissitudes. That is the kind of grace we want.

Then there are all the ordinary farmers. We talk about agricultural life, and we immediately shoot off to talk about Cincinnatus, the patrician, who went from the plow to a high position, and after he got through the dictatorship, in twenty-one days, went back again to the plow. What encouragement is that to ordinary farmers? The vast majority of them none of them will be patricians. Perhaps none of them will be Senators. If any of them have dictatorships it will be over forty or fifty or a hundred acres of the old homestead. What these men want is grace, to keep their patience while plowing with balky oxen, and to keep cheerful amid the drouth that destroys the corn crop, and that enables them to restore the garden the day after the neighbor's cattle have broken in and trampled out the strawberry bed, and gone through the Lima bean patch, and eaten up the sweet corn in such large quantities that they must be kept from the water lest they swell up and die.

Grace in enabling weather that enables them, without impatience, to spread out the hay the third time, although again, and again, and again, it has been almost ready for tossing. A grace to doctor the hay with hollow horn, and the sheep with tobacco, and the horses with the distemper, and to expend unwilling acres of ploughed in for the family, and weeding out the children and little extras to buy the children in Christmas, and something for the daughter's wedding outfit, and a little surplus for the time when the ankles will get stiff with age, and the speed will be a little short, and the whitening of the grain the night the hot harvest flood will bring on the old man's rheumatism. Better so, as we have sought to do, the circumstances under which He ordered those words, we will miss much of their force. He was, humanly speaking, weary and heavy laden because of the unbelief and ingratitude of those He sought to help and He found His rest in the will of God and His meek acceptance of the same, manifested in His "Yes, My Father." Mr. Spurgeon used to say that he saw in this verse a great proof of our Lord's divinity, for when he tried to comfort even a few heavy laden ones in his congregation, he soon found himself getting burdened, so that anyone who could give rest to all the heavy laden of earth must be none other than God Himself.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 27.

Lesson Text: "Warning and Invitation," Matt. xi., 20-30—Golden Text: Matt. xi., 28—Commentary on the Day's Lesson Written by Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

20. "Then began He to upbraid the cities wherein most of His mighty works were done, because they repented not." Before He chose the twelve He had been about all the cities and villages teaching, preaching and healing, and after He had chosen and instructed them He continued to teach and preach in their cities (chapters ix., 35; xi., 1). He never seemed to rest except when He had to because night had come, but even then He sometimes spent the night in prayer. Being anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power He went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil, for God was with Him (Acts x., 38). God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance (II Pet. iii., 9). Even the awful judgments of the period of the great tribulation will be poured out in order that men may repent, according to Rev. ix., 20, 21; xvi., 9, 11, 21, 24. It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon, for Sodom and Gomorrah, than for the cities in which He had done His mighty works. The people of Nineveh and the Queen of Sheba shall condemn those who heard a greater than Jonah or Solomon, yet repented not (chapter xii., 41, 42). But when will this be? He answers at the day of judgment, and He knows, for He is the appointed Judge. "God commandeth all men everywhere to repent, because he has appointed a day in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by the man whom He hath ordained, whereof He hath given assurance unto all men in that He hath raised Him from the dead" (Acts xvii., 30, 31). Not only will every one of us give account of himself to God, but God will bring every work into judgment with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil. Every idle word that men shall speak they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment (Rom. xiv., 12; Eccl., xii., 14; Matth. xii., 36). Let us not think of a so-called general judgment day when all who have ever lived from Adam to the kingdom shall appear at one grand assize, but rather let us get the mind of God, which is briefly this: All who are saved by Jesus' blood can see Only Calvary that the judgment for their sins is past (Isa. xliii., 25; John v., 24), but all saved ones must appear at the judgment seat of Christ that their service as such may be tried with the possibility of loss or approval (Rom. xiv., 10; II Cor. v., 10; I Cor. iii., 14, 15).

25. "At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes." Thank God for all the babes who are willing to believe every word their Heavenly Father tells them. The wise and prudent in their own estimation must continue to walk in the light of their own fire and in the sparks that they have kindled (Isa. l., 11), because they are too wise to accept God's teaching. The world by its wisdom knows not God (I Cor. i., 21).

26. "Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Thy sight." In the French this verse reads, "Yes, My Father, this is so, because that Thou hast found it good." We must remember that the words "at that time" of the last verse direct us to the time when servants were doubting, Israel mocking and men despising. They had called Him a glutton and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. Even John the Baptist in his lonely prison seemed to be listening to satan's doubts (do not condemn him till you have tried to put yourself in his place), and under all these and many worse as the time of His awful agony drew nigh He was content to have it so, if only the Father might be glorified in Him.

27. "All things are delivered unto Me of My Father, and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father. Neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal Him." The Father loveth the Son and hath given all things into His hand (John iii., 35). It makes us think of the words of Abraham's servant concerning the only son, "Unto him hath he given all that he hath" (Gen. xxiv., 36). No one but the Father in heaven understood fully the Son of God, and no one but the Son knows the Father or can make Him known. If therefore you would know God, it must be by knowing Christ, for His words still hold good, still that hath seen Me hath seen the Father" (John xiv., 9). "All things" include all power in heaven and on earth" Matth. xxviii., 18), power over all enemies, so that He need not have submitted to a single thing unless He chose to.

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From the New Era, Coppersburg, Ind.

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Squire John Castor, of Newpoint, Ind., is the narrator, and an honest, respected citizen he is too. He said: "I have been troubled with rheumatism in all my joints ever since I went to the war. It was brought on by my exposure there. It came on me gradually, and kept getting worse until I was unable to do any work. I tried several physicians, but they did me no good. They said my trouble was rheumatism resulting in disease of the heart, and that there was no cure for it. Nevertheless I had lived and fought the disease for thirty years, and did not intend to die simply because they said I must, so I

I Want to Survive to That.

hunted up some remedies for myself, and finally happened on Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I asked some of my neighbors about the medicine, for it had been used by several persons in the community, and they recommended it very highly. I procured a box. The pills helped me right away, and I continued taking them. I commenced taking them last fall, and finished taking the sixth box a few months ago. I am not bothered with the rheumatism now—the medicine has cured me. I can most certainly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People."

These pills are not only good for rheumatism, but are valuable for any disease that arises from impoverished, or bad blood. They do not act on the bowels.

WHAT "BOB TAYLOR," . . . GOV. OF TENN., SAYS:

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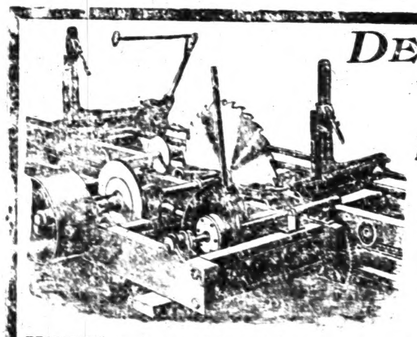

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About 1500 feet and a construction train are now employed on the work. The dirt is being taken from the cutting, which will give a clear view through, and do away with the old curve. The cost of the work is estimated at $7,000.

In Memory of Mr M J Askew

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Jan. 25, 1897.

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...Mr. W. L. Sampey's warehouse ...will be moved back from its present ...position to above the new track, ...and the freight platform will be ex... ...about 100 feet to the south, ...affording ample facility to conveniently handle all the business.

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REPUBLICAN MEETINGS.

A meeting of the Republican party of Chilton county was held at the New Convert church last Saturday. About one hundred and fifty were present. Resolutions were passed endorsing Hon. W. F. Aldrich and promising him their hearty support in the future. Also, resolutions were passed pledging the aid of the party to the Populist candidates in the county campaign.

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The following is taken from the columns of the Age-Herald. Our information is four white men and about twenty negroes were present.

At the conventon of the Chilton county republicans, held at this place today, delegates were elected to the state and district conventions, and H. A. Wilson was re-elected chairman of the county executive committee.

Resolutions were adopted instructing the delegates to vote as a unit against fusion with the populists in the coming election.

The delegates were further instrucied to vote against any and all candidates who may offer for any office who favor a co-operation or fusion with or between the republican or populist parties or any other free silver element. They are also instructed not to vote for candidates for any position until all such candidates have first announced publicly that they are opposed to such alliances as hereinbefore stated, and that they will exert their efforts to prevent such alliances.

For a failure to comply with the instructions in every particular delegates will be debarred from participating in the republican counsels and conventions of this county.

A resolution was also adopted condemning the administration for appointing populists to office in the Fourth congressional district.

In reference to W. F. Aldrich, the present representative in congress, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, W. F. Aldrsch, who misrepresents the Fourth congressional district in congress, is the populist party's nominee and is not a republican by the voice of the republicans of Chilton county; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the delegates elected by this convention to the district convention are hereby instructed to exert every effort in their power to prevent W. F. Aldrich or any other populist from being indorsed in any manner by a republican convention."

Resolutions were also adopted commending President McKinley for his stand in the Cuban situation.

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LA GRIPPE

Mistak n for Consumption—Given Up to Die.

To some people the mention of la grippe calls forth a smile. They are the people who have never had it. Any one who has ever had even the slightest touch of la grippe knows well the complete misery for the time being, but unless properly treated its sequella follow it month after month until the patient despairs of ever getting well again. Peruna is the remedy for all such cases. Mrs. Lou Davis, Fayetteville, Tenn., writes as follows: "I was afflicted with a disease commonly known as la grippe; the doctors said I had consumption. I had a dreadful cough and could not sleep at night. I was advised by a friend to try Peruna. I got one bottle, and the second night my cough stopped. I took ten bottles, and I will say that I believe I would be a dead woman now if it had not been for Peruna. I recommend Peruna to all those who suffer with la grippe."

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Died on the 18th of February, Mr. Leroy Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Campbell, after a very brief illness, of pneumonia. He died almost suddenly of heart failure and congestion of the lungs. He was a young man well known and loved throughout the State. He was formerly of this county, but died in Sumter county, Ala. His honesty and integrity was fast bringing him to the front as a railroad man. He leaves a wife and two children, father and mother, brother and two sisters, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss.

We tender our sympathies to the relatives and friends, and may the blessings of the great and eternal good that does all things well, be with us all until we meet on the evergreen shore. J. B. N.

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This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. Sold by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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Pratt City, Ala., Feby. 26 1898

Editor BANNER: Dear Sir. I am a subscriber to the Banner, and always enjoy reading its newsy columns. I was only a few moments ago, reading of the death of Mr. Leroy Campbell and Jules Williams, two devoted Christians, who had spent a life in service for God and now they have gone to reap the reward for them in God's mansion above. I trust that the parents, brothers, sisters, relatives, friends and readers will profit by the death of those dear ones who, have passed from this earth in peace with God. Remember we all, in the near future, for life is short and death is sure, must give account of the deeds done in the body, before the judgment bar of God. Jesus says my yoke is easy and my burden is light, and invite all to take upon them this yoke. (Matthew 11 chap.) All things are easy for Christ's sake. God in his mercy and wisdom has taken these loved ones to Heaven, and spared you that your heart might be turned to Heaven where your treasure is. Your treasure is in Heaven, even Jesus Will you look to Him and be saved.

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I have been afflicted with rheumatism for fourteen years and nothing seemed to give any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned.—Josh. Edgar, Germantown, Cal. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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MARRIED.

Married, last Thursday evening, Mr. J. I. Hall and Miss Ella Pyron, Rev. L. B. Pounds performing the ceremony at the Court House. We wish the happy couple many years together full of joy and prosperity.

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Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. Stanfield & Matthews.

Turn-Round Topics.

A cold snap, but no serious damage done.

H. Kendrick is at present some better, while Mr. Norris stays about the same. Mrs. Goss is also better, and E. L. Jones was taken with a high fever Friday and is now better.

Mrs. F. M. Connell jr. after a short stay with home-folks here returned home Thursday to Cross Roads.

Uncle Joel Gulledge, of Verbena, was again a pleasant visitor to H. Kendrick Friday.

J. W. Pattillo went to Mardi Gras, stayed three days and reports a good old time.

W. W. Wadsworth, of Wadsworth, was a visitor to H. Kendrick Friday.

Several of our young men attended church ac Friendship Sunday.

After an extended visit to relatives here Miss Emma Mims, formerly of Shelby, left Friday morning for Prattville, her future home, accompanied by her father who came after her. Miss Emma will be greatly missed in this community and am sorry to say she left some sad hearts behind.

Rumor says there was a brilliant wedding close by last week, and as I know not the particulars, can only say I wish this couple all possible joy and happiness.

Some of us expect to attend the school concert at Lightwood Wednesday night.

What has become of "Mamma's Pet?" I long to see some more pieces from her.

With these remarks, will say au revoir.

WALTER.

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Rev. E. Edwards, pastor of the English Baptist Church at Minersville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any sufferer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me." For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CALL

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Clanton, Ala., Feb. 22, 98.

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A few moments ago, Mr. Beard, Evelyn, of Wetumka, Miss [illegible] all of which were [illegible] Her sufferings were [illegible] Pain Balm. The first [illegible] Chamberlain's Pain Balm [illegible] J. S. Johnson, jr. For sale by [illegible] jr. druggist.

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Clanton Locals.

The monthly literary meeting of the Junior League will be held at the residence of Mr. John Garner, on Saturday evening beginning at 7:30 o'clock, under the management of the vice-pres. of that department Miss Lota Smith.

Planters CUBAN RELIEF cures Colic, Neuralgia and Toothache in five minutes. Sour Stomach and Summer Complaints. Price, 25 Cents.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by I.L. Beard to the undersigned Emily Hughes, on the 24th day of July, 1895, I. Emily Hughes, the said Mortgagee, will on the

4th DAY OF APRIL, 1898,

proceed to sell, in front of the Court House door at Clanton, Alabama, at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being situate in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, to wit:

The SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 31, Township 21, Range 16.

The said mortgage, under which this sale is made, is recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, in book 36 of mortgages at pages 193 and 194. The above sale made for the purpose of satisfying the mortgage debt and the expenses of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in six several mortgages executed to the undersigned Emily Hughes by Sallie M. Hanlin and her husband, J. M. Hanlin, on the eighth day of July, 1895, which said mortgages are recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, Alabama, in book 36 of Mortgages at pages 172, 173, 174, 168, 169, 164, 165, 162, 163, 166, 167, 170, 171, I, the said Emily Hughes, the said mortgagee, will proceed to sell on the 4th day of April, 1898 in front of the court house door at Clanton, Alabama, at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash the following described land or real estate lying and being situate in the county of Chilton in the state of Alabama to wit: The southeast fourth of south west fourth of section number thirty-one, township twenty-one, range sixteen, less two acres on the northern side, sold to Alfred Bethea. The above sale is made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage debt and the costs expenses and attorneys fees of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Notice to Non Resident.

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Final Proof Notice.

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Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., [illegible]

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[illegible] Kendrick, R. L. Mann, G. B. J. Goss, Tom Parish, all of Clanton, Ala.

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DEAR SIR—Five years ago I was working on a farm getting $10.00 per year. I took a course in Telegraphy [illegible] entered the Atlanta office as telegrapher and operator, [illegible] the Ala. Gt. So. R. R. From that day to this my wages [illegible] and I am [illegible] at present receive $2,000.00 per year. J. E. CLAY.

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CLANTON, - ALABAMA

The 79,000,000 pounds of tea imported into the United States in ten months had an average value of only 13 cents per pound. What a lot of refuse stuff there must be considering the average price farmers are obliged to pay over the retail counter, exclaims the New England Homestead.

Ex-Governor Morrill of Kansas once said, that his ambition was to create in Kansas the largest orchard in the world and leave it as a monument to his memory. That hope is about to be realized, as he has turned his farm over to a man with the stipulation that 65,000 fruit trees, mostly apples, are to be planted there.

For the benefit of a conductor who had suffered an accident which endangered his earning ability, the Consolidated Electric Railway Company of Santa Barbara, Cal., gave the gross receipts of its line for one day while he was in the hospital. The case appealed to his fellow workmen and the public, as he had been a faithful employe and was the sole support of his mother. The other employes of the company on the same day gave their day's earnings to him, and patrons of the road and conductors ring up sums ranging as high as $20. The car receipts amounted to $327.05.

Lord Charles Beresford has been making some plain speeches in London. He declared the other day that the boys who robbed orchards and were generally mischievous and bad made the best soldiers when they grew up, and later, at a banquet, he said that money was everything in England. It would buy access to what is known as the very best society; and let anybody go to England with enough money, no matter whether it had been gained honorably or disgracefully, there was no door which he could not hope to enter. He proclaimed the ruin of the country unless the dominion of money was overthrown.

The retirement of the Rev. Dr. John Hall from the active pastorate of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church has excited widespread interest among members of all the religious denominations, says the New York Sun. "Dr. Hall has long been regarded as one of the conspicuously representative men of the metropolis. The qualities that have raised him to his present eminence are well known. Perhaps the most distinguished one is his manliness. Although he could not be described as a brilliant preacher, there was always a strong personality behind his spoken word, and this made him effective at all times. Although a Presbyterian, a most democratic of church bodies, Dr. Hall has taken precedence over his brethren of the Presbyterian ministry. There was a real truth in the humorous description of him as the Presbyterian Bishop of New York."

Says the New York Post: "Medical circles are inclined to pooh-pooh the reported discovery of the sex secret by Dr. Samuel Schenk, professor in the Vienna university. Nevertheless it is exciting wide interest, in view of Dr. Schenk's position as an embryologist and the importance attached to the announcement even by the Austrian government. The professor, so far, has only stated that for many years his experiments were limited to the lower animals, that by a system of nourishing the female he produced a disposition to bring into the world male young only, but that recently, by advising wives what food to take, boys or girls had been born just as desired. This disposition, however, when established cannot be changed. The offspring of the same parents henceforth will be all males. Professor Ohlshausen, the well known gynecologist, thinks the whole thing impossible, also Professor V. holds to the same opinion.

Limbless From Birth.

A strange sight was witnessed recently in the Southwestern police court. An elderly man, armless and legless, was carried into the witness box by a policeman, who held him as though he were a baby, while he made an application to the magistrate for an extension of time under an ejectment order from the court. Mr. Marsham asked him how he came to be so afflicted, to which the helpless man replied that he was born so. He got his living by making beaded ornaments with his mouth. His Worship allowed him a few additional days to find fresh accommodations.—London Daily Mail.

Ex-Consul General Insigli is to keep books during his term in prison. That is hard labor, for those who find it difficult.

NEWS OF OUR COMMONWEALTH.

IMPORTANT REPORT FROM THE STATE TREASURER SHOWING A CASH BALANCE OF NEARLY $500,000.

Birmingham's Mardi Gras a Success—Negroes in Conference Urged to Ambition—The Governor Wants War—A Town to Be Resurrected—Cattle Shipments—Brief Summary.

REPORT FROM STATE TREASURER

Shows a Cash Balance of Nearly Half a Million Dollars.

The state treasurer made a very important report to the governor Thursday, showing the condition of the treasury at the close of business on February 23 of each year from 1894 to 1898.

The report shows on the 23d of February, 1894, a cash balance on hand in the treasury of $189,539.37; for 1895, balance of $154,618.87; for 1896, balance of $242,115.71; for 1897, balance of $217,459.95; for 1898, balance of $424,130.50.

Governor Johnston, when interviewed as to the cause of the increase, would say but little, but mentioned that the sum of $60,000 had been saved in the management of the convict department alone, and in other branches of the state department at least $50,000 had been saved in the state's expenses. The prompt collection of the taxes of the state, the tax commissioners and the state public examiners of accounts all had their influence in adding to the grand total of increase in the state's revenue.

WILL TRY IT AGAIN.

Birmingham Decides to Have Another Carnival in 1899.

Birmingham will have another carnival in 1899. It was so decided at the annual meeting of the Birmingham carnival society. The reports of the society showed its affairs to be in excellent condition. The big deficit of last year has been wiped out and the society now owes the nominal sum of $288. The carnival this year was a big success both in point of attendance and financially. The old officers were re-elected with Emil Lesser as president, and Louis Braun as secretary.

The Governor Wants War.

Answering the queries of a non-resident newspaper, Governor Johnston has wired this pithy statement over his signature:

"I am unable to express an opinion as to the cause of the disaster of the Maine. The report of the board will doubtless settle that question, and our government should depart from its timid policy and promptly take steps to maintain the dignity of the country. Some things are more to be dreaded than war, and one is a policy that brings contempt upon the flag of the country. There should be prompt recognition of Cuban belligerency without regard to the Maine disaster. Every day brings me letters from confederate officers tendering their services in case of war.

A Town to Be Resurrected.

The recent deal, whereby the property of the old Ensley Land company was transferred to the new Ensley company will result in the resurrection of the town of Ensley, which has lain dormant since the days of the boom. The surveyors have already begun work and in a short time 230 acres situated just east of Ensley City will be laid off into plats. Extensive manufacturing plants are to be erected, among the first a $25,000 brick works, employing 100 hands. The founders of the new town are under contract to build three other big industrial plants. These industries will consist of a big iron foundry, a planing mill and a complete machine shop.

Arranging for the Sunday Schools.

Arrangements are being made for the meeting in Birmingham on May 13 of the State Sabbath school association. The purpose of the organization is to promote the observance of the Sabbath day. The movement was commended by the Alabama Methodist Conference at its last meeting.

The Governor's Clemency.

Governor Johnston announced the following pardons Friday:

Alf McIntosh, Ed and Lee Ramsey, L. J. and H. Bonner and I. George, all of Wilcox county, convicted last fall and sentenced for one year for receiving stolen property.

Gerald Crenshaw, of Perry county, convicted last fall of having given liquor to a minor and sentenced for one year.

Ed Simpson, of Bullock county, sentenced three years ago for four and one-half years for grand larceny.

George Willingham, of Coosa, convicted of burglary five years ago and sentenced for six years.

Will Adams, of Jefferson, convicted of larceny.

McClure's Opinion of Alabama.

In response to an invitation from the chamber of commerce of Huntsville to Hon. A. K. McClure, the distinguished editor of the Philadelphia Times, he writes the secretary: "I expect to be south some time after the middle of March and will certainly visit your city, and will be glad to deliver a brief address relating solely to the material interests of your state. There never was such an opportunity for any commonwealth to advance her interests as is now presented for Alabama. It is the most inviting state for capital there is in the union."

URGE THEM TO AMBITION.

Colored Leaders Give Some Facts and Advice to Negroes.

At the seventh annual negro conference held in the Normal school pavilion at Tuskegee, about 2,000 colored farmers, representing nearly every Southern state, were present.

Booker T. Washington presided.

To encourage gardening, a free package of seeds was given to everyone present.

The result of the conference was the unanimous adoption of the following resolutions:

"Wherever our people have been reached by outside influence we believe there is constant growth in acquiring education, building schoolhouses, extending the school term, developing Christian character, improving and purifying the ministry, securing land, diversifying crops, getting out of debt, and living more economically.

"Since 83 per cent of our people in the Gulf states live by agriculture, we strongly urge that along with other forms of education, special stress be laid upon training in agriculture. We earnestly urge upon all to buy land, if only in small tracts, while it can be secured at a low price.

"We believe the annual holding of county fairs would prove most helpful.

"We strongly beseech our people not to be satisfied with their present condition, but to reach forward to something higher and better."

Cattle Shipments.

Alabama cattle are still going to the feeding grounds in Indian Territory, where they are prepared for slaughter at the packing houses. The Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad shipped out seventeen cars Friday. The quarantine limit was extended to March 1, after which time the business, except for points above the quarantine line, will cease. It is believed that shipments for the year will reach 40,000 head.

A Commendable Undertaking.

A chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy is being organized in Athens by a number of the ladies of the town. They have undertaken the work to secure money with which to erect a monument to the unknown Confederate dead who are buried at that place.

Lauderdale Will Organize.

Judge J. J. Mitchell, member of the executive committee of the State Agricultural Society, has issued a call to the farmers of Lauderdale county, requesting them to meet at Florence, March 7, for the purpose of forming a county agricultural society.

New Handle Factory.

The Gurley Handle company has been organized to manufacture all kinds of hickory handles.

Thread Mill at Athens.

A movement is under way to build a $25,000 thread mill at Athens. Only local capitalists are interested.

Will Build a Church.

The Christian congregation at Gurley have purchased a lot and will build a church at once.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The annual encampment of the G. A. R. will meet in Decatur, March 4.

Frank Washburn, who killed a negro last year at Selma, has been sentenced to twenty years imprisonment.

Hon. Hannis Taylor, ex-minister to Spain, has announced himself a candidate for congress from the First district.

Pleas Ferrell, colored, was shot and instantly killed near Montgomery last week. Nat Waller has been arrested for the crime.

Bill Scott, the negro who murdered three of the Singley family near Greensboro some time ago, was hanged for the crime Friday.

J. M. Brooks & Co., of Evergreen, made a general assignment Friday to F. L. Hickox. The liabilities are estimated at $6,000, and assets $5,000.

The state executive committee of the republican party will meet in Birmingham between the middle and last of next month for the purpose of calling a state convention.

A white man supposed to be P. M. Bolver, of Alabama City, was run over and killed by a switch engine on the Alabama Great Southern road between Attalla and Gadsden.

Assistant Examiner Foster's report on the books and accounts of A. J. Esslinger, ex-tax collector of Madison county, shows that he failed to include the raises of tax valuations during the year 1893, and is consequently due the state $559.36.

Ed Spencer, a negro, died at Florence from the effects of a lot of whisky drunk a few nights ago. Spencer, in company with a lot of other negroes, drank whisky on a bet as to which could stand the larger number of drinks, and gulped down twenty-six drinks before he left the bar.

DEATH IN THE FLAMES.

Fearful Conflagration in Charleston, S. C., in Which Nine Lives Are Lost.

Nine lives were lost in a fearful fire which raged for a short while in Charleston, S. C., Saturday morning. At 2:30 o'clock a policeman on duty noticed big sparks flying from a tenement house on Church street. The officer found that a blaze was issuing from one of the windows on the first floor. Somebody yelled that a family of women were sleeping on the third floor. The police rushed up stairs and when they reached the top story the life saving work was stopped by the flames. Screams from dying women were heard and officers rushed in and pulled out three charred bodies.

The quick work of the fire department checked the fire and it was soon under control, but not until the lives on the third story had been lost. The dead are:

Mrs. Rebecca Knickemyer, Albert O'Neal, Caswell O'Neal, Josephine Knickemyer, 17 years of age; Katie Knickemyer, 16 years of age; Leonora Knickemyer, 9 years of age; Frances Knickemyer, 7 years of age; a baby of Mrs. Knickemyer, one month old; Lillie Knickemyer, 3 years old.

NO SUBMARINE MINES EXIST

In Havana Harbor, Says Senor Du Bose, the Spanish Representative.

In view of the widely-published report that the harbor at Havana contains a system of submarine mines, a statement around which has centered the chief public interest in connection with the disaster of the battleship Maine, Senor du Bose, Spanish charge d'affaires at Washington, has made to the Associated Press the following statement, which, coming from such authority, may be considered as an official denial:

"I wish to state on my own official knowledge that no mine exists inside or outside of Havana harbor; nor is there any submarine defense of any kind. The report is so absolutely false and ridiculous that it could only have originated in the minds of those persons anxious to incite the evil passions of both nations for their own miserable ends. I consider the very suggestion of such a thing an insult to Spain."

READY TO LAND TROOPS.

The Plant System Has Arranged to Transport Arms and Men to Cuba.

A special from Tampa, Fla., says: Although the officials of the company have not said so publicly, nearly everybody here understands that the Plant system has completed arrangements for the transportation of troops and munitions of war to Havana on short notice. All of their ships have been placed in condition for emergencies. Should war be declared it is said that they have perfected plans to land a large body of troops in Havana within thirty-six hours after their arrival at this place. Troops can be transported from Washington and New York to this port in from twenty-four to thirty hours. The company has also made arrangements, it is understood, to land promptly men and arms at Key West and all strategic points on the coast of Florida and at Mobile.

SPANIARDS WANT WAR.

The Government Is Urged to Prepare to Strike the First Blow.

London—According to a special dispatch from Madrid, reports received there from the United States to the effect that public opinion in the latter country is becoming more excited, owing to the impression that the loss of the Maine was not due to an accident, are "resfirring popular feeling here (in Madrid), and the conviction increasing in ministerial circles that the worst must be expected."

Continuing, the special dispatch says: "The government has no choice if the United States adopts a threatening attitude, for the prospect of war is popular with all parties, and the more excitable newspapers are already urging the government to take measures to enable Spain to strike the first and decisive blow."

President of Costa Rica Looks for War.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from Panama says: Advices received from Costa Rica state that at a banquet given Sunday night President Iglesias, in a speech, said the situation between Costa Rica and Nicaragua was such now that war was inevitable.

SPANISH STATESMEN AMAZED

At the Very Idea of Consenting to Sell Cuba.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Standard says:

Spanish statesmen of every shade of opinion are simply amazed and indignant at the idea that Spain would ever consent to sell Cuba. The suggestion would expose the monarchy to an irresistible movement of popular feeling, shared by the army and navy.

From a financier's view point, it is equally impossible, because the price suggested would not half cover the Cuban debt, which is almost entirely held by Spaniards.

Tobacco Plant Burned.

The mammoth plant of the Louisville branch of the American Tobacco Company was destroyed by fire Friday, entailing a loss of $250,000, fully covered by insurance. Fourteen hundred men, women and children are thrown out of work.

Big Steamer Missing.

Up to Friday the overdue French liner La Champagne from Havre to New York had not been sighted, nor had anything been heard of her. She should have arrived last Sunday.

OUTSIDE MEANS WERE USED

In Blowing Up the Maine Will Be the Report of the Board.

SURE THAT A MINE DID THE WORK.

Officials Figuring on the Cost of a Brush With Spain—Demand For Indemnity Equal to a Declaration of War—Torpedo Theory Established.

A special from Key West says: From all the testimony taken before the court of inquiry investigating the disaster to the Maine, there is, in the opinion of members of the board, but one conclusion to be reached, and that is, that the Maine was destroyed by external means. This will practically be the tenor of the report sent to the navy department.

Sure a Mine Did the Work.

A copyrighted cablegram to the Evening World, from Sylvester Scovel at Havana, says: "It is now absolutely certain that the battleship Maine was blown up by outside agencies. Divers working forward Saturday found absolute proof that the forward magazine, which alone could have so damaged the ship, was surely unexploded.

"Many divers were sworn today in the investigation of the board. There is no longer any doubt of finding the bottom plates blown up, and which show four feet above water.

"It is now believed by experts that a big torpedo or mine, aided by 500 pounds of saluting powder in the reserve magazine next to the big magazine, might have produced the actual results, both as regards extent and direction found in the wreck.

"Collapsed powder casks, found about the magazine, have hexagonal marks in the thin copper where the external pressure forced the hexagons into contact with the copper."

Figuring on the Cost of War.

It is figured that a war with Spain will cost not to exceed $75,000,000, of which no inconsiderable portion would be a permanent investment in the way of arms, equipment and fortifications. It might be much less, for the chances are favorable of Spain surrendering at the first blow. The United States has lost $300,000,000 already from the Cuban revolution. The shrinkage of values on the New York stock exchange alone present a total larger than the bill to be footed for the coming war.

A new danger confronts the administration. Letters are pouring in upon congress at the rate of 15,000 a day, and the number is increasing at an unparalleled rate, demanding a settlement of the Cuban question. The president has been advised for months that the next house of representatives is surely lost to the republican party if his policy fails to satisfy the country in his matter of the Maine and Cuba. The strain of the great crisis is telling heavily upon three of the most important factors of the situation.

Equivalent to Declaration of War.

The demand for indemnity, it is agreed in the state and navy departments, is equivalent to a declaration of war. Spain is not expected to accede to any such demand. The proposition is counted upon to create disturbance in Madrid and Havana. It is likely the navy department will enforce the demand by placing its ships in Cuban waters. Everybody in the state or navy department is willing to accept the demand for indemnity as another form of declaring war, and will be prepared to back up the demand in much the same manner as if congress actually came out in belligerent attitude toward the government at Madrid. The amount of indemnity, it is expected, will be in the neighborhood of $10,000,000. This is the estimate in the state department on the liberal basis that the lives lost in the disaster are each represented by the sum of $5,000, an amount stipulated by the civil service of this country as the legal value of a human life.

Conclusively Established.

The story of the finding of a ten-inch unexploded copper cylinder in the wreck of the Maine has been found correct.

MORE TORPEDO BOATS WANTED.

Naval Officers Urge the Strengthening of the Naval Militia.

A delegation of officers of the Naval Reserve of several of the Eastern states, headed by Captain Miller, of New York Naval Militia, and Commander Anderson, of Maryland, appeared before the naval committee of the house Friday to urge favorable action upon the bill introduced by Representative Bull, of Rhode Island, to increase the strength of the naval militia. The bill provides for the construction of twenty torpedo boats of 150 tons each, at a cost not exceeding $2,500,000, for the use of the naval militia.

Relief for Wounded Sailors.

Representative Boutelle, of Maine, chairman of the house committee on naval affairs, has introduced a bill providing for the relief of the victims of the United States battleship Maine. It follows generally the lines of the Samoan disaster relief bill of 1890, and is the result of several days' conference in committee and embodies the views of the administration. The bill carries $167,000.

A decree has been issued at Madrid dissolving the Spanish cortes.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS

Simon Lazard, founder of the banking house of Lazard Freres, in Paris, is dead.

A. A. Hoxey, a traveling salesman of Philadelphia, committed suicide in St. Louis.

Mayor Carter H. Harrison, [illegible] was nominated for the fifth time for mayor of Chicago.

The Rev. [illegible] Brownlow, [illegible] Baptist leader, is dead.

William Stewart, [illegible] L. & N. R. R. was [illegible] injured in a wreck.

The president has appointed [illegible] T. Bowen consul to Cuba.

The post office at Dale [illegible] was robbed of [illegible] taken. There is [illegible] who robbed the office.

Gen. W. B. Sayre, [illegible] chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs, has been [illegible] Governor of Cuba.

There has been a statement of the condition of the treasury which shows a cash balance of $[illegible] reserve, $107,201,737.

The Bank of South Bethany, Del., has failed. Liabilities are $170,000; assets, $120,000. Most of the depositors are poor people.

A fire in Dyersburg, Tenn., destroyed the plant of the Stivers Lumber Co. and twenty or forty [illegible] houses, causing a loss of $250,000.

A reward of $2,000 has been issued by the postoffice authorities for the arrest of each party connected with the Dalton, Ga., postoffice robbery.

Ex-President Casimir Perier, of France, in an interview with a New York Journal representative, says that France will not interfere in case of war between Spain and the United States.

The tenth annual session of the Sons of Veterans of Alabama and Tennessee, which convened in Knoxville the past week, have offered their services to the government in case of war with Spain.

Past Assistant Surgeon T. B. Bailey, U. S. N., was found dead in his room last week at the Albany hotel under conditions that lead to the belief that he had committed suicide by taking cocaine.

Walter Fawkner, an employe of Kelley's saw mill at Jell, had his skull crushed Friday while operating a circular saw. A block was thrown from the saw and struck him on the head, inflicting a fatal wound.

General Samuel Beck, adjutant general of the army, will be retired on account of age, and it is altogether probable that his successor will be Colonel Henry T. Corbin, who is in direct line for promotion.

During a gale the past week the British steamer Asia struck on Great Round Shoal, off Nantucket, and went to pieces. Eighteen of the crew perished. The remaining three were picked up by a passing vessel.

Thirteen miles south of Waycross, Ga., a passenger train on the Plant system accidently stopped on a burning trestle, when three of the coaches immediately caught fire. Only one life was lost in the accident a Mrs. Horton, of Yonkers, N. Y., was killed.

The postoffice department has directed Inspector Williams at Chattanooga, Tenn., to detail another inspector to proceed to Lake City, S. C., and assist Mr. Moye to conduct the investigation into the murder of the postmaster, Baker, and the burning of the postoffice.

The United States cruiser Minneapolis was successfully floated out of the dry dock at the League Island navy yard, Philadelphia, Friday. The Minneapolis has been in dry dock since last December, partly to avoid the ice in the river and also to have necessary repairs made on her bottom.

At Lynchburg, Tenn., the still of Jack Daniels was seized by government officials. The warehouse contains 3,500 barrels of whisky. The charges against Daniels are the illegal removal of whisky and the reuse of stamps. In taxes to the government this distillery pays about $100,000 annually. No arrests have been reported.

The Spanish cruiser Vizcaya, after spending a week in the port at New York on a friendly visit to the United States, got up anchor Friday afternoon and started to sea. Her destination is Havana.

Captain Wilhelmsen, of the Norwegian bark Hetman, which has arrived at quarantine at Pensacola from Para, Brazil, reports that while the vessel was at Para he sent six of his crew at one time to the hospital. They were all suffering with yellow fever, and two of them died in the hospital. The remaining six had just recuperated from an attack in Norway and were making a cruise with her father.

Ex-Candidate Jones, Limited.

Sam Jones has announced his retirement from the race for governor of Georgia, and declares he is in favor of Allen D. Candler. He says: "I never was a candidate up till last Saturday, and I have really enjoyed it, though I never ran for office in my life and never shall. Now I must take up my life's work again. After this you must address me and write of me as ex-Candidate Jones, limited."

Colonel J. C. Clark has resigned the presidency of the Mobile and Ohio railroad.

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M'KINLEY GIVING EARNEST ATTENTION.

Campos, Former Captain-General of Cuba, Predicts the Breaking Out of Hostilities Between Spain and the United States May Begin in April.

A special to the Age-Herald from Key West West Monday night says:

The fleet here, made up of the New York, Iowa, Marblehead, Montgomery, Nashville, Cushing and Ericson, as well as the three battleships, Indiana, Texas and Massachusetts, now at Dry Tortugas, at three o'clock this afternoon received orders to hold themselves in readiness to start for Havana at the tap of the drum.

The orders came from Long, in Washington, to Admiral Sicard, and are said to be based on information wired from Havana by the captain of the Bache, United States coast survey boat, which left Key West for Havana yesterday.

M'KINLEY'S ATTITUDE.

He Is Giving Careful and Earnest Consideration to the Situation.

A member of the cabinet, in speaking of the president's attitude on the question of a war with Spain, says:

"President McKinley is giving careful and earnest consideration to every phase of the Cuban situation as it appears, but he will not be jingoed into war or act in anticipation of events which may never occur.

"He fully realizes what war means, and will not go to this last direful extremity without the approval of his conscience and a firm conviction that such a course would be right in the sight of God and of man. But whenever the honor and integrity of the nation or its people become involved the president may be depended upon to do his whole duty and to do it promptly."

CAMPOS PREDICTS WAR.

Is of the Opinion That Hostilities Will Break Out in April.

A former captain-general of Cuba, presumably Marshal Martinez Campos, interviewed by a representative of Correspondencia Militar, at Madrid, is reported as saying:

"I never entertained a doubt that if the rebellion was not suppressed before 1898 war with the United States would become an accomplished fact. Unhappily, my prophecy will be fulfilled.

"I have the consolation of having done all in my power to avert it, and therefore I do not regret the blame which has been heaped upon me. All that is now possible is that we should unite to meet the danger that threatens the country."

Predicts Hostilities in April.

The Correspondencia Militar, organ of the Spanish army, says:

"The prevailing impression is that war between Spain and the United States will break out in April."

Spain Has No Sympathy in England.

The London Daily News, commenting editorially Tuesday morning on the relations between the United States and Spain, says:

"Spain can expect [illegible] general sympathy from England against the United States. Spain's cause in Cuba is [illegible] by the whole of Europe, [illegible] only and mass [illegible] reckless, mischievous and [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] with those who must now [illegible] without any and [illegible] sympathy on our part."

The Standard, in an editorial on the same subject today, highly praises President McKinley's statesmanlike moderation and recognizes that it would be only human nature that proof of the Maine having been blown from the outside should encounter [illegible] in America.

Sir Edward James Reed, the eminent naval expert, writes to the Times this morning expressing the opinion that the Maine could be refloated for little of her cost.

William M. Singerly's Dead.

William M. Singerly died suddenly at his home in Philadelphia Sunday afternoon from heart disease.

William Singerly was proprietor of the Record Publishing Company and president of the Chestnut Street National bank and the Chestnut Street Savings Fund and Trust Company, which recently collapsed. He was a man of affairs, and held during his long business career many positions of trust, political and otherwise.

Mr. Singerly was always an active democrat. In 1894 he was unanimously made the democratic candidate for governor of Pennsylvania, and entered with great energy into the canvass.

Kentucky Will Be Launched.

The battleship Kentucky will be launched at Newport News on March 24. Governor Bradley, of Kentucky, has issued a proclamation requesting the people of that state to show by their patriotic action on that occasion that they are not unmindful of the compliment bestowed on them and the state.

Murdered and Then Cremated.

Lewis Myers was murdered and his body cremated late Saturday night near Knoxville, Tenn.

FOR NATIONAL HONOR.

Gibson Introduces a Bill Appropriating $20,000,000 for Defense.

Representative Gibson of Tennessee introduced a bill Monday in the house appropriating $20,000,000 for the maintenance of national honor and defense.

The bill appropriates the money for the construction, purchase, repair and equipment of such and so many vessels of war, and for the construction and purchase and repair of such and so much material and stores of naval warfare, and for the enlistment and transportation, equipment and subsistence of such and so many sailors, officers and marines and other men as in the judgment of the secretary of the navy the public welfare may require.

PLENTY MONEY IN CASE OF WAR.

Senator Hanna and Other Financiers Will See to That.

The Evening World says Senator Hanna was in conference Saturday with a number of representatives of prominent financial institutions, and he was given to understand by them that the administration could depend on all the money support necessary to carry out any plan of action that might be determined upon. According to the World, a series of bond issues aggregating $500,000,000 was suggested as a possibility, and was acquiesced in by the assembled financiers.

LANDING WAR MATERIAL.

Twenty-Six Carloads of Ammunition for Atlantic Coast Points.

The Watertown arsenal at Boston is now engaged in loading 500,000 pounds of ordnance and other war material destined for points along the Atlantic coast. This material will be transported in twenty-six cars, which have been supplied to the arsenal on orders from Major Riley, by the Fitchburg railroad. The ammunition includes shot and shell for 8-inch, 19-inch and 12-inch rifles and 12-inch mortars.

Reasons for the Preparations for War.

In answer to the question as to what was the meaning of the movement of guns and munitions of war, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt said Monday:

"It merely serves to show that the department does not believe there will be any trouble; but neither does it intend to be caught unprepared if there should be trouble."

Will Go Into Commission.

Orders have been received at the League Island navy yard at Philadelphia to put in commission at once the cruisers Columbia and Minneapolis and the double-turreted monitor Miantonomoh and the ram Katahdin.

Both cruisers have skeleton crews aboard, while the monitor has been lying at her dock for several years and the Katahdin since last winter.

A Division With Lee in Command.

A card in a local newspaper at Middlesboro, Ky., asking ex-Confederates to form a regiment to serve in case of war with Spain, had brought more than enough responses to fill the ranks from Southwest Virginia, East Tennessee and Kentucky. The originator of the idea now contemplates the formation of a division to be commanded by Fitzhugh Lee.

Six Lives Lost by Fire at Sea.

The steamer Legislator, bound from Liverpool to Cuba, was burned at sea. The fire broke out Feb. 13 and burned fiercely for three days, during which time six of the crew were burned to death. The rest of the crew and two passengers were rescued by the fruit steamer Flower Gate and brought to port at Boston, arriving Sunday.

Working Night and Day.

The greatest activity known since the late war is now witnessed at the Watervliet arsenal at Albany, N. Y., and the entire plant is working night and day. Six carloads of projectiles will be shipped to various forts during the present week. Orders have been received to ship all completed guns to the proving grounds at Sandy Hook.

Burned to Death.

Eugene Mills was burned to death at Cleveland, Tenn., Saturday. He was asleep in a boarding house when the building caught fire and he lost his life before he could be rescued.

Hay Trust in the Latest.

One of the largest trusts formed in years has been organized by Chicago men under the name of the American Hay company. The organization when completed will include more than a hundred of the largest buyers and shippers of hay in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. The capital stock is $5,000,000.

Ten Million Men Available.

Acting Secretary of War Meiklejohn has transmitted to congress an abstract of the militia force of the United States. The aggregate is 111,353, and, including the Territories, 114,362. The grand aggregate of men available is 10,501,339.

Bounced the Father.

Father Weber, whose recent declaration at Rondout, N. Y., that in case of war between the United States and Spain it would become the duty of Roman Catholics to fight on the side of Spain has been officially requested to leave the diocese.

An explosion occurred in the Hall chemical laboratory at Kalamazoo, Mich., which wrecked the building, killing ten persons and wounding twelve others.

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

New Business for Dull Season is Unprecedented.

A CHECK IN THE ADVANCE OF WHEAT.

Industrial Production Continues Larger Than Ever—Remarkable Increase in Silk Manufacture—Demand for Iron Products is Heavy.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says in its issue of Saturday:

Foreign possibilities have affected speculation and caused hesitation in some large business operations, possibly accounting in part for a check in the rapid advance of wheat. But industrial production continues larger than ever, a few more works being added to the active list, with a decrease in the number of hands on strike and renewed evidence that the volume of business is larger than in February of any previous year. Nor is there any symptom of a senseless craze based on rising prices. The legitimate export and domestic demand presses closer to the capacity of works, and though there is no flighty advance in any line, in all narrowness of profit is a matter of complaint, new business for this dull season is unprecedented.

Wheat continued its progress upward until 1.08¾ was reached on Monday, but declined 8¾ later as if there were fears that Spain would some how stop British vessels from taking wheat across the water, but the price has advanced about 10 cents since Chicago speculators last took occasion to shake off weak followers and the opportunity for reaction was inviting. There was no abating of foreign demand. The spot price of cotton was not affected.

It is not the season for such improvement in textile manufacture, but the cotton branch has gained by the closing of the strike in one Fall River mill and by the addition of some works at the south.

The woolen manufactures meet many cancellanations, especially in goods sold early without definite price, but is doing more than ever at this season, though new business in the higher grades of worsteds and woolens is not particularly encouraging.

The silk manufacture shows a remarkable increase during the last six months, having imported raw material far in excess of consumption in any previous year and at a rate of 120 per cent. above the imports in the last consus year.

The iron manufacture has more demand for products. No finished products have changed in price, and all are strong in demand excepting bar, which a combination has failed to advance. Some large contracts are reported, especially in car and bridge building, ship and structural work, and the demand for sheets is heavy.

TRIED TO KILL GREECE'S KING.

Shot at the Ruler But Missed Him and Hit the Footman.

An unsuccessful attempt was made Saturday to assassinate King George of Greece. The king was returning from Phaglerum at 5 o'clock in the evening in a landau, accompanied by the Princess Maria, when two men, who were hidden in the ditch alongside the road, opened fire with guns upon the occupants of the carriage.

The first shot missed, but the second wounded a footman in the arm. The coachman whipped up his horses and the royal party dashed away at a gallop. The miscreants fired several more shots after them, none of which took effect, and the king and princess returned to the palace unhurt.

Meeting of Railway Employes.

On March 12, 13 and 14 a mass meeting of representatives of all the organized railroad employes south of the Ohio river will be held in Chattanooga. The national officers of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, Order of Railway Conductors and Brotherhood of Railway Trainman have promised to be present and an attendance of several thousand members is expected. The object of the meeting is to bring about a more fraternal feeling among the southern trainmen and put them on a harmonious working basis.

OFFER TO THE INSURGENTS.

Virtually Confessing Failure of Autonomy Is Approved.

In the uncertainty of the relations of the United States, the importance of the recent action of the autonomist party in Cuba is overlooked. Its central committee has formally approved the plan, which is a confession of the failure of the present scheme of autonomy and an offer to the insurgents to concede everything except the withdrawal of the Spanish flag.

If ever negotiations are actually opened with the insurgents Govin's and the radical autonomists' proposition will be rejected.

Arkansans Have the War Fever.

Great activity prevails in military circles in Arkansas. Brigadier-General C. S. Schaer, of the state guard, is being overwhelmed with letters from all parts of the state containing offers to enlist and go to the front. New companies are being organized and the older companies are manifesting unusual interest. Brigadier-General Schaer said that he could mobilize 20,000 Arkansans in less than thirty days should their services be needed.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Tuesday.

As soon as the reading of the historic farewell address of Washington was concluded by Mr. Lodge, in the senate today Mr. Hawley called up the bill providing for the enlistment of two additional regiments of artillery for service in manning the heavy coast defense batteries which congress has provided during the past two years. The war department estimates that the 1,600 men, which the bill calls for, will be necessary to properly man the guns. The bill went over. Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, secured the adoption of the following resolution: "That the committee on naval affairs is instructed to inquire and report whether a man of war equal at least to any warship in the world, to be named the 'George Washington,' can be built, armed and commissioned within a period of twelve months by the use of the facilities of the ship yards, machine shops, mines and forests of the United States wherever the same are found, and that the committee has leave to report at any time by bill or otherwise." The senate then went into executive session.

The House.

Washington's birthday was celebrated in the house, after a motion of Mr. Bailey had been voted down, with a vast deal of political speech-making, and it was also signalized by the firing of the first gun in opposition to Hawaiian annexation. Mr. Johnson, an Indiana republican, delivered a speech that electrified the galleries in denunciation of the annexation policy of the administration. He spoke at length, and when he concluded the demonstration of approval was one of the greatest witnessed during this session of congress. The remainder of the day was consumed with political speeches.

The Senate—Wednesday.

While the senate had under consideration the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill today a sharp debate on the Cuban question was precipitated by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, who offered as an amendment the resolution passed by the senate a year ago, recognizing the belligerent rights of the Cuban insurgents. The debate became general and occupied nearly four hours. The resolution provides for a committee of five senators who should go to Cuba and ascertain the precise situation on the island. Mr. Allen's amendment was finally ruled out of order, and the appeal from the ruling taken by Mr. Allen was laid on the table by a vote of 51 to 5. The senate then went into executive session, and soon after adjourned.

The House.

The sundry civil appropriation bill was again under discussion in the house today. The clause appropriating $75,000 to pay spies and informers for information in internal cases was stricken out by a vote of 69 to 63, and it was decided a victory for the democrats, inasmuch as it was a strict party vote, with the exception of Messrs. Lenney, Pearson and Mahoney, who voted with the democrats. Congressman Tate, of Georgia; Kitchen, of North Carolina, and Swanson, of Virginia, led the fight against the appropriation of the money with which to pay spies, and the republican side of the house being slim, they won.

The Senate—Thursday.

At the conclusion of the morning session, the vice-president laid before the senate the resolution of Mr. Allen which was laid over from yesterday. It provides for the appointment of five senators to make an inquiry into the condition of affairs in Cuba with a view to bringing the war to a peaceful end. Allen withdrew the motion.

Mr. Spooner made a constitutional argument in favor of seating Mr. Corbett. No vote was reached, however, and the contested case went over. At this point it developed that there was no quorum present and the senate adjourned.

The House.

The house devoted itself strictly to business today and disposed of several additional pages of the sundry civil appropriation bill. Mr. Sayers criticised the item in the bill placing only the unexpended epidemic funds of past years at the disposal of the quarantine service. He thought $200,000 additional should be appropriated, and moved to increase the appropriation $200,000. The motion was lost. Mr. Cannon said that the largest amount expended in a previous year was $287,000, in 1894. Last year but $134,000 was spent. On February 1, 1898, there was an unexpended balance of $340,000. In his opinion that was sufficient. The discussion soon drifted into the advisability of the establishment of a national quarantine.... An amendment was adopted appropriating $6,300 for the Yeosemite national park, California.... The senate bill to prohibit the passage of local or special acts by territorial indebtedness was passed.

The Senate—Friday.

Hon. Henry W. Corbett's right to a seat in the senate from Oregon was under consideration by the senate this afternoon for five hours. Mr. Teller spoke in support of the resolution presented by a majority of a committee. Mr. Turley, of Tennessee, said the views he held would compel him to support the majority of the committee against the seating of Mr. Corbett. At 5:15 p. m. the senate went into executive session and at 5:25 p. m. adjourned.

The House.

The house today renewed the consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill, and the greater part of the session was devoted to the discussion of the bill.... An unsuccessful effort was made to secure consideration of the bill passed by the senate for two additional regiments of artillery, but on objection from Mr. Cox, of Tennessee, it went over.... The house at 5 o'clock recessed until 8 p. m., the evening session to be devoted to private pension bills.

The evening session was largely wasted. Six private bills were ordered to be favorably reported to the house by the committee of the whole, but on the next Mr. Sullivan raised the point of no quorum, which was sustained, and at 10:30 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate—Saturday.

A bill to authorize the president to appoint a first lieutenant of infantry the director of swordsmanship and gymnastics at the West Point military academy was passed. A resolution was adopted calling upon the secretary of the navy for the reason why he shipped certain freight over the Canadian Pacific road to Mare Island, Cal. Also a resolution requesting the president, if not incompatible with the public interests, to send to the senate copies of all reports and communications received by the state department since the 24th of February, 1895, from Tomas Estrada Palma or any agent of the Cuban insurgents which relate to the state of war in the Island of Cuba, or such parts of said documents as it may be deemed proper and advisable to communicate. Mr. Hoar then called up the Corbett case, and Mr. Kyle addressed the senate briefly in support of Mr. Corbett's claim to a seat in the senate.

The House.

The house resumed consideration of the sundry civil bill to-day immediately after the reading of the journal, the pending amendment being one to appropriate $150,000 for Yaquima Bay, Oregon. It was lost—36 to 76. An amendment appropriating $300,000 for the harbor of Cleveland, Ohio, offered by Mr. Burton, of Ohio, was adopted. An amendment to increase the appropriation for Boston harbor from $100,000 to $250,000 was adopted. An amendment offered by Mr. Grosvenor appropriating $28,880 for the continuation of the publication of records of the rebellion was adopted. At 5:15 p. m. the committee of the whole rose without having completed the bill, and five minutes later adjourned.

STATE S. S. CONVENTION.

Preparations Being Made for a Large Attendance at Birmingham Meeting.

At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Alabama State Sunday school association, arrangements were made to hold the next annual convention in Birmingham, April 19-21.

These annual gatherings of the Sunday School folks are growing greatly in interest and attendance. At the meeting held in Tuskaloosa last spring the delegates numbered between 400 and 500, and the indications are that the one soon to meet in Birmingham will greatly outnumber that one. A large number of prominent workers from outside of the state have promised to be in attendance to assist and council with the home-workers. All officers of the state, county and beat associations, pastors and superintendents are authorized delegates to the convention. Also one other representative from each Sunday School.

British Flag Raised.

The steamer Noyo, which arrived at Seattle, Wash., from Skaguay, Alaska, brings news which, if true, will probably cause international complications. Parties arriving at Skaguay before the vessel left circulated the report that the Canadian mounted police had raised the British flag at Summit Lake, which is twelve miles from Skaguay and fourteen miles inside the American boundary. Capt. Lindquist says the report had not been verified when he left Skaguay and that he places little credence in it.

Widow's Hopes Blighted.

A widow holding the position of postmaster in one of the more important smaller cities of the South recently asked whether a married man 19 or 20 years of age could be postmaster. Assistant Postmaster General Heath's reply was that "marriage was not a cure for the prohibition in the postal laws and regulations against a minor being postmaster." So the widow cannot marry the young man and have him made postmaster.

General Taliaferro Dead.

Gen. W. F. Taliaferro, a Mexican war veteran and commander of the Virginia troops during the John Brown raid, major-general in the Confederate army and ex-judge, died at his home in Gloucester county, Va., Monday night.

Spain's Navy Yards Busy.

The work of naval construction and armament at Ferrol, Spain, is being pushed by the government with the greatest activity at the arsenal and dockyard.

Court of Inquiry at Key West.

The United States court of inquiry into the loss of the battleship Maine in the harbor of Havana on Feb. 15 began its session at Key West Monday morning.

India's area of wheat farms is now about two-thirds as large as that of the United States. The wheat is still thrashed by being trodden out by bullocks and buffaloes.

The eye of the vulture is so constructed that it is a high-power telescope, enabling the bird to see objects at an almost incredible distance.

HAPPENINGS IN ALABAMA.

Used a Shotgun to End His Life.

Sunday morning at Wylam, a small mining town near Pratt City, George Drysdale, a Scotch miner, 67 years of age, ended his life with a shotgun. He had for some time been acting strangely and recently left his family and took up his residence in a small cabin, where he lived alone. Saturday he wrote a note to his son-in-law, John Kelso, in which he stated he was tired of life, and handed it to a negro, saying if anything happened to him to deliver it to Kelso. The old man deliberately planned self-destruction by placing a gun at the foot of the bed with a string attached to the trigger and then got into the bed, pulled the string and sent a load of shot crashing into his heart.

Italians Ready to Fight.

The Italians in the Birmingham district are ready to fight for Uncle Sam in the event of war with Spain. At a meeting of the Italian society of Birmingham the following resolution was adopted, after patriotic speeches had been made: "We, the Italian-American citizens of Birmingham and vicinity, deplore the loss of the brave sailors who suffered death in the Maine disaster in Havana harbor and we are ready to defend the stars and stripes, the flag of our adoption, at any time we may be called upon." There are 800 members of the society, everyone of whom, says a member, are ready to respond to a call to arms at any moment.

Changes in Internal Revenue Force.

The following changes were made in the internal revenue department by Julian Bingham Tuesday:

John M. Hanlin, of Chilton county, appointed storekeeper and gauger to succeed W. H. Moore at distillery of John H. Maxwell, of Jacksonville.

John W. Kitcheus, of Cleburne county, appointed raiding deputy collector to succeed J. F. Creen at Anniston.

J. C. Miller, of Jefferson county, appointed division and raiding deputy collector to succeed L. W. Willis, of Jasper, Walker county.

All of those whose positions are thus filled tendered their resignations several days ago.

Placing Surveyors in the Field.

It is stated on good authority that the Illinois Central will place a corps of surveyors in the field on Tuesday next to make the final survey for the branch road it proposes to build from Aberdeen, Miss., to Carbon Hill, in Walker county. The Illinois Central recently purchased several thousand acres of valuable mineral lands in Lamar, Marion and Walker counties in this state and these it proposes to develop.

Memphis & Charleston Railroad Sold.

The Memphis and Charleston railroad, extending southeast from Memphis to Stevenson, a distance of 290 miles, was sold at public outcry Saturday. The Southern Railway company bought the property at the upset price of $2,500,000, there being no other bidders. The sale was made necessary because of default of payment of interest on the road's bonded debt.

Arrested for Whitecapping.

Near Kennedy, Lamar county, Saturday morning Ed Wilson, Coot Long, Will McCullough, A. W. Roland and Vestor Pate, prominent farmers, were arrested by Sheriff Holly on the charge of murder. It is alleged that they were members of the whitecap gang that murdered Andre[illegible]son, colored, some months ago.

Long Distance Telephone.

It has been learned through the construction manager of the Bell Telephone company that work will begin in about two weeks on long distance telephone lines between Decatur, Huntsville and Birmingham, and when that is completed, later to Nashville.

Making Their Own Fertilizers.

In the neighborhood of DeArmanville, Calhoun county, the farmers, instead of selling their cotton seed to oil mills, are having it ground for fertilizer and stock feed. A mill has been established at DeArmanville for that purpose and several thousand bushels of seed have been ground.

New Depot for Montgomery.

The Western Railway of Alabama will build a new depot at Montgomery at a cost of $75,000.

Street Railway Changes Hands.

The North Birmingham Street railroad has been sold to Messrs. A. T. London and associates and will be operated in connection with the Birmingham Traction Company's lines. The line will be converted into an electric railway.

Negro Kills Another.

A shooting affray occurred near Selma in which Henry Shelton, a negro, was instantly killed by Anderson Monier.

Dan Gordon Nominated.

Dan Gordon, of Abbeville, has been nominated by the democratic convention for judge of probate.

Urging Col. Higdon to Make the Race.

Col. E. L. Higdon is being urged by the citizens of Birmingham to allow his name to be used as a candidate for representative of Jefferson county in the coming primary.

James A. Stratton, secretary and treasurer of the Birmingham Railway & Electric company, died Sunday morning with typhoid fever.

Frank J. Kilpatrick, of Bridgeport, will be a candidate for the republican nomination for governor of Alabama.

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WAR news is quiet.

WE would be glad if some of our lawyer-editor friends would be kind enough to publish the manner in which they construe the law of Alabama to define the word "publishing." For instance, several sections of the new code, relating to the publication of legal notices, read publication must be made in a newspaper published in the county or by posting at the court house door. County commissioners are required to "publish" various announcements in a newspaper published in the county or by posting at the court house door.

Is it discretionary on the party who has to make the notice to decide whether it shall be published in a newspaper published in the county, or whether it shall be posted at the court housedoor; or is it mandatory upon the party to make publication of the notice in the newspaper, when one is published in the county, and if no newspaper is published in the county, (or in some instances an adjoining county) then the notice posted at the court house door is all that is required under the law?

Our construction of the law is that there is no discretion on the part of the party to make the notice, but that the newspaper (if one is published in the county) MUST be used, and failing the publication of a newspaper in the county, then, AND ONLY IN THAT CASE, can a legal publication be made by posting at the court house door.

THE growing importance of Clanton as a business centre, and more especially as a cottonmart, can best be estimated by a reference to the subjoined table, showing the cotton receipts here for the last five seasons. The munber of bales received at Clanton was:—

1893–94	2328
94–95	3520
95–96	2388
96–97	3299
97–98 up to each 3	5185

It will readily be seen that our cotton receipts this season have been nearly 50 per cent more than the big crop year of 1894-95. This is due to the large increase of our farming population more than to any other cause. It means more waste land has been put in cultivation. The vacant places are filling up. Land is naturally getting to be more valuable in Chilton county, and in a very few years there will be no waste land at all. Nothing better perhaps, for the prosperity of a county than the desire of others to become citizens. The average price per bale this season at Clanton, has been $27.50 which means our cotton has brought into the county this season, $140,000. To our merchants is due thanks from our farmers for keeping up the price to as high a figure as possible. In fact the market price at Clanton has largely influenced the price in adjoining markets, or probably the nett receipts would have been less.

THE Hon. Wm. J. Bryan will deliver an address in Montgomery on the night of Monday, March 7, under the auspices of the Bimetallic Club of Montgomery. The citizens ladies especially of the other counties adjacent to Montgomery, are cordially invited to be present. Arrangements have been effected to seat 10,000 persons. There will be no charge made for admission. Railroad companies have been applied to for reduced rates over their lines for this occasion.

The De Lome incident was on many accounts an extremely irritating one. The recent Spanish minister had cut a very wide swath during the past three years. He had exploited a large corps of detectives and had spent great sums of Spanish secret-service money in this country to thwart and destroy by all possible means a perfectly legitimate American traffic. For it must be remembered that although the United States Governmene has spent not less then two million dollars, practically under Mr. De Lome's instructions, in preventing the movement of so-called filibustering expeditons, only a small per centage of the expeditions which interfered with have in fact, been of a filibustering character. It is, indeed, against the law to use American soil for the fitting out of armed expeditions to make war upon a friendly power. It is not, however, against the law to sell arms and supplies. The Cuban insusgents have not desired the equipment of armed expeditrons in the United States, but have merely wished in a perfectly legitimate way to buy various munitions. It is true that they intended to smuggle these wares into Cuba; but the prevention of smuggling is a matter for the Spanish revenue service in Cuba to deal with. The United States has on more proper concern with Cuban smuggling that with Australian smuggling. There are many people who would much like to know why our Government, both nnder Mr. Cleveland's administration and also under Mr. McKinley's, has not drawn more sharply the line between the unlawful fitting out of military expeditions and the lawful export of supplies It is to be hoped that Mr. De Lome's successor will not be accorded so large a freedom as the late Spanish minister enjoyed in the utilization of the official resources of this country as auxiliary to Spain's foul warfare against her Cuban subjects.—From "The Progress of the World," in American Monthly Review of Reviews for March.

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The Blind Children.

It was the general hour for recess at the great New York Asylum For Blind Children. Down the bare wooden stairs a troop of eager boys clattered with so much of the usual bustle and push that one could hardly believe were it not for now and then a pair of cautious hands extended that all those restless, bright eyes were sightless. Out through the open doors to a small, barren playground they rushed. The feet of a foremost boy felt under them the joy of ice. There was a scream of pleasure. The two or three visitors standing near smiled at one another. It was merely a tiny, contracted patch of frozen drippings from the eaves that boys who know whole rivers and ponds of winter pleasure would have passed unnoticed. But, lo, this little afflicted one, whom we had been pitying as having lost most of life's pleasures, had found the key to that most precious of all earthly possessions—contentment. He threw up his happy little arms in a transport of pleasure. "Come on, boys!" he shouted, sliding down the narrow confines. "Come on! Come on! Here's a lake of ice."—New York Letter.

Reading.

A bundle of old letters was found not long ago in England which turned out to be valuable because the letters were written by Charles Lamb. Very few of you children are too young to enjoy this great author's essay on "Roast Pig," with his funny account of the way the delicious dish was discovered. When you are a few years older, it is to be hoped that you will not be satisfied until you have read every essay he wrote. Indeed a taste for Charles Lamb is considered a sort of touchstone—that is, if a person likes to read his works, he is considered [illegible] that all he to be cultivated

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Political Pointers.

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From semi-official sources it is learned that the Populist State Convention of Indiana, held at Indianapolis on Feb. 22 23, was a rather stormy affair. A full state ticket was nominated as follows: Secretary of State, Dr. H. H. Morrison; Auditor, W. H. Parks; Treasurer, F. M. Brown; Clerk of Supreme Court, R. W. Todd; Supt. Public Instruction, Edward Packard. The platform favors free silver at 16 to 1, female suffrage, prohibition and the abolition of National banks. It declares against fusion and government by injunction. A split in the party is said to be imminent.

Texas Democrats are having a nice little war among themselves. At a recent meeting of the State Executive Committee several personal encounters were narrowly averted. The test of party membership adopted by the committee, bars all those who voted against Bryan for President in 1896.

The bolting faction of Prohibitionists known as the Liberty party, held a National conference at Columbus, O., last week and decided to make overtures for a coalition with the "middle-of-the-road" Populists, who are reported as having proposed a union with the Libertyites last year.

The scheme of annexing Hawaii has been abandoned by the Republicans in Congress since trouble with Spain came up. It is evident that in the case of war the United States will have enough seacoast to protect without taking in Hawaii.

Hon. W. J. Bryan has accepted an invitation to address the Mohawk free silver club, of Detroit, Mich., on April 4.

Senator Allen of Nebraska persists in offering resolutions bearing on the Cuban question which, though often voted down, are proving very troublesome to the present administration.

Arrangments have been made by the administration, with the leading Wall Street Bankers, for any possible loan that the government may need in the event of war with Spain. While the government has not made formal proposals yet, it is well understood by the bankers that a large issue of immergency bonds may be made and all the plutocratic vultures in the financial world are swarming in Washington. Arrangements have been perfected, whereby a request from the government, for money, whether $100,000,000 or five times that amount would be immediately met by J. Pierpont Morgan, Russel Sage and other representatives of the Rothchilds.

The evidence thus far introduced by the defense in the trial of the sheriff and his deputies, charged with the murder of striking miners at Hazelton, Penn., shows that very little violence was offered by the miners and that even the most disorderly ones were only armed with clubs. It is very doubtful whether the sheriff and his murderous deputies will be convicted.

During a recent discussion in the House of Representatives on the tendency of the times to provide millionaires, Jerry Simpson created considerable amusement by admiting that he would like to be a million aire. He said the fact that he is not a millionaire was evidence of his disinclination to take advantage of his fellowmen, and that if he were one he would at least add an air of respectability to that class.

Ex-President Harrison in his Washington anniversary address to Chicago, delivered a very strong plea in favor of the rich paying their proportion of the personal tax, and even suggested the imposition of an inheritance tax to prevent the piling up of vast estates, but he had no word of encouragement for an income tax.

The Populist territorial committee of Oklahoma has been called to meet at Kingfisher March 4.

Since the crisis in this country's relations with Spain, our venerable Secretary of State, John Sherman, seems to have been completely shelved. Assistant Secretary Day is the real head of the department and to him go all communications and from him come all official orders. That Sherman was forced out of the senate to make room for Hanna is no secret, and that he is hardly figure head at this time is well known. Retribution seems at last to have overtaken the one man in America who has done more to fasten industrial slavery upon the people than any other.

Hon. J. R Sovereign, of Sulphur Springs, Arkansas, former Grand Master Workman of the Knights of Labor, has recently been elected Grand Chief of the new order of Mohawks, which organization is growing rapidly in many states. The members of the order are pledged to the advocacy of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. A. R.

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From the conversation of the young ladies, it is believed that the smallpox will soon be gotten rid of and that the school will resume by March 21.

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his paper Monday.

There are three little things which [illegible] than any other three things created—they are the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

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[illegible] Thursday night at the [illegible] of Mr. Henry Littleton, of the bride, Mr. M. A. Kilgore and Miss Celima Littleton, Rev. S. S. Cox performing the ceremony. We wish the happy couple a long life and prosperity.

Tom Gullahorn spent Saturday at home.

Russell McDaniel, of Montevallo, spent Sunday with parents here.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its distressing nature cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also a sure cure for croup, bronchitis, asthma, lung and throat troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

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The regular monthly business meeting of the Senior Epworth League will be held on Friday evening, March 4, at 7:30 o'clock at the church.

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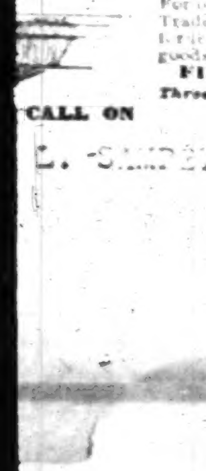

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J. A. Hester went to Bir...ham Tuesday. Joe is recover... from his accident we are glad ...

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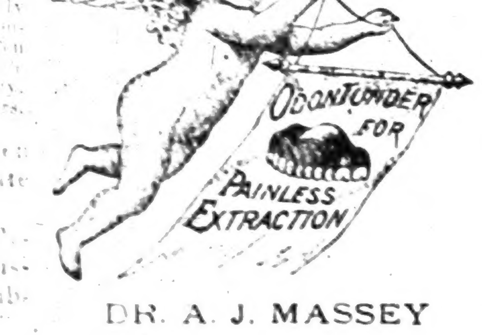

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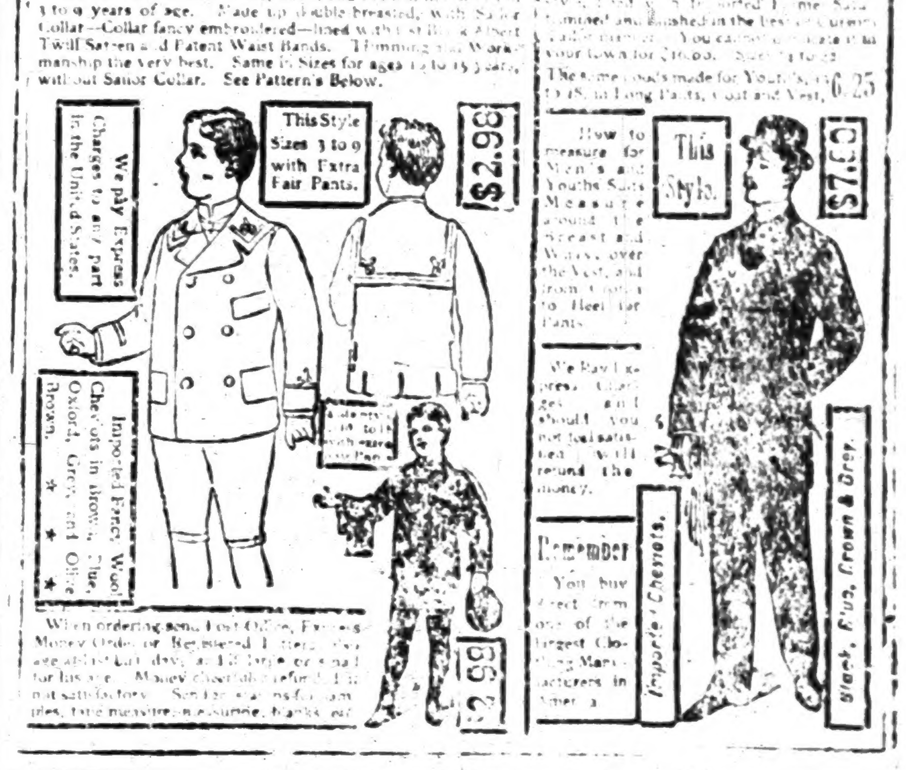

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Ex-Senator Edmunds told the banking and currency committee that the establishment of the single gold standard "did not exclude the idea of bimetallism, for it did not exclude the use of silver or any other metal to the largest extent that it could be maintained on an equality with the one fixed and invariable standard of gold."

The Chicago Tribune calls this "an accurate description of the 'international bimetallism' which the national republican platform of 1896 pledged that party to promote." The Tribune may be in a position to say what sort of bimetallism the republican platform of 1896 promises to promote, though the editor of another Chicago sheet is understood to have had much more to do with making the financial plank of that platform than the editor of the Tribune had.

Be that as it may, it is certain the passage quoted from Mr. Edmunds' argument is not an accurate description of what any intelligent bimetallist of Europe or America means by the term "international bimetallism." When bimetallists use that term they do not mean "the one fixed and invariable standard of gold," with a subsidiary coinage of silver kept up to that standard by direct or indirect convertibility into gold at the pleasure of the holder. That is, they do not mean what Mr. Edmunds means. Indeed, they know that no "fixed and invariable standard," whether of gold or any other thing or number of things, is possible.

What they mean by international bimetallism one can learn from the writings of Henri Cernuschi. They mean the coinage of both gold and silver on precisely the same terms for the benefit of depositors, in unlimited quantities, by a number of leading commercial nations, all of them coining the two at the same ratio, so that there could be no profit in melting down and recoining either the gold or the silver coin of any of the agreeing countries at the mints of any other of them.

They do not insist upon the ratio of 16 to 1 or 15½ to 1 or any other. This for the reason that once the principle is established the lowest possible ratio would be sought by all nations concerned. That would be something very far removed from the Edmunds plan of a one-metal standard with another metal attached to it as a dependent. Bimetallists know that if both metals were coined on the same terms by a number of powerful countries they would be held closely together at even the ratio of 8 to 1.

They reason in this way: If by reason of diminished production or other cause either metal should rise in value above the other at the agreed ratio it would cease to be taken to the mints by the contracting countries for coinage. It would be profitable to deposit the cheaper metal, because the metal costing the depositor less would go just as far in paying his debts. This would tend to increase the value of the cheaper metal and to depress that of the dearer by increasing the demand for the former and diminishing the demand for the latter. Bimetallists claim that in this way free access to the mints of either metal at the option of depositors would tend powerfully to maintain the value of the two at the agreed mint ratio, pressing up the value of either one when it is tending downward and pressing down its value when it is moving upward, thus preserving a mean of the two more stable than the value of either would be if it were the sole standard. Such is the theory of bimetallism. The great body of Americans know that this country alone can regulate the value of the two metals in the manner described. And they denounce as ignoramuses those who say it will take more than one country to do so great a thing and as wanting in patriotism and willing to make "a cowardly surrender of our sovereign rights as Americans" and "to permit Europe to legislate for us on one of the most vital questions of self-government."

The United States has four-fifths of all the silver in the world. Any fool can see that the consent of other nations is not essential. The insistance on an international agreement is nonsense.

Worse Than British.

English newspapers are ridiculing the new rules of etiquette at the white house recently adopted by the sponsors of the new social regime under the McKinley administration. One paper says that President McKinley's protocol will soon rival that of President Faure of the French republic, who has long been accused of putting on monarchial airs. Vanity Fair, commenting on the rule which says that the invitations issued by Mrs. McKinley are to take precedence over all other invitations, attempts to prove that under the stars and stripes it is quite possible to outdo royalty itself in the absurdity of court regulations. There is some probability that these English critics are unjust, and that they are taking the dictum of some understrapper of the administration as the final word of the architects of our new court etiquette. Someone should inform these badly advised commentators that the real sponsor for the glory that is to be of the McKinley administration is temporarily catching his breath. When Hanna is on deck again there will be a readjustment of this etiquette business that will stand as a monument to our progress in politeness and a precedent for future barbarians.

A Party That Meddles with Matters.

A Maryland editor is quoted as saying that the "marvelous strides in material development and wealth" made by the country during a period of thirty years "was due to a wise protective policy and a let-matters alone disposition on the part of the government." Probably the reader will not need to be told that the author of this contradictory deliverance is a republican editor. The little speech supplies abundant internal evidence of that fact. To anyone not hopelessly befuddled by republican tariff notions it is as plain as day that a protective policy is diametrically opposed to a let-matters-alone policy. From A to Z a protective policy is a policy of meddling with matters. It presumes to issue its arbitrary command that we must buy in one place and must not buy in another place and it fines us enormously if we follow our inclination and buy where we wish to buy and can get most for our money. It is a policy which lets nothing alone; which meddles with every one of us continually and at every step we take and every turn we make. It is the very essence of odious meddling.

Queer, Isn't It.

It is rather singular that most of the newspaper opponents of postal savings banks are republican in politics. One would naturally think that a plan which partakes of paternalism would commend itself to republican editors, but they don't view it from that standpoint. The Indianapolis Journal, for instance, opposes the postal banks because their establishment would result in "scandals and losses that would bring discredit on the system and the government." The obvious answer to this objection is that the republicans will not be in power more than three years longer and they can't do irreparable damage in that time. With a democratic administration in power the postal savings banks—and all the other branches of the government—will be conducted without loss or scandal and to the great advantage of the people. The Journal's objection is more candid than flattering to its own party.

Iowa's Freak Governor.

Governor Shaw of Iowa can't realize, apparently, that he is actually elected and that it is no longer necessary for him to make stump speeches concerning "national honor" and the gold standard. His inaugural address is largely a rehash of the stereotyped oration that he used in the campaign of last fall and has no more to do with the administration of Iowa affairs than with the situation in China. Mr. Shaw's task is not to reform the national currency, but to undo, if he can, the mischief wrought by rascally republican officials in Iowa who have plunged the state into debt by unlawful means. That duty accomplished he may, if he likes, proclaim the beauties of a single standard as exemplified by the gold clause in his chattel mortgages.

Bryan Is Always Right.

Mr. Bryan in his recent Jackson day speech said that the results of the republican party's policy are being written in newspaper headlines all over the country under two headings—namely, the formation of new trusts and the reduction of wages. This is notoriously true as to the headlines, and it is a tribute to the general truthfulness of the press that not even the radical republican organs dare to refuse publishing the news. Of course, the McKinley editors will cherfully buckle on the armor and try to convince their readers that more trusts and less wages are merely prosperity in disguise, but the average voter has fairly good powers of penetration.

Hanna's Modest Announcement.

"God reigns and the republican party still lives." Too much cannot be said in praise of the modesty and self-abnegation of Senator Hanna in thus announcing his victory to the President. God reigns, as heretofore, instead of abdicating, as must evidently have been the case in the event of Mr. Hanna' defeat. It is something to know that God reigns and the republican party still lives; it is more to be assured that this state of things will continue for at least seven years—until the expiration of the time for which Mr. Hanna was elected. Laus Marco.

The Infant Industry Fallacy.

Free traders will admit that tropical fruits can be grown in Labrador. But as to the wisdom of establishing an orange grove in Labrador the free trader has his opinion. So it is with establishing new industries by protection. It may be done, but it's an expensive proceeding, and the cost is fully equal to the value of what is gained, and usually far greater. And when the protected child is adopted it almost invariably turns out to be a sickly, weakly, but mighty greedy infant.

Goes Before the Courts.

The Kurtz members of the Ohio legislature admit that Mr. Hanna has won, but they manifest a prying and impertinent determination to find out just what it cost him, and they are likely to succeed. Legislative investigations can be smothered, but it is not practicable to "fix" the courts. Mr. Campbell's libel suit ought to furnish some entertaining facts and figures.

Protectionist Editor Nonplussed.

Grand Rapids Herald: While we are congratulating ourselves on the fact that the sum total of our exports and imports aggregated more than $1,000,000 for 1897 what are we to say when we consider the fact that England's export and import trade amounted to no less than $3,722,115,000 for 1897, nearly four times the sum of our foreign trade?

TEMPERANCE TOPICS.

NOTES OF INTEREST TO THE ANTI-LIQUOR LEAGUERS.

Origin of Strong Liquor—Alcoholism in France—Good News from Canada—Road to Ruin for Our Youth—Notes.

Say Not Nought Availeth.

Say not, the struggle nought availeth,
The labor and the wounds are vain,
The enemy faints not, nor faileth,
And as things have been they remain.

If hopes were dupes, fears may be liars;
It may be in yon smoke concealed,
Your comrades chase e'en now the fliers,
And but for you possess the field.

For while the tired waves, vainly breaking,
Seem here no painful inch to gain,
Far back, through creeks and inlets making,
Comes silent, flooding in the main.

And not by eastern windows only,
When daylight comes, comes in the light;
In front, the sun climbs slow, how slowly,
But Westward, look, the land is bright.
—Arthur Hugh Clough.

Origin of Strong Liquors.

Strong liquors are of modern invention, for the ancients knew of nothing more powerful than lightly fermented wines, and they have left many warnings of the abuse of them. Alcohol was not discovered until the seventh century, and the distillation of spirit from wine was not discovered until the twelfth century, while spirits did not come into common use until the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. Professor Arnoldus Villanova, in the fourteenth century, made a panacea of the "water of life," which was said to have the virtue of "giving sweet breath, fortifying the memory, besides being good for sore eyes, the toothache, gout," etc. Distilled spirits came into use in London in 1450, and had to be prohibited in 1494. Michael Savonarola produced a treatise on the making of "water of life" in the fifteenth century, which became a standard authority on the subject, and was followed by the work of Matthioli, of Sienna. These books gave an impetus to brandy-making in Italy, whence the trade extended to France. About 1520 the Irish usquebaugh began to acquire reputation in England. Before 1601 "brand wine" had begun to be distilled in the Low Countries from apples, pears and malt; and in that year an ordinance was passed at Tournay forbidding the sale of the liquor except by apothecaries, "partly because of the dearness of corn and partly because of the drunkenness which this cheap brand wine caused, to the great prejudice not only of homes and lives, but to the extreme danger of the souls of its drinkers, many of whom had died without confession."

The Victory.

One breastwork has been captured in the battle with the Capitol saloon—the "hard liquors" have been ordered out, an encouragement to charge again with a resistless volley of petitions for the Gallinger-Ellis bill to exclude all intoxicating liquors from all government buildings. The House Committee on the Alcoholic Liquor Traffic will no doubt report the bill. Hon. W. R. Ellis, of Oregon, the second member of the committee, introduced the bill, and is strongly for it. Hon. S. J. Pugh, of Kentucky, we are assured by the secretary of the Congressional Temperance Society, is on the right side of this question, though a Kentuckian. Hon. M. N. Johnson, of North Dakota, has declared for the bill. Three other members, Hon. S. J. Barrows, of Massachusetts, Hon. H. C. Van Voorhis, of Ohio, and Hon. Jeremiah Botkin, of Kansas, are all ex-preachers and can be relied on. Mr. Botkin has stood as a prohibition candidate as has also another member of the committee, Hon. A. M. Todd, of Michigan. These constitute two-thirds of the committee and we know nothing against the other three, Hon. H. C. Brewster, of New York, Hon. J. E. Osborne, of Wyoming, and Hon. W. W. Kitchin, of North Carolina.

Road to Ruin.

Tabulated statements from the chiefs of police of many cities, presented by the secretary of the Boys and Girls National Home convention which met recently in Indianapolis, show the number of boys who start every year on the road to the penitentiary to be appalling. From one hundred towns 371 bands of boy robbers were reported; 33,000 boys were confined in Chicago jails in two years, and nearly one-third of Boston's arrests were boys. Apropos of these facts is the item of news in a morning paper to the effect that four youthful offenders in Chicago, having pleaded guilty to the charges of robbery, burglary and larceny, informed the judge that the beer, which they obtained without difficulty in their neighborhood, gave them the "nerve" to commit all kinds of depredations. Also apropos of boy criminals and open saloons, St. Louis reports a reduction, under the curfew law, of fifty per cent in commitments to the reform school, and Lincoln, Neb., a reduction of seventy-five per cent. Ring out the saloon, ring in the curfew!

Alcoholism in France.

A very interesting report has recently been drawn up by a French specialist on the spread of alcoholism and its effects. In the various institutions of the Department of the Seine, in France, 775 persons suffering from alcoholism were received in 1891—624 men and 151 women. The forms of alcoholism in the case of the males comprised 282 cases of alcoholic delirium, 332 cases of chronic alcoholism and 10 cases of absinthism—a form of disease which appears to be almost exclusively confined to France and Algeria. Among the women there were 90 cases of alcoholic delirium, 60 of chronic alcoholism and 1 of absinthism. In reviewing these cases Dr. Magnan says: "As a consequence of alcoholism we find an increase of general paralysis, and, what is still more serious, an augmentation in the number of idiots, of youthful epileptics, whose family history reveals almost always the alcoholism of the father and sometimes of the mother, and frequently of both." In the interests of public health it would seem to become a public duty in France to endeavor by all possible means to stay the ravages of this scourge, which is worse in its effects because these effects are more far-reaching than the most devastating epidemics.

Good Piece of News.

The best temperance news, as usual, comes from Ontario, where not only the plebiscite in prospect, but the government reports of the past give us cheer. The licenses have been reduced from 6,000 in 1877, to 3,000, in 1897. In 1884, the commitals for drunkenness were one for every 423; in 1897, one for every 702. Of the 812 municipalities 187 have no license. But let not Ontario's government use these statistics as arguments against improvements in her liquor laws. "The better is a great enemy of the best." Another cheering item of Canada news is the organization in Toronto by the unions of the Young People's Societies of a Christian Citizenship Federation to influence municipal and provincial elections.

Temperance Notes.

The Prohibitionists of Brigatine, N. J., polled more votes at the recent election than the Republicans and Democrats combined.

Sir Wm. Meredith, C. J., of Toronto, Canada, has ruled that a hotelkeeper has no legal right to give liquor to a personal friend during the hours when the sale of intoxicants is prohibited by law.

A call has been issued for a national conference of Prohibition workers, to be held at Cincinnati, Ohio, on Wednesday, January 26, 1898. The object of the conference is to discuss plans and develop enthusiasm.

An enthusiastic conference was held at Cambridge, Mass., on December 19, to discuss arrangements for the national convention of Catholic Total Abstinence Societies in Boston, next August. The convention will be presided over by the Rev. Father Cleary, and addresses will be made by Archbishop Ireland and the Rev. Father Doyle, of the Paulist Fathers. A message of greeting will be read from Pope Leo indorsing the movement.

The annual convention of the Kansas State Temperance Union, called for December 27 and 28, has been postponed to February 1 and 2, in order to give more time for preparation. Among those who have accepted places on the program are Dr. Howard H. Russell, of the American Anti-Saloon League, and Bishop John H. Vincent. Each local union of the Kansas W. C. T. U. is entitled to three delegates. The railroads have granted a one and one-third rate on the certificate plan.

A committee of the New York State Liquor Dealers' Association has decided what the trade wants in the way of modification of the Raines law. The liquor dealers claim they have assurances from the party bosses that the law will be greatly modified, practically to suit the saloon men. The committee which was appointed by the liquor dealers to frame a bill has decided to put in it a reduction of the license for Raines law hotels from $800 to $400, with the privilege of keeping open all the time, and of saloons to $400, with the privilege of keeping open from 1 to 5 a. m. on the payment of $100 extra.

Discipline by Gentleness.

There are men, perhaps always the majority, who try not to offend God because they are afraid of him. There are others who cease to offend him because they are ashamed to. With characteristic dignity and tenderness the Prayer-Book prays that "We may be both afraid and ashamed to offend Thee." There is a wide experience of discipline by gentleness of which the world is likely to hear far less than of the discipline by suffering. There are hosts of men between whom and God is the secret of their having been shamed out of their sin by the kindness which they have not deserved. The gentleness of God has made them great.

A Polite Answer.

Smoking a cigarette the other night in the north I heard a story which so far as I know is new. A proud old lady swept indignantly up to the door of a railway carriage at York station. A school boy was leaning half way out of the compartment, reflectively making a cigarette, and, after the fashion of the English schoolboy, not caring for anybody. "Is this a smoking compartment?" asked the dame with scathing voice. "No, madam," replied the boy, politely raising his cap; "if you want a smoking compartment you will find one a little lower down."—Figaro.

Getting Eggs Without Hens.

At a county fete a conjurer was performing the old trick of producing eggs from a pocket handkerchief when he remarked to a boy in front: "I say, my boy, your mother can't get eggs without hens, can she?" "Of course she can," was the reply. "Why, how's that?" asked the conjuror. "She keeps ducks," replied the boy, amid roars of applause.—London Tit-Bits.

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GOD'S MESSAGE TO MAN.

PREGNANT THOUGHTS FROM THE WORLD'S GREATEST PROPHETS.

Endurance—The Transforming Power of Conversion—A Prayer for Simplicity—How God Moulds Souls—Life But Going Home—Simply Restoring.

How much the heart may bear, and yet not break!
How much the flesh may suffer, and not die!
I question much if any pain or ache
Of soul or body brings our end more nigh.
Death chooses his own time; till that is sworn
All evils may be borne.

We shrink and shudder at the surgeon's knife,
Each nerve [illegible]
Whose edge seems searching for the quivering life;
Yet [illegible] sense the bitter pangs reveal,
That still, although the trembling flesh be torn,
This also can be borne.

We see a sorrow rising in our way,
And try to flee from the approaching ill;
We seek some small escape, we weep and pray;
But when the blow falls, then our hearts are still.
Not that the pain is of its sharpness shorn,
But that it can be borne.

We wind our life about another life,
We hold it closer, dearer, than our own,
Anon it faints and falls in deadly strife,
Leaving it stunned and stricken and alone.
But, ah! we do not die with those we mourn,
This also can be borne.

Behold! we live through all things—famine, thirst,
Bereavement, pain; all grief and misery,
All woe and sorrow; life inflicts its worst
On soul and body—but we can not die.
Though we be sick and tired and faint and worn
Lo! all things can be borne!
E. A. Allen.

The Transforming Power of Conversion.

A new creature in Christ Jesus—this is what conversion makes one. It changes the point of view from which everything is regarded. He who has been accustomed, more or less consciously, to consider primarily what he has supposed to be his own interests now learns to think first and chiefly of the divine interests. God and his relation and duty to God now are the most important subjects of his thought. New views of both truth and life result. Of truth, because the significance of spiritual facts and principles is seen to be not only far greater than has been supposed, but also quite different. For instance, the duty of repentance for sin and the blessedness of being forgiven may have been appreciated intellectually in some degree formerly, but now they have become matters of actual experience and appear in a new light. Of life also, because dedication of one's self to God's service always means altering one's habits in some respects and the inspiration of one's whole conduct by another mood and temper. New purposes are formed. To live and labor definitely for Christ's sake and by the help of the Holy Spirit is very different from living with the aim of even the most high-minded man who is not a servant of Christ. New sympathies are cherished. We find ourselves drawn gladly and closely to all who love our Lord. Many, whom we never have thought that we could learn to like, we now find tender and trusty friends, our common loyalty to Christ proving a sure and precious bond. Conversion changes the whole character for the better. It does not do this all at once or in any miraculous manner, but by supplying a new aim and spirit and by heading one in a new direction—towards God instead of away from him. There can be few, if any, of us who do not personally know men or women in whom this change has taken place so evidently as to cause no little comment.

A Prayer for Simplicity.

O God, our heavenly Father, who hast taken thought for us in the night watches, bless us also in the opportunities of this new day. Help us with willing hearts to spend its moments in thy service. In coming and in going, in labor and in rest, in care and pleasure grant us thy companionship for sympathy and aid. If thou hast sorrows for us to bear, pain to endure, losses to undergo, uphold us and enrich us even in these appointed trials. If thou hast joys to give us, if the end of labor in attainment is appointed for this day's crown, if cherished hopes are in thy mercy to be fulfilled, if pleasures come, let none of these things turn our hearts away from thee. If the day in its unvarying course brings no changes, through the still hours may the sunlight of thy presence glow. Help us to bear true witness in simplicity of heart, to find our joy in little things, to [illegible] toward the [illegible] life in kindly service and to cherish [illegible] [illegible] of obedience [illegible] [illegible] our days with [illegible] peace, O God, through Jesus Christ thy Son. Amen.

How God Moulds Souls.

The potter takes the clay abandoned to his working and he [illegible] mould and fashion it according to his own will. He kneads and works it, he tears it apart and presses it together again, he wets it and then suffers it to dry. And then, when by all these processes he has made it perfectly pliable in his hands, he proceeds to make it up into the vessel he has purposed. The lump of clay would never grow into a beautiful vessel if it stayed in the clay-pit for thousands of years; but when it is put into the hands of a skillful potter it grows rapidly, under his fashioning, into the vessel he intends it to be. And in the same way the soul abandoned to the working of the Heavenly Potter is made into a vessel unto honor, sanctified and meet for the Master's use.—Hannah Whitall Smith.

Life But Going Home.

Life has been defined as a going to the Father. It is quite clear that there must come a time in the history of all those who live this life when they reach the Father. This is the most glorious moment of all. Angels attend it. Those on the other side must hail the completing of another soul with ineffable rapture. When they are yet a great way off the Father runs and falls on their neck and kisses them. On this side we call that Death. It means reaching the Father. It is not departure, it is arrival, not sleep, but waking. For life to those who live like Christ is not a funeral procession. It is a triumphal march to the Father. And the entry at the last in God's own chariot is the last hour of all. No, as we watch a life which is going to the Father, we cannot think of night or gloom, of dusk and sunset. It is life which is the night, and Death is sunrise.—Henry Drummond, in "The Ideal Life."

Consecration Simply Restoring.

Consecration is simply the restoring to Christ His own property, recognizing and answering His rightful claims, saying gladly and reverently, "I am Thine, O Lord." When once this attitude has been thoughtfully assumed, it answers all the questions which arise in the conduct of life. These hands are my Master's, they may not touch the unclean thing; these feet are His, they may not go in forbidden paths, these senses and faculties are His, they must not be used outside the circle of His will; this body is His, no voice but His can control or direct it; these members are His, they may not be presented as weapons of unrighteousness unto sin. Reasonings like these make us feel that we dare not sin.—Rev. F. B. Meyer.

Stand in awe and sin not; commune with your own heart and be still.

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DAVID'S SLING

Investigation Is Said to Show that It Was No Shoestring Affair.

Now comes some iconoclast and declares that it was no miracle by which David slew Goliath. Investigation shows that the famous sling that shot the stone was no mere shoestring affair. And the stone was no mere pebble. The Asiatic sling is two yards long, and as thick as a man's finger. David could have hanged Goliath with it had he happened to catch him, and it won't have borne a giant's weight. The sling throws its missile so that it

NOT A SHOESTRING AFFAIR.

travels at the rate of about fifty miles an hour. A stone as large as a hen's egg crushing into a gentleman's head at that rate would naturally prove more or less fatal.

LESSON IN PALMISTRY.

The Line of the Heart If Pronounced Indicates Strong Feelings.

The line of the heart begins at the side of the hand near the base of the little finger and extends across the hand toward the forefinger. It sometimes terminates on the Mount of Jupiter at the base of the forefinger, sometimes ends between the first and middle fingers and sometimes ends on the Mount of Saturn at base of the middle finger. The broad line in the accompanying cut shows the general course of the line of the heart across the hand. When the line is strong it indicates strong feelings. If it be stronger than the head line it shows that the individual can be led by the feelings rather than by reason. When it is strong and is accompanied by the girdle of Venus and a weak head line it shows a person who will lead a reckless life, who will be ardent and passionate and will go to extremes in matters of love.

THE HEART LINE.

Newfoundland Stamps.

Newfoundland exhibits much originality in its stamp designs. It has on various issues a seal, a codfish, a Newfoundland dog's head, her majesty in a widow's cap, the prince of Wales in uniform and a whaler in full sail.

Happy Australian Shopkeepers.

Shop assistants in Australia do not have a hard time of it. They work only fifty hours per week. In Melbourne every shop, excepting [illegible] chemists, fishmongers and milk stores close at 6 p. m. for the first four days of the week, on Friday at 10 p. m. and on Saturdays at 5 p. m. [illegible] the assistants have a half holiday, receiving at 5:30 p. m.

Wanted to "Get Rich Quick."

"Lend your railway manager money?"

"No," replied the practical man, "I would let well enough alone."

"There was a chance of its being profitable, then?"

"Yes; but we weren't satisfied with selling stock. We had to go ahead and try to build the road."—Washington Star.

Umbrellas for African Royalty.

A West African king has just had an umbrella made for him twenty-one feet in diameter. When in use this umbrella, which opens and closes in the usual way, is fixed in the ground, and there is room underneath it for the king and thirty ministers to take dinner.

Other people's troubles [illegible] more as more [illegible]

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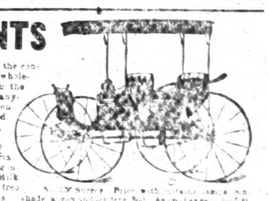

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The [illegible] stated that the patient (see [illegible]) had been a paralytic for [illegible] years, that there was such a total lack [illegible] in his limbs and body, that a pin [illegible] could not be felt; that he could not walk or help himself at all; for two years [illegible] dressed; furthermore that he was [illegible] was for that reason almost unrecognizable and could not get his clothes on. The paralysis was so complete as to affect the face and prevented him from opening his mouth sufficiently wide to take solid food. The doctors called the disease spinal sclerosis, and all said he could not live.

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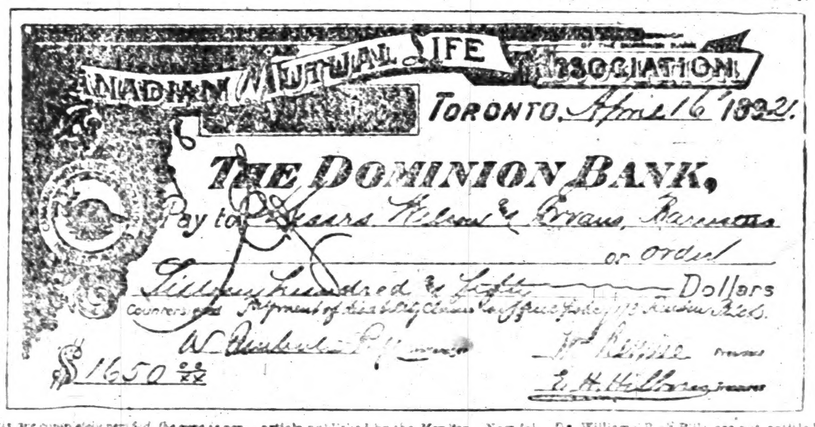
Mr. Petch's address is as follows, Reuben Petch, Griersville, Ont., Canada.



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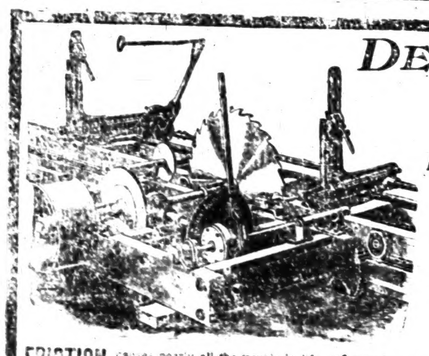

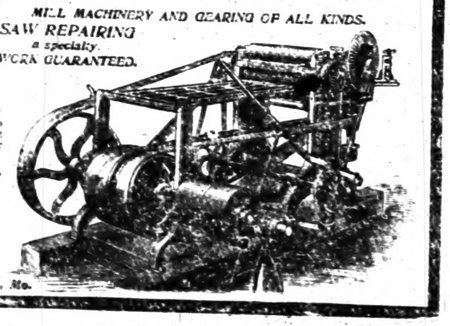

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...LIAM J. BRYAN ON CO-OPERATION.

...d Democrats, Populists and ... Republicans were agreed upon one question, that question ... important enough to justify ... on although the par... ... other subjects ... those who advocate the union of ...ciple reform forces against ...common enemy, can point not to ... but to a number of reforms ... are demanded with equal em... ... by Democrats, Populists and ... Republicans.

...st—They are unalterably opposed to gold monometalism.

...ond—They demand the immediate restoration of bimetallism ... present ratio by the independent action of this country.

...rd—They oppose the retirement of the greenbacks.

...urth—They oppose the issue of ... money by national banks.

...—They oppose the issue of ... bearing bonds in time of ...

...th—They favor the income ... as a means of raising a part of ...enue necessary to administer ... federal government.

...enth—They favor the abolition of trusts.

...ighth—They are opposed to government by injunction.

...inth—They are in favor of arbitration as a means of settling disputes between labor and capital.

...re are nine issues which are not ... important in themselves, but ... prominently before the people. Are these reforms worth securing? These questions were submitted to the people at the last election, ... were not settled, and will ... be settled until they are settled ...

...ould those who oppose this first reform say this child of greed ... avarice, fight each other while ... American people are bound with ...ers of gold?

...Democrats, Populists and Silver Republicans who in 1896 favored the reforms which I have mentioned favor them today. There is ... prominent man of any of the ... which united in 1896 who ... abandoned any of the reforms ... drew the parties together.

...any millions of our people believe that the reforms above enumerated will bring vast advantages ... the producers of wealth but ... the advantage be much or ... these are the things which ... immediately in front of us, and ... must be decided one way or the ... before the more remote questions ... even though they be greater ... can be seriously considered. ... though there be questions ... may ultimately separate those ... together in the last campaign, will Democrats, Populists and Silver Republicans be the worse ... having secured those things for ... they are jointly contending? ... a few things is better ... advocate many things and ... things. "Our opponents not ... recognize that there is strength ... but they also recognize ... weakness in division. ... they may be expected ... an united front whenever ... aggregated wealth ... and they may be expected ... to spread dissensions where ... lies among the reform forces.

... will be warned ... taunted with Populism ... denounced ... Jefferson and Jackson entered ... money power ... a Populist par... ... democratic system was ... in the United States be... ... party was organized. Our enemies will warn the Populists against association with the Democrats, and with unstinted praise commend those who are credited with "putting principle above office." The Republican party will gladly leave the Populists in possession of all the principles, so long as the Republicans are permitted to hold all the offices, because political principles are of no service to the public until they are enforced, through the legislative, executive and judicial departments of the government. The Silver Republicans will be asked to listen to the stern song of international bimetallists, and warned against the contaminating influence of both Democrats and Populists. As an ounce of prevention is said to be worth a pound of cure, so a dollar spent in separating the reform forces will be more useful than sixteen dollars spent in an attempt to overcome their united strength.

In great crises the patriotism of the American people always rises sufficient for any emergency. An emergency is now upon us; it will require all the intelligence and patriotism of the people to rescue the government from the hands of a party which has become the defender and abettor of every form of political vice. In such a crisis there is no time to discuss the ultimate effect of co-operation upon any particular party. We may rest assured that the people will bestow honor where honor is due, and that party which shows the greatest devotion to the welfare of the people will, in the end, receive due credit for every laudable endeavor.

W. J. BRYAN.

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Fourth District Republican Convention.

The Republicans of the Fourth Alabama district met at Calera Tuesday. Two separate conventions were held by the Aldrich and Wilson wings of the party. Both conventions nominated Aldrich for re-election to congress. The two wings harmonized and chose a new executive committee. They reaffirmed the St. Louis platform, endorsed McKinley and declared for Cuban independence.

PUBLISH MY LETTER

So That Women May Know Where to Find Relief.

Such is the request of Mrs. L. M. Haynes, Springfield, Mo. (General delivery). A part of Mrs. Haynes' letter reads as follows: "I wrote to you in May, 1897; I was about to give it up, for I had the best four doctors in the city and they could not cure me. My disease was female weakness. I had been troubled with it for five years. Four and a half bottles of Pe-ru-na cured me. I hope all suffering women will take Pe-ru-na. I know it will cure others also. I cannot praise Pe-ru-na enough."

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Maplesville.

Miss Jessie McGee, of Stanton has visited her sister here Mrs. Perry.

Mrs. Glover, has enjoyed a treat in entertaining Mrs. Mary Prisley, of Selma.

Mrs. A. I. Foshee has been on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Farnell, of Stanton.

Our small-pox scare is over and the reported case of a negro coming from camp to his family here is now believed not to have been that disease and none of his family have had it. The camp infected with small pox 8 or 9 miles from here is guarded with guns.

Mr. B. O. Glover has had a most enjoyable visit to friends in Randolph.

We are sorry to state that Mrs. Will Garner has had quite a serious attack of sickness.

A distressing epidemic of severe cold has been among our children, none have died but required much doctoring.

Our early bird gardeners are enjoying salads. The weather has been so chilly to bring out fruit blossoms which gives us hope of a good fruit crop.

Mr. T. R. Du Bose is fortunate in securing the services of Miss Lula Mosely as teacher.

Much to the fright of some of our good country people we have a spook in our midst, making most frightful noises which cannot be accounted for but by a ventriloquist in our midst.

Our railroad is going right on in a very business like way. Our engine is making as much noise as any on the new road. They are laying track toward Montgomery the rate of two miles a day.

Mr. Zeke Martin has returned from Selma in greatly improved health.

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The Surprise of All.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones and Son, Cawden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottle at J. S. Johnsons Drug Store.

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Lily Lyrics.

Everything is moving on nicely in these parts, and farmers are taking advantage of all the good weather, making preparations for another crop, which they are expecting to plant in a short while.

Misses Minnie Rasberry and Celestia Jones, accompanied by Mr. Floyd Jones and J. C. Veazey, last week attended a concert given by the Valley Creek school of which Miss O. M. Garner is teacher. The large church was well filled and all seemed to be well entertained.

Mr. Ira Ward, and his new made bride attended church here last Sunday.

Rev. J. L. Long preached for us last Saturday and Rev. S. M. Adams preached on Sunday to a large congregation of attentive listeners.

Rev. J. G. Lowery has accepted the call of Mulberry church on condition that Mulberry will change her appointments to the first Sunday instead of the fourth. So the change was made, and Bro. Lowery is expected Saturday before the first Sunday in April.

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Subscrib to the Banner.

Turn-Round Topics.

A better stand of oats could not be had than in our community.

Will Williams and bride, of Kincheon, visited W. D. Goss and family Saturday and Sunda .

C. S. Jones, two daughters Misses Anna, Frances and Miss Ausie Minor, of Coopers, were pleasant visitors here Saturday and Sunday.

J. G. Jones, of Lomax came down Friday to visit relatives and spent Sunday with Walter Kendrick.

Louis Dawson and Miss Pearl Cooper, a charming young couple, of Morganville, came to church Sunday.

T. L. Robinson, of Salem, was a visitor here Sunday.

Lewis Jones and family, left for Prattville Wednesday morning their future home.

W. N. Pierce visited Providence Saturday and Sunday.

Burwell is on a boom, a new store is to be opened here on the 8th inst.

F. M. Connell, of Cross Roads came down Saturday.

Bud Calloway, of Salem, and family attended church here Sunday.

Mr. Hicks has cleaned up the old saw mill place and is going right ahead with his work.

B. F. Taylor and wife, visited Bozeman Saturday.

B. J. Goss and wife have been visiting relatives near Prattville.

R. D. May and wife from near Prattville were visitors here last week.

Messrs. Goss and Connell have done some good ditching on their bottoms.

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Clanton.

For the first time in many months no marriage licenses have been issued this week.

The postoffice has been moved from Sartor & Kickers store, and is now located in the store recently vacated by J. W. Edwards on Main street.

Mr. Leroy Watts went to Montgomery on Monday.

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The jury in the case of Sheriff Martin and his deputies, charged with the killing of the strikers at Lattimer, Pa., on September 10 last, have returned a verdict of not guilty.

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Clanton Locals.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

The Thorsby Lumber Company, a partnership, Plaintiff,
vs.
M. E. Taylor and The Concordia Land and Improvement Association, a corporation Defendents.

Circuit Court of Chilton County, Spring Term, 1898. No. 1361.

Whereas an affidavit has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, Alabama, by W. J. Martin, Attorney for the Plaintiff in this cause, that M. E. Taylor, one of the above named defendants, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and that his place of residence is unknown:

It is therefore ordered that publication, for the said defendant, M. E. Taylor, be made for three successive weeks in the Banner, a newspaper published in Chilton county, Alabama, commanding the said M. E. Taylor to appear at the next term of the Circuit Court to be held for said county, at the place of holding same, then and there to answer, plead or demur to the complaint filed in this cause, and that a copy of said newspaper, containing a copy of this notice, be mailed to the said M. E. Taylor if his place of residence shall be known or ascertained.

Witness my hand this 7th. day of March, 1898.

J. P. VanDeryeer,
Clerk of the Circuit Court,
Chilton County Alabama.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by L.L. Beard to the undersigned Emily Hughes, on the 24th day of July, 1895, I, Emily Hughes, the said Mortgagee, will on the

4th DAY OF APRIL, 1898,

proceed to sell, in front of the Court House door at Clanton, Alabama, at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being situate in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, to wit:

The SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 31, Township 21, Range 16.

The said mortgage, under which this sale is made, is recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, in book 36 of mortgages at pages 193 and 194. The above sale made for the purpose of satisfying the mortgage debt and the expenses of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in six several mortgages executed to the undersigned Emily Hughes by Sallie M. Hamlin and her husband, J. M. Hamlin, on the eighth day of July, 1895, which said mortgages are recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, Alabama, in book 36 of Mortgages at pages 172, 173, 174, 188, 189, 164, 165, 162, 163, 166, 167, 170, 171, I, the said Emily Hughes, the said mortgagee, will proceed to sell on the 4th day of April, 1898 in front of the court house door at Clanton, Alabama at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash the following described land or real estate lying and being situate in the county of Chilton in the state of Alabama to wit: The south-east fourth of south west fourth of section number thirty-one, town ship twenty one, range sixteen, less two acres on the north east side, sold to Alfred Bethea. The above sale is made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage debt and the costs expenses and attorneys fees of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County, In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, Northeastern Chancery Division.

Allen P. Howison, complainant, vs. E. E. Jackson and William Jackson, defendants.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of H. C. Tompkins, Esq. that the Defendant, William Jackson, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at Salisbury, in the State of Maryland, and further, that to the ...ief of said affidavit the Defendant is over the age of twenty one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Banner, a news paper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him the said William Jackson, to answer or demur to the same, within forty days after the 28th day of March, 1898, and in ...ing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 22 day of February, 1898.

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Jan. 29, 1896. [illegible]

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[Se]venth—They favor the ab[olition] of trusts.

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[Th]ere are nine issues which are important in themselves, [...] now prominently before the [...] Are these reforms worth s[...]? These questions were sub[mitted] to the people at the last elect[ion;] they were not settled, and [...] be settled until they are set[tled righ]t.

[S]hould those who oppose thi[s finan]cial heresy, this child of g[reed and] avarice, fight each other w[hile the] American people are bound [...] [...]ers of gold?

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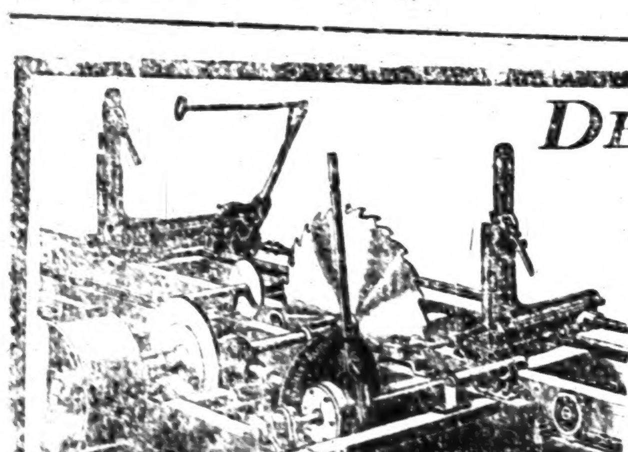
The Democrats will be wa[rned ag]ainst becoming tainted with [Populi]sm, and yet Jefferson denou[nced ba]nks of issue, and Jackson ent[ered in]to a contest with the money [power b]efore there was a Populist [party. W]hile the bimetallic system [was establi]shed in the United States [before any] political party was o[rganized...]



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ized. Our enemies will warn the Populists against association with the Democrats, and with unstinted praise commend those who are credited with "putting principle above office." The Republican party will gladly leave the Populists in possession of all the principles, so long as the Republicans are permitted to hold all the offices, because political principles are of no service to the public until they are enforced, through the legislative, executive and judicial departments of the government. The Silver Republicans will be asked to listen to the stern song of international bimetallists, and warned against the contaminating influence of both Democrats and Populists. As an ounce of prevention is said to be worth a pound of cure, so a dollar spent in separating the reform forces will be more useful than sixteen dollars spent in an attempt to overcome their united strength.

In great crises the patriotism of the American people always rises sufficient for any emergency. An emergency is now upon us; it will require all the intelligence and patriotism of the people to rescue the government from the hands of a party which has become the defender and abettor of every form of political vice. In such a crisis there is no time to discuss the ultimate effect of co-operation upon any particular party. We may rest assured that the people will bestow honor where honor is due, and that party which shows the greatest devotion to the welfare of the people will, in the end, receive due credit for every laudable endeavor.

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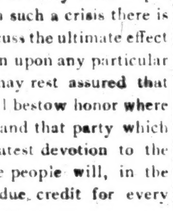

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Maplesville.

Miss Jessie McGee, of Stanton has visited her sister here Mrs. Perry.

Mrs. Glover, has enjoyed a treat in entertaining Mrs. Mary Prisley, of Selma.

Mrs. A. I. Foshee has been on a visit to her daughter Mrs. Dr. Farnell, of Stanton.

Our small-pox scare is over and the reported case of a negro coming from camp to his family here is now believed not to have been that disease and none of his family have had it. The camp infected with small pox 8 or 9 miles from here is guarded with guns.

Mr B. O Glover has had a most enjoyable visit to friends in Randolph.

We are sorry to state that Mrs Will Garner has had quite a serious attack of sickness.

A distressing epidemic of severe cold has been among our children, none have died but required much doctoring.

Our early bird gardeners are enjoying salads. The weather has been so chilly to bring out fruit blossoms which gives us hope of a good fruit crop.

Mr. T. R. Du Bose is fortunate in securing the services of Miss Lula Mosely as teacher.

Much to the fright of some of our good country people we have a spook in our midst, making most frightful noises which cannot be accounted for but by a ventriloquist in our midst.

Our railroad is going right on in a very business like way. Our engine is making as much noise as any on the new road. They are laying track toward Montgomery the rate of two miles a day.

Mr. Zeke Martin has returned from Selma in greatly improved health.

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Lily Lyrics.

Everything is moving on nicely in these parts, and farmers are taking advantage of all the good weather, making preparations for another crop, which they are expecting to plant in a short while.

Misses Minnie Rasberry and Celestia Jones, accompanied by Mr. Floyd Jones and J. C. Veazey, last week attended a concert given by the Valley Creek school of which Miss O. M. Garner is teacher. The large church was well filled and all seemed to be well entertained.

Mr. Ira Ward, and his new made bride attended church here last Sunday.

Rev. J. L. Long preached for us last Saturday and Rev. S. M. Adams preached on Sunday to a large congregation of attentive listeners.

Rev. J. G. Lowery has accepted the call of Mulberry church on condition that Mulberry will change her appointments to the first Sunday instead of the fourth. So the change was made, and Bro. Lowery is expected Saturday before the first Sunday in April.

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Turn-Round Topics.

A better stand of oats could not be had than in our community.

Will Williams and bride, of Kincheon, visited W. D. Goss and family Saturday and Sunday.

C. S. Jones, two daughters Misses Anna, Frances and Miss Ausie Minor, of Coopers, were pleasant visitors here Saturday and Sunday.

J. B. Jones, of Lomax came down Friday to visit relatives and spent Sunday with Walter Kemarick.

Louis Dawson and Miss Pearl Cooper, a charming young couple, of Morganville, came to church Sunday.

T. L. Robinson, of Salem, was a visitor here Sunday.

Lewis Jones and family, left for Prattville Wednesday morning their future home.

W. N. Pierce visited Providence Saturday and Sunday.

Burwell is on a boom, a new store is to be opened here on the 8th inst.

F. M. Connell, of Cross Roads came down Saturday.

Bud Calloway, of Salem, and family attended church here Sunday.

Mr. Hicks has cleaned up the old saw mill place and is going right ahead with his work.

B. F. Taylor and wife, visited Bozeman Saturday.

B. J. Goss and wife have been visiting relatives near Prattville.

R. D. May and wife from near Prattville were visitors her last week.

Messrs. Goss and Connell have done some good ditching on their bottoms.

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Mr. Leroy Watts went to Montgomery on Monday.

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vs.
M. E. Taylor and The Concordia Land and Improvement Association, a corporation Defendants.
Circuit Court of Chilton County, Spring Term, 1898. No. 1361.

Whereas an affidavit has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, Alabama, by W. J. Martin, Attorney for the Plaintiff in this cause, that M. E. Taylor, one of the above named defendants, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and that his place of residence is unknown:

It is therefore ordered that publication, for the said defendant, M. E. Taylor, be made for three successive weeks in the Banner, a newspaper published in Chilton county, Alabama, commanding the said M. E. Taylor to appear at the next term of the Circuit Court to be held for said county, at the place of holding same, then and there to answer, plead or demur to the complaint filed in this cause, and that a copy of said newspaper, containing a copy of this notice, be mailed to the said M. E. Taylor if his place of residence shall be known or ascertained.

Witness my hand this 7th. day of March, 1898.

J. P. VanDeryeer,
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Chilton County Alabama.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by I. L. Beard to the undersigned Emily Hughes, on the 24th day of July, 1895, I. Emily Hughes, the said Mortgagee, will on the

4th DAY OF APRIL, 1898,

proceed to sell, in front of the Court House door at Clanton, Alabama, at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being situate in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, to wit:

The SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 31, Township 21, Range 16.

The said mortgage, under which this sale is made, is recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, in book 36 of mortgages at pages 193 and 194. The above sale made for the purpose of satisfying the mortgage debt and the expenses of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in six several mortgages executed to the undersigned Emily Hughes by Sallie M. Hanlin and her husband, J. M. Hanlin, on the eighth day of July, 1895, which said mortgages are recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton County, Alabama, in book 36 of Mortgages at pages 172, 173, 174, 168, 169, 164, 165, 162, 163, 166, 167, 170, 171. I, the said Emily Hughes, the said mortgagee, will proceed to sell on the 4th day of April, 1898 in front of the court house door at Clanton, Alabama, at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash the following described land or real estate lying and being situate in the county of Chilton in the state of Alabama to wit: The southeast fourth of south west fourth of section number thirty-one, town ship twenty-one, range sixteen, less two acres on the northern side, sold to Alfred Bethea. The above sale is made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage debt and the costs expenses and attorneys fees of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County. In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District Northeastern Chancery Division.

Allen P. Howison, complainant vs. E. E. Jackson and William Jackson, defendants.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of H. C. Tompkins, Esq., that the Defendant, William Jackson, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at Salisbury in the State of Maryland, and further, that to the best of said affiant the Defendant is over the age of twenty one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in The Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him the said William Jackson, to answer or demur to the same, within forty days after the 28th day of March, 1898, and in default thereof a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama this 22 day of February, 1898.

[illegible] Register in Chancery.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY

CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

The Uganda Railway has now advanced seventy miles into the interior of Africa. A missionary writes that bicycles are seen every day in the streets of Uganda, and that the missionary rode on his wheel all the way from the coast to Mengo—a three weeks' trip.

The Maine hunters who have shot at men under the impression that they were deer have proved excellent marksmen this season. Though none of the human targets was nearer than 200 yards, and some fully 1000 yards away, of the eighteen shot at fourteen have either fallen dead or died within a few minutes, and of the wounded two will be cripples for life.

In many places agricultural fairs have been diverted from their legitimate purposes and turned into mere circus combinations, says Farm and Fireside. In some places the evils connected with the latter have grown to be intolerable. Fakirs work all sorts of fradulent schemes, disreputable showmen give exhibitions that are grossly immoral, and gamblers run swindling games openly. Such things eventually kill the fair and drive the agricultural society out of existence.

Professor Gates, of the Smithsonian Institution, claims that human viciousness is caused by poisons in the cells of the brain, and that it can be eradicated by medical treatment. Since the removal of a human stomach, without harm to its owner, we are prepared to believe anything, but viciousness is so superabundant throughout the world that we cannot think the medical fraternity will ever be equal to its extermination, even though Professor Gates's theory may be true.

essor Schooling, in a paper before the statistical society, of London, gives for the eight principal causes of insanity, the following percentage of every one hundred lunatics: Drink, thirty-three and six one-hundredths; domestic troubles, fifteen and one one-hundredth; mental anxiety, thirteen and one one-hundredth; old age, thirteen and two one-hundredths; adverse circumstances, thirteen; accidents, six and five one-hundredths; religious excitement, four one-hundredths; love affairs, one and two one-hundredths.

With respect to the number of fatalities charged to suicide during the year 1897, the Chicago Tribune finds that not less than 6500 persons killed themselves during that period of time. As is usually the case, quite a large percentage of these victims were physicians; but the list also includes lawyers, actors, editors, business men and clergymen. The various causes assigned by investigating authorities for these suicides are given in the following table: Despondency, 2889; insanity, 467; liquor, 270; ill health, 356; domestic infelicity, 301; disappointed love, 271; business losses, 124, and unknown, 1922. Of the total number of suicides above indicated, 2384 were brought about by taking poison, 2138 by gun or pistol shots, 870 by hanging, 596 by drowning and 537 by throat cutting. As to the remaining cases there can be no classification made. Some of the parties met death in front of locomotives, others by hurling themselves from high altitudes and others by blowing themselves up with dynamite.

According to a recent London estimate only about 25,000 American tourists visited the English capital in the course of the past season, and this is regarded as a very poor catch. The jubilee was a great disappointment as an attraction for cousins from over the water. It was expected to bring them over in flocks, all eager to spend money, but it seems to have had a deterrent effect, on the whole, and shop keepers and hotel keepers suffered rather than profited by the festivities. Still, even 25,000 Americans are very much better than none, and the calculations as to how much better are decidedly interesting. The average tourist from "the States," we are told, scatters about $1000 while making a three months' trip in Europe. This, multiplied by 25,000, makes $25,000,000, and of that amount, it is believed, London received at least two-fifths. Paris gets more American money than London does, not because more Americans go there, but because the French capital wins the trade of all the women, and this is both larger and more profitable than that of the men, to whose needs and tastes the London shops more especially cater.

THE NEWS IN OUR OWN STATE.

INDUSTRIAL AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY MEETS.
IMPORTANT EMIGRATION COMPANY ORGANIZED.

War Vessels Using Alabama Coal—To Manufacture Fine Cotton Goods—Deputies Raiding Illicit Stills—Pennsylvanians to Establish Colonies in This State—Other Interesting News Items.

WORKERS FOR ALABAMA.

Industrial and Scientific Society Meets at Birmingham.

At the annual meeting of the Alabama Industrial and Scientific Society, which met in Birmingham the past week, officers were elected as follows:

President—M. C. Wilson, of Florence.

Vice-Presidents—J. G. Mann, of Blocton; Chas. J. Geoghegan, of Birmingham; Jos. L. Squires, of Helena; Jas. H. Fitts, of Tuscaloosa, Jas. L. Montgomery, of Birmingham.

Treasurer—Henry M. McCalley, of Tuscaloosa.

Secretary—Eugene L. Smith, of Tuscaloosa.

Prof. McCalley, assistant state geologist, displayed geological maps just made of the Warrior coal fields, showing all the coal seams.

Dr. W. B. Phillips gave an exhaustive account of the operations now going on near Leeds by the Sloss Iron & Steel company to develop brown iron beds.

The secretary's report showed 42 members present out of 76.

Using Alabama Coal.

Alabama coal has made a stand in a direction that bids fair to yield great results. The steamer Detroit, which was in Mobile harbor during Mardi Gras, was coaled with Alabama coal, and it is ascertained that during the past few months a number of government vessels have been coaled with Alabama coal at Pensacola, Mobile and other points.

The point that has been established is this: The government has recognized from the tests of Alabama coal that were made several years ago, that the Pratt coal, for instance, is fully up to the standard demanded by the navy. This is a fact that the government has finally accepted, and the result is that, when other things are favorable, Alabama stands a fair chance to coal the government vessels when they are in southern waters.

To Manufacture Fine Goods.

The Tallassee Falls Manufacturing Company at Tallassee, have finished the foundation for thair first new 50,000-spindle mill, for the manufacture of fine goods. The building will be of granite, and the machinery run by water power.

The present Tallassee mills are working most favorably, with orders ahead for months to come, consuming about thirty-five bales a day, averaging 1,000 bales a month. When the new mill is completed the consumption will reach not less than 25,000 bales per annum. The mills in the Montgomery territory, consisting of Prattville, Tallassee, the People's and the Montgomery, including the Alabama Cordage Company, are now consuming about eighty-five bales of cotton daily.

Stills Raided.

Deputy Internal Revenue Collector W. C. Hanlin is out on another trip among the moonshiners. Friday morning he reported two raids. He destroyed twelve fermenters and twenty gallons of whisky near Brookwood, in Tuskaloosa county, and 200 gallons of beer and twenty gallons of whisky at another illicit plant in the same vicinity. The stills had been removed. Other raids have been reported as follows: Near Pevy, Randolph county, one forty-gallon copper still and a quantity of supplies. Near Forest Chapel, same county, one fifty-gallon still and supplies. Four miles south of Fruithurst, Cleburne county, one sixty gallon still and 900 gallons of beer.

Industrial School Suspends.

The Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo has been suspended till March 27th. This action was taken by President Reynolds after a consultation with the governor and faculty of the school, as the result of the smallpox scare of a few days ago.

Waylaid and Murdered.

Jeff D. Burgen, a wealthy young merchant of Pickensville, was waylaid and murdered Friday night. The weapon used was a shotgun, and the entire contents of one barrel was emptied into Mr. Burgen's breast. His assassin was so close upon him when he fired the shot that the clothes and the face of the deceased were very badly powder-burned. Mr. Burgen was on his way from his home in Pickensville to the residence of Mr. Ezell to make a friendly call, when he was shot, and members of Mr. Ezell's household saw the assassin when he ran away, but did not recognize him.

Free Rural Delivery.

Gen. Roy Stone, chief of road inquiry, division of agriculture, at Washington, proposes to establish several routes for rural free delivery of mails in Madison county if the people in the county will take the proper interest in the matter and secure the appropriation.

Alabama Postmasters.

Postmasters were appointed Saturday for Alabama as follows: John C. Donaldson, Bright, Cullman county; A. T. Vaughan, Wheeler, Lawrence county.

COOSA VALLEY COLONY CO.

Important Emigration Company Organized at Piedmont.

A new emigration company has been organized to develop and put on sale the rich lands of North Alabama. Gen. Shelley, of Birmingham, is at the head of the company.

The headquarters are in Piedmont. Although the Piedmont lands are the only ones which will be advertised at the present time, the company intends to develop the rich lands which are to be found in so many parts of North Alabama. Steps have already been taken to establish agencies throughout the north and west and the Alabama lands will be thoroughly advertised.

The company claims to have an entirely new plan for the payment of money due on the tracts sold, and one that is different from any of the other colony companies. Land warrants are issued, valued at $50 each, which are payable at a rate of a dollar a month, the whole being paid in a trifle over four years. Of course, any number of warrants will be sold to one person. Purchasers of these warrants can select land equal to the face value of these warrants at any time after making the first payment and take immediate possession of land so selected.

Recinds Its Action.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the democratic party of Jefferson county, held in Birmingham Saturday, the following resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That the plan for holding the democratic primary and convention in this county, as recommended by the sub-committee appointed for that purpose at the meeting of this committee two weeks ago, be amended so as to have the six representatives of this county nominated by the county convention instead of the county primary.

"Resolved, That so much of the action of this committee which referred to the election by primary of representatives in the legislature at its meeting held two weeks ago, is hereby rescinded."

Colonies to be Established.

Mr. N. F. Thompson, secretary of the Johnstown, Pa., Board of Trade, who has been in Alabama for some time, returned to Pennsylvania Friday. Mr. Thompson states that the probabilities are that two colonies of Pennsylvania people will be established in Alabama before long. One of the proposed colonies will be situated in North Alabama and the other in South Alabama.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Capt. Sam Clay, a one-armed Confederate veteran, died at Athens.

At Monroeville, Jeff Salter was shot and killed by officers who were trying to arrest him on a charge of counterfeiting.

Mrs. Collins, a prominent lady of Albertville, aged 90 years, was burned to death. Her clothing ignited from an open grate.

Col. A. K. McClure, the distinguished editor of the Philadelphia Times, will be the guest of the Commercial Club, of Birmingham, March 20th.

Tom Collins and Hugh Frazier have been indicted for murder in the first degree by the grand jury of Jefferson county, for the killing of J. L. Howell, at Bessemer, last December.

Mrs. Richard Eubank, living near Mountainboro, was eating supper and chatting pleasantly with her family last week, when she suddenly complained of a pain and fell over dead.

The grand jury of Lowndes county, after being in session for ten days, reported thirty-nine true bills. They recommended the repeal of the prohibition law, declaring it an utter failure and loss to the county.

The clothes of Frank, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Harper, of South Decatur, ignited from an open fireplace. The child was horribly burned and may not recover. The mother was severely burned in attempting to rescue the child.

W. C. Harris, Jr., one of the lessees of the O'Brien opera house in Birmingham, has shaken the dust of that city from his feet and his present whereabouts are unknown. Harris' departure is said to have taken place rather suddenly, due to circumstances that cannot be recorded in public print.

Death the Price of a Fortune.

It is said by the steamer from Alaska that several days ago two Canadian police marched into Skaguay with two sleds in tow, over which were strapped two dead men. They were frozen to death on the trail. They were returning Klondikers, and are reported to have had in their possession $160,000 in paper and gold dust.

Ex-President Cleveland has written a letter to the gold democratic party in Pennsylvania warning them to bestir themselves or free silver will control the next congress.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

The New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

The demand for southern lumber, especially hardwoods, is good, the market is strong and every tendency toward higher prices, says The Chattanooga Tradesman in its weekly review. Stocks at the lumber centers are getting low. Interior movement is improving; export demand is, on the average, better, though something must be done to stiffen foreign prices, particularly on pine.

On the whole, the situation is satisfactory.

Southern iron masters would rather see an increased demand at present prices than an advance in price. Pennsylvania would prefer an increased price. Whatever change occurs at all soon, is more likely to be one that would meet the Birmingham wishes.

Somewhat increased consumption may be looked for soon, under normal conditions; but as to prices, the furnaces probably will have to be content with a firmer rather than a higher market.

Mill construction goes merrily on, but in a cool-headed, conservative way that promises much for the future. Cotton mill men, who are new to the Southern country, are moving slowly and making no mistakes.

Movements in cotton are very heavy. The Southern mills show greatly increased takings over last year.

The Charlotte, N. C., Bonded Warehouse company is a novelty in the cotton trade, and handles cotton much as the American Pig Iron Storage Warrant company handles pig iron. Fire insurance companies approve the risk and local banks consider the cotton warehouse gilt-edged security.

This system leaves control of the crop in the planter's hands.

The market continues steady, though a desire to sell has shaded prices slightly on some lines. The advance on wire and wire nails is in effect, and whether the manufacturers do or don't consolidate, they will evidently stay near enough together for a while, to maintain prices on such goods.

Generally speaking, the trade is not complaining. The jobbers and retailers of the South and Southwest report unusually active business for the season.

SPAINS REQUEST WITHDRAWN.

The Dons Back Down and "Consents" for Lee to Remain in Havana.

Spain has withdrawn her request for the recall of Consul-General Lee, and it is now believed that the incident is practically closed.

The withdrawal came Monday in the shape of an official communication from Minister Woodford. It is now stated that the request was never put in the shape of a demand, but that it was merely a suggestion on the part of Spain, and when she found that it would not be pleasantly received by this country she promptly receded.

It is learned that the Spanish objection to Consul-General Lee is based largely upon his sympathy with the Cubans and some of his utterances which have found their way into print.

It is understood that the Spaniards also take exceptions to the friendly relations and companionship existing between General Lee and correspondents of papers which have been decidedly unfriendly to Spain.

TO APPROPRIATE $50,000,000.

Resolution Introduced for Strengthening the National Defense.

Chairman Cannon, of the appropriations committee, Monday introduced in the house a bill "making appropriations for the national defense." It is as follows:

"That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the national defense and for each and every purpose connected therewith, to be expended at the discretion of the president, and to remain available till June 30, 1899, $50,000,000."

It was referred to the committee on appropriations.

Mr. Cannon had an interview with the president Monday morning and at its conclusion went to the capitol and held a special meeting of the appropriations committee. After this meeting Mr. Cannon introduced the national defense bill in the house.

The Montgomery to Carry Supplies.

The navy department has announced that the cruiser Montgomery would relieve the dispatch boat Fern at Havana, and that the Fern would carry provisions and relief supplies to Matanzas and Sagua La Grande. This is understood to be a satisfactory arrangement to the Spanish government, and will relieve the incident of its irritating feature.

Railroad to the Yukon.

The Rothschilds will attempt to build a railroad to the Yukon in Alaska. Men are in the field and steps are now being taken to secure all the necessary rights and titles.

Killed His Cousin.

T. N. Sherman, a prominent farmer, was killed Monday by his cousin, Tom Sherman, at Athens, Tenn. The killing was the outcome of a family feud, which has existed for several years, and in which a number of Shermans have lost their lives.

At Ishpeming, Mich., John F. Armstrong, a mining man of considerable note, while temporarily insane, walked to one of the Lake Superior Mining company's shafts and jumped into the opening, falling 444 feet.

WAR IS NOW INEVITABLE.

An Unconfirmed Report That Lee Has Been Given His Passport.

FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FOR DEFENSE

Will Be Appropriated by Congress. Negotiations in Progress to Buy Warships. Congress Will Uphold the President.

A special to the Age-Herald Monday night says:

The bill placing at the disposal of the president $50,000,000 as defense will be presented through the house and senate. The bill was introduced at the request of the president. In asking for it, the president told the members of congress, who he called into conference, that hostilities were unavoidable, and that it would be criminal longer to delay buying warships.

The head officials are in consultation tonight considering the various offers to sell ships. The decision has already been reported to buy from Brazil the Nethleroy, one of the greatest dynamite throwing ships in the world. Spain made an offer for this vessel, and it was at once offered to this government. The president has urged the greatest haste in this matter, for at any moment a declaration of war from Spain might prevent the delivery of a single ship.

A number of southern democrats waited on the president tonight and assured him that they would back him up in any stand he sees fit to take.

The president told one of the southern senators who was in conference with him today that if Spain declined to recognize Lee further, and ordered him out of Havana, that he would emphasize his confidence in him by detailing one of the largest battleships to conduct him to the shores of this country. Not only would Lee be escorted to this country with signal honors, but Woodford would be withdrawn from Madrid. Never in the history of this country, it is said at the state department, has a representative of this country received such an indorsement as that given to this old ex-confederate by the president.

The administration, of course, denies that a decision to send the supplies in the Fern is a backdown for this government in any way. The Fern is a warship, though carrying only one gun. It is the first ship decided upon to convey the supplies.

Report That Lee Has His Passports.

The Age-Herald received from its special correspondent at Key West Tuesday morning a bulletin saying a rumor was prevalent that Lee had been given his passport. Up to the hour of going to press it could not be confirmed.

To Acquire Foreign Ships.

Arrangements have been made to acquire several foreign ships and an option has been obtained from the Japanese government for two cruisers under construction in this country for that nation. A proposition is also under consideration by Secretary Long for putting a flying squadron in commission under Commodore W. S. Schley, the Arctic hero, the proposed fleet to be distinct from the North Atlantic squadron. In the war department, the chief work of the day has been toward enlisting 1,600 men for the two artillery regiments authorized by congress. A plan for the naval militia has also been outlined and the work on ships under repair has been pushed. These constitute the chief events of the day in the war and navy departments.

The administration is curious to know what effect Cannon's $50,000,000 provision will have upon Madrid, and the $50,000,000 is only an ante, said a member Monday night.

Replenishing the Asiatic Fleet.

The navy department is making preparations to replenish the supply of ammunition of the United States warships on the Asiatic station. To this end orders have been sent to the training ship Mohican, now at Mare Island, to carry the ammunition. She will carry thirty tons of ammunition for the China fleet and will start almost immediately.

Facts in Possession of Naval Board.

A dispatch from Havana says: The leading facts of the Maine disaster are all now in the possession of the naval board. The divers have continued their work during the absence of the board at Key West. They have discovered nothing to change the evidence gathered which show apparently that the explosion was external.

General Manager Metcalf, of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, met a committee appointed by the conductors engineers and firemen of the system in Louisville, and promised them that the 10 per cent cut in wages made in 1893 would be restored in the course of a few months.

Withdraws from the Senatorial Race.

United States Senator Mills, of Texas, has withdrawn from the race for re-election to the United States senate, which leaves the field clear to Governor C. A. Culberson. Mr. Mills gives as the principal reason for his withdrawal the recent action of the state executive committee, which made a stringent test for all persons desiring to participate in democratic primaries and conventions.

THE NEWS OF A GREAT

SHIPPING COTTON TO J

Shipments of Cotton and Pig Iron from the Port of Mobile Rapidly In

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Mobile to Japan.

The British steamship cleared Mobile Sunday for a large amount of steel consisting of steel rails and [illegible] 115 tons of pig iron and 7,000 cotton. This is the second which has cleared from this Japan, and there is another [illegible] this port which will load shortly.

Record of Eight Months.

The following will give some the increasing business in Mobile port, as given out by England, of the chamber of com For the eight months the total amounted to $6,143,348. Febr ports were as follows: Corn, bushels; cotton, 45,118 bales; 7,258 ton; total valuation of exports, $1,597,877.

ALABAMA COAL.

Northern Operators Looking to the South to Help Supply Large Order.

It is very probable that Alabama will before long be furnishing the United States with a consider quantity of coal to be delivered Pensacola, Key West and other ern ports for use on government sels in Southern waters. The obstacle to the business is the the Alabama operators being u in getting contracts by the exp handling the product from the to the ports and then at the po reason of a lack of facilities for movements.

Northern operators have large contracts to furnish the g ment with coal, and have ap Southern operators to help them on these orders. In the if not by direct contract with the ernment, the Southern operato fair to come in for a large share business.

Prisoners to Be Sent to Raleigh.

In the future all prisoners con in the United States court in Northern district will be sent state penitentiary at Raleigh. This order was issued by Bruce Monday on motion of U States District Attorney Vaugh was in receipt of informati Attorney-General Griggs conce the North Carolina state penite Southern branch of the gover penitentiary. Heretofore all pri convicted in the United State in the South have been s federal prisons at Columbus Brooklyn, N. Y. Just why thi has been made is not known, a it is said to have been ordered be of the crowded conditions o prisons at Columbus and Brookly

New Telephone Line.

The first message over the pleted line from Florence to Ir Tenn., passed over the wire M The line is twenty miles in leng

A New Cotton Chopper.

There is now on exhibition at L an invention which bids fa prove a revolution in cotton rais the South. This is a cotton ch invented by D. A. Yarbrough others. It has been tested and pr a success by a number of prom farmers. Skepticism vanishes the machine is seen at work easily, with one man and a horse from fifteen to twenty acres of per day, leaving the ground in tillable shape than if worked groes.

The United States court fo spring term of 1898 convened mingham Monday.

Prisoners Attack a Deputy Sh

Phil Etheridge, a deputy was attacked by the prisoners county jail, at Evergreen, and beaten into insensibility, when a of armed citizens came to his re Several shots were exchanged, re ing in the wounding of one of prisoners.

Bryan at Montgomery.

Wm. J. Bryan spoke to an aud of between 8,000 and 10,000 peop Montgomery Monday.

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APPEAL FOR JOINT POL ACTION.

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This country has during th twenty-four years suffered e the blighting effect of the gold dard, so far as fraudulent le and executive usurpation hav able to establish it. It is now proposed to legalize what has done in defiance of law and t power secured by false pretens a long suffering and too trust ple to put upon this infamo the stamp of alleged popular a tion.

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It must be remembered that foreign gold syndicate and have, with the connivance of assistance of our government and today control every instru commerce in the nation. In the constitution our patriot fathers with [illegible] prophetic wisdom, provided fair mercy should be regulated by but the tremendous power abdicated by congress in fav gold trust and the banks and is the first great [illegible] mercy with contempt [illegible] has captured the other instru commerce [illegible] it to keep standard [illegible] more those [illegible] and demands [illegible]

All [illegible] have [illegible] commercial [illegible] ly [illegible] tion [illegible] gold [illegible] ties in [illegible] great [illegible] ized [illegible] power [illegible] criminals [illegible] business [illegible] "hard times." [illegible] Thus the [illegible] of great [illegible] promoted [illegible] the evil [illegible] birth. Thus they [illegible] of paupers to create a few [illegible] the inevitable result [illegible] vert our government [illegible] of sordid wealth.

In the accomplishment of these evil influences [illegible] opinion and muzzle dissent not only subsidize the press but to seat their well paid [illegible] in our legislative halls, on our [illegible] of justice, and in all other [illegible] of government, but wherever faculties are susceptible to generosity or inverted [illegible] they carefully maneuver for [illegible] vice or silence.

The divine right of kings succeeded by the divine right [illegible] naires, who propose to [illegible] thing, not only the instrument merce and our industrial sys also as far as possible the [illegible] editor, and the voice [illegible] fect, of the university profes ing succeeded in this the [illegible] will not only completely [illegible] legislative, executive and branches of our government be solidly entrenched against [illegible] ance and retribution.

Briefly stated this is a pa outrageous scheme. We do [illegible] any political party on

INEVITABLE.

t That Lee Has
Passport.

S FOR DEFENSE

THE NEWS OF A GREAT STA

SHIPPING COTTON TO JAP

Shipments of C tton and Pig Iron T the Port of Mobile Rapidly Increa

The departure of vessels from
and New Orleans direct to the
Japan with Alabama cotton and
board has been a recent phenom
if southern trade development t
given rise to very interesting s
Some

The New Orleans Times Demo
Saturday says: The British ste
Indrani, T. Trotter, captain, c
yesterday morning for ports in
loaded with 12,500 bales of cotto
(2,500 tons) of pig iron. She expe
sail this morning.

This is the pioneer shipment
cotton to Japan direct from the
New Orleans. The Indrani
loaded at Mobile, finishing at
Orleans her entire cargo being
shipped from. From Mobile to
Indrani took 5,000 bales of cotton, fro
bales to Kobe, 600 bales of cotto
Nagasaki and 1,000 tons of pig iron; from Ne
Yokohama, 2,750 bales
from New Orleans to Kobe,
cotton, making a total
bales of cotton and
pig iron. The Indrani w
direct from New Orleans to Jap
Suez Canal, and expects to
trip in about sixty days.

Other shipments of cotton and
will follow according to th
which about the present ti
ports, as every reason
from present indications
trade will be an extensive perm
British established in these pro
with Japan.

Mobile to Japan.

The U. S. steamship Ik
chartered Mobile Sunday for Japa
a large amount of steel rails and angle
consisting of steel rails and 700 ba
1,175 tons of pig iron and 700 ba
cotton. This is the record steam
which has cleared from this po
Japan, and there is another one
the port which will load shortly.

Record of Eight Months.

The following will give some id
the increasing business in expo
Mobile port, as given out by Secr
England, of the chamber of comm
For the eight months the total ex
amounted to $6,143,348. Februar
ports were as follows: Corn, 56
bushels, cotton, 15,118 bales; pig
7,258 tons; total valuation of Feb
exports, $1,597,877.

ALABAMA COAL.

Northern Operators Looking to the to Help Supply Large Orders.

It is very probable th t Alab
will before long be furnishing
United States with a conside
quantity of coal to be delivere
Pensacola, Key West and other S
ern ports for use on government
sels in Southern waters. The
obstacle to the business is the
the Alabama operators being impe
in getting contracts by the expen
handling the product from the m
to the ports and then at the port
reason of a lack of facilities for
movements.

Northern operators have bo
large contracts to furnish the gov
ment with coal, and have applie
Southern operators to help su
them on these orders. In this
if not by direct contract with the
ernment, the Southern operaters
fair to come in for a large share of
business.

Prisoners to Be Sent to Raleigh, N.

In the future all prisoners convi
in the United States court in
Northern district will be sent to
state penitentiary at Raleigh, N
This order was issued by Ju
Bruce Monday on motion of Un
States District Attorney Vaughn
was in receipt of information f
Attorney General Griggs constitu
the North Carolina state penitenti
Southern branch of the governm
penitentiary. Heretofore all prisc
convicted in the United States co
in the South have been sent to
federal pr ons at Columbus, O
Brooklyn, N. Y. Just why this cha
has been made is not known, altho
it is said to have been ordered bec
of the crowded conditions of
risons at Columbus and Brooklyn.

New Telephone Line.

The first message over the
pleted line from Florence to Iron C
Tenn., passed over the wire Mond
The line is twenty miles in length.

A New Cotton Chop er.

There is now on exhibition at D
an invention which bids fai
prove a revolution in cotton raisin
the South. This is a cotton chop
invented by D. A. Yarbrough
others. It has been tested and pro
a success by a number of promin
farmers. Skepticism vanishes w
the machine is seen at work, fo
easily, with one man and a horse cl
from fifteen to twenty acres of co
per day, leaving the ground in
tillable shape than if worked by
groes.

The United States court for
spring term of 1898 convened in B
mingham Monday.

Prisoners Attack a Deputy Sheri

Phil Etheridge, a deputy she
was attacked by the prisoners in
county jail, at Evergreen, and
beaten into insensibility, when a cr
of armed citizens came to his resc
Several shots were exchanged, resu
ing in the wounding of one of
prisoners.

Bryan at Montgomery.

Wm. J. Bryan spoke to an audie
of between 8,000 and 10,000 people
Montgomery Monday.

HARMONIOUS UNITY.

APPEAL FOR JOINT POLITICAL ACTION.

National Committees of the Populist, Democratic, and Free Silver Republican Parties Issue Addresses Urging Co-operation.

Following is the full text of the ap
for harmony issued recently by
Senator Butler and twenty-five other
Populist senators and representatives
Representatives Jones and Towne of the free
silver Democrats and Republicans simu
taneously issued similar circulars to
the members of their parties. The
Populist appeal is as follows:

The conspiracy of gold and monopo
is nearing its culmination. Every
advance it has made during the last
twenty-five years has been by adroit
stealthy processes. These would
have been impossible if it had not had
the agents and confederates holding
positions of public trust in the legis
lative, executive and judicial branches
of the government. Neither the bene
ficiaries nor the tools of this conspira
cy have any particular politics. In
the last administration was Dem
ocratic. The present administration
is called Republican, but it has in
variously practiced and defended the
ruinous policies of its predecessors.
At length the selfish and brutal in
terests behind this conspiracy deem
themselves strong enough to dispense
with the caution and duplicity hither
to necessary to their success. The ad
ministration boldly avows its indorse
ment of their scheme against the lib
erty and prosperity of the people.
Within a few weeks it has formulated
and sent to congress a bill the leading
purpose of which is, in the words of
the secretary of the treasury: "To
establish it. It is now boldly
proposed to legalize what has been
done in defiance of law and to use the
power secured by false pretenses from
long suffering and too trustful peo
ple to put upon this infamous design
the stamp of alleged popular authoriza
tion."

In the pursuit of this purpose of
committing the country more thor
oughly to the gold standard, the plan
of this administration, as of the last,
is to retire the greenbacks and other
non-interest bearing paper money of
the government, to issue interest-bur
dened gold bonds, and to increase the
powers, privileges, and profits of na
tional banks. The achievement would
put over the duty of supplying the
people's money, the very life-blood of
business, to a selfish, heartless, and ir
responsible foreign gold syndicate and
its American agents and allies.

It must be remembered also that this
foreign gold syndicate and its allies
have, with the connivance if not the
assistance of our government, captured
and today control every instrument of
power in the nation. In framing
our constitution our patriotic fore
fathers, with zealous care and with
prophetic wisdom, provided that com
merce should be regulated by congress.
This tremendous power has been
basely surrendered by congress in favor of the
gold trust and the banking ring. Money
is the first great instrument of com
merce; but the gold ring, not satisfied
with controlling our financial system,
has also captured the other instruments of
commerce, including in its grasp the power
to coin and issue our paper money. Thus the
money power of the country having seized the
instruments of commerce, has
gained the power to disturb
sections and individ
competition, to breed
speculation, and to create
panics in the midst of plenty.
The concentration and maintenance
of these industrial trusts have been
made possible by conditions which gave them
the power to create a few millionaires.
The inevitable result must be to com
plete our government into an oligarchy
of wealth.

In the accomplishment of this end
those evil influences must, shackle
opinion and muzzle discussion. They
not only subsidize the press and at
tempt to seat their well-paid attorneys
in our legislative halls, on our benches
of justice, and in all other departments
of government; but wherever college
faculties are susceptible to pretended
generosity or inverted philanthropy
they carefully maneuver for either ser

The divine right of kings is to b
succeeded by the divine right of mi
lionaires to run every
thing. The people propose to run every-
thing according to the
Constitution, and for the general welfare.
The issue is clearly defined. It is the
people against the usurpers. It is
a contest between the producers of
wealth, the toilers in every industrial system, bu
sians, professional men, and
all who are susceptible to the pen of our
patriot Whittier, when he said:

> "Rise, for the day of prayer is come,
> Rise, for the day of action;
> Rise, every valiant heart and soul
> Into the work of satisfaction."

We do not ap
peal to any party on partisan

grounds. We arraign a system and de
nounce a conspiracy. We condemn in
dividuals and organizations that sup
port this system and aid the conspira
cy. A party that is the mouthpiece
and agent of this conspiracy is just as
dangerous under one name as under
another.

In every campaign the gold syndi
cate and all the allied trusts and mono
polies combine. They select the con
ventions they desire to control; they
elect the candidates that they have se
lected. Of course, they control them
after they are elected. Therefore, those
who are not their agents and who
would not submit to their tyrannous
spoliation should strenuously oppose
the allied combination of gold and
monopoly.

The only hope of the enemy is to di
vide us. Therefore let us be more
united and harmonious than ever, and
further let us organize without delay
a vigorous campaign in every state and
congressional district, county and pre
cinct.

There are but two sides to this
mighty and portentous conflict. All of
those of whatever party who favor the
conspiracy of gold and monopoly,
who favor industrial slavery, wide
spread poverty and national de
struction, should be on one side;
and all those of whatever party
who oppose this deadly design,
who love truth and right, who love
their country, who love their homes
and firesides, and who believe in the
sacred principles declared by Jefferson
and reasserted by Jackson and Lincoln,
should be on the other side. On this
side we solidly stand. Then let us,
maintaining at all times party integri
ty, invite the harmonious co-operation
of all seeking the same end. The om
inous dangers threatening the institu
tions of the republic make this the
highest duty. The line of battle is
clearly drawn. We cannot avoid the
conflict if we would. Therefore let us
appeal to all citizens and to all organi
zations and parties that oppose this
conspiracy that oppose a government
of the trusts, by the trusts, and for the
trusts, that oppose and will not submit
to the despotism of sordid wealth—to
come to the rescue. Patriotism and
manhood are not dead. A large part
of the American people realize the
wrongs and comprehend the dangers,
and are ready and anxious to fight this
system to the end. The spirit of '76
is abroad in the land and the friends
of liberty everywhere are awaiting the
patriotic call to fight a common battle
against a common foe. Let this be
done and we can crush every traitor
as did the men of the American revolu
tion; let this be done and we shall
drive every Tory to ignominious de
feat. Let this be done and we shall re
establish what is almost overthrown:
A government of the people, by the
people and for the people.

Signed: Marion Butler, W. A. Harris, Henry Heilfeld, William V. Allen, R. F. Pettigrew, John C. Bell, J. D. Botkin, Jerry Simpson, W. F. Strowd, W. L. Greene, J. Y. Callahan, E. R. Ridgely, James Gunn, John E. Fowler, C. H. Castle, N. B. McCormick, M. S. Peters, J. E. Kelley, C. A. Barlow, A. C. Shuford, W. D. Vincent, Samuel Maxwell, Freeman Knowles, Charles H. Martin, W. L. Stark and R. D. Sutherland.

"Getting Out of Debt."

Perhaps the most attractive feature of the "sound" money theory is the proposal to "get this country out of debt."

How do the able financiers of the Republican party propose to get this nation out of debt? Simply by redeeming all of its non-interest-bearing notes with interest-bearing obligations. The theory is beautiful in its ingenious simplicity.

What would be thought of the business ability of a merchant who, having creditors perfectly satisfied with his notes of hand, bearing no interest, should say: "Gentlemen, it is true you are finding no fault with my notes, and are indeed anxious to get more of them, although they bear no interest, yet I have resolved to call all of those notes in and to give you interest-bearing paper, which I propose to redeem, or which my children or great grandchildren will redeem in gold?"

Such a course of conduct would be considered foolish, unnecessary and unbusinesslike. But it is exactly such a course as that which is advocated by the gold clique, who wish to retire government paper by refunding it in interest-bearing gold bonds.

Every dollar of United States money is just as good for all purposes in this country as every other dollar, and 100 cents in gold will buy no more than 100 cents in silver, or in paper. Who is it, then who wants gold? The man who deals in money alone, the gold speculator, the exporter and the bondholder.

These are the men who have evolved the brilliant theory of paying a debt by making it larger.—Chicago Dispatch.

A Great Revulsion of Sentiment.

The great bulk of the men employed by the Wheeling Iron and Steel company at Benwood, W. Va., are Republicans, as is the case in most of the Wheeling district iron works. Pictures of President McKinley and cartoons representing the opening of the mills as against the opening of the mills were numerous about the plant in the '96 campaign. Since then the men's wages have been cut twice and another cut is pending. During a meeting in the big machine shop recently some of the men in speaking referred to a picture of President McKinley and spoke smilingly of returned prosperity. Instantly the big picture was pulled down, torn to shreds and trampled under foot amid a round of cheers.

WEALTH AND WAGES.

HOW RICHES DO NOT REACH THE WORKERS.

As the Wealth of the Monopolistic Employers Increases the Wages of Their Employes Fail to Rise—Life's Labor Lost.

With monopolistic control of the natural sources of wealth, the means of transportation and communication, the medium of exchange and the markets is it any wonder that the trusts which thus command production and exchange should rapidly grow rich and that those who have only their labor to sell should, under such system, find themselves becoming poorer and poorer? Prof. Deleon makes the actual situation clear in the following dialogue:

Brother Jonathan looks bright and happy, and rubs his hands.

Uncle Sam—What bit of good luck has fallen to you?

B. J.—I am going to Hawaii.

U. S.—Is it that that makes you so happy?

B. J.—Yes; I can't help feeling happy. Here I've been these last seven months without work. That in itself is bad enough. But it wouldn't be so bad if before that I had had good wages, and had been able to lay by something. It happens, though, that before that my wages were so low that I couldn't get along with them, and ran in debt. On top of that I was laid off. Pretty tough, I tell ye. I never went through such hard days.

U. S.—But what is it that makes you happy?

B. J.—Now after all this suffering I am going to have good times.

U. S.—Where? How? When?

B. J.—Where? In Hawaii; when? when I get there; how? because I can't miss good wages.

U. S.—Me seems you go too fast. Where have you got that certainty from?

B. J.—Don't you know that President Dole of Hawaii is in the country now?

U. S.—I do.

B. J.—And haven't you read what he said to a labor reporter in Washington?

U. S.—No; I haven't. Life is short; to spend that shortness in reading tomfoolery were too long.

B. J. (throws his arms up, tips his hat back, and looks wild generally)—Now, there you have it again. Here comes a good man, with good news to the workingmen, and you call that tomfoolery. Oh——

U. S.—Give us a rest with your whimperings, and let's see what that "good news to the workingmen" is.

B. J.—I have learned the passage by heart; so well did I like it; I can give it to you literally.

U. S.—Do, by all means.

B. J.—He said: "The climate is sub-tropical; that makes the conditions of life easy; then also the planters are rich and growing richer. Taking these two things into consideration there is nothing to prevent white labor from finding at all times profitable employment, work and high wages." There, now!

U. S. raps with his knuckles on B. J.'s forehead.

B. J.—What are you doing?

U. S. (raps again)—Hollow! hollow!

B. J.—What are you at?

U. S.—Poor Jonathan! Because Hawaii has a "sub-tropical climate," and because the planters are rich, therefore you believe you are there sure of work and of high wages?

B. J.—Why not?

U. S.—Man alive, you don't need to go to Hawaii for a sub-tropical climate or for rich employers; we have both right here. Isn't Louisiana's climate sub-tropical enough for you?

B. J.—Well, it is sub-tropical.

U. S.—And has labor there steady and good employment?

B. J.—Darn it, no; it is just the low wages paid down there that our bosses are now giving as a ground for lowering ours up here.

U. S.—Well said. And are the bosses here and in the sub-tropical South not every bit as rich as the bosses in Hawaii?

B. J.—Guess they are richer.

U. S.—And yet that does not insure permanent work or good wages, does it?

B. J. falls into a brown study.

U. S.—Now, Jonathan, you have been working almost a life-time, and still you have not yet got hold of the lesson that your daily experience teaches on wages. You have not yet learned that the wages of the workingmen do not depend upon the wealth of their employer, in so far that their wages do not rise with his wealth, but that, on the contrary, the only relation that exists between them is that the richer the employer the poorer the workingman.

B. J.—What?

U. S.—Are you better off than twenty years ago?

B. J.—I'm worse off; but——

U. S.—Is your boss richer or poorer?

B. J.—Immensely richer.

U. S.—There you have it. Now the matter is this wise in a nutshell. The wages of the workingman don't depend upon the wealth of the boss or on the climate. The wages of the workingmen are the price of his labor; the price of all merchandise depends upon the supply and the demand; the more workers there are in a place the larger is the supply, and the lower are the wages. When President Dole tries to get you and other gudgeons to go to Hawaii, he does so to raise the supply of labor there and thus lower the wages. If he can get enough such gulls as you to go there you will have the chance to run about without work and the enjoyment of Hawaii's sub-tropical climate as the only thing to live on.

Let us hope Brother Jonathan will stay at home and use his ballot instead of going to Hawaii where all who are not property owners are disfranchised.

CURRENT NOTES.

The house by a vote of 143 to 112 unseated Mr. Plowman (Alabama), and gave the seat to Mr. Aldrich. This was the first contested election case decided by the present house against the sitting member.

Abraham Lincoln said: "Thank God we have a system of labor where there can be a strike. Whatever the pressure, there is a point at which the workingman may stop." Which is where President Lincoln differed from the federal courts of today.

An association has been formed in New York city for the public control of franchises, incorporated under the laws of the state. The object of the association is set forth in its platform as follows: 1. All franchises which depend upon exclusive rights in public property should be granted only for public purposes and for limited periods, and should be made to contribute from their value, created by the community, their full share of public expenses, thus relieving personal property, buildings and other improvements from the increasing burden of taxes. 2. Monopoly, the result of special privilege, rather than capital or production, which are the creation of individual effort, should be the primary source of public revenue. 3. The government must control natural monopolies (those public services which from their nature, do not admit of competition), otherwise these monopolies will control the government. 4. Such public services as are not natural monopolies should be preserved to free and open competition. This is the single tax platform in brief.

When the people govern and plutocracy has been driven from power and banished, Populism will have fulfilled its mission.

We like high wheat prices as well as the Republicans; better, probably, as Populists have more wheat to sell than Republicans. That is why we all shall object to the low price at which wheat will sell next fall, and every succeeding fall when there are no great crop failures, as long as we suffer from the single gold standard.

In the meantime, 4-cent cotton for the farmers of the south, together with high prices for trust-produced cotton fabrics and reduced wages for the cotton mill operatives, are fair samples of the workings of the present financial policy. There will have to be a change in this policy before many years have passed.

Why Wait Ye?

I.

I looked across the countless gone,
And saw upon the fading shores of time
The wrecks of things that were. I saw a dawn—
A vision of a coming, better clime—
Break on those shores. I saw arise sublime,
Above those wrecks, the dream of the to be.
I saw, from its long career of crime,
The human race, still struggling to be free,
Strive up into thy light, divinest liberty.

II.

I saw the present; and the insolent few
Ruling the millions with a rod of gold,
I saw the millions toiling 'neath the blue,
Kissing the rod that smote them; wealth untold
Piling up, though it crushed them; till they sold
Their rights, their very souls, for leave to toil;
Until I cried, "My God, must we behold
This thing forever? Hast for these no smile?
And for Thy poor on earth waits there no better isle?"

III.

O, ye who wet your crust with sweat and tears;
O, ye, who toil and suffer and are strong,
Ye unto whom the thorny side appears
Along life's pathway; ye who have borne wrong,
Piled on by tyrant hands, and suffered long;
Ye toilers of the earth, to you I speak,
To you whose names have scarce appeared in song,
As though too vile; why wait ye? Rise and break
The chains that round you clank and bind and gall. Awake!

—J. A. EDGERTON.

Silver Standard and Prosperity.

El Mundo, of the City of Mexico says, reviewing Mr. Bryan's article on Mexico and its present condition: "Mr Bryan has done justice to the financial work of the government of Mexico. The credit and firmness of the administration, together with the prodigious vitality of the country, have placed us in a very advantageous position among the nations which are marching unhampered to their complete development." The article concludes by emphasizing the determination of Mexico to adhere to the silver standard, "which is bringing prosperity to the country."

TEMPERANCE TOPICS.

NOTES OF INTEREST TO THE ANTI-LIQUOR LEAGUERS.

A Temperance Story Told by a Tramp Whose Manhood Had Been Stolen by the Burning Glass—The Cheek of a Liquor Journal.

Sorrow.

O Thou who hast beneath Thy hand
The dark foundations of the land—
The motion of whose ordered thought
An instant universe hath wrought—

Who hast within Thine equal heed
The rolling sun, the ripening seed,
The azure of the speedwell's eye,
The vast solemnities of sky—

Who hear'st no less the feeble note
Of one small bird's awakening throat,
That the unnamed, tremendous chord
Arcturus sounds before his Lord—

More sweet to Thee than all acclaim
Of storm and ocean, stars and flame,
In favor more before Thy face
Than pageantry of time and space,

The worship and the service be
Of him thou madest most like Thee—
Who in his nostrils hath Thy breath
Whose spirit is the lord of death!

—Charles G. D. Roberts.

A Temperance Story.

It was growing late. The tide of humanity that earlier in the evening had ebbed and flowed through the streets on the great city had swept onward, leaving the strange and almost appalling sense of desolation that comes when the noises of the town are hushed. The elecfric light flared unnoticed on the corners; street cars passed at further intervals, and now and then a night worker hurried by, his footsteps ringing out loud and clear in the stillness. In front of a saloon, whose lights shone out bright and ruddy across the pavement, stood a tramp, unshorn, ragged, dirty, disgusting. He watched with envious eyes the men who passed in and out through the swinging doors, and then he turned his eyes toward two young fellows in evening dress who were coming down the street toward him. They had been drinking deeply, and they stopped before the saloon door and looked curiously at him.

"By jove," said one; "think of having a thirst like that, and not the price of an extinguisher in your pocket! Beats old Tantalus all to pieces, eh? Liquor, liquor everywhere, and not a drop to drink."

He ran his hand into his pocket and proferred the tramp a dime, but before it could be accepted the other young fellow interposed.

"Say," he said, "let's do the good Samaritan, and set Hobo up to a good drink."

The other hilariously assented, and the tramp slouched into the saloon at the heels of the two gilded youths. The barkeeper set before them glasses of liquors, and with a hand that shook the tramp poured out a brimming glass and raised it to his lips.

"Stop," cried one of the young men, drunkenly, "make us a speech. It is poor liquor that doesn't unloosen a man's tongue."

The tramp hastily swallowed down the drink, and as the rich liquor coursed through his blood he straightened himself and stood before them with a grace and dignity that all his rags and dirt could not obscure.

"Gentlemen," he said, "I look tonight at you and at myself, and it seems to me I look upon the picture of my lost manhood. This bloated face was once as young and handsome as yours. This shambling figure once walked as proudly as yours, a man in a world of men. I, too, once had a home, and friends and position. I had a wife, as beautiful as an artist's dream, and I dropped the priceless pearl of her honor and respect in the wine cup, and, Cleopatra-like, saw it dissolve, and quaffed it down in the brimming draught. I had children as sweet and lovely as the flowers of spring, and I saw them fade and die under the blighting curse of a drunken father. I had a home where love lit the flame upon the altar and ministered before it, and I put out the holy fire, and darkness and desolation reigned in its stead. I had aspirations and ambitions that soared as high as the morning star, and I broke and bruised their beautiful wings, and, at last, strangled them that I might be tortured with their cries no more. Today I am a husband without a wife, a father without a child, a tramp with no home to call his own, a man in whom every good impulse is dead. All, all swallowed up in the maels'rom of drink."

The tramp ceased speaking. The glass fell from his nerveless fingers and shivered into a thousand fragments on the floor. The swinging doors pushed open and shut up again, and when the little group about the bar looked up the tramp was gone.—New Orleans Picayune.

"Unadulterated Brass."

"Uncle Sam a hog!" Thus in language polite and in type conspicuous does a liquor journal call attention to the small proportion of profit left to the dealer after paying the required tax on spirits. Of the $1.18 derived from a gallon of whisky, the government collects $1.10. Of the eight cents remaining, the corn, we are told, takes at present prices, five cents, leaving a balance of three cents, out of which must be figured the cost of ingredients used with the corn, including malt and rye, also labor, repairs, cooperage, distribution, etc. In fact, according to the figures given, it would appear that the trade in spirits is decidedly a losing business, and the uninitiated naturally wonder why so many men engage in it and remain in it. If Uncle Sam, as represented by one or the other of the two dominant parties, were not the abject slave of the rum power, he would see that, notwithstanding his large share of the profits, he is really no small loser by the partnership; that even from the standpoint of dollars and cents the legalized liquor traffic does not pay. With liquor papers calling him a hog and prohibition papers pronouncing him a fool, it would seem as if he might make out a good case of lese-majeste against certain American journalists.—Union Signal.

Personal Purity.

Thomas Elva Edison was once asked why he was a total abstainer. He said: "I thought I had a better use for my head." The answer is worth remembering by any young fellow who means to use his brains. A wonderful battery they make. Every morning they take up their work and start us on our daily pleasure or daily duty, if we have not tried this stimulus or that stimulus, not in the plan for which they were made.

The young man who means to do the best possible work his body and mind can do keeps his body and mind pure, as clean from outside filth as Edison keeps his brain. This is what is meant when we are told to keep ourselves as pure as little children are.

The men who are trained for a football match, or a running match, or a boxing match, have to keep their bodies from any stimulus but that which is given by food prepared in the simplest way, so as to suit the most simple appetite.

It is not simply that a man's body must be in good order itself; what is needed is that a man shall be ready and able to govern his body. He shall say, "Go," and his body shall go. He shall say, "Go faster," and his body shall go faster. His will, his power to govern his machinery, depends on his keeping himself pure.—Rev. E. E. Hale in Temperance Ideas.

A National Disgrace.

The following information was received by wire late last week from Mr. Crafts, who, with Mrs. Ellis, our superintendent of Christian citizenship and legislation, is vigilantly watching reform interests at the National capital: "The superintendent of the new national library has granted permission for the sale of wine and beer in its restaurants. The national museum is expected to follow. Beer in basement and bacchantes in upper story will create a fine intellectual atmosphere! Evidently the library authorities never look inside the modern books, and so they think wine and beer harmless. The President declines to interfere. A snowstorm of petitions and letters to Congress for pending bill to forbid liquor-selling in all government buildings will block this evil." Let the snowstorm come in such volume, and with such rapidity, that these aggressions of the rum power will be effectually stopped.—Ex.

The Resistance of Temptation.

It is easy to yield to temptation, much easier than to resist. But with each resistance comes added strength, and by the continual overcoming of sin's besetments is a stalwart character created. God has promised grace to help in time of need. He will not suffer you to be tempted beyond what you are able. Therefore trust him for victory over temptation. It is this trust, more than any other, which young Christians need. So seek it as your own.—W. T. Ellis.

A Stranger in the Earth.

No matter how dear thy home on earth may be to thee, when the day declines and night approaches, see to it that this sweet word of the psalmist shines upon thee like a star: "I am a stranger in the earth, hide not Thy commandments from me." One day says to the other: "My life is a pilgrimage towards a beauteous eternity." O eternity, my home is not here! And when the bodily tabernacle of a brother is taken to pieces, and thou followest his body to the grave, say, Dost thou think on the hour, in joyful assurance, when thou thyself wilt be laid within those four narrow walls? In fear and trembling dost thou pray thus: "I am a stranger in the earth, and have here no abiding city, but Heaven is mine—that is my fatherland. O thou God of the living, do not hide Thy commandments from me!" It is well for thee if the Holy Ghost put such thoughts of eternity in thy heart, and such prayerful sighs upon thy lips.—Kogel.

Humbling Ourselves Before God.

"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you."—1 Peter, v. 6-7.

To bend beneath the hand of man may sometimes be very bitter to us, but to place ourselves beneath the hand of everlasting love should that be so hard? How foolish it is to assume an attitude of pride and defiance toward Him who has created heaven and earth and all that is therein, and whose mighty hand rules the universe, and whose flaming eyes see the most hidden things. Compared to Him, we are like insects of a day, like the ant which is trampled under foot. We cannot answer Him for one of a thousand. Therefore, it becomes us, when His land lies heavily upon our head, to humble ourselves under this powerful hand, and patiently to submit to His loving will. The same hand which has humbled us will also exalt us in due time.—Spengler.

Arguing or Persuading

Religious argument oftener awakes prejudice, pride and antagonism than it brings opponents over to our way of thinking; logic is combative; love is persuasive. It has no hobnails in its heels to bruise sensitive doubts. When love goes wooing, it always puts on its best attire, and uses its softest tones. Just as the sunbeam is a more powerful factor in nature than the cyclone, so persuasion is mightier than argument.

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CONGRESS, by an unaminous vote, on Tuesday appropriated fifty million dollars to be placed at the command of the President for the purpose of purchasing ships of war and other war material. The sentiment of the House appeared to be that this appropriation was not to be considered as a war movement, but more as a precautionary measure in the interests of peace. It is very evident that if war is to come it is much better to be prepared for it beforehand, than to have to make hasty arrangements when it is upon us. The entire country supports the administration in this policy.

THE County Executive Committee at its meeting to-morrow will probably decide whether the nomination of candidates by the Populists of Chilton shall be by a primary election, a convention or a mass meeting. Whether there are any candidates seeking office, or whether the offices are seeking the candidates up to the present no one seems to know. In either case, however, the main thing to be determined is the wishes of a majority of the voters of the county. Very few voters favor a mass meeting, and the choice is between a convention and a primary, with a preponderance of opinon in favor of a primary. We believe a primary electian will give the most satisfaction throughout the county.

A CASE of smallpox near Thorsby necessitated the presence of the State health officer, who came from Montgomery last Saturday to investigate it. He pronounced it certainly smallpox. The patient, a negro, had been sick for several days, and had been visited by a number of friends, some of whom may have also contracted the disease. It is much to be regretted that Chilton county has no public health officer whose duty it would be to immediately investigate any suspicious case and in the event of its being infectious at once isolate it and thus prevent contagion. Many counties have such an official, and our County Commissioners would be performing one of their most meritorious acts in appointing a public health officer for Chilton. With smallpox and yellow fever around promptness in immediate attention is of more value to the community than anything else. An ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure.

At Charlotte, North Carolina, a really feasible plan for the holding of the cotton crop and the tu ning of it at once into a gilt-edge security for advances at a lower rate of interest, has been inaugurated. The plan is in actual operation in both of the Carolinas, and is working smoothly and favorably. It is the bonded warehouse plan. Farmer Jones, living near Charlotte, raises five bales of cotton. He owes some debts that must be paid. The staple is selling down to, possibly below, the cost of production. What does he do? He hauls the cotton to a bonded warehouse in Charlotte getting a receipt for it, which is called a warehouse certificate. He pays fifteen cents a month per bale as a storage and insurance fee. His bales are weighed and graded, are numbered, and his certificates call for the identical bales, instead of so much cotton. He takes the certificate to any bank, or to a merchant, and borrows at lowest rates the market price of the cotton, less one cent a pound; goes out to pay his debts, and goes home prepared to hold his cotton until he desires to sell it. Farmer Jones is in this way enabled to name the time when his cotton shall be sold, instead of his creditors naming the time.—Age. Herald.

Some of our leading citizens are making an effort to convert the piece of land opposite the depot into a public park. This would be of such inestimable benefit to Clanton we hope it will succeed. It would be one of our greatest attractions for summer visitors, to say nothing of homefolks.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Alabama State Sunday School Association, arrangements were made to hold the next Annual Convention in Birmingham, April 19-21. These annual gatherings of the Sunday-School folks are growing greatly in interest and attendance. At the meeting held in Tuskaloosa last spring the delegates numbered between four and five hundred; and the indications are that the one soon to meet in Birmingham will greatly outnumber that one. A large number of prominent workers from outside of the State have promised to be in attendance to assist and council with the home-workers. All officers of the State, County and Beat Associations, Pastors and Superintendents are authorized delegates to the Convention. Also one other representative from each Sunday School. Now is the time to commence to make arrangements so as to be sure to be present. Birmingham has thrown open her doors and extends a hearty welcome.

I have been afflicted with rheumatism for fourteen years and nothing seemed to give any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned.—Josh. Edgar, Germantown, Cal. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

Among the most ingenious and useful devices that have been placed upon the market in a long time past may be mentioned the Tribie & Worns double action carbonator and filterer, for the production of soda, vichy and seltsers, which apparatus is now being extensively introduced by the New York Carbonating and Filtering Company, ofe East Thirteenth street, New York. The extraordinary usefulness of this new devise can best be understood when it is said that where a dealer i soda, etc., is now paying $1 for ten gallons of soda, and possibly $1 50, with this apparatus twelve gallons can be made at a cost of twenty cents. The old marble dust and vitriol systems of making soda water are left far behind by this new method. It will carbona e twelve gallons of water as quickly as one can detach and attach a fountain.

The New York Carbonating and Filtering Company place it on trial, and if it does not do all they claim, the trial costs nothing.

It need hardly be said that there is a vast field for such a device as this. Every live dealer will want it as soon as he understands its capabilities. There is really nothing in the market to be compared with it.

They have sold several State rights and have quite a number left on the market for sale, and judging by what has been done in States already sold, there is a sure investment for any one open for such a chance to buy a State for this valuable apparatus.—N. Y. Mercantile & Financial Times.

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Political Pointers.

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Newspaper critics are bringing it to the notice of the public that at the end of a year President McKinley has redeemed just one promise, and that is the tariff law which seems at this juncture to be a dismal failure. Civil service reform, and diminish d ex enses are all forgotten.

Jerry Simpson of Kansas is at home looking after his political fences which are being assailed, at many points, by the enemy. Speaker Reed and others are enjoying his absence from Washington, D. C.

In a recent debate in Congress apropos of the Lond Bill, Jerry Simpson came to the front and defended the country editor and his rights, with his accustomed vigor. He was ably seconded by Champ Clark, of Missouri, who said "The Lond Bill might truthfully be called an act to diminish the supply of anti-Republican literature."

The Free Homes Bill, introduced by Delegate Callahan populist, of Oklahoma has been so assailed by the Republicans that there is small hope of its passing.

Mr. Wharton Barker, editor of "The American," published at Philadelphia, who is proposed by Bateman, Gen. Coxey and others as a presidential candidate on the Populist ticket for 1900, in a recent issue of his paper, pays his respects to all members of the party who do not agree with him. In a two page article he reads all such out of the party. So far as we have been able to learn, Mr. Barker has never voted a Populist ticket. He is a life long Republican.

W. J. Bryan is making a short tour of the south, speaking at Tuscaloosa and Birmingham, Alabama, and other points, and meeting everywhere with that same cordial enthusiasm that has greeted him heretofore.

The delay in getting any report on the Maine disaster indicates that Senator Allen's suggestion was a good one. He moved, immediately after the lamented disaster, that the Senatorial Committee on naval affairs should be placed in charge of the inquiry with orders to act quickly and report.

The Populist State Central Committee of Kansas has decided that all township primaries shall be held on the same day, and all county conventions are to follow a few days after. This was done to prevent the attendance of all or any of the "Gosses." The state convention will be held June 27.

Edward Bellamy, Eugene V. Debs, Myron Reed and others have filed papers of incorporation, of the "New Nation Publishing Company" with paid up capital of $10,000, divided into shares of $100 each. The paper will advocate socialism.

Congressman Todd, of Michigan, recently tried to back a rider providing for government control under certain conditions, on the bill granting the right of the way to the Nebraska, Kansas & Gulf railroad through the Indian Territory. The rider was ruled out on a point of order.

The notorious Loud bill, to increase postage on second class matter, to which every reform paper in the country has been objecting was defeated in the House last week by an overwhelming majority.

At the end of six weeks it is estimated that the strike of the cotton mill hands at Beddeford, Maine, lost and cost to the strikers about $200,000. The mill owners announce that they will make no concessions but will starve the strikers into subjection.

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Where doubting and fears come no more.
Though in the wilderness sadly I'm roaming;
My spirit grows faint 'oer the way
Footsore and thirsty I'm lost in the gloaming;
And wearied, I long for the day:
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An Interesting and Beautiful Tree—The Street Organ In the City—The Horse Tail Plant.

In times not so very long ago the minds of young people generally had no pleasant feelings about the birch tree. The application of its twigs to the skin of naughty or lazy scholars was so common that parents and teachers looked upon this kind of punishment as a matter of course. There was seldom any choice of punishments. One old author calls it the "afflictive birch, curse of unlettered, idle youth." Turner, said to be the father of British botany, writing about A. D. 1550, remarks upon the tree, "It serveth for many good uses, and for none better than for beatynge of stubborn boyes, that either lye, or will not learne."

But the twigs of birch are valuable for other purposes besides correction. In some parts of Russia the natives, when they are having a vapor bath, first beat themselves with these till the skin is quite red, and then they plunge into cold water or roll in the snow. When the twigs are quite young, too, there is a beautiful perfume brought out of them if they are wetted with dew or rain, because over the surface are many tiny glands full of aromatic oil.

The bark of the birch is very interesting. The bark of one North American kind has been made into light canoes. Leggings and aprons have also been made from this kind, and the fiber of several has been manufactured into ropes, baskets and shoes. Before paper was invented, the inner bark of the birch served for writing upon.

The wood is soft, though durable, and burns so well that it used to be called candlewood.

One pleasant thing about the birch in the winter months is that it bears a promise of the bright spring days to come in the catkins which form during the autumn and hang, like tassels, upon the twigs till April, when they open just as the new leaves appear. On some bogs high up amid Scotch mountains grows a curious dwart birch not more than three feet high, and about the Scotch highlands generally no tree is more abundant than the common birch, rivaling the fir and climbing to heights where no pine or fir can grow.

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Mrs. W. J. Mullins went to Montgomery Tuesday.

Miss Lottie and Coral Bell entertained a number of their friends last Saturday evening. The entertainment was much enjoyed by all.

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The monthly literary meeting of the Epworth League will be held at the residence of Dr. E. A. Matthews on Friday evening March 11, beginning at 7:30. The program will consist of songs, readings, and recitations from Tennyson.

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The B. Y. P. U. organization has been completed, the officers are: W. J. Martin, president; Miss Ola McRee, vice-president; H. I. Honeycutt secretary; Rush Viaes treasurer. Their first devotional meeting will be held on Sunday afternoon March 13, beginning at 3 o'clock. Everybody invited.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 3 in the town of Maplesville, Alabama, together with the two story store-house thereon, which said lot is bounded as follows, to-wit: On the east by the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad; on the south by property of A. S. Woolley, on north and west by property of Dr. J. S. Johnson, Sr., and to be sold as subject to two mortgages executed by said S. A. Foshee to Minthorne Woolsey, and by said Woolsey duly transferred and assigned to H. J. Foshee. And also Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Sallie Hanlin, by the sale of the following described property, to wit:

Commencing at the south-east corner of the south-west quarter of south-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a westerly direction forty feet thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and twenty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land and lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 6th day of January, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff

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Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19520.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on March 12, 1898, viz: Thomas A. Davis, Homestead entry No. 26,433, for the sw ¼ of section 34 tp 21 n of r 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Walter Kendrick, E. L. Manning, B. J. Goss, Tom Parish, all of Burwell, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by W. S. Whatley to Wm. A. Collier on the 2nd day of December 1895, the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23rd 1898,

the following described real estate, to wit: south-west fourth of south-east fourth of section twenty eight, (28), township twenty one (21), range (11), in Chilton County, Alabama.

W. A. COLLIER,
Clanton Ala., Mch. 10, 1898. Mortgagee

Notice to Delinquent Tax-Payers.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

The Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due. The persons named below are reported as delinquent, and the following real estate is reported as assessed to them, to wit:

BEAT No. 1.

R B Jordan sw ¼ of nw ¼ section 18 township 24 range 15 tax and costs $2.81

BEAT No. 2.

James Y Boyd n ½ of nw ¼ sec 20 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $5.28

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 23 tp 24 r 13 tax and cost $3.10

Scott & Knabe s ½ of nw ¼ sec 20 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.28

BEAT No. 3.

N B Sewall se ¼ of se ¼ sec 4 tp 21 r 13 tax and cost $3.10

BEAT No. 4.

Henry Harshberger n ½ of nw ¼ sec 21 tp 21 r 14 tax and costs $3.25

C P Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $3.25

BEAT No. 5

G L Werth e ½ of nw ¼, sw ¼ of nw ¼, sec 4 tp 20 r 16 18 acres in se cor of se ¼ of ne ¼ sec 36 tp 21 r 15 s ½ of e ½ of nw ¼, and nw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $9.25

John L Harrell ne ¼ of sw ¼, nw ¼ of se ¼ sec 7 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.54

E H Downs 2 acres in nw cor of nw qr of ne qr sec 27 tp 21 r 15 tax and costs $11.46

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 4 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15. Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $16.10

G B Morgan n ½ of nw ¼ sec 23 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.44

Mrs S A Green part of the nw qr of nw qr and part of the sw qr of nw qr sec 6 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $9.32

James Sharp sw qr of sw qr sec 16 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $3.07

Mrs Sallie Thornton one house and lot in Verbena $12.37

W M Wadsworth one house and lot known as the Brooks store in Verbena, tax and costs $12.02

BEAT No. 8.

Smith & Driskell s ½ of ne ¼ sec 34 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $2.57

W E Walles nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ & s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $11.43

James Jones se ¼ sec 12 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.15

H W Gardner se ¼ of nw ¼, e ½ of sw ¼, w ½ of se ¼, w ½ of ne ¼ less 12 acres sec 22 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $7.76

UNKNOWN OWNERS.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers, and of real estate upon which taxes are due; and therein is reported assessed to "Owner Unknown" the following real estate, to wit:

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $3.69

W ½ of se qr sec 2 tp 20 r 13 tax and costs $3.89

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $2.97

Nw qr of nw qr sec 7 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $3.03

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $3.03

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $3.89

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $2.81

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.81

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $3.89

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.29

This is to notify you to appear before the Probate Court of said county at the next term thereof, commencing Monday the 11th day of April, 1898, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why a decree for the sale of said real estate should not be made for the payment of the taxes assessed against you and fees and costs.

This 10th day of March, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

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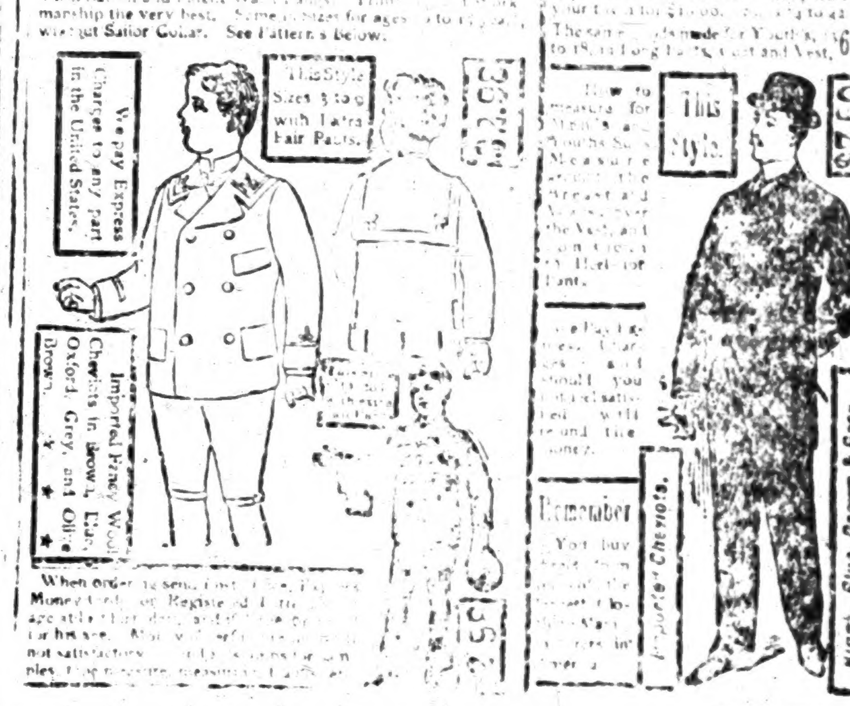

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CLANTON, ALABAMA.

LEE'S RECALL DEMANDED

By Spain and is Flatly Refused by President McKinley.

THE SITUATION GROWING MORE CRITICAL.

The Cabinet Held an Important Session Sunday—Hearty Endorsement of Lee. Rumors Current That Lee Has Been Assassinated in Havana.

A special from Washington Sunday night says: Rumors were current here all day that Lee had been assassinated, but nothing authentic has been learned, and the report is not credited in official circles. All the correspondents but two have been ordered to leave Havana, and the cables are practically closed so far as news is concerned. Secret orders were sent to the fleet at Key West tonight to be in readiness to move at a moment's notice. The situation tonight is more critical than at any time since the embroglio commenced.

The startling news today was the announcement that Spain had demanded the recall of Consul General Lee and that American warships be not used to carry relief to suffering Cubans.

McKinley has promptly and flatly refused the demands.

Consul General Fitzhugh Lee will not be recalled from Havana.

The supplies for the reconcentrados will be sent to Cuba in a naval vessel despite Spain's demand to the contrary.

The president does not juggle with diplomatic terms to say so. His denial to Spain is direct and unmistakable in its terms.

The American people and Spain are plainly told that "the president will not consider the withdrawal of Lee."

In this incident the general opinion here is that no casus belli exists unless it be in the form employed or the language used in making the request or demand.

Language and Not the Fact.

The language and not the fact, is what will give serious significance to the demand for the recall of Lee. It is possible that only a suggestion has been made, in which event Spain will be able to recede from the position she has taken. If, on the other hand, a demand for Gen. Lee's recall has been accompanied by accusations of bad faith or conduct unbecoming a public official, this government might regard it, under the strained conditions, as sufficient pretext to demand an apology or to occupy the ports of Cuba with warships.

The president has been locked up all day in the cabinet room, consulting chiefly with Assistant Secretary of State Judge Day, Secretary of War Alger and other subordinates of the state, war and navy departments. McKinley is showing the strain to a terrible extent and one can trace in his pale and care-worn face the suspense and mental agony through which he is passing. The hard facts are that the McKinley administration has determined under no condition to withdraw its fearless and efficient official at the seat of the threatened trouble.

The Cabinet's Hearty Endorsement of Lee

The following is a statement given out, after a cabinet meeting, in regard to the requested recall of Consul General Lee:

"The president will not consider the recall of General Lee. He has borne himself throughout this crisis with judgment, fidelity and courage to the president's entire satisfaction. As to the supplies for the relief of the Cuban people, all arrangements have been made to carry a consignment this week from Key West by one of the naval vessels, whichever may be best adapted and most available for the purpose, to Matanza and Sagua."

Pope is Advocating Arbitration.

The pope is doing all in his power to induce Spain to accept arbitration upon the Cuban question, but Sagasta does not dare consent, for fear of military leaders who are clamoring for war. The queen regent is powerless to act except with the consent of her cabinet. Press dispatches are rigidly suppressed so that the people will not learn of the war preparations in the United States. War feeling in Spain is most intense.

Advocate National Quarantine.

The cotton exchange adopted a resolution requesting the senators and representatives from Mississippi in congress to advocate a national quarantine, and "hoping" that through the general welfare clause of the constitution congress will find some way to protect the lives of the people of the various states, besides contributing to the maintenance hereafter of a republican form of government in such states where epidemics may prevail, and which form of government our experience taught us ceased to exist during the late epidemic.

Cannot Buy Ships From Chili.

The report that Spain is negotiating to buy from Chili three warships is characterized as absurd by government officials at Valparaiso. It is stated that Chili has no intention of parting with her vessels.

Shep Wood, a prominent young farmer at Cordele, Ga., shot and killed his brother, Thomas. On seeing the result of his shot, the brother turned the gun upon himself and sent a bullet through his brain. The brothers quarreled over business matters.

ADMIRES AMERICAN WARSHIPS.

Every Spanish Town on the Coast Could be Blown to Atoms, Says an Expert.

"The United States will have every town on the Spanish coast blown to atoms, I am ready to wager, a month after the beginning of hostilities," said William Allan, member of the English parliament, to the New York World correspondent.

Mr. Allan represents the Gateshead division in the house of commons, and is one of the largest ship builders on the Tyne and is an acknowledged authority on naval questions.

The World correspondent asked him if there is any likelihood that Spain can buy war vessels now building in British yards from the governments which ordered them.

"It would not do Spain any good if she could buy them," Mr. Allan answered. "But except those ordered by Japan there are very few orders in the English yards from foreign governments, and Japan won't sell.

"I have always expressed in the house of commons, as you know, my admiration for American warships. I challenged our government to test the new craiser Powerful by sending her across the Atlantic at full speed, as the United States government had sent the Columbia, but our government declined.

"I consider that America has some of the very finest ships afloat and I know the American sailors to be as good as any in the world.

"Why, Spain is a retrogade—a moribund nation. If she should snap up all the warships available all over the world she could not give the United States cause for an instant's concern.

"I believe in the grit, tenacity and fighting capacity of the Anglo-Saxon races as against those Spaniards, who are fed on oil and garlic and are without stamina. Why, in the olden days our Buccaneers used to outclass them, and they have not improved since then, rather the contrary.

"But there will be no war. The Spanish government knows it would be the signal for a Carlist rising.

"They will have some kind of a revolution in Spain before long, but as to war with the United States, there will be none.

"I have never believed the United States wants Cuba, and I expect they will employ all their influence to establish a republic."

A CONFLICT IS POSSIBLE

Says a Member of the Cabinet and Preparations Continue.

A special to the Constitution from Washington says:

"The administration recognizes that war is possible and is rapidly preparing to meet every emergency."

That declaration was made Friday by a member of the cabinet. It was for publication with the understanding that it was to be used as an official statement, but that the name of the cabinet officer making it was not to be given.

While this is simply a statement of what everybody has understood to be the situation for some time, it is the first time that any such declaration has been made by a cabinet official or anybody speaking for the administration. In this respect, therefore, it is most significant. It indicates that things are coming to a head. Taking everything into consideration, it looks as it war is closer at hand than it has been at any time since Appomattox.

In direct line with this declaration is a statement given by one of the most prominent members of the senate.

"War will come. It may not be this week, it may not be next; but it is just as certain to come as anything in the future can be certain. The only thing that can prevent such a result is for the Spanish character to undergo a sudden change, and that is, of course, beyond the realm of possibility."

Dry Kiln Falls With Fatal Results.

A large steam dry kiln at the Central Coal and Coke saw mill, at Texarkana, Ark., tumbled in last week seriously wounding a number of workmen, two of whom will die. Others are believed to have been killed outright. The east wall of the kiln tumbled in and crushed the contents, making a complete wreck. Those removed from the wreck are: Gus Walton, will die; Richard Hunting, will die; Bill Smith, seriously injured; J. D. Howard, Will Shade, J. W. Rabb, L. B. Williams, John Henderson and L. Reeves.

Spain Preparing for War.

All indications in London are that Spain is pushing every preparation for war with the United States. It is, of course, impossible to verify the rumors in connection with Spain's transactions here, but information on the very best authority is that her agents have concluded negotiations for a loan, said to be $40,000,000.

The import of this is that if Spain has obtained this money she will at once purchase seven war vessels for which she has been negotiating since the relations between Spain and the United States became so greatly strained.

Nine People Drowned.

The schooner Speedwell, Captain Collier, from Marco, Fla., for Key West, was struck by a squall while off Marquesas, eighteen miles from Key West, and capsized. Nine persons were drowned out of thirteen on board. Among the victims were the three children of Captain Collier—George, Tom and Wilbur, aged respectively 4, 6 and 8, and the entire Nichols family—Bradley Nichols and his wife, their son and the latter's wife, and two grand children. The family was from Bridgeport, Conn.

TRADE IS NOT DISTURBED

By the Wild War Stories Afloat, Says Dun.

GRAIN AND COTTON MARKET STRONG.

An Immense Pig Iron Output—All Signs Point to an Unprecedently Large Volume of Trade—Business Failures.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

Stories of the most reckless sort, disproved promptly, and many of them before they are told, affected speculation in stocks much last week, but they have not disturbed the industries and the trade of the country at all. There is a confidence that the authorities are doing what is proper to provide for public defense, and business is moving on with the assurance that it will not be disturbed. In grain, cotton, meat products and iron, markets have been strong, with gradual increases in the demand for manufactured products.

Failures in February have been smaller than for any other month of the previous fifty-two months, with remarkable decrease in the failures for $100,000 and over, though in number and amount the smaller failures show less change than might have been expected, indicating that in good times or bad a large proportion is due to causes apart from the general condition of business. The ratio of defaulted liabilities to payments through clearing houses is but $1.71 per $1,000, a lower rate than has appeared in the first quarter of any year except 1880 and 1881, of the past twenty years.

The best evidence of general improvement is the fact that payments through clearing houses for the past week have been 28 per cent. larger than in 1892 and outside New York, speculative interests, 17.6 per cent. larger. Compared with the last year the gain has been 56.2 per cent. for the week.

Production of pig iron is the greatest ever known.

Foundry at the East is slightly lower, basic pig having been offered in a sharp competition of about $10, although Southern makers in Alabama and Tennessee, excepting two, have agreed upon a plan of sales through a commission. The demand for finished products covers weeks ahead in plates, structural forms, sheets, pipe and rails.

The strike in cotton mills does not spread, but helps to a slightly better demand for some goods, while in woolens the business is slow in some of the finer qualities which have been much advanced in price and in these and in other grades as well cancellations have often exceeded re-orders, indicating less distributiou than was expected at the advanced prices. Wool has yielded a little.

Wheat has grown stronger, exports continuing at a rate which threatens exhaustion of supply, if trade reports of farmers' stocks are correct. From Atlantic ports 2,426,240 bushels went out, flour included, against 1,368,416 last year and from Pacific ports, 864,993 against 479,959 bushels last year. The price has risen 1 cent, but it is possible that the estimates of last year's stocks, though 50,000,000 bushels in excess of the government estimates, may prove too small. Corn has declined only one-quarter of a cent, with exports of 4,748,843 bushels. Failures for the week have been 251 in the United States against 246 last year and 32 in Canada against 59 last year.

GOMEZ EXCITED

And Expects War Soon Between Spain and the United States.

A messenger left Gomez' camp last week and is now proceeding to Washington, carrying full data and details of insurgent field organization. In case hostilities break out General Gomez expects to co-operate with the American fleet, and for this reason desires that American officers shall have full knowledge of the rebel forces and equipment. It is understood that Gomez will offer to relinquish his command to any American general who may be sent from Washington.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS.

A revolution is threatened in Salvador.

Frank James, the famous ex-bandit, is in a dying condition at his home in St. Louis.

John Laird, who built the famous blockade runner, "Alabama," recently died in England.

Over $5,000,000 in gold were shipped from Paris and London to New York bankers Saturday.

President Dole, of the Hawaiian republic, has given $500 for the relief of the victims of the Maine disaster.

Robert T. Ford, of New York, has bought Escondida, the Clay homestead in Bourbon county, Ky., of 775 acres, for $85,000.

William Richards, an aged man who lived alone, a few miles east of Bristol, Tenn., was cremated in a fire which destroyed his home.

The state department has been informed that a small revolution has broken out at Palencia, about 200 miles from Caracas, capital of Venezuela. The Venezuelan minister says there is no need for action by the navy department.

FIFTY FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Monday.

Mr. Hoar moved that the senate nonconcur in the house amendments to the bankruptcy bill, and that a committee of conference be appointed. The matter went over.... The consideration of the Corbett case was then resumed. Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, addressing the senate in opposition to Mr. Corbett's claims. Mr. Burrows, of Michigan, followed with an extended and elaborate argument in opposition to the seating of Mr Corbett. He maintained that the governor of a state had no authority to fill an original vacancy. Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, supported the claims of Mr. Corbett to a seat in the senate, holding that under no circumstances not absolutely tainting the applicant for admission with fraud, could the senate properly refuse to accept the governor's credentials. The resolution of the committee on privileges and elections declaring that Mr. Corbett was not entitled to a seat in the senate from Oregon, was then laid before the senate, and adopted, 50 to 19.... A bill authorizing the Mississippi River, Hamburg & Western railroad to construct a bridge across Bayou Martholome, in Arkansas, was passed. The senate then adjourned.

The House.

Consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill was resumed in the house today.... Mr. Hull asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a joint resolution providing for the investigation by a joint committee of the house and senate of the expenditures for riven and harbor work at Savannah since January 1, 1892. Referred to military affairs committee.... When the sundry civil bill was taken up the pending amendment, appropriating $4,000 for building a road from Natchez to the national cemetery was adopted. An amendment requiring the clerks of federal courts in Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma to report their fees and emoluments annually was also adopted. Mr. Handy made a point of order against a provision relating to the Paris exposition, which was sustained, and the whole question went out of the bill. Consideration of the bill in committee of the whole was completed and it was reported to the house. Mr. Cannon demanded a separate vote on the amendment striking out the appropriation of $75,000 for the payment of those who informed the authorities of violations of internal revenue laws and urged the house to restore the appropriation for the detection of illicit stills. By a vote of 103 to 67 the provision was restored to the bill. The sundry civil bill was then passed and the house went back into committee of the whole.... Bills were passed granting the Nebraska, Kansas and Gulf railroad and the Denison and Northern railroad rights of way through the Indian Territory.... At 5:30 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate—Tuesday.

Shortly after the senate convened today, Mr. Perkins, of California, presented a favorable report upon Mr. Bacon's resolution providing for the erection in Statuary hall of the capitol of a bronze memorial tablet commemorative of the officers and sailors who lost their lives in the Maine disaster in Havana harbor. Objection being made to a specific location, the resolution was so amended as to provide for the erection of the tablet at some suitable place in the capitol. As amended the resolution was adopted.... Mr. Hoar then renewed the motion that the senate disagree to the house amendment to the bankruptcy bill and that a committee of conference be appointed.... The Alaskan homestead and right of way bill was laid before the senate and discussed, but went over.... The senate then went into executive session, and at 3:45 adjourned.

The House.

The house today entered upon the consideration of the Loud bill relative to the second-class mail matter. The bill is identical with that passed by the last congress, but Mr. Loud gave notice of an amendment permitting the transmission at pound rates of sample copies up to 10 per cent. of the bona fide circulation of the newspaper periodical. This amendment removes much opposition to the bill. The bill excludes from classification as second-class matter which pays postage at the rate of 1 cent per pound, books and reprints of books proved in serial form, "sample copies" of newspapers or periodicals, in excess of 10 per cent. of their bona fide circulation, unsold copies returned from agents and all publications designed primarily for advertising purposes. All such publications by its terms would go into the third-class, which pays 8 cents per pound. Second-class mail matter, by the bill, is restricted to newspapers and perfodicals published at least four times a year from a known office of publication, issued under the auspices of benevolent or fraternal organizations, trades unions or orders having a membership of not less than 1,000. The bill, after several hours discussion, went over, and the house at 5 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

The house spent another day in debate upon the Loud bill relating to second-class mail matter. The speeches, as a rule, were of little interest. The speakers were Messrs. Bromwell (rep.), of Ohio, and Ogden (dem.), of Louisiana, in favor of the measure, and Messrs. Bell (pop.), of Col.; Simpson (pop.), of Kansas; Clark (dem.), of Missouri; Brown (rep.), of Ohio, and Lentz (dem.), of Ohio, in opposition to it, mainly on the ground that it was inimical to the interests of the country editor. Mr. Griggs (dem.), of Georgia, gave notice of an amendment to the amendment of which Mr. Loud gave notice yesterday providing that newspapers and periodicals should have the right to send out sample copies at postal rates to the number of 1,000 copies. A bill was passed creating Knoxville, Tenn., a port of entry. At 5:20 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate—Thursday.

During the almost entire session today the senate had under consideration the Alaskan homestead and railroad right of way bill. A motion to eliminate the homestead feature of the bill by striking out the first section was defeated. The resolution providing for an investigation into the murder of the postmaster at Lake City, S. C., and his family, and the burning of his home was laid before the senate.... The motion of Mr. Hoar, to nonconcur in the house amendment to the bankruptcy bill was laid before the senate. Mr. Stewart offered a resolution that the senate conferees be instructed to insist upon the senate bill but after debate withdrew it. Mr. Hoar's motion to non-concur in the house amendment to the bankruptcy bill and that a committee of conference be appointed was adopted.

The House.

The Loud bill to correct alleged abuses in the second-class mail matter privilege, which last year passed the house 144 to 104, was buried under an overwhelming majority by the house today. The vote was not taken directly upon the bill, but on a motion to lay it on the table. By a vote of 162 to 119 the motion was carried. Forty-seven republicans joined with the democrats and populists in accomplishing this result and ten democrats voted with the majority of the republicans. The refusal of Mr. Loud to permit a vote on an amendment at the last minute was responsible in a measure for the result, but the strength of the measure undoubtedly waned throughout the three days' debate.... Mr. White (rep., N. C.), the only colored member of the house, asked unanimous consent for the introduction of a resolution appropriating the sum of $1,000, made immediately available, for the relief of the family of the postmaster who was murdered at Lake City, S. C. Objection was made and the regular order of business proceeded.... At 4:30 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate—Friday.

After a debate lasting several days, the senate late this afternoon passed the bill extending the homestead laws and providing for the right of way for railroads in the District of Alaska.

Section 13, providing for certain bonding concessions to Canada in lieu of provisions to be extended by the Dominion government to this country, however, induced a pretty lively debate, as it brought into the controversy the old fisheries questions on the New England coast which has been pending between the United States and Great Britain for 100 years. The statement was made on the floor of the senate that there was every reason to believe that by the passage of the bill the fisheries question could be settled without great effort, as assurances to that effect had been received from a large and influential element in Canada.

The senate at 5:05 went into executive session and at 5:20 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

The House.

Two more appropriation bills were sent to the president today, the pension bill and the consular and diplomatic, both of which went through their final stage in the house. The most important action taken was acquiescence to an agreement to make the bill appropriating about $1,200,000 for war claims, approved by the court of claims, under the provisions of the Bowman act, a special order for next Friday. The claims carried by the bill, 730 in number, are for stores and supplies seized during the war in the southern states.

Only two other bills were passed today, one to pay the heirs of Sterling T. Austin about $50,000 for cotton seized during the war and the other to pay an aggregate of $3,360 in small claims growing out of back pay, etc., earned during the war.

At 5 o'clock, under the rules, the house recessed until 8 o'clock, the evening session to be devoted to private pension bills.

Says the New York Post: "Medical circles are inclined to pooh-pooh the reported discovery of the sex secret by Dr. Samuel Schenk, professor in the Vienna university. Nevertheless it is exciting wide interest, in view of Dr. Schenk's position as an embryologist and the importance attached to the announcement even by the Austrian government. The professor, so far, has only stated that for many years his experiments were limited to the lower animals, that by a system of nourishing the female he produced a disposition to bring into the world male young only, but that recently, by advising wives what food to take, boys or girls had been born just as desired. This disposition, however, when established cannot be changed. The offspring of the same parents henceforth will be all males. Professor Ohlshausen, the well-know gynecologist, thinks the whole thing impossible, also Professor V holds to the same opinion.

Christian science is growing rapidly in the United States—the rate of a new church a week, it is claimed.

LONG LIKE STONEWALL J...

The Feeling in Washington is More Warlike Daily.

It is finally believed at W... that both Spain and this ... getting on a war footing, not ... be prepared for war, but in ... tion of actual war. Nava... edit the published reports ... is buying warships, and pr... sooner or later we will have ... the open markets for ... naval officer says that the ... ment expects a conflict ... at once, but before ... He said: "Our fleets ... port. As soon as fleets ... who are stationed here, ... who are now in shore ... to sea. But fleets ... seas are all made up ... at a moment's notice. ... It will be found ... Long like Stonewall J... a praying Christian; how ... and good hard ... Every preparation is ... Long orders. He is a ... leader, just as Stonewall J... It is the man now who ... way the wind is veering.

MARTIAL LAW PROCLA...

United States Troops at Skagway Enforcing the Laws.

Passengers on the steamer ... which has just reached Victoria ... from Skagway, confirm the ... the Canadian flag has been ... Summit Lake; also that the ... will establish a custom house ... Lake.

Martial law has been ... Skagway, and the United Stat... who went up on the Queen ... ing the law.

The death rate at Skagway ... fifteen daily, one of the latest ... being the postmaster.

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Applicants for registration ... able to read and write, and ... written application in Engli... mother tongue in the presen... registration officer. If not ... read and write, he shall be ... vote if he, his wife, childr... ents, own property assessed ... than $300. No person wh... titled to vote in the state ... 1, 1868, nor the legitimate de... of such person attaining ma... fore the adoption of this co... nor any foreigner naturalize... the constitution's adoption ... debarred from voting.

BIG CARGO OF SUPPL...

Will Be Carried to the Cuban Coast by Steamer Bergen.

The steamer Bergen of the ... line, which sailed from New ... urday, will carry the follow... supplies to be distributed ... suffering Cubans through ... Brice, at Matanzas, and ... Sagua LaGrande:

One hundred and sixty ... milk, 200 bags of rice, 1... beans, 14,000 pounds of cod... pounds of bacon, 400 bag... meal, 25 tierces of lard ... ounces of quinine. All has ... chased by the Cuban Relief ... donations received from citi... cieties and people of pha... dispositions.

The same steamer will al... miscellaneous stock of g... shape of food and clothing ... tions of outside committe... ing about 100,000 tons in a...

To Retire From Politics.

Governor Robert L. Tay... nessee, has given out a ... ment to the public, in ... he will retire from politi... when his present term in ... nor's office expires.

Called to the Rescue of Their ...

A manifesto, signed by ... has been circulated in M... calling upon Spaniards t... rescue of their country.

Insurgents Very Active.

Reports of insurgent s... tinue to come into Havana ... exasperate the public, alth... attempt is made to suppress ... Rebels are especially act... provinces of Santiago de C... Principe and Santa Clara. ... Castellanos, in recent batt... tas, Cuarto, Caminos, Nap... guaco and Peralejo, com... hold his own, and eventual... pelled to retreat to Pue... and Santa Clara, losing s... and ninety-seven privates, ... two lieutenants and 2... wounded.

Lee Establishes Orphans' ...

Consul General Lee has ... ified the department that ... ult of his efforts to ame... condition of the poor in ... has secured from the Span... ties the use of a large st... Havana which he will use ... sylum to shelter the ma... ldren left parentless by the ...

Underwriter Lo...

A special from Norfolk, ... the loss of the powerful ... writer of Boston in a storm ...

What She Said to Mel...

young girl, an ardent ad... ame Melba, at a recepti... the latter was so comple... when it came her turn ... with the prima donna, th... crimson and looking ... a smile, she murmured: ... I believe. Philadelphia ...

Wisdom of Man...

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Oh, What Splendid Coffee ...

Goodm... Wheeling, W. Va. ... one package Salada Ceylon ... cooking. The Ladies will be ... than Tea. Can buy in stores at ...

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permanently cured. No fits or ne... after first day's use of Dr. Kline's ... Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treat... H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phi...

oldest known European bank ... ish, dated 1661. But the Briti... in London has a Chinese note ... ries older.

Winslow's Soothing Syrup for ch... ing, softens the gums, reduces inf... lays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a ...

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Need to Take Hood's Sa... parilla Now

ing is the season for cleansing ... ring. Everywhere accumulation ... are being removed and prepara... new life of another season are ... This is the time for cleansing ... with Hood's Sarsaparilla. W... left the blood impure. Sp... ores, Boils, pimples, eruptions ... tired feeling are the results. H... partilla expels all impurities fr... and makes it rich and nouris... ids up the nervous system, creat... its, gives sweet refreshing slee... ed energy and vigor. It cures ... humors, boils, pimples, erupt...

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LONG LIKE STONEWALL JAC[KSON]

The Feeling in Washington is G[rowing] More Warlike Daily.

It is finally believed at Wash[ington] that both Spain and this cou[ntry are] getting on a war footing, not si[mply to] be prepared for war, but in a[nticipa]tion of actual war. Naval [officers] credit the published reports tha[t Spain] is buying warships, and predi[ct that] sooner or later we will have to [fight] the open markets for some as w[ell]. [A] naval officer says that the navy [does] not expect a conflict. Possi[bly] at once, but before congress ad[journs].

He said: "Our details are a[ll made] out. As soon as hostilities b[egin, those] who are stationed here, as well [as those] who are now on shore, will be [ordered] to sea. But details as to differe[nt ves]sels are all made up ready to be [issued] at a moment's notice.

"It will be found," he said, "[that] Long, like Stonewall Jackson, [is] a praying Christian; he will pr[ay] and shoot hard.

"Every preparation is being [made by] Long's orders. He is a comple[te] actor, just as Stonewall Jacks[on was]. It is the straws now which sh[ow the] way the wind is veering."

MARTIAL LAW PROCLAI[MED].

United States Troops at Skaguay [Enforc]ing the Laws.

Passengers on the steamer Is[lander], which has just reached Victoria [from] Skaguay, confirm the rep[ort that] the Canadian flag has been ra[ised at] Summit Lake; also that the Ca[nadians] will establish a custom house a[t the] Lake.

Martial law has been de[clared at] Skaguay, and the United State[s troops] who went up on the Queen are [enforc]ing the law.

The death rate at Skaguay [is] fifteen daily, one of the latest [victims] being the postmaster.

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Will Be Carried to the Cuba[ns by the] Steamer Bergen.

The steamer Bergen of the [Ward] line, which sailed from New Y[ork] Friday, will carry the followi[ng] supplies to be distributed am[ong the] suffering Cubans through [consul] Brice at Matanzas, and B[arker at] Sagua LaGrande:

One hundred and sixty two [barrels of] beans, 200 bags of rice, 125 [bags of] bacon, 11,000 pounds of codfish, [...] pounds of bacon, 100 bags [...] meal, 25 tierces of lard [...] [...] All has b[een] [furnish]ed by the Cuban Relief S[ociety] donations received from chari[table] [in]stitutions and people of phila[nthropic] dispositions.

The same steamer will als[o take a] miscellaneous cargo of good[s ...] [...] of food and clothing, th[e] [gift] of outside committees, [...] [...] about 100,000 tons in all.

[...] From Politic[s].

Governor Robert L. Taylor [...] [...] has given out a sig[ned statement] [...] to the public, in which [he says he] will retire from politics [...] [...] present term in [...] [...] office expires.

[...] to the Rescue of Their C[ountry].

A manifesto signed [...] S[...] has been circulated in M[...] calling upon Spaniards to co[me to the] rescue of their country.

Insurgents Very Activ[e].

Reports of insurgent acti[vity con]tinue to come into Havana a[nd] exasperate the public, altho[ugh every] attempt is made to suppress [them]. Rebels are especially activ[e in the] provinces of Santiago de Cu[ba, Puerto] Principe and Santa Clara. Castellanos, in recent battle[s at] tas, Cuarte, Caminos, Najo[sa, Gua]guasa and Peralejo, could [not] hold his own, and eventually [was com]pelled to retreat to Puert[o Principe] and Santa Clara, losing seve[n officers] and ninety-seven privates, a[nd] two lieutenants and 220 wounded.

Lee Establish[e]s Orphans' A[sylum].

Consul General Lee has fo[rm]ed the department that [...] [...] of his efforts to amel[iorate the] condition of the poor in H[avana] [...] from the Spanis[h] [...] a large store [...] [...] will use as [...] [...] the many [...] [...] by the [...]

[...] Lost.

[...] from Norfolk, V[a.] [...] powerful t[ug] [...] in a storm o[f] [...]

What She Said to Melba.

[A yo]ung girl, an ardent admirer of [Madame] Melba, at a reception given [...] latter was so completely over[come when] it came her turn to have a [word] with the prima donna, that, blush[ing crim]son and looking up with a [...] smile, she murmured: "You [...] believe!"—Philadelphia Public [Ledger].

Wisdom of Man.

[The m]an who choice language commands [may t]alk on all subjects at will. [But] his wisdom excels if he understands [w]hen and where to keep still.

Many Languages in America.

There are, according to an eminent [phi]lologist, no less than from 120 to [...] absolutely distinct languages in [North] and South America. As the [study] of language is very slow he [...] the fact of the existence of so [great] a variety of speech on the west[ern] continent proves that the native [races] have inhabited it for many [thousan]ds of years.

Keep on Scratching.

[...] [...] into the bone and the fetter will [...] worse. There is only one way to [...] irritated, diseased skin. Soothe it [...] germs that cause the trouble and [...] sound and strong. Only one thing [in the] world will do this: Tetterine. It's [50c] a box at drug stores or sent [post]paid for [...] [st]amps by J. T. Shuptrine, Savan[nah], Ga.

[There i]s more Catarrh in this section of the [country th]an all other diseases put together, [and unti]l the last few years was supposed to [be incur]able. For a great many years doctors [pronoun]ced it a local disease and prescribed [local] remedies, and by constantly failing to [cure] with local treatment, pronounced it in[curable]. Science has proven catarrh to be a [consti]tutional disease and therefore requires [consti]tutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh [Cure], manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., [Toledo], Ohio, is the only constitutional cure [on the] market. It is taken internally in doses [from] 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly [on the] blood and mucous surfaces of the sys[tem]. They offer one hundred dollars for any [case it] fails to cure. Send for circulars and [testim]onials. Address F. J. CHENEY & Co., [Toledo], Ohio.

[Sold] by druggists, 75c.

[Ha]ll's Family Pills are the best.

Oh, What Splendid Coffee.

[Mr. Go]odman, Williams Co., Ill., writes: "[Fr]om one package Salzer's German Coffee [Berry] [...] I grew 300 lbs. of better [coffee than] I can buy in stores at 30 cents a [lb.]" A. C. S.

[A pack]age of this coffee and big seed and [plant catal]ogue is sent you by John A. [Salzer Se]ed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon re[ceipt of 1]5 cents stamps and this notice.

[The] [...] of the skins of the frog are in [...] with the Parisian ladies. This [...] of leather is extremely thin, yet very [...]

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

[T]ake Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All [dru]ggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

[Co]urt chaplains, when they preach before [the] German Emperor, must condense the[ir sermons] so that they can be delivered in 15 [minutes]. Long sermons, he says, makes him [...]

[Smoke] Star Tobacco. The Best. [Smoke] Sledge Cigarettes.

[In the] last four years the cultivation of the [...] has made considerable progress in [...]; the ministry of finance and agri[culture] having distributed large quantities of [...]

[Fits] permanently cured. No fits or nervous[ness] after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great [Nerve Res]torer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free. [Dr.] R. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

[The ol]dest known European bank-note is [...] dated 1661. But the British Mu[seum in] London has a Chinese note three [centuries] older.

[Mrs.] Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children [teeth]ing, softens the gums, reducing inflamma[tion, all]ays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

[Piso]'s Cure is the best medicine to break up [...] Coughs and Colds.—Mrs. M. G. [...] Sprague, Wash., March 8, 1894.

[B]lood Humors

[Sp]ring is the Cleansing Season—[Do]n't Neglect Your Health

[N]eed to Take Hood's Sarsaparilla Now

[Spring] is the season for cleansing and [renewing]. Everywhere accumulations of [winter] are being removed and preparations [for the] new life of another season are being [made]. This is the time for cleansing your [blood] with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Winter [has] left the blood impure. Spring [humors], boils, pimples, eruptions, and [that ti]red feeling are the results. Hood's [Sarsapa]rilla expels all impurities from the [blood] and makes it rich and nourishing. [It builds] up the nervous system, creates an [appetite], gives sweet refreshing sleep and [imparts] energy and vigor. It cures all [blood h]umors, boils, pimples, eruptions.

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Corn

[...]nds readily to proper fer[tilizati]on.

[Larger] crops, fuller ears and [plumper] grain are sure to result [from a] liberal use of fertilizers [contai]ning at least 7% actual

Potash

[Our bo]oks are free to farmers.

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[A.] N. U. No. 10. 1898

[P]ISO'S CURE FOR [C]ONSUMPTION. Cures where all else fails. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. 25 CTS.

EMINENT DIVINES SERMONS

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

Rev. George H. Hepworth Preaches in the New York Herald's Columns on "An Ennobling Faith"—Rev. Dr. Talmage Tells About "The Bare Arm of God."

With the return of Rev. George H. Hepworth to New York from his Armenian mission the Herald closed its series of competitive sermons, fifteen altogether having appeared in its columns on consecutive Sundays. Dr. Hepworth resumes his regular Sunday sermon as the leading editorial in the Herald's columns. The first one is entitled "An Ennobling Faith," and appears below in full.

TEXT: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."—Hebrews, xi., 1.

On a bitterly cold day I was recently riding with a comrade through one of the most exquisite bits of scenery on the face of the earth. We were toiling up the last spur of a mountain so high that the clouds would have rested on its summit had there been any in the sky. But the heavens were cloudless, the sun shone in dazzling splendor on the snow covered ridges which surrounded us on all sides, and we seemed to have left our little globe behind us and to be on our way to another world.

Naturally we talked of that Great Beyond, which was apparently not far distant. Conversation under such circumstances must needs be serious. One cannot be trivial when he is looking on the grandest of God's great works. It was a time when souls were in close relations to each other; when inmost thoughts came to the lips and uttered themselves almost unconsciously, as in soliloquy.

My comrade spoke freely of a loss he had suffered. A little child had been called from the family circle, had sped away in the night and gone where no human eyes could follow her. With a broken heart, but still in somewhat stoical language, he referred to that vacant chair. "Gone! gone!" was his despairing exclamation. I listened to the story, and at its close quietly remarked: "Yes, gone, but not gone far! In the brighter land you will see her again." Then we lapsed into silence, a silence only broken by the sound of the horses' iron shoes on the crisp and frozen snow.

"If I could believe that," he said after a little, "nine-tenths of the burden would be removed. But to feel that such farewells are forever, that is very hard," and the strong man trembled with suppressed emotion, while tears made it impossible to continue the conversation.

I thought to myself that after all this world is of very little importance unless we have another world to look forward to. What makes the present life endurable is a firm and unshaken belief in another life. If love can die, then love is only prolonged agony; but the conviction that love can never die strengthens, broadens and ennobles the soul.

It would be an act of unspeakable cruelty on the part of God to teach us how to love, to place us amid circumstances in which love develops all that is chivalrous and grand, and then tell us in the supreme moment of parting to say goodby for time and eternity. The Lord's Prayer would become an impossibility, nay, more than that, a grim sort of farce, and in his innermost depths a man would not only rebel, but lose his self-respect and his respect for the laws of the universe. It is clear that it would have been so much better to make him incapable of affection than to annihilate the object of his affection, and bid him go home from the churchyard a despairing, hopeless creature.

Faith can do so much for a man, is so necessary to his spiritual and even to his physical well being, that if you take it away he is in a worse plight than the animals of the fields and forests, for he appreciates his loss and they do not. To be born a dog and to die a dog is one thing, but to be born a man and then die like a dog is something which a just and omnipotent Creator will not ask of us. It is so unlike what we have learned of His methods that we are quite right in pronouncing such a statement libellous.

Your faith in Providence is the best of all your possessions. It is worth more to you than your fame, your social position or your wealth—worth more than all else combined. Give me in my relations with God that mysterious something which the child has for its mother—a feeling that He knows who and what I am, that at my call He will come to me—that every day He leads me and every night protects me, and there is very little more than I can ask or desire. I have the one best thing in the world, and therefore am content.

The plant that has sunshine and dew will blossom before the frost comes, and with God, the sun of my soul, to shine on me, I shall not only blossom into noble thoughts, but bear the fruit of good deeds. A man becomes a miracle worker from the moment when he is conscious of God's presence and love. Life may be hard, but at the same time it is glorious. Even sickness and death are the only miry spots which lead to the eternal upland. There is a repose in the soul, a vigor, an enthusiasm and a power of endurance which nothing else in this wide world can give.

Tell me how to doubt—that is, how to cut loose from my trust in Providence—and you tell me how to be miserable. On the other hand, confirm my belief in God, in the ministration of His angels, in the possibility of a continuous, and unbroken communication with heaven, and you make my life more beautiful than words can express. As long as I dread the future, my present is leaden; if I am sure of the future, and know that my dear ones will greet me there with undiminished love, my tears are like the rain cloud on which the sun shines and makes a rainbow.

Take from me what you will, but leave me my faith, for it is my only real possession. All else will pass like a dream—a pleasant dream, but still a dream. To-day I am rich, to-morrow I may be poor. I am well to-day, to-morrow I may be ill. But faith remains with me, is closer to my heart than the closest friendship, and gives me good cheer when I walk in darkness. It is all I have, all I can keep throughout eternity, the one thing of which death cannot rob me, the prophecy of a better home on high when this earthly home is broken up. It is God who has given that gift, and it must be jealously guarded. In their last analysis faith is heaven and doubt is hell.

GEORGE H. HEPWORTH.

"THE BARE ARM OF GOD."

Rev. Dr. Talmage Tells What It Will Accomplish.

TEXT: "The Lord hath made bare His holy arm."—Isaiah lii., 10.

It almost takes our breath away to read of the Bible imagery. There is such boldness of metaphor in my text that one must rally his courage to preach from it. Isaiah, the evangelistic prophet, is sounding the jubilate of our planet redeemed, and cries out: "The Lord hath made bare His holy arm." What overwhelming suggestiveness in that figure of speech, "the bare arm of God"! The people of Palestine to this day wear much hindering apparel, and when they want to run a special race, or lift a special burden, or fight a special battle, they put off the outside apparel, as in our land when a man proposes a special exertion he puts off his coat and rolls up his sleeves. Walk through our foundries, our machine shops, our mines, our factories, and you will find that most of the toilers have their coats off and their sleeves rolled up.

"Isaiah saw that there must be a tremendous amount of work done before this world becomes what it ought to be, and he foresees it all accomplished, and accomplished by the Almighty; not as we ordinarily think of Him, but by the Almighty with the sleeve of His robe rolled back to His shoulder.

"Nothing more impresses me in the Bible than the ease with which God does most things. There is such a reserve of power. He has more thunderbolts than He has ever flung; more light than He has ever distributed; more blue than that with which he has overarched the sky; more green than that with which He has emeralded the grass; more crimson than that with which He has burnished the sunsets. I say it with reverence—from all that I can see, God has never half tried.

"My text makes it plain that the rectification of this world is a stupendous undertaking. It takes more power to make this world over again than it took to make it at first. A word was only necessary for the first creation, but for the new creation the unsleeved and unhindered forearm of the Almighty. The reason of that I can understand. In the shipyards of Liverpool, or Glasgow, or New York, a great vessel is constructed. The architect draws out the plan, the length of the beam, the capacity of tonnage, the rotation of wheel or screw, the cabin, the masts and all the appointments of this great palace of the deep. The architect finishes his work without any perplexity, and the carpenters and artisans toil on the craft so many hours a day, each one doing his part, until, with flags flying and thousands of people cheering on the docks, the vessel is launched. But out on the sea that vessel breaks her shaft and is limping slowly along toward harbor, when Caribbean whirlwinds, those mighty hunters of the deep, looking out for prey of ships, surround that wounded vessel and pitch it on a rocky coast, and she lifts and falls in the breakers until every joint is loose and every spar is down, and every wave sweeps over the hurricane deck as she parts amidship. Would it not require more skill and power to get that splintered vessel off the rocks and reconstruct it than it required originally to build her? Aye!

"Our world, which started out with all the flags of Edenic foliage and with the chant of Paradisaical bowers has been sixty centuries pounding in the skerries of sin and sorrow, and to get her out and off, and to get her on the right way again, will require more of omnipotence than it required to build her and launch her. So I am not surprised that, though in the drydock of one word our world was made, it will take the unsleeved arm of God to lift her from the rocks and put her on the right course again. It is evident from my text, and its comparison with other texts, that it would not be so great an undertaking to make a whole constellation of worlds, and a whole galaxy of worlds, and a whole astronomy of worlds, and swing them in their right orbits, as to take this wounded world, this strangled world, this bankrupt world, this destroyed world, and make it as good as when it started.

"But I have no time to specify the manifold evils that challenge Christianity. And I think I have seen in some Christians, and read in some newspapers, and heard from some pulpits, a disheartenment, as though Christianity were so worsted that it is hardly worth while to attempt to win this world of God, and that all Christian work would collapse, and that it is no use for you to teach a Sabbath class, to distribute tracts, or exhort in prayer meeting, or preach in a pulpit, as Satan is gaining ground. To rebuke that pessimism, the Gospel of Smash-up, I preach this sermon, showing that you are on the winning side. Go ahead! Fight on! What I want to make out to-day is that our ammunition is not exhausted; that all which has been accomplished has been only the skirmishing before the great Armageddon; that not more than one of the thousand fountains of beauty in the King's Park has begun to play; that not more than one brigade of the innumerable hosts to be marshaled by the Rider on the White Horse has yet taken the field; that what God has done yet has been with arm folded in flowing robe but that the time is coming when he will rise from his throne, and throw off that robe, and come out of the palaces of eternity, and come down the stairs of heaven with all-conquering step, and halt in the presence of expectant nations, and flashing his omniscient eyes across the work to be done will put back the sleeve of his right arm to the shoulder, and roll it up there, and for the world's final and complete rescue make bare his his arm. Who can doubt the result when according to my text Jehovah does his best; when the last reserve force of Omnipotence takes the field; when the last sword of Eternal Might leaps from its scabbard!

"Do you know what decided the battle of Sedan? The hills a thousand feet high. Eleven hundred cannon on the hills. Artillery on the heights of Givonne, and twelve German batteries on the heights of La Moncello. The Crown Prince of Saxony watched the scene from the heights of Mairy. Between a quarter to 6 o'clock in the morning and 1 o'clock in the afternoon of September 2, 1870, the hills dropped the shells that shattered the French host in the valley. The French Emperor and the 86,000 of his army captured by the hills. At the close of that battle of Sedan the Emperor sat brokenhearted in a poor woman's cottage, and when she said in sympathy, 'What can I do for you?' he replied, 'Nothing, except pull down those blinds so that they cannot stare at me!' Sedan decided by the hills. So in this conflict now raging between holiness and sin 'our eyes are unto the hills.' Down here in the valleys of earth we must be valiant soldiers of the cross, but the Commander of our host walks the heights, and views the scene far better than we can in the valleys, and at the right day and the right hour all heaven will open its batteries on our side, and the commander of the hosts of sin, with all his followers, will surrender, and it will take eternity to fully celebrate the universal victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 'Our eyes are unto the hills.' It is so certain to be accomplished that Isaiah, in my text, looks down through the field-glass of prophecy and speaks of it as already accomplished, and I take my stand where the prophet took his stand, and look at it as all done. See! Those cities without a tear! Look! Those continents without a pang! Behold! Those hemispheres without a sin! Why, those deserts—Arabian desert, American desert, and Great Sahara desert—are all irrigated into gardens where God walks in the cool of the day. The atmosphere that encircles our globe floating not one groan. All the rivers and lakes and oceans dimpled with not one falling tear. The climates of the earth have dropped out of them the rigors of the cold and the blasts of the heat, and it is universal spring. Let us change the old world's name. Let it no more be called the earth, as when it was reeking with everything pestiferous and malevolent, scarleted with battle-fields and gashed with graves, but now so changed, so aromatic with gardens, and so resonant with song, and so rubescent with beauty, let us call it Immanuel's Land, or let us call it Beulah, or Millennial Gardens, or Paradise Regained, or Heaven! Hallelujah, for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth! Hallelujah, for the kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of Christ!"

SUFFERING IN ALASKA.

The Klondike Adventurers Are Meeting With Fearful Experiences.

All reports from Alaska indicate that the prospectors who have gone up early are having a fearful experience with cold and snow and ice. Avalanches have destroyed many of the outfits at Lake Bennett, and several well-equipped parties have been unable to get over the Chilkoot Pass because of the blizzards which have raged for days. Freight is blockaded, and many adventurous prospectors who tried to get over the mountains were badly frozen. The worst reports come from the Copper River country, for which several expeditions have sailed. One party from Los Angeles prospected the river for sixty miles and found nothing for their labors. The snow was fifteen feet deep, and not even skin clothes could protect them from the bitter wind that swept over the glaciers. Nine of the party were badly frost-bitten.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR MARCH 13.

Lesson Text: "The Wheat and the Tares," Matt. xiii., 24-30, 36-43—Golden Text: Matt. xiii., 37—Commentary on the Lesson of the Day by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

24. "Another parable put He forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field." As this parable is only one of a series of seven recorded in this chapter, and probably spoken on one day, four by the seaside and three, with the interpretation of this one, privately in the house, we must consider briefly the seven that we may better understand this one. We must also notice why He now began to speak in parables. It was not that they might better see and understand, but just the contrary (verse 13). The had rejected their King (chapter xii., 14), and now He will not tell them plainly what would happen in consequence. It was no mystery, but something very plainly revealed in the prophets, that there should be a kingdom on this earth, with a righteous King on David's throne, bringing blessing to all nations, but it was a mystery still hidden as to what would take place on this earth if this kingdom should for any cause be postponed. These seven parables set forth the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven—that is, the course of this age till the harvest. Only a portion of the seed sown will bring fruit to perfection, and much of that will be hindered by tares sown by the devil. The little company of true believers will become a great worldly thing full of birds in the branches, the followers of the devil joining the church for their own ends. The church herself (the woman with the meal) will so corrupt her food that there will be but little sound doctrine, the preachers preaching to please the people and not the Lord. But there is another side to this dark story and that is told to the disciples in the house privately (verse 36). Because there is a real treasure of true believers in this field, the world, One has bought it who has the right of redemption, and He did so by giving up all that He had. The treasure may be the true Israel. See Ex. xix., 5, 6; Mal. iii., 17, margin. The one pearl from the depths of the sea is very suggestive of the church gathered out of all nations. The One buying it must be, as in the former case, the Lord Himself, for He gives up all He has. Then when the elect church has been presented faultless, the one pearl and elect Israel made a righteous nation, the treasure for the time being hidden in the field, there shall be a great multitude from all nations who shall form the saved nations, who shall walk in the light of the New Jerusalem and bring their glory and honor into it (Rev. xxi., 24, 26). God has a great plan which He has revealed to us and those who walk with Him will never be discouraged (Isa. xlii., 4; liii., 11). As to the first verse of our lesson His own explanation is that He Himself is the sower, true believers are the seed, and the field is the world.

25. "But while men slept his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way." His explanation in verses 38, 39, is that the tares are the children of the wicked and the sower of such is the enemy, the devil. If men were wide awake—that is, God's men—the enemy might not get in as many tares as he does, but too many are asleep, like Jonah, turning their backs on what God wants them to do, or, like Samson, given up to living unto themselves. Let us all give heed to Rom. xiii., 11; Eph. v., 14. Many a preacher out of employment might find light on his path very quickly if he had no touch of either Jonah's or Samson's trouble.

26. "But when the blade was sprung up and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also." One cannot always tell which are tares and which are wheat, but the Lord knoweth them that are His, and He will make no mistake. Each one can be sure for himself whether he is tares or wheat, a child of the wicked one or a child of God. I John v., 12, with John i., 12, and iii., 16, will tell any one who wants really to know.

27. "So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? From whence, then, hath it tares?" At the marriage in Cana the servants knew whence came the wine, but this is a more difficult case, and servants do not know everything; not by a good deal. We know in part, and if any man thinketh that he knoweth anything, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know (I Cor. xiii., 9, 12; viii., 2).

28. "He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?" Some servants seem to enjoy gathering out, or attempting to gather out, the tares, or at least in letting the tares know what desperate tares they are in the estimation of the wheat.

29. "But He said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them." The rooting up or gathering up process can have no reference to salvation, for in harvest time all are gathered—the tares for the fire and the wheat for the barn. In chapter xv., 13, He says, "Every plant which My Heavenly Father hath not planted shall be rooted up."

30. "Let both grow together until the harvest, and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn." This verse is fully explained by verses 39 to 43. The harvest is the end of the age, as the expression "end of the world" always signifies. I do not know where we are told that this planet shall ever be destroyed. Even Peter, in speaking of wonderful changes which shall occur, says with great emphasis, "Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwells righteousness" (II Pet. iii., 13). There have been ages, and there are ages to come; the present one, of which our Lord spake, already draweth to a close, but the beginnings and closings of the ages seem always to be of an over-lapping nature rather than a decided and marked division between the one and the other. The second coming of our Lord Jesus at the end of this age will, like His first coming, be a series of events, the first of which will be the whole true church caught up to meet Him in the air (I Thess. iv., 16-18). The harvest or consummation here spoken of must be beyond that, for the first event in the harvest time of our lesson to the gathering out of the tares for the fire. It may be at the close of the great tribulation period after the church's translation and is probably the same as referred to in Rev. xiv., 15, 16, and II Thess. i., 7-10. There is a possible far-reaching outlook in the expression, "Kingdom of their Father," of verse 43, as contrasted with the kingdom of the Son of Man of verse 41.—Lesson Helper.

A few weeks ago the United States court of appeals at St. Louis held that a boycott by labor against capital is a criminal conspiracy. Later an Illinois State court at Chicago decided that a "blacklisting" by capital against labor is equally unlawful and has awarded a "blacklisted" laborer $21,666.33 damages. If the boycott were sound in law, then the blacklist would also be sound. But these courts, dealing out even justice, have declared the truth that blacklist and boycott are equally odious, equally hostile to democratic institutions and ideas. It is fortunate that these two decisions came so closely together. The object lesson they present will not be lost upon either labor or capital.

Taking a hint from the generation of electricity at Niagara falls and more especially from the Carnegie iron works, where electricity is generated by steam engines and dynamos, a great electric-power scheme has been originated in what is called the "black country" of northwestern England, where electricity will be generated in connection with the great manufacturing establishments and supplied from these as centers to several big towns. The idea, as stated by the Birmingham Post, is "to erect at a convenient center boilers and engines to the extent of 6,000 to 10,000 horse-power and to work a radius of about six miles." The promoters of the scheme affirm they will be able to supply electricity very much more cheaply than can be done by individual works and at a rate not much higher than at Niagara. They will supply electricity for pumping mines, running tramways, electric lighting and for various mechanical purposes. Not only will they enable many manufacturing establishments to cheapen the cost of production but the introduction of electricity on the scale contemplated will help to redeem this part of England from the appellation—"the black country."

Hard Plant to Kill.

There is a plant in Jamaica called the life plant, because it is almost impossible to kill it. When a leaf is cut off and hung up by a string it sends out white, threadlike roots, gathers moisture from the air, and begins to grow new leaves. Even when pressed and packed away by a botanist it has been known to outgrow the leaves of the book in which it was placed. The only way to kill it is by the heat of a hot iron or of boiling water.

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Report of Decree—The Famous $50,000 Trade-mark Case Decided—C. F. Simmons Medicine Company, St. Louis, Defeats J. H. Zeilin & Co., Philadelphia.

[From St. Louis Republic, July 4, 1895.]

"The Supreme Court of Tennessee on June 29 decided the most important trade-mark case that has ever been tried in that State and one of the largest ever tried in the Union, affirming and enlarging the opinion of the court below. The court held:

1. That Dr. M. A. Simmons, the predecessor of complainant, by extensive advertising of his celebrated remedy known as "Simmons Liver Medicine," made it a standard remedy for liver diseases long prior to the acquisition by J. H. Zeilin & Co. of any rights.

2. That the assignor of J. H. Zeilin & Co., through whom they claimed the right to make the frauds on packages enjoined, never derived any title from A. Q. Simmons to make the medicine nor to use his name or picture, and that such use by Zeilin & Co. is a fraud upon the public, and is therefore enjoined.

3. That Zeilin & Co. purposely, fraudulently labeled their medicine in imitation of complainant's medicine to unfairly appropriate the trade of the Simmons Medicine Company, and the execution of this fraudulent purpose and act is enjoined.

4. Enjoined Zeilin & Co. from using their competitor's trade-name, trade-marks, or symbols, or imitations thereof, to deceive the public and unfairly appropriate to themselves the trade of the C. F. Simmons Medicine Co.

5. Enjoined Zeilin & Co. from deceiving and practicing a fraud on the public by labeling their packages in imitation of the wrappers and trade-marks of the complainant.

6. Enjoined Zeilin & Co. from the manufacture and sale of the medicine under the name of "Simmons Liver Medicine," or "A. Q. Simmons Liver Medicine," or "Liver Medicine by A. Q. Simmons," and from using the picture of A. Q. Simmons in connection therewith.

7. Enjoined Zeilin & Co., their assignees, agents and employees from deceiving and practicing a fraud upon the public by the sale of packages thus falsely labeled, either upon orders or calls for the genuine "Simmons Liver Medicine" of complainant, or in any package thus falsely labeled.

8. The court stated that it was the purpose of the court to entirely destroy the fraudulently labeled packages and order them called, and cause their removal from the market, and ordered Zeilin & Co. to deliver to the clerk to be destroyed, all cuts, dies, electrotypes, engravings and other paraphernalia used in impressing either of the above names or the picture of A. Q. Simmons.

9. Decreed that Zeilin & Co. pay all the damages which have accrued to complainant by the sale of these fraudulently labeled packages. The damages claimed by complainant [...] $50,000.

10. Decreed that Zeilin & Co. pay all the costs, which amount to [...] thousand dollars, incurred being one of the largest ever paid in the Supreme Court."

Cheap Medicine.

As a rule, "cheap medicine" is inert, worthless, or dangerous. In Zeilin & Co.'s answer to our bill they said the packages enjoined were designed as a "cheap negro medicine for the negroes of the Mississippi Valley." Now, as Zeilin & Co.'s advertisement says, and their manager swore, that all the liver medicine which they make is made by the same formula, it is not conclusive evidence from their sworn testimony and advertisements, that all their liver medicine amounts to a "cheap Negro Medicine"? Query: Do the people of America desire "Cheap Negro Medicine"? Is not the adjusted answer by their future purchases, Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine, established in 1840, is not "cheap medicine." It is "no cure-all," and is on wise intended for those indispositions caused by inactivity of the liver.

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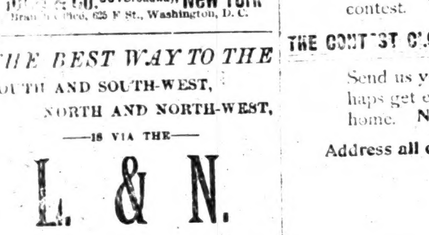

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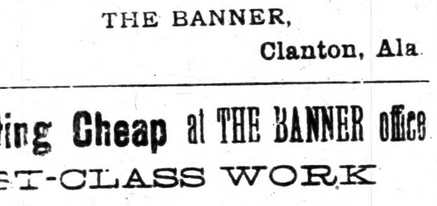

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Jan. 25, 1896.

DEAR SIRS:—I am anxious for the sake of the suffering and out of gratitude to you, to give my personal endorsement of your wonderful remedy. On the 4th of January, 1895, I was in Washington and was suddenly seized with an excruciating case of inflammatory rheumatism in my arms and particularly my right wrist. In 24 hours my right arm was paralyzed and I was only able to dress with assistance. I secured a bottle of 5 Drops and took a dose that night rubbing the outside externally as directed. The next morning I was surprised to find myself much relieved, and continuing treatment, woke the second morning cured. My arm was as well as ever, free from pain and soreness and stiffness had disappeared. The quickness and completeness of my cure was remarkable. I have known for over a year of the great curative properties of your remedy and have several friends who have been cured of Neuralgia, Catarrh and Asthma. Wishing you every success and trusting that these statements may be of benefit to you to give this remedy a trial, I remain, Yours truly, T. P. LUMBERMER,
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Jan. 29, 1896.

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MR. J. J. WILSON.

DEAR SIR:—Your letter of recent date at hand, the testimonial you speak of is correct. The company who manufactures and sells "5 Drops" published my testimonial. I gave it to them and every word of it is true, and I could swear to it and prove it by many witnesses. The company did not ask me for this letter. I sent it to them in January for publication in order that poor sufferers, thinking as I once was, and as I did, might be cured. Get "5 Drops" and use it and it will cure you as it has cured me. I have received many letters like yours, and it is a pleasure for me to answer all who write me. Tell your neighbors what I have written about "5 Drops." I know how to sympathize with those who are afflicted, for though I suffered so long, it is now 8 months since I have felt the least pain. My brother, who lives in Omaha, is also using "5 Drops" in his practice, and speaks highly of it. Dr. W. Kellems, my brother, lives in Olivia, Penn. He is a reputable physician and can be relied on in endorsing this great remedy. He says for a sick headache it is a positive cure.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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J. P. VANDEVER

UNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee of the Party of Chilton county met at the Court House at 10 o'clock a. m. and was called to order by Chairman H. I. Honeycutt at 11 o'clock. The Committee called upon Dr. Richton to act as secretary. The roll was called, and all the beats in the county were represented. The following vacancies in the committee were filled. Beat 3, W. J. Williams was elected to the place having removed from the county. Beat 5, J. W. G. Kellems was elected to fill the vacancy left by the county Benjamin Wells was elected to fill the vacancy. Beat 6, John Scott having moved out of the county. Beat 8, G. W. Edwards was elected to the vacant place.

On motion, the Committee proceeded to hold a private meeting. Chairman H. I. Honeycutt tendered his resignation, which was accepted. After some discussion was accepted, H. Conway was elected to the chairmanship for the day. Later in the day Mr. Conway was elected chairman of the committee to fill the unexpired term.

J. W. Littlejohn made a motion that beat meetings and a convention be held for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various offices. This brought on considerable discussion which was carried on until 1:30 when the committee adjourned for dinner. At 1:30 the committee reconvened and resumed the debate. It was evident that a majority of the committee favored a primary election, and when a vote was taken on Mr. Littlejohn's motion only two votes were cast in favor of the beat meetings and convention.

A motion was then made by A. Mims that a primary election be held and this was almost unanimously carried, only one vote being against the motion.

It was then decided that the candidate for each office receiving the highest number of votes in the primary should be declared the nominee of the party.

The following motion was made and carried:

"That only Populists who previously voted the Populist ticket shall be allowed to vote in the People's Party primary election. All persons who may desire to vote in this primary shall be required to solemnly pledge themselves in writing to support the nominees of the party at the general election in August."

The date of the primary election and the election will take place on Friday, April 29, 1898.

The following managers of election were appointed:

Beat 1—T. J. Dorminy, Glasscock, W. L. Honeycutt.
Beat 2—Box 1, W. H. Smith, B. Martin, Will Sims. Box 2, H. Reynolds, Geo. Shaw, J. Martin.
Beat 3—Box 1, H. W. Williams, Calvin Jones, Albert Foshee. Box 2, S. E. Waldrup, J. P. Vandever, D. Glasscock.
Beat 4—Geo. King, J. D. Hall, H. T. Littlejohn.
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COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee of the People's Party of Chilton county met Friday at the Court House and was called to order by Chairman H. I. Honeycutt at 11 a.m. The Committee called upon Frank Holston to act as secretary. The roll was called, and all the beats in the county were represented. The following vacancies in the committee were filled. Beat 3, Wylie Fo... having removed from the beat J. Williams was elected in his place. Beat 5, J. W. G. Kicker having left the county Ben H. ...s was elected to fill the vacancy. Beat 6, John Scott having left the beat G. W. Edwards was elected to the vacant place.

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Beat 7—Box 1. S. B. McCary, Wm Worthy, J. D. Magee. Box 2. J. D. Holsembeck, Sanford Kelley, W. B. Green.

Beat 8—The committeemen from this beat were empowered to provide two boxes and appoint the managers.

Beat 9—A. E. Childers, J. W. Riggins, J. M. Mims.

The committeeman from each beat will act as returning officer and the Executive Committee will meet on Monday, May 2, to count the vote and announce the result of the election.

The following motion was made and carried:

"That each candidate for office in the county shall pledge himself to publicly announce his adherance to and belief in the principles of the People's Party as enunciated in the platforms of the party adopted at Ocala and St Louis."

The Chair was empowered to appoint some person to call upon the candidates to pay their pro rata share of the expense incurred in printing the tickets for the primary and any other expenses that may be necessary.

Delegates to the State, Judicial and Chancery conventions are to be elected in addition to the county officers.

The minutes were read and approved and the Committee adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

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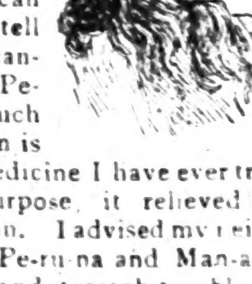
Mrs. Lucy Lee, of Naples, Tex., had almost came to the conclusion that the blessing of health was no longer hers, and so when she regained it, her happiness was almost too great for words. She writes as follows: "I am well now and am enjoying good health, better than ever before in my life. How happy I feel that I can write and tell you this. I cannot praise Pe-ru-na too much



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Dr. Hartman receives many such letters as this every week. Some of them have been gathered together and published in book form. The book is called "Facts and Faces," and will be sent free to any address by The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

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Oakmulgee, Ala., March 10, 1898.

Editor BANNER: I have been a rice grower for seventeen years and succeeded better in that than with other agricultural products. Been in the rice mill business five years. Rice is adapted to our low lands, most especially the irrigable part. Yield all the way from twenty to fifty bushels per acre, just like other crops owing to the preparations. Will pay well to cultivate on low wet land in drill as close as can be worked, but I much prefer to irrigate by damming the stream above the land and convey in ditches to farm and thence with small levies on the high parts so as to convey regularly on the land. It will not make an average if grown in water more than four inches deep. Ground should be well broken and then sown about one bushel per acre and harrowed in. Then kill the birds; doves and blackbirds are worst. Rice when milled yields like other products in proportion to the care, culture, etc. I irrigate as soon as I sow and keep water on until turning, or within three weeks of ripe. The nearer you can come making water stand or run regular from one to four inches deep the better. The best part of growing rice is that it is mostly adapted to land that will not make anything else. Some talk of upland rice, but it all likes water best. When milled best possible yield thirty lbs., oftener 27, from eighteen to 22 head rice, and seven to nine broken. Generally pays toll and is worth one dollar at current prices. I mill for the eight. Would not own a mill for the custom but I have grown 500 bushels upon an average for each of 17 years. If anyone should see this that has any to mill this season you only have time now.

W. A. FOUNTAIN.

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Consumption Positively Cured.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va; certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at Dr. J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

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A NEW TOWN.

A new town is being laid out between Billingsley and Clanton, near Pletcher's mill. It is situated on the M. T. & M. railroad, and is being laid out under the supervision of County Surveyor G. L. Speer. It is proposed to call the new town Edisonia. Already some lots have been purchased and buildings are going up. A new postoffice will be opened there as soon as the railroad is in operation.

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How to Look Good.

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Turn-Round Topics.

Sugar cane is planted; potatoes bedded; irish potatoes planted; young garden vegetables looking well; in short, preparations of all kinds are in order pertaining to the farm.

George W. and Eli Jones visited friends at Morganville Sunday.

Mrs. Gore and children, of Deatsville, were visitors to Mrs. P... and family Sunday.

Hal Faulkner and charming sister, Miss Fannie, made a pleasant call on friends Sunday.

Mrs. Beulah Johnson is spending quite a while in the capital city.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall, of Rollin's switch, visited Mrs. Pyron Sunday.

The sociable at Mr. Cooper's Thursday night was quite an entertaining affair, and enjoyed by all.

Messrs. Enoch L. Manning, Thadeus Kicker, and Walter Kendrick visited Clanton last week.

T. A. Davis, of Montgomery, was a visitor here last week.

Guano is now being hauled and a large portion of it is passing here and going to Coosa county.

There was no singing Sunday night on account of rain and mud.

E. L. Jones is better, while H. Kendrick continually gets worse.

Miss Genevra Goss we are sorry to say is suffering with headache and toothache.

Walter Kendrick and W. B. Manning paid Morganville a flying visit Sunday evening.

Best wishes to all.

WALTER.

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Rev. E. Edwards, pastor of the English Baptist Church at Minersville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any sufferer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me." For sale by J. S. Johnson, ...

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NOTICE.

For the accommodation of Confederate soldiers and widows who are entitled to a pension under an act of the Legislature for the relief of needy Confederate soldiers, etc., I will be at Stanton on Thursday, the 14th day of April, 1898, in the forenoon, and at Maplesville in the afternoon prepared to accommodate those who may desire to make application for this pension. I will also be at Providence church in beat two on Thursday, the 21st day of April, at 12 o'clock for the same purpose.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

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Chancery Court.

The Spring term of the Chancery Court convened at Clanton on Monday, Chancellor J. R. Dowdell presiding. There was no business of public importance, some half dozen divorces were granted, and a few decrees submitted for vacation.

S. W. John and A. Latady, of Birmingham, and W. A Gunter, of Montgomery, were visiting attorneys. Court adjourned Wednesday morning.

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Kincheon.

Mr. W. M Pool, wife and family of Saginaw, have been spending a few days with his parents Mr. A. C. Pool.

We are going to elect the next Circuit Clerk from Kincheon.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

The Thorsby Lumber Company, a partnership, Plaintiff,
vs.
M. E. Taylor and The Concordia Land and Improvement Association, a corporation Defendents.
Circuit Court of Chilton County, Spring Term, 1898. No. 1361.

Whereas an affidavit has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, Alabama, by W. J. Martin, Attorney for the Plaintiff in this cause, that M. E. Taylor, one of the above named defendants, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and that his place of residence is unknown:

It is therefore ordered that publication, for the said defendant, M. E. Taylor, be made for three successive weeks in the Banner, a newspaper published in Chilton county, Alabama, commanding the said M. E Taylor to appear at the next term of the Circuit Court to be held for said county, at the place of holding same, then and there to answer, plead or demur to the complaint filed in this cause; and that a copy of said newspaper, containing a copy of this notice, be mailed to the said M. E. Taylor if his place of residence shall be known or ascertained.

Witness my hand this 7th. day of March, 1898.

J. P. VanDerveer,
Clerk of the Circuit Court,
Chilton County Alabama.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by I. L. Beard to the undersigned Emily Hughes, on the 24th day of July, 1895, I, Emily Hughes, the said Mortgagee, will on the

4th DAY OF APRIL, 1898,

proceed to sell, in front of the Court House door at Clanton, Alabama, at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate lying and being situate in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, to wit:

The SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 31, Township 21, Range 16.

The said mortgage, under which this sale is made is recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, in book 56 of mortgages at pages 185 and 191. The above sale made for the purpose of satisfying the mortgage debt and the expenses of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in ... several mortgages executed to the undersigned Emily Hughes by Sallie M. ... and her husband, J. M. Ha..., on the eighth day of July, 1895, which said mortgages are recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, Alabama, in book ... of Mortgages at pages 172, 173, 174, ... 162, 165, 166, 167, ... I, the said Emily Hughes, the said mortgagee, will proceed to sell on the 4th day of April, 1898 in front of the court house door at Clanton, Ala., at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash the following described land or real estate lying and being situate in the county of Chilton in the State of Alabama to wit: ... the south east fourth of south west fourth of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, range sixteen, ... northern side ... Alfred Bohen. The above sale is made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage debt and the costs expenses and attorney's fees of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Notice to Non Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County. In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, Northeastern Chancery Division.

Allen P. Howison, complainant, vs. E. E. Jackson and William Jackson, defendants.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of H. C. Tompkins, Esq. that the Defendant, William Jackson, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at Salisbury, in the State of Maryland, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in The Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said William Jackson, to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 2... day of March, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 22 day of February, 1898.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.

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For the second time a woman has won a prize debate at Cornell University, the '94 memorial prize being awarded to Miss Abigail Laughlin, '98. Another fair orator won the Woodford medal several years ago. By holding their own in these more conspicuous competitions, as well as by the rank they attain in examinations, the women students at Cornell continue to justify by their works the principle of co-education of the sexes.

It does not speak well for the Paris police that fifty-three murders should have been committed along the Seine within three months and yet the first arrests are now made. According to Gaboriau and other romance writers, the French police track and overhaul criminals with the instinct of the bloodhound, but in real life their work does not compare with the work of English or American detectives, who do not have the help of the admirable French registration system.

"Some idea of the formidable character of our pension expenses may be gathered," notes the New York Independent, "from the fact that the total payments, including expense of administration, etc., amounts to $2,178,753,270 in the past thirty-two years, from and inclusive of 1866. These enormous expenditures were on account of the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican and Indian Wars and the Civil War. The cost of modern wars is truly prohibitory."

General Roy Stone, Acting President of the National League for Good Roads, believes that he has found a way to make postal savings banks and good roads promote each other. His plan, in brief, is that postal savings banks shall be established, and that the Postoffice Department shall invest the deposits in county bonds for the building of good roads. The scheme is favored by the League of American Wheelmen, road improvement associations generally, and many educational institutions. C. W. Stone, a member of Congress from Pennsylvania, has embodied it in a proposed amendment to the Postal Savings Bill.

The mineral production of the United States for 1897 is put by the Engineering and Mining Journal at a total valuation of $762,061,106, of which $257,451,172 is for metals and $504,609,934 for non-metallic substances. The gold production is estimated at $55,498,950 and the silver at 56,117,000 ounces, worth $33,558,906 against 58,488,810 ounces, worth $39,245,991, in 1896. The gold product is placed considerably under that of Mint Director Preston, who puts it at $61,500,000. With the exception of the Southern States, whose yield is inconsiderable, every State and territory in the Union that produces gold has increased its output. Mr. Preston has shown himself a very conservative statistician, as he under estimated the 1896 production by $10,000,000. The difference between him and the Engineering Journal is quite considerable, but as both show a big gain over previous years and as bigger gains are in sight for 1898 and an indefinite term thereafter, the public can afford to rest easy until the full statistics are obtainable.

Whether on account of improved sanitary conditions or on account of the increased skill which physicians have developed in battling with disease, there is gratifying evidence of a marked decline in the death rates of our leading American cities during the past year. As compiled by one of the leading medical journals of the country, the death rates for the cities of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati, Baltimore, Boston and St. Louis, as disclosed by the figures for the past year, are as follows:

	Per 1,000 Inhabitants.
Chicago	13.5
Philadelphia	18.8
New York	19.2
St. Louis	18.2
Boston	15.8
Baltimore	21.3
Cincinnati	14.3

While there is quite a decided difference between the death rates of some of the cities mentioned in the foregoing table, the showing which the record in its entirety evinces is unusually gratifying. Although the exact figures for this immediate section of the country are not accessible, it may safely be affirmed that the South will compare favorably with any other section in point of healthfulness. As for Atlanta, there is no city in the United States which possesses superior sanitary advantages.

NO RESTRICTION SHOWN

In Any Branch of Business on Account of War Scare.

MANY LINES OF TRADE STEADILY GAINING.

Enormous Exports Continue—More Gold Is Coming in From Europe Than Is Needed—Prices for Pig Iron Very Strong—Business Failures.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

It is most gratifying that no industry or branch of business shows any restriction or hindrance, but some have been rapidly gaining for the past week and month. The railways are gaining even while speculators are selling their stocks, and the demand for products for all the great industries is increasing.

More gold is coming from Europe than is needed, $10,868,000 having been ordered during the past week and money markets are nowhere alarmed or stringent, although reasonably more cautious.

The country rests assured that its industries, almost all of its business and foreign demands for its products and especially all its resources are beyond the reach of any foreign power and that its honor and foreign interests are in safe hands.

The greatest of all industries is sending grain forward as if there were no limit to its supply. Exports of wheat have been 4,171,497 bushels, flour included, against 1,268,171 last year from Atlantic and Pacific ports, and for two weeks 7,462,730 bushels against 3,016,546 bushels last year. Exports of corn, in spite of smaller yield, have been 7,706,294 bushels in two weeks against 9,336,699 bushels last year, when they far surpassed all records. Wheat declined 2¼ cents, but corn did not change during the week. Cotton declined ¼ cent, sales of fertilizers indicating a less reduction of acreage this year than was expected. Exports of principal products in February were $61,631,091 in value, with increase over last year of about 50 per cent. in bread stuffs, in cotton 25 per cent. and 25 per cent. in the aggregate.

The weekly output of pig iron was 228,338 tons February 1, and 234,430 tons March 1. For four months production has gained a little, but consumption still more, and if preparations for war last only a few weeks they will add much to the demand. Other consumption for railroad cars, for vessels on the lakes, for elevators and oil pipe lines, for agricultural implement works and for sheets, is beyond precedent, and structural and rail works are crowded with orders, though now receiving few.

The minor metals are generally stronger in demand.

Sales for wool this week have been the smallest since the week of greatest alarm in August, 1896, but not because any mills have stopped work.

Cotton goods have a large distribution, and prices are generally steady, though in outside dealings. Print cloths are a shade lower. Prints are in better demand.

The failures for the week have been 248 in the United States, against 256 last year, and 36 in Canada, against 61 last year.

PERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS

No Cuban consuls have resigned, as reported.

Ex-Congressman Jason Brown, of Indiana, died last week.

Ex-Governor Bell, of Texas, died at Littleton, N. C., the past week.

A furniture factory will be built at Dublin, Ga., at a cost of $15,000.

Seven hundred extra mechanics are employed at the Brooklyn navy yard.

Dora Wilson, of Atlanta, made the fifteenth unsuccessful attempt to kill herself.

It is settled that the battleship Kentucky will be christened with water from the old Lincoln homestead.

Miss Annie Emery, member of a prominent family of Kirkwood, a suburb of Atlanta, was struck by a fast freight and instantly killed.

The London Chronicle says it learns that Japan has warned Russia that if the latter retains Port Aurthur, Japan will retain Wei Hai Wei and the islands adjacent.

THREE NEW BATTLESHIPS

Authorized by the Naval Committee of the House.

Three new battleships, of the staunchest type afloat, were authorized by the house committee on naval affairs Friday, and a provision for their construction inserted in the appropriation bill.

At the same time the committee agreed on a maximum price of $400 per ton for armor plate for our vessels, increased the force of naval marines by 473 men and put matters in fair shape for a decision on the location of dry docks, probably four in number, capable of accommodating the largest sized warships.

Bob McKinley, a white man about 40 years old, was thrown from a wagon near Meansville, Ga., and instantly killed.

Twenty miles of railroad tracks in Chicago will be elevated this summer. The cost will be in the neighborhood of $8,000,000, and it will give employment to 25,000 men.

The famous trial at Hazleton, Pa., of Sheriff Martin and deputies for the killing of striking miners while marching along the road to Latimer, ended the past week, the jury rendering a verdict of not guilty.

STATE NEWS BRIEFLY EPITOMIZED

REPRESENTATION OF DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

NEW COTTON MILL TO BE BUILT AT FLORENCE.

Brave Ex-Confederate Dead—Big Illicit Whisky Plant Destroyed—End of the Smallpox Epidemic in Jefferson County—An Engineer Killed on the East and West Railroad—Briefly Noted.

REPRESENTATION

Of Counties at the Democratic State Convention at Montgomery.

At the meeting of the state democratic executive committee, held at Montgomery on February 15, last, a resolution was adopted fixing the representation to the state convention, which meets on April 20, the same as at the last convention, as follows, by counties:

Autauga, 4; Baldwin, 3; Barbour 12; Bibb, 5; Blount, 7. Bullock, 9; Butler 7; Calhoun, 11; Chambers, 9; Cherokee, 7; Chilton, 5; Choctaw, 6; Clarke, 8; Clay, 5. Cleburne, 4; Coffee, 4; Colbert, 7; Conecuh, 5; Coosa, 5; Covington, 3; Crenshaw, 5; Cullman, 4; Dale, 6; Dallas, 16; DeKalb, 7; Elmore, 7. Escambia, 3; Etowah, 7; Fayette, 4; Franklin, 4; Geneva, 4; Greene, 7; Hale, 9; Henry, 8; Jackson, 9; Jefferson, 30; Lamar, 5; Lauderdale, 8; Lawrence, 7; Lee, 10; Limestone, 7; Lowndes, 11; Macon, 6; Madison, 13; Marengo, 11; Marion, 4; Marshall, 6; Mobile, 17; Monroe, 6; Montgomery, 19; Morgan, 8; Perry, 10; Pickens, 7; Pike, 8; Randolph, 6; Russell, 8; St. Clair, 6; Shelby, 7; Sumter, 10; Talladega, 10; Tallapoosa, 8; Tuskaloosa, 10; Walker, 5; Washington, 3; Wilcox, 10; Winston, 2. Total, 504.

Call for Democratic Convention.

Pursuant to resolutions adopted at a meeting of the state executive committee of the democratic party held in Montgomery February 15, Chairman Knox has made the following call:

The state convention and the judicial, chancery and senatorial conventions of all the judicial circuits, chancery divisions and senatorial districts which have no executive committee are called to meet in the hall of the house of representatives in the city of Montgomery April 20, 1898. The beat meetings and primary elections to send delegates to the county conventions are called for Saturday, April 9, 1898, and the county conventions and mass meetings to send delegates to the state convention and such judicial, chancery and senatorial conventions are called for Wednesday, April 13, 1898.

Epidemic Ended.

The smallpox epidemic in the Birmingham section of the state is officially as well as actually at an end. The disease practically has been stamped out for some weeks, but the marine hospital corps physicians who were sent here several months ago to take charge of the situation in this and other counties have remained in order to prosecute the work of vaccination and complete their labors in eradicating the disease finally. They have been very successful, so much so that there are now but twenty patients at the Red Mountain hospital and all are convalescing. Dr. Magruder, representing the marine hospital service, who has been in charge here, closed up headquarters last week, and after transmitting a letter to Mayor Evans announcing the completion of his work, left for his home in Memphis.

Mammoth Saw Mill Plant Burned.

Saturday evening fire destroyed the mammoth saw and planing mill of Arantz Bros. and several other buildings at Decatur. The loss on the plant alone was $50,000, to say nothing of the losses on other buildings and an enormous pile of lumber which, at present, cannot be estimated. There was not a cent of insurance carried on the plant, but $40,000 on the lumber yard.

Bryan Gives a Prize to the University.

Hon. Wm. J. Bryan has given to the University of Alabama $250, the same to be invested and the annual proceeds used for a prize to be given to students for the best essay discussing the Science of Government. Dr. Powers in behalf of the institution and the board of trustees has accepted the donation.

Cotton Mill Proposals for Huntsville.

An interesting and largely attended meeting of the chamber of commerce was held in Huntsville Friday and favorable reports from several committees appointed to secure new industries were heard. President R. E. Pettus made a lengthy address, saying that the chamber of commerce could within a week secure fifty bona fide propositions from cotton mill men who will locate there for small bonuses. He named three that he says can be secured for $20,000. The secretary reported that he is now receiving more literature than ever before and that many representatives of cotton mills have been in Huntsville prospecting during the past month.

Scheme Collapsed.

J. M. Webster went to Paint Rock last July from some place in Ohio. He purchased the G. G. Lilly mill and property, consisting of dwelling and store house, ordered a rolling mill outfit, purchased the Bellfont factory property in Madison county, and otherwise cut a prominent figure in financial circles. He has decamped to parts unknown without paying anything.

Solomon Kohn, one of Selma's progressive citizens, died Thursday.

COTTON MILL FOR FLORENCE

Deal for a Factory to Cost $100,000 Has Been Arranged.

A deal for the establishment of a $100,000 cotton factory has just been arranged at Florence, and work on the plant will be begun immediately. At the head of the deal is Mr. F. M. Perry, a local business man who is well able to carry out any plan he may decide upon, being the wealthiest man in the county. Mr. Perry has purchased from the Florence Cotton and Iron company of Philadelphia a tract of twelve hundred acres of land on Cypress creek, together with all the water power and rights, and about a dozen buildings, including the building formerly used by the Cypress Mill company, and will begin at once to repair the old building, erect new buildings, and purchase new machinery. He will spend between $50,000 and $75,000 on the plant this year.

New Officer's Good Showing.

The appointment a few months ago of Hon. John Case, of Mobile, as tax collector for that county, to succeed Mr. Lott, whose defalcations to the state and county are something like $10,000, appears to be in line with the other acts of Governor Johnston's business administration. From last October to March 1 the new tax collector has accounted for $204,317. The collections for the whole of the previous year, under his predecessor, amounted to only $153,163.

A Brave Ex-Confederate Dead.

William W. Beasley, one of the bravest men that ever wore the gray, died in Louisville, Ky., last week. He left Selma with Company A, of the Fourth Alabama regiment, giving up his work as a printer to go to the front in defense of his country. At Manassas, single-handed and alone, he captured twenty-one Yankees. In their flight on that occasion they ran into a cellar. Young Beasley cut off their retreat and made each one come out and lay down his arms.

Big Illicit Whisky Plant Destroyed.

One of the largest illicit whisky plants destroyed in Alabama in many days fell into the hands of a deputy collector near Paint Rock, Jackson county, a day or two ago. The plant consisted of two 400-gallon stills, three 2,000 gallon beer tanks, six 40 gallon beer stands, seven 1,000-gallon mash stands and a quantity of tools. The plant was situated in a secluded place on the banks of the Tennessee river.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Wm. J. Bryan spoke to a large concourse of people at Selma Tuesday night.

Rev. I. Dawson, a noted negro preacher and politician of Greene county, died the past week.

The Birmingham Railway & Electric Company will extend its West End line to Powderly within the next four weeks.

Ed. James, while coupling cars on the L. & N. railroad at Decatur, tripped in a frog and fell. His foot was cut off and the man otherwise badly bruised.

William Vanhille committed suicide in Birmingham Saturday night by taking morphine. The deceased was at one time a prosperous cotton merchant of New Orleans.

The business and publishing interest of the Southwestern Presbyterian, now published at New Orleans, are to be at once transferred to Birmingham, under the care of Rev. J. G. Snedecor as its business manager.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Western railroad at Montgomery the necessary money for the contemplated depot and other improvements in that city was voted. The estimated cost will be $150,000.

J. G. Stewart has mysteriously disappeared from his home, New Decatur.

Birmingham's cotton receipts for the season up to last Thursday have been 106,928 bales.

The criminal grand jury of Jefferson county, which was orgazized Feb. 21, has concluded its labors. Out of 232 cases presented for consideration 155 true bills of indictments were found.

The new law for Limestone county, by which one-tenth of 1 per cent is levied for road purposes, is declared unconstitutional. The decision makes much trouble, as several thousand dollars worth of tools, etc., had been purchased for the work, which now becomes useless.

Vets Are Organizing.

The veterans of the civil war living in Oakland, Cal., have decided to offer the services of a full company to the government in the event of war with Spain. A company of 100 is being organized.

A conference of officials and several persons connected with steamship lines was held at Washington to map out plans for arming and equipping merchant vessels, to be used in case hostilities break out between the United States and Spain.

GUNS FOR THE COAST.

All That Can Possibly Be Made Are Wanted.

Secretary Alger has authorized General Flagler, the chief of ordnance, to make arrangements at once for procuring a large number of rapid fire guns for seacoast defenses. This action is taken without waiting for the allotment among the various bureaus of the war and navy departments of the $50,000,000 voted for the national defense.

The secretary felt that there was no reason for further delaying the necessary steps for the procurement of these guns, as it was felt there would be no trouble in arriving at an equitable adjustment of the money available.

Ever since the battleship Maine was wrecked in Havana harbor the ordnance department has been hastening the delivery of guns already finished and making arrangements for the supply of such additional ones as the officials felt warranted in ordering without the additional funds which have since been put at their disposal.

The ordnance bureau will take all the rapid fire guns that can be procured within a reasonable time, and they will be shipped to the seacoast for fortifications as rapidly as possible. They constitute what is known as the auxiliary defense of the fortifications, and are a material assistance to the big guns, which are necessarily slower of movement of firing.

Contracts for the delivery of carriages for these rapid fire guns have also been authorized, and will be shipped to the fortifications as soon as completed.

"VERY REMOTE"

Is the Possibility of Settling the Controversy Without War, Says McKinley.

A Washington special says: So clear is it now to all that sharp work must soon come that the president himself, in a private conversation, throws aside the mask he has been wearing for the past weeks. He said to an intimate friend Friday that the situation is one of gravity, and that in his opinion the possibility of settling the controversy with Spain without war was "very remote."

He said he had had in his possession for nearly a week full information of the causes which led to the disaster at Havana, and that the circumstances are such as to render peaceful negotiations "exceedingly difficult." He admitted that the war and navy departments are engaged on work intended to anticipate the direst result, and this result he saw little hope of escaping.

The president informed this gentleman that he would send to congress within the next few days a message which will convey to the public the findings of the Sampson court of inquiry. The president told his visitor that the Maine was blown up by a submarine mine under such conditions as surrounded the disaster with all that promised the "gravest consequences." He also explained that careful plans had been mapped out, but they would be manifestly improper subjects for discussion.

PROCTOR WILL SUPPORT WAR.

Senator Back from Cuba Is Not at All Pleased With What He Saw.

Senator Proctor and party have returned from Cuba. The senator says he has nothing to say just now, but intimate friends stated that the senator was in a frame of mind to indorse anything that promised to end the atrocities in Cuba.

In regard to war prospects he was non-committal, but did say he would support McKinley most heartily in going to the extreme. In speaking of the anti-American feeling in Havana he grew very indignant, and said with heat:

"The day will come, and soon, too, I think, when those haughty dons will respect the stars and stripes."

Both Senator Proctor and Mr. Parker is quite stirred over the horrors they witnessed in Cuba. Mr. Parker thinks that Senator Proctor's report will have great weight in congress.

Spain Wants No War With Us.

The new Spanish minister, Senor Bernabe, in an interview with an Associated Press reporter, says:

"I am sure that the United States does not want war, just as I am sure that the Spanish government does not want war, and will do everything honorable in its power to avert such a calamity."

NAVIL BILL COMPLETED.

Carries $30,000,000, Aside From Dry Docks and Armor.

The naval appropriation bill has been practically completed by the house committee. It will be reported early this week. There have been few changes from the estimates, and the bill will involve in the neighborhood of $30,000,000, aside from new vessels, dry docks and armor.

A Triple Alliance Pending.

The New York correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "I have it on the highest authority that a triple alliance between Great Britain, the United States and Japan is pending."

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The removal of the headquarters from San Antonio is not without heavy loss to the government, on account of the fact that the handsome buildings in San Antonio will probably be abandoned, at least temporarily.

There are no government buildings in Atlanta for the accommodation of the headquarters and for the present available buildings will have to be hired.

The new department will embrace the states of Georgia, South Carolina, Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Florida and Mississippi.

That portion of the formula issued by the war department covering the creation of this new department is as follows:

"A department is hereby established to be known as the department of the gulf, to consists of the states of South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga.

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Besides, where in the Constitution of the United States is there any provision declaring that there is any duty on the part of the United States to impose taxes so as to conform to the laws of any other country or countries. The assertion that any such duty exists is astounding in its assumption and is also false.

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Regardless of all foreign "princes, potentates and powers" we as a free people, "Americans for Americans," and the Americans, always and in all things shall fully represent our institutions and maintain this principle firmly and strongly as a guarantee to the people by the people of the United States of the form of government and the powers to enforce and maintain this principle. The right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness in their own way, under our own National Constitution, notwithstanding the hostile designs of the empires and monarchies of Europe.

Our great and patriotic Washington in his farewell address to the American people warned them to "beware of entangling alliances with foreign nations."

The modern legislation of our country fostering gigantic financial combinations and trusts and foreign money borrowing for the promotion of such trusts has entangled us in thirty-one billions and four hundred and eighty-eight millions of dollars of debt ($31,488,000,000). (See speech of Congressman Walker, chairman of the committee of banking and currency, March 29, 1892.) And our people have become debtor slaves to the creditors who hold these vast sums of the obligations of the people of the United States, the result of the incompetency or errors of those who have wielded for these many years the powers of our government.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

Blessed are the righteous minority, for they are the forerunners of every reform.—The Patriot.

The Populists in Oregon have made arrangements to fuse on with the Democrats and with the Silver Republicans. The members of the People's party elsewhere have consented to fuse with the Democrats on congressional nominations. The outlook for the fall campaign is, consequently, very good. The Populists ought to secure forty members of the next house, which would be nearly double the membership they have now. The southern continent will probably be larger than it is now. As for the west, it is more anti-Republican than it has been for many years.—Twentieth Century.

The essence of slavery is in getting something for nothing—in getting service without rendering service in exchange. This is true, whether the slavery be by means of the ownership of the bodies of men, the ownership of land on which and from which they must live, or of a dollar which represents wealth instead of service.—The Equitist.

The women of the plutocracy of Chicago, having no ideas higher than animal, have organized a society for the propagation of thoroughbred cats. This may be called an evidence of Tom Cat prosperity. 'Rah for McKinley prosperity! Say, you ragged, hungry American voting king, don't you wish you were as good as a cat? Nice, intelligent cats! Ugly, ignorant voting kings!—Appeal to Reason.

Congressman Loud is again making a noise about the postal deficit, and trying to get all books shut out from the cheap postal rates that enable the publishers to give good reading matter at cheap prices. Mr. Loud will spend his efforts in vain. Senators Stewart and Butler knocked him out in the last congress and it is safe to predict they will not be caught napping in this congress.—Non-Conformist.

One more turn of the screw-press that is squeezing the life blood out of "free" Americans is contemplated by a clique of schemers in the interest of monopoly. It is to be hoped that the infamous measure known as the Loud bill will not become a law until the reform press has educated the people into methods of self-helpfulness of a peaceful nature. The people are ignorant enough now. If the cheap pamphlets and the sample copies of the reform press are cut off and the minds of the masses are left to the tender culture of the organs of capitalism, ignorance will be intensified and oppression will run riot. The result is easy to foretell, for we have history as a guide and like causes produce like effects.—F. W. C. in Progressive Thought.

A Cause to Be Won.

Come forth from the valley, come forth from the hill,
Come forth from the workshop, the mine, and the mill,
From pleasure or slumber, from study or play,
Come forth in your myriads to aid us today.
There's a word to be spoken, a deed to be done,
A truth to be learned, a cause to be won.

Come, youths, in your vigor, come, men, in your prime,
Come, age-worn experience fresh gathered from time,
Come workers, you're with me, come, thinkers, you must,
Come thick as the cloud is in the midsummer dust,
Or the waves of the sea gleaming bright in the sun,
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—Charles Mackay.

Lincoln Against Gage, Depew & Co.

The assumption by Gage, Depew, and nearly every Republican orator, in celebrating the birthday of Lincoln, that Lincoln was a goldite and in favor of the classes against the masses, recalls to mind how different the teaching of Lincoln from those of gold monopolists. For example in his message to Congress of December 3, 1861, in discussing the labor question, he said:

"No men living are more worthy to be trusted than those who toil up from poverty—none less inclined to take or touch aught which they have not honestly earned. Let them beware of surrendering a political power which they already possess and which, if surrendered, will surely be used to close the door of advancement and burdens upon them, till all of liberty shall be lost."

SCIENTIFIC VOTING.

WORKS OF THE PRESENT SYSTEM SHOWN.

Direct Legislation and Proportionate Representation Are the Remedies for the Evils Illustrated in the Following Skit by Mr. Cridge.

Review of the Class in Political Skullduggery.

Stand up, class in Political Skullduggery. What is a majority, Johnny Jugglem?

A sack and a boss, sir.

Keerect. What part of the whole is 51 per cent. of 51 per cent?

The whole thing, sir.

Prove it.

Dead easy, sir. A law is the "expressed will of the people." It is enacted by a vote of 51 per cent. of a bare quorum in Congress, and a bare quorum is less than 51 per cent. So, sir, 51 per cent. of 51 per cent. is the whole thing.

Very good Johnny, and very true. You will be author of an apportionment gerrymander bill yet.

Teddy Fuddlem, give a further example of political arithmetic.

Yes, sir. A majority party in power is run by a caucus vote, which is a majority of itself. Therefore the bare majority thrice removed is 100 per cent.

No doubt of it. Very well, indeed! Billy Limbolaw, express this political equation still further, please, that the beauties of Political Skulduggery may unfold before us.

With pleasure, sir. Members of Congress are sent from districts varying from 7,000 to 60,000 voters, and the dominant party in power rarely has thirty out of every hundred votes cast to show to the credit of its elected candidates. A dominant clique in a caucus rarely has over 15 per cent. of the popular vote back of its individual members. But they can and do enact laws; hence 15 per cent. is equal to 100 per cent.

Yes, yes, but our beautiful system has more to show still. Howeling Patriot, give us the next step.

It is this way, sir. Congressmen are nominated by conventions, and frequently a candidate is nominated by a bare scratch. The delegates to these conventions come from country conventions; the members of the latter from primaries where, on the average, those who vote do not exceed 15 per cent. of the rank and file of the party. So, sir, considering that at each of these steps within the party organization past masters of our science are in control, it is safe to say that the dominant element in a party caucus is not the choice of 5 per cent. of the voters, and then one-half the adult population is disfranchised and one-fifth of the voters won't vote.

Just so, young gentlemen; but the proof of this has not been shown by any of you as yet. Dick Divy, let us see if you can prove the examples.

Yes, sir. The proof lies in the fact that for the past third of a century all legislation has been to the benefit of less than 5 per cent. of the people.

Correct, correct. Now the class repeat after me:

The people are to blame!
Elect honest men!
Elect an honest man next time!
The majority rules!
If you want reform, vote for it!
This is a free country!
The people rule!
Public officers are public servants!
Honest voters honest laws!
Ha-ha! ha-ha! ha-ha-ha!

The class will now adjourn to hear Professor Prostituted Brain lecture on Political Extravagance.

ALFRED D. CRIDGE.

Foreigners Like W. W. Astor.

We will venture to say that never in the history of the world has there existed a country equal to ours in its servitude to the foreigner. We use the word foreigner in what the diplomats call an "extra mural" sense, for we cannot look upon the men who have chosen this land as their home as foreigners. The man who settles here from abroad and strives to gain an honest livelihood among us has ceased to be a foreigner. The foreigner is the person who, like William Waldorf Astor, gets his gold from these shores and spends it in the pleasure palaces of the old world. And as for our own dependence upon a foreigner, consider the question of the monetary standard. We get our fiscal policy made for us in London. When it is suggested that we make our own fiscal policy, it seems that we must call the nations together in a monetary conference and get their permission. Again, at our very gates, the foreigner is despoiling the fairest of isles, and all we can do is look on helplessly. The foreigner actually comes over here and organizes a spy system within our borders, and still we are helpless. Then the foreigner takes it into his head to insult our chief magistrate and then resigns. That makes our blood boil and we attempt to have the insolent foreigner reminded of what is our due, but it is too late. The foreigner has got ahead of us by resigning, and so nothing can be done but wait for some other Spaniard to come over here and do it all over again. On top of these things, we boast of our freedom and of our independence.—Twentieth Century.

The Visionaries.

Every man and every woman who has brain of a superior quality is a visionary. It is only the dull, senseless clod who has no visions of a higher-fed humanity; of an international brotherhood wherein there shall be no soldiers and few policemen; of a holier church, better judges and a better law. These were some of the visions of Jefferson.—M. M. TRUMBULL.

BRITISH VIEW OF SILVER.

British diplomats and commercial agents in the far east are constantly reminded of the fact that silver has been demonetized. The commercial man in New York or London may shut his eyes and try not to see what is taking place in the world, but the East Indian Englishman is compelled to face the truth. From time to time some conservative Englishman expresses his opinion to the home government or the English public in a manner that cannot be misunderstood. One of the most recent books on the far eastern question is that published in 1896 by Valentine Chirol. This gentleman has been for many years intimately connected with Chinese and Japanese affairs. He has even been summoned before the Tsungli-Yamen the Chinese foreign office, to give his advice on affairs of state. We cannot but feel assured that he has a pretty full knowledge of the whole far eastern situation. Here is what he has to say about the effects in the east of the fall of silver:

"One does not require to believe in bimetallism in order to recognize the enormous advantages which the manufacturers in a silver country enjoy in competing with gold countries. The cost of the necessaries of life, so far as the masses are concerned, has remained absolutely unaffected by the fall in the value of silver, and the workman is therefore quite content to receive the same wages as he did formerly, for their purchasing power, as far as he is concerned, is still the same. But while the wages bill of the employer in China and Japan has remained actually the same, it stands, in relation to his western competitor, at only half the figure to which it formerly amounted, now that the value of the silver dollar has fallen from one-fifth to nearly one-tenth of the pound, that is from four shilling to two shillings in gold. Thus, where, for example, for the production of similar goods to the value of, say, £100, the cost of labor was and still is £20 in England and $50 in China or Japan, the real cost in China or Japan is no longer, as it was formerly, £10 in sterling currency as against £20 when carried to England, but only £5. And the same applies to any raw material required for the purposes of manufacture which both the gold and silver countries equally produce. The silver price of Cardiff coal, notwithstanding the fall of its gold price, has increased from $10 to $15, silver, per ton, while, with the excellent plant laid down in Japan to work the native mines and the construction of railways to convey their output to the chief industrial centers, the price of Japanese coal has fallen to $3 per ton in silver, or for the purposes of competition with gold countries, to little more than $1.50 (gold) per ton. The depreciation in silver might, in fact, be said to operate as a system of protection in favor of the industries of silver countries as against those of gold countries."

In another part of the book the writer tells us that while the ninety-three spinning companies of Lancashire, England, were working at a loss, the cotton mills of Japan were paying dividends of 16 to 20 per cent. and even more. By 1894 the cotton exports of England to Japan had suffered in six years a decline of 40 per cent, while the trade of Bombay with Japan had suffered to the extent of 80 per cent. In the latter place the rapidly appreciating rupee is ruining the trade that competes with manufactures of the silver-using countries. The gold-standard nations are learning in the dear school of experience, but it is doubtful if the great money-lenders will take the lessons to heart so long as they can lend money to manufacturers operating in the silver-using countries. The only hope is that the masses will wake up to the danger of the situation.

H. F. THURSTON.

If Lincoln Should Come Back.

The gloomy side of civilization today would undoubtedly send Lincoln hurrying back to his grave.

He would look sadly out of date to begin with—for his breed has almost died out. He is not fat and cynical like Tom Reed, or cunning and devious like Hill, or smoothly self-complacent like Depew. He would be a strange figure among our public men.

With his loose, ill-fitting clothes, his huge hands and feet, his honest face and his honest soul, not for sale, he would startle a Havemeyer or Rockefeller into fits of appendicitis.

Think of him walking among New York's hundred thousand unemployed, among the starving New Bedford strikers! And imagine him among the dead and wounded at Lattimer! He would say:

"They never murdered their slaves wholesale in my day; take me back to my tomb."

PROSPERITY NOTES.

The Centerville, R. I., cotton mills were closed on account of the strike of the weavers.

A 9-per cent reduction in wages has been made in the Forestdale Mills at Woonsocket, R. I.

Some of the New Bedford mills have decided to buy yarn in England, so as to be able to make cloth without the aid of spinners.

The frame spinners at the Iron Works mill, at Fall River, Mass., have returned to work, giving up the fight against the reduction.

The Wheeling, W. Va., Iron and Steel company has posted notices of an immediate reduction from 10 to 20 per cent in the wages of all the plate mill hands, and demanded an increase of one heat per turn in the work to be done at these rates. A strike was the immediate result.

EMINENT DIVINES SERMONS

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

'Our Yesterdays and Our To-morrows" is the Title of Dr. Hepworth's Sermon in the New York Herald—Dr. Talmage on Trying Life's Journey Over Again.

[NOTE: The one-thousand-dollar prize for the best sermon in the New York Herald's competition was won by Rev. Richard S. Woodbridge, pastor of the Central Congregational Church, Middleboro, Mass. "The Power of Gentleness" was the title of Mr. Woodbridge's sermon. Fifteen sermons in all appeared in the Herald's competitive series.]

TEXT: "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."—Matthew vi., 34.

Here is a bit of philosophy too profound to be appreciated without careful and continuous study. It also contains a stern injunction not to worry over what cannot be helped, but, on the other hand, to make the best of your circumstances. You are commanded to let the past go its way into the land of forgetfulness, and not to borrow from the future the troubles which you fear it may contain, but to live in the present as far as possible. It is a command very difficult to obey, and yet obedience is absolutely necessary if you would get out of life all that God has put into it.

The man who has a vivid remembrance of his past troubles and who cherishes that memory deliberately throws a gloom over his present. If he will confine himself to the duty of the moment he will generally find that he is quite equal to it, but if he collects all the miseries of yesterday and of the day before and adds them to the burdens of to-day he becomes disheartened, and his discouragement saps his moral strength and produces moral weakness. You have enough to do to face what is immediately before you, and if you conjure up the ghosts of misdeeds and of trials which have been outlived you do yourself a serious injury and interfere with your spiritual or business success.

In like manner, if you think you can master to-day's work, but dampen your ardor by wondering how you are going to get through to-morrow, you produce a nervous tension which debilitates and brings about the very failure that you dread. No man can carry more than one day at a time. When Jesus asks you not to attempt to do so He gives you wise counsel, and you had better follow the advice. Life is not so smooth that you can afford to make it rougher by recalling the bad roads over which you have already passed or anticipating the bad roads over which you will have to pass before the end of the journey is reached. You may be cheerful, and therefore strong, if you will forget the things that are behind and let the future take care of itself; but if you propose to add yesterday and to-morrow to to-day you will add what God warns you against doing, and will certainly make a great mistake.

If the sun shines now, be grateful and contented. Suppose it did rain yesterday, or suppose we are to have a blizzard to-morrow. You have got beyond the rain on the one hand, and, on the other, the time has not come to meet the blizzard. It is foolish to make yourself miserable now because you were miserable a few days hence. One duty, one labor at a time is sufficient enough. If there is any enjoyment to be had, take it with an eager grasp; for if you sit in the warm sunshine for only five minutes it helps you bear the cold of the next five minutes. It is poor policy to spoil those first five minutes by worrying about the other five minutes.

Let me illustrate. There is nothing in connection with death more wearing than the regret that you did not do more for the one who has gone. This is a universal experience with those who have any heart. The fact of separation seems to have a magic in it, for it is suddenly revealed to you that there were many little attentions which you failed to render, and the remembrance pierces like a knife. No one ever parted with a loved one without self-blame of that kind.

But as a general thing it is all an illusion conjured up by overwrought nerves. In very truth you did whatever the circumstances suggested; you did as much as human nature is capable of doing, but in the presence of death you accuse yourself of things of which you are quite innocent, and in doing so you make the parting harder to bear. It may be well for the dear one that he has gone. He has sweet sleep for the first time in many months. He is glad that the bonds of mortality are broken, that he is at last released, and in the lower depths of your own heart you are also glad for his sake. But there comes this thorny thought, that you may have been remiss, and your soul is wrung by it.

You do yourself a wrong. You did what you could. You were loving, tender, gentle and more than kind. You have real burdens enough without adding imaginary ones. Your tears must not be embittered by an accusation which has no basis in fact. Life is too precious and too short to be wasted in regrets of that kind. The duties of the future demand your close attention, and you have no right to think of the dead except to recall a sweet relationship and to dream of a reunion.

Live your life as quietly and as peacefully as possible. Live in each day as it comes. Other days, whether past or future, must not be allowed to press on your heart. This is the noblest policy you can adopt, the policy which comes to you as a divine injunction. Let neither regret nor anticipation intrude upon you to make you weak.

It is evident that there is a plan according to which your life is arranging itself, and equally evident that if you are successful and trustful, doing the duty of the present hour and not fretting over the duty of the next hour, you are in a condition which keeps all your powers at their best.

It is the grandest privilege to feel that there is a God, a guardian of human destiny, and that you are in His hands. If that conviction is one of your possessions, your pearl of great price, you can be quiet even in the midst of tumult and cheerful in the midst of sorrow, for your very tears will serve as a background for the rainbow of hope and promise.

GEORGE H. HEPWORTH.

DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"Would You Like to Live Your Life Over Again?" is the Subject.

TEXT: "All that a man hath will he give for his life."—Job. ii., 4.

"That is untrue. The Lord did not say it, but Satan said it to the Lord when the evil one wanted Job still more afflicted. The record is: 'So went Satan forth from the presence of the Lord, and smote Job with sore boils.' And Satan has been the author of all eruptive disease since then, and he hopes by poisoning the blood to poison the soul. But the result of the diabolical experiment which left Job victor proved the falsity of the Satanic remark. 'All that a man hath will he give for his life.' Many a captain who has stood on the bridge of the steamer till his passengers got off and he drowned; many an engineer who has kept his hand on the throttle valve, or his foot on the brake, until the most of the train was saved, while he went down to death through the open draw bridge; many a fireman who plunged into a blazing house to get a sleeping child out, the fireman sacrificing his life in the attempt, and the thousand of martyrs who submitted to fiery stake and knife of massacre and headman's ax and guillotine rather than surrender principle, proving that in many a case my text was not true when it says, 'All that a man hath will he give for his life.'

"But Satan's falsehood was built on a truth. Life is very precious, and if we would not give up all there are many things we would surrender rather than surrender it. We see how precious life is from the fact we do every thing to prolong it. Hence all sanitary regulations, all study of hygiene, all fear of draughts, all waterproofs, all doctors, all medicines, all struggle in crisis or accident. An Admiral of the British Navy was court-martialed for turning his ship around in time of danger, and so damaging the ship. It was proved against him. But when his time came to be heard he said: 'Gentlemen, I did turn the ship around, and admit that it was damaged; but do you want to know why I turned it? There was a man overboard, and I wanted to save him, and I did save him, and I consider the life of one sailor worth all the vessels of the British Navy.' No wonder he was vindicated. Life is indeed very precious. Yes, there are those who deem life so precious they would like to try it over again. They would like to go back from seventy to sixty, from sixty to fifty, from fifty to forty, from forty to thirty, and from thirty to twenty.

"The fact is, that no intelligent and right feeling man is satisfied with his past life. However successful your life may have been, you are not satisfied with it. What is success? Ask that question of a hundred different men, and they will give a hundred different answers. One man will say, 'Success is a million dollars,' another will say, 'Success is a world-wide publicity,' another will say, 'Success is gaining that which you started for.' But as it is a free country, I give my own definition, and say, 'Success is fulfilling the particular mission upon which you were sent, whether to write a constitution, or invent a new style of wheelbarrow, or take care of a sick child.' Do what God calls you to do, and you are a success, whether you leave a million dollars at death or are buried at public expense, whether it takes fifteen pages of an encyclopedia to tell the wonderful things you have done, or your name is never printed in any book, and that in the death column. But whatever your success has been, you are not satisfied with your life.

"But some of you would have to go back further than to twenty-one years of age to make a fair start, for there are many who manage to get all wrong before that period. Yea, in order to get a fair start, some would have to go back to the father and mother and get them corrected; yea, to the grandfather and grandmother, and have their life corrected, for some of you are suffering from bad hereditary influences which started a hundred years ago. Well, if your grandfather lived his life over again, and your father lived his life over again, and you lived your life over again, what a cluttered-up place this world would be—a place filled with miserable attempts at repairs. I begin to think that it is better for each generation to have only one chance, and then for them to pass off and give another generation a chance. Besides that, if we were permitted to live life over again, it would be a stale, and stupid experience. The zest and spur and enthusiasm of life come from the fact that we have never been along this road before, and everything is new, and we are alert for what may appear at the next turn of the road. Suppose you, a man of middle-life or old age, were, with your present feelings and large attainments, put back into the thirties, or the twenties, or into the tens, what a nuisance you would be to others, and what an unhappiness to yourself. Your contemporaries would not want you, and you would not want them. Things that in your previous journey of life stirred your healthful ambition, or gave you pleasurable surprise, or led you into happy interbegatton, would only call forth from you a disgusted 'pshaw!' You would be blase at thirty, and a misanthrope at forty, and unendurable at fifty. The most insane and stupid thing imaginable would be a second journey of life.

"Out yonder is a man very old at forty years of age, at a time when he ought to be buoyant as the morning. He got bad habits on him very early, and those habits have become worse. He is a man on fire—on fire with alcoholism, on fire with all evil habits, out with the world and the world out with him. Down, and falling deeper. His swollen hands in his threadbare pockets, and his eyes dyed on the ground, he passes through the streets, and the quick step of an innocent child or the strong step of a young man or the roll of a prosperous carriage maddens him, and he curses society and he curses God. Fallen sick, with no resources, he is carried to the almshouse. A loathsome spectacle, he lies all day long waiting for dissolution, or in the night rises on his cot and fights apparitions of what he might have been and what he will be. He started life with as good a prospect as any man on the American continent, and there he is, a blasted carcass, waiting for the shovels of public charity to put him five feet under. He has only reaped what he sowed. Harvest of wild oats! 'There is a way that seemeth right to a man, but the end thereof is death.'

"To others life is a masquerade ball, and as at such entertainments gentlemen and ladies put on the garb of Kings and Queens or mountebanks or clowns and at the close put off the disguise, so a great many pass their whole life in a mask, taking off the mask at death. While the masquerade ball of life goes on, they trip merrily over the floor, gemmed hands stretched to grasp the hand, gleaming brow bends to gleaming brow. On with the dance! Flush and rustle and laughter of immeasurable merry-making. But after awhile the languor of death comes on the limbs and blurs the eyesight. Lights lower. Floor hollow with sepulchral echo. Music saddened into a wail. Lights lower. Now the maskers are only seen in the dim light. Now the fragrance of the flowers is like the sickening odor that comes from garlands that have lain long in the vaults of cemeteries. Lights lower. Mists gather in the room, drapery shake as though quaked by sudden thunder. Sigh caught in the curtain. Scarf drops from the shoulder of beauty a shroud. Lights lower. Over the slippery floor in dance of death glide jealousies, crimes, revenges, lust, despair and death, steam of lamp-wicks almost extinguished. Even garlands will not hide from the uninitiated the ill-looking damps. Chilliness, foot-sent. Hands closed. Voices hushed. Eyes shut. Lights out.

"Young man, as you cannot live life over again, however you may long to do so, be sure to have your one life right. There is in this assembly, I wot not, for we are made up of all sections of this land and from many lands, some young man who has gone away from home and, perhaps under some little spite or evil persuasion of another, and his parents know not where he is. My son, go home! Do not go to sea! Don't go to-night where you may be tempted to go. Go home! Your father will be glad to see you, and your mother—I need not tell you how she feels. How I would like to make your parents a present of their wayward boy, repentant and in his right mind. I would like to write them a letter, and you to carry the letter, saying 'By the blessing of God on my sermon I introduce to you one whom you have never seen before, for he has become a new creature in Christ Jesus.' My boy, go home and put your tired head on the bosom that nursed you so tenderly in your childhood years.

"A young Scotchman was in battle taken captive by a band of Indians, and he learned their language and adopted their habits. Years passed on, but the old Indian chieftain never forgot that he had in his possession a young man who did not belong to him. Well, one day this tribe of Indians came in sight of the Scotch regiments from whom this young man had been captured, and the old Indian chieftain said: 'I lost my son in battle, and I know how a father feels at the loss of a son. Do you think your father is yet alive?' The young man said: 'I am the only son of my father, and I hope he is still alive.' Then said the Indian chieftain: 'Because of the loss of my son this world is a desert. You go free. Return to your countrymen. Revisit your father, that he may rejoice when he sees the sun rise in the morning and the trees blossom in the spring.' So I say to you, young man, captive of waywardness and sin. Your mother is waiting for you. Your sisters are waiting for you. God is waiting for you. Go home! Go home!"

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THE war news is of a very uncertain nature. While war-like preparations continue to be made, there appears to be a strong disposition on both sides to preserve peace.

ANOTHER thing to be attended to is the election of a new county executive committee. This might be arranged by each beat holding a meeting on the morning of the primary and electing their committeemen.

THE election committee that has had under consideration the contest case of Goodwin vs. Brewer, has decided to report favorably for Capt. Goodwyn, and in all probability the captain will soon take his seat.

THE action of the County Executive Committee in deciding upon a primary election meets with the approval of the people. The BANNER urges upon every Populist in the county to come out on the 29th day of April and cast his vote. Let us have a full vote and all will feel satisfied with the result.

IN addition to nominating a Judge of Probate, Clerk of the Circuit Court, a Representative, and Superintendent of Education, there will have to be elected five delegates to the State, Judicial and Chancery conventions which meet on Wednesday, May 11. A suggestion has been made that one set of delegates can be elected to the three conventions. We desire to impress upon the voters the desirability of electing only delegates who will be certain to attend the conventions. It is worse than useless to elect men who are going to stay at home on the day of the convention. It would be a good idea for each beat to select a representative man, and then the five receiving the greatest number of votes would form the delegation.

THE improvement which the L. & N. Railroad Company are making at Clanton will be of great benefit to the town, and while we recognize the value of the work now in hand it does seem a pity that the Company should not have gone a little further and built a new depot. The present structure has been in use for many years, and is totally inadequate to the present business.

The freight house is always crowded with merchandise and needs to be much larger. There is only one small waiting room for both white and colored passengers, for the little cupboard in the rear of the building now used as a waiting room for white ladies is not deserving of the name. Other accomodations there are, none, and passengers who have to wait some time for a train are put to great inconvenience. The L. & N. Company is always so anxious to oblige the public in any reasonable request, that we feel satisfied if the people of Clanton will unite in sending in a petition, the Company would see the advisability of building a new depot and would, now the other work is going on, at once grant the request. Let us send in the petition right away.

"The Review of Reviews discusses the De Lome incident, the Maine disaster, the Zola trial, and other important developments of the month at home and abroad. There is also in this editorial summary an interesting discussion of the changed position of the Republican party on the money question.

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J. P. VANDERVEER.

IN another place in this issue we announce the candidacy of Mr. J. P. VanDerveer for the position of Judge of Probate. Mr. VanDerveer is so well known to the people of Chilton county that it is almost superfluous for the BANNER to say anything in his behalf. For fifteen years he was justice of the peace in his home beat, giving universal satisfaction in his conduct of the office. For the last six years, as Clerk of the Circuit Court, by his invariable politeness and willingness to oblige he has earned the good will of all who came in contact with him, while in regard to the uncalled for attack made upon him by the Examiner of Public accounts Mr. VanDerveer easily demonstrated his ability to hold and ably fill any office to which the people elect him. The report of the Examiner was disproved in every particular and Mr. VanDerveer came out triumphant. He stands high in the esteem of his fellow-craftsmen the Freemasons, the Knights of Pythias and the Knights of Honor, and has a large number of friends throughout the county who speak confidently of his election to the office to which he aspires. THE BANNER feels confident that if elected he will fill the office to the honor and credit of the county.

I have been afflicted with rheumatism for fourteen years and nothing seemed to give any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned.—Josh. Edgar, Germantown, Cal. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

A SOUND ARGUMENT

The People's party will enter the contest of 1900 two million strong. To be the victor in this contest it must closely approach a voting strength of seven millions. From what source shall it draw nearly three times its present strength? From the Bryan Democrats? Hardly; there was a time when the free silver and anti-national-bank Democrat was not satisfied with his party and we had hope of his becoming a Populist, but under the leadership of Mr. Bryan on the Chicago platform he is satisfied for the present. Why should he come to us? He believes in Bryan—he believes in him more than in the Chicago platform, and only when Bryan is elected and fails to carry out his promises, if he should, can we reasonably expect accessions from the ranks of the Democratic party.

Until the free silver Republicans bolted the St Louis platform and flocked to Senator Teller's standard, free silver, anti-bank and direct legislation Republicans naturally drifted into the Peoples party—now they become free silver Republicans. Where, then are Populists to secure an accession of four or five million voters? Let every patriot answer this question.

Shall we abandon our organization and go bodily to the Democratic party as re-organized under Mr. Bryan? No; we are not asked to do so, neither would such a course be advisable. We must retain our organization, extend our education on advance drives force the adoption of direct legislation up in the more conservative party and bend our utmost energy toward the capture of legislative offices.

An honorable union will not make it necessary for one party to swallow the other, but it can and will give us direct legislation in Oregon; we shall be able to place three congressmen in congress who can be depended upon to vote first, last and all the time against the encroachments of plutocracy. Let Populists refuse to cooperate in Utopianism and we shall not only lose the state to the money power but our decreased vote will discourage our people, imperil our party organization and destroy our power to force to the front our principles. Let us face this condition like patriotic men. Let party prejudice give way to our primal duty to our country. Let us keep intact our organization but reach out the hand of welcome to any organization and any hope that will enable us to be an active factor in the dethroning of the money power and the restoring of this government to the people themselves.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., March 16, 1893

The latest "unconstitutional" farce promulgated by the Supreme Court is the declaration against the maximum freight law of Nebraska. Justice Brewer gave as his reason for such a decision that the law was a violation of the Fourteenth Amendment; also that the reduction in freight charges in the state would amount to 29 per cent which was too great a cut, consequently illegal. Gov. Holcomb says an extra session of the legislature will be called and another lawr egulating freight and passenger traffic will be passed.

Gov. Pingree has called an extra session of the Michigan Legislature. He calls the attention of the legislators to the fact that the tax laws of that state are insufficient and not enforced even in their present state. He says that he believes that it is his duty to see that the provisions of the constitution are carried out and to this end calls a legislative session that will be watched with great interest by all who believe either in just laws or admire Pingree personally for his bravery.

In spite of overwhelming evidence to the contrary, the jury before which Sheriff Martin and his sixty six murderous deputy-sheriffs was tried at Wilkesbarre, Penn, has declared them not guilty. There are still seventeen indictments for murder and thirty-eight for feloniously wounding, against the sheriff and his deputies but the first decision will be repeated in these cases, beyond a doubt.

The fact that Congress has voted fifty millions for the defense of this country against the possible attacks of Spain has been cause for jubilation among that class of citizens who do not remember that Uncle Sam's debts are their depts. They will find out about that later when a war tax is levied; even their children will have a taste of it.

That portion of the Populist party opposed to Gov. Leedy in Kansas is casting about for a candidate with which to defeat the Governor. The honor is said to have been offered to and declined by John W. Breidenthal who declared himself out of politics for the present and very busy inspecting the banks of the state.

Webb McNall, the Insurance commissioner who has given the companies so much trouble out in Kansas, has begun action by which he claims he will in all probability collect about $38,000 back license tax from the insurance corporatons doing business in that state. A precedent is furnished him in a similar case in Wisconsin, which was decided in favor of the state.

Delegates to the Georgia Populist State convention get one-third rate tickets on presentation of a certificate showing that the bearer is a delegate.

The Populists of Minnesota have sufficiently recovered from the shock of Ignatius Donnelly's wedding to call a State convention, June 15.

The plutocratic press in its desire for news has scattered far and wide all the details of the recent purchase of the railroads by the Swiss government and its plans for running the same at a great saving to the taxpayers. Thus do we find Populism being taught by strange teachers.

The Republican plan fathered by Senator Thurston of reproducing the McKinley home at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition, has been taken up by the boostalists and a miniature of the Bryan home, as it stands at Lincoln, Neb., will also be one of the unique features of the great show.

W. J. Bryan will address the Jefferson Club of St Louis, Mo., April 15th.

As plans for unity of action between Silver Democrats, Silver Republicans and Populists are being perfected at various points throughout the country a corresponding activity is seen among the Sound Money Democrats. One of the most notable of such gatherings is to be the meeting of the Iroquois Club in Chicago, April 23, when the late Grover Cleveland will speak and also respond to the toast "Sound Democracy and Sound Money Demonstrations." A. R.

Modern Treatment of

Consumption

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A Good Shot.

There lives in this city an American whose name I should like to know. When he was a guest of the governor of St. Thomas, he saw the Danish flag floating over the fort at Charlotte Amalie, and, being an expert rifle shot, proposed that he try a shot at the halliards. The governor sat with him on the porch of the executive mansion and laughingly gave permission. Lo and behold! As the winchester echoed down came the flag with a rattle, and the entire island—it is a small bit of upheaval, about five miles in diameter—arose in alarm, believing that some enemy had come. An officer dashed up to the governor and informed him of the fact that the flag of his country had been fired on. The jolly executive laughed it off as the best joke of the decade and congratulated the American on being a fine shot. News of the incident went to Copenhagen, and by the next mail his excellency was deposed.—New York Press.

The Beauty of the Greeks.

The beauty of the Greeks has been greatly praised, and I was much disappointed at Athens, but the Greeks of the Ionian islands are of a purer race, and one sometimes came across a very beautiful face. There was a village on the island famed for the beauty of the women. I drove over and saw some very handsome, tall women, with the low, classic brow and often with blue eyes. They wore their hair plaited with ribbons and twined round the head like a coronet. I was amazed to see such luxuriant hair, but was told that it was probably mixed with their mothers' and grandmothers' hair. I think Leighton's idea that the Greeks were originally fair was correct, for I saw several fair haired women. My maid Marguerite had the most lovely golden hair and blue eyes. She was tall and statuesque. Her sister Euterpe was no less handsome, but dark.—Catholic World.

Sand Cranes Playing Leapfrog.

S. W. Cunningham describes in Forest and Stream the curious antics of some sandhill cranes he saw on the Des Moines river in Boone county, Ia. He was riding along in a buggy one day, when his attention was attracted by the actions of a group of about a dozen of the cranes on a bare spot near a small lake that may have been cleared for the purpose by the birds. The birds were playing a game similar to leapfrog. The leaping was preceded by a short run and flapping of wings. The birds, naturally and by training exceedingly shy, paid no attention to the observer, though he passed within 200 yards of them in plain view.

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Mr. W. J. Boykin, of Russell county, a candidate on the Democratic ticket for Attorney-General, spent Sunday here.

Miss Helen Forniss, who has been visiting Mrs. Middleton, returned to her home in Elmore Monday.

Hon. ... Adams and Hon. L. H. Reynolds of Jemison were visitors here Friday.

Dr. G. W. Dawson of Verbena was in town Monday.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

Mr. R. K. Blackshear, of Palestine, Texas, is visiting his cousin, Mr. J. P. VanDerveer.

Dr. J. S. Johnson jr. is having his office building painted.

Mr. W. H. Foshee went to Birmingham yesterday.

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Mr. Damschki made a trip to Birmingham yesterday.

Miss Mary Duke, who has been spending a few days here, returned Tuesday.

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Capt. J. W. Moore was a visitor here Tuesday.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 3 in the town of Maplesville, Alabama, together with the two story store house thereon, (which said lot is bounded as follows, to-wit: On the east by the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad; on the south by property of A. S. Wooley, on north and west by property of Dr. J. S. Johnson, Sr., and to be sold as subject to two mortgages executed by said S. A. Foshee to Mrs. ... Woolsey, and by ... Woolsey duly transferred and assigned to H. J. Foshee. And also lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

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By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Sallie Hamlin by the sale of the following described property, to wit:

Commencing at the south-east corner of the south-west quarter of south-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a westerly direction forty feet thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and twenty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land and lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hamlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by W. S. Whatley to Wm. A. Collier on the 2nd day of December 1895, the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23rd 1898,

the following described real estate, to wit; south-west fourth of south-east fourth of section twenty eight, (28), township twenty one (21) range (11), in Chilton County, Alabama.

W. A. COLLIER,
Clanton Ala., Mch. 10, 1898. Mortgagee

Notice Of Application for Pardon

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that application will be made to the Governor of Alabama on or before April 1, 1898, to pardon Dan Carter, colored, who was convicted at the Spring term 1897 of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, of the offense of rocking a train.

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Notice to Delinquent Tax-Payers.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

The Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due. The persons named below are reported as delinquent, and the following real estate is reported as assessed to them, to wit:

BEAT No. 1.

R B Jordan sw ¼ of nw ¼ section 18 township 21 range 15 tax and costs $2.81

BEAT No. 2.

James Y Boyden ¼ of nw ¼ sec 20 tp 24 r 13 tax and costs $3.28

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 23 tp 24 r 13 tax and cost $4.10

Scott & Knabe s ½ of nw ¼ sec 20 tp 21 r 14 tax and costs $3.28

BEAT No. 3.

N B S ... se ¼ of se ¼ sec 4 tp 21 r 13 tax and cost $3.40

BEAT No. 4.

Henry Harsnberger n ½ of nw ¼ sec 21 tp 21 r 14 tax and costs $3.25

C P Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $3.25

BEAT No. 5

G L Werthe ½ of nw ¼, sw ¼ of nw ¼, sec 4 tp 20 r 16 18 acres in se cor of se ¼ of ne ¼ sec 36 tp 21 r 15 s ½ of e ½ of nw ¼, and nw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 34 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $9.25

John L Harrell ne ¼ of sw ¼, nw ¼ of se ¼ sec 7 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.54

E H Downs 2 acres in nw cor of nw qr of ne qr sec 27 tp 21 r 15 tax and costs $11.46

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 4 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15. Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $16.10

G B Morgan n ½ of nw ¼ sec 23 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.44

Mrs S A Green part of the nw qr of nw qr and part of the sw qr of nw qr sec 6 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $9.32

James Sharp sw qr of sw qr sec 16 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $3.07

BEAT No. 8.

Smith & Driskell s ½ of ne ¼ sec 34 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $2.57

W E Wailes nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ & s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $11.43

James Jones se ¼ sec 12 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $1.15

H W Gardner se ¼ of nw ¼, e ½ of sw ¼, w ½ of se ¼, w ½ of ne ¼ less 12 acres sec 22 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $7.76

UNKNOWN OWNERS.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers, and of real estate upon which taxes are due; and therein is reported assessed to "Owner Unknown" the following real estate, to wit:

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $3.69

W ½ of se qr sec 2 tp 20 r 13 tax and costs $3.89

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $2.97

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $3.63

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $3.89

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $2.81

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.81

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 21 r 15 tax and costs $3.89

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 21 r 15 tax and costs $4.29

This is to notify you to appear before the Probate Court of said county at the next term thereof, commencing Monday the 11th day of April, 1898, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why a decree for the sale of said real estate should not be made for the payment of the taxes assessed against you and fees and costs.

This 10th day of March, 1898.

R. M. HUNNICUTT,
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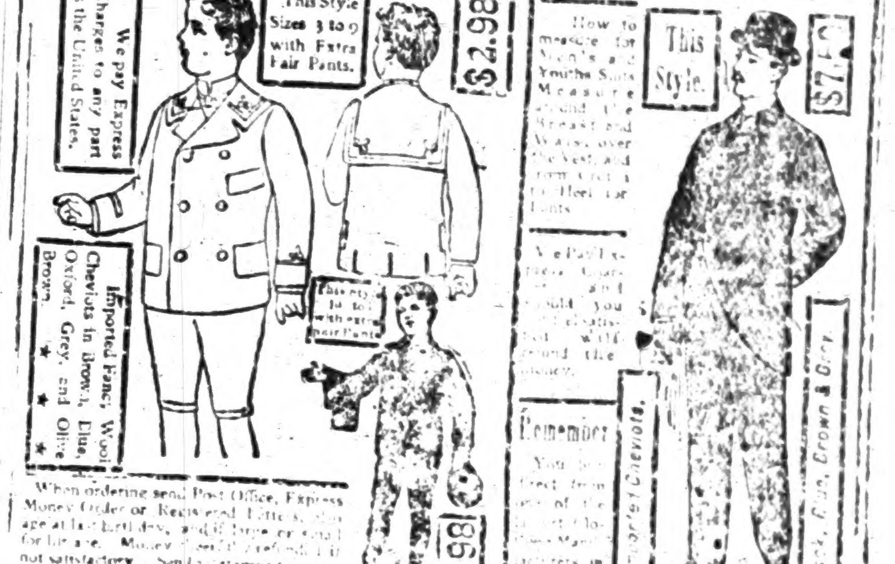

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The Age Herald's special Washington correspondent wires that paper Monday night as follows:

The navy department is not less active in its preparations for war than the army. As was reported Sunday morning, the president decided this was no time to talk, and had instructed the government agents to buy ships outright, and that the deal for the two Brazilian cruisers had been practically closed since last Saturday. The announcement was formally made Monday by Secretary Long. From the same source which I learned of the purchase of the two Brazilian cruisers Saturday, I learned that the government has about closed for two other war vessels. An officer of the navy informs me that every tug and steam vessel on the eastern coast has been classified into a government vessel, and that if a declaration of war should come at once the navy department could put the merchant marine on a war footing in twenty-four hours. Every preparation is being made for active duty here. In the face of the strenuous efforts which are being made to put this government on a war footing, it is strange that some members of the administration insist upon talking peace. There is no doubt whatever that Spain is making one more effort to delay the settlement of the Cuban question.

Offers Complete Autonomy.

Juan Cebellos, one of the men selected by Spain to negotiate a reciprocity treaty with this country, was here yesterday for the purpose of offering to the Cuban insurgents complete autonomy, such as Canada enjoys, if they would agree to end the war. He was at the white house for the purpose of sounding the chief executive upon this proposition. This afternoon the Spanish minister attempted to discredit Cebellos' mission. Senor Quesada, however, reaffirms the statement he made this morning, that Spain was endeavoring to negotiate with the insurgents.

Regarding this final effort of Spain to hold Cuba and prevent a conflict with this country, Senor Quesada said to me: "I refused to receive Spain's emissary, as I have orders from General Gomez to reject all attempts of Spain to settle the Cuban question in a diplomatic way. Absolute independence must be the basis of any negotiations between Spain and the insurgents. We cannot trust Spain. We would no sooner withdraw our army from the field than Spain would, by degrees, cover the island with her soldiery. Spain is not sincere in this matter. We have the right won. We do not believe this country will take one step which would prolong Spain's barbarous government of our island.

Cannot Deceive Insurgents.

"But whether Spain is able or not to deceive this country, she cannot deceive us, and without our consent no plan proposed by Spain, even if accepted by this government, can be carried out. I can state positively to you that Cuba will be offered a new scheme of self-government, but that we will be no party to the contract. I can further say that the administration will not force us, nor is she able to force us, to accept a compromise from Spain. I have every reason to believe that this government stands on the very brink of recognizing our independence. This would mean immediate freedom for us, but I am frank enough to confess that Spain would not let us go without a struggle."

Senor Quesada backed up his statements by documentary proofs in the shape of letters from his headquarters, convincing me in a positive way that no proposition short of independence will ever be considered by the insurgents.

SALE CONFIRMED.

Two Battleships Purchased by the United States from Brazil.

The reported sale to the United States of the two Brazilian cruisers, Amazonas and Admiral Brea, now receiving their finishing touches in an English shipyard, was confirmed at Washington Monday afternoon.

It is learned also that Spain has not secured the O'Higgins, and that Chili will not sell her to Spain. It is said, furthermore, that Spain has not and cannot purchase ships from either Chili or the Argentine Republic.

Killed by Comrades While Surrendering

An official dispatch from Havana says the insurgent leaders Cayato, Alverez and Nunez have been killed by other insurgents while the former were on their way to tender their submission to the Spaniards.

Senator Mason Challenged.

Senator Mason has received a challenge to fight a duel with swords from the editor of a Spanish newspaper, El Cardo. The document is printed and signed by the Marquis De Alta Villa.

POSSIBLY ARBITRATION.

May Be the Mode of Settlement With Spain—Forecast of Events.

The St. Paul Globe's Washington special says: The president and his cabinet know unofficially the result of the Maine inquiry. They are prepared to act.

They have canvassed the course of events, so far as they can foresee them, and have formulated a policy to meet the emergency. Along its line the administration expects to move, unless it is swept off its feet by a wave of popular dissatisfaction.

The Globe's special correspondent is able to present the forecast of events as viewed by the president and his cabinet. It can be outlined thus:

First—The board of inquiry will report this week that the explosion was external.

Second—The president will immediately, through Minister Woodford, demand from Spain an indemnity of $10,000,000.

Third—Spain is expected to reply expressing her willingness to pay if she is responsible, but maintaining that her own investigations show that the explosion was internal, and purely accidental. She will, therefore, suggest reference to an international board of arbitration.

Fourth—In such an event the administration would be disposed to comply with the suggestion, unless there is an emeute in Havana or an irresistible demand for war sweeps through congress.

Fifth—If congress acquiesces in the suggestion, the attempt will be made to adjourn that body and leave the whole matter in the President's hands.

Sixth—It is expected that a large majority of congress will claim that such a matter as honor cannot be arbitrated. It is further expected that the leaders of both houses, including Senator Davis, of Minnesota, will favor arbitration.

SPANISH FLEET SAILS

From Cadiz and Two American Warships Follow From Lisbon.

A special dispatch from Cadiz, Spain, announces that the Spanish torpedo squadron has sailed from that port. It is understood the Spanish warships are going to Porto Rico, where they will await the orders of Captain-General Blanco.

The departure of the United States warships Helena and Bancroft in a southwesterly direction from Lisbon may possibly be connected with the seemingly simultaneous departure of the Spanish squadron from Cadiz, which is situated on the southwestern coast of Spain. Rumors have had it that the Bancroft and Helena might follow the Spanish ships across the Atlantic.

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.

Better Prices Were Realized for 1897 Crops.

Statistician Hyde, of the agricultural department, has prepared a statement to show that a most significant improvement has taken place during the last twelve months in trade and agriculture. It cannot be questioned, he says, that the farmers of the country have received for the cereal crops of 1897 something like $130,000,000 more than those of 1896, and $80,000,000 more than for those of any preceding year since 1892. The hay crop, although it was the largest with one exception ever raised, commanded an increased price per ton. Wool is higher than at any time since 1893, and cotton is the only important product in regard to which there is not a substantial improvement over the conditions prevailing a year ago. The statistics in regard to farm animals are still more encouraging.

Massing the Troops.

A special from Norfolk says: The movement of the troops, many of which have arrived here from the interior posts, has given this city a war-like appearance today. Orders were given tonight for the troops to be in readiness to move tomorrow morning direct for Atlanta, thence it is supposed to some point on the south Atlantic coast, possibly either to Key West or some near by point on the Florida coast.

Case of Self-Defense.

C. W. Huntley, a special detective, of the Illinois Central railroad shot and killed Henry C. Farley at Leland, Miss., Monday night. It seems to have been a case of self-defense.

Sudden Death of Mrs. Thurston.

Advices from Havana Monday night brings the news of the death of Mrs. Thurston, wife of Senator Thurston, of apoplexy. Mr. and Mrs. Thurston were members of the party which went to Cuba a week ago as guests of the New York Journal, to make personal inspection of the condition of affairs in the island. She was on board the Anita when the stroke occurred.

Eleven Lives Lost.

Eleven men lost their lives in a fire which swept through the Bowery Mission House, New York, Sunday morning.

En. land With America.

Sir Ashmead Bartlett declared Monday that England would be with the United States in the prospective war with Spain. He voiced the sentiments of all England in his declaration.

Sir Arthur Ellis, the Prince of Wales' squerry, says the prince's sympathy is with the United States, and he desires an alliance—offensive and defensive.

Industrial School to Reopen.

The industrial school at Montevallo will reopen its doors on next Monday morning.

CURRENT EVENTS IN OUR OWN STATE.

PROGRAMME OF SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Of the Alabama State Sunday School Association, Birmingham, Alabama, April 19-21, 1898.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30 P. M.—Meeting of the State Executive Committee.
2:30 P. M.—Conference of County Officers.
1. Duties of President.
2. Duties of Secretary.
3. Duties of Treasurer.
4. Duties of Executive Committee.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

7:15 P. M.—Devotional Exercises (30 minutes.)
7:30 P. M.—Welcome. (5 minutes.)
7:45 P. m.—Response. (15 minutes.)
Address by International Worker.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

6:00 A. M.—Sunrise Consecration Services.
9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises. (30 minutes.)
Our State Association.
1. The President's Address.
2. The Year's Work.
3. The Field Worker's Report.
4. Our Statistics.
5. Financial Report.
6. Our Home Department Work.
7. Primary Superintendent's Report.
8. Our State Paper.
9. Reports from Counties, written, limited, 5 minutes each.)

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30 P. M.—Devotional Exercises. (30 minutes.)
2:45 P. M.—Reports from Counties, written, limited, 5 minutes each.)
3:15 P. M.—Consecto-House Canvass. (30 minutes.)
General Discussion.
4:15 P. M.—The Home Department. (30 minutes.)
General Discussion.
Primary Class Taught.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

7:15 P. M.—Song Service. (30 minutes.)
7:45 P. M.—Mission of the Gospel. (30 minutes.)
8:15 P. M.—Looking Forward. (30 minutes.)

THURSDAY MORNING.

6:00 A. M.—Sunrise Prayer Meeting.
9:00 A. M.—Devotional Hour. (30 minutes.)
9:30 A. M.—Thorough County Organization. (30 minutes.)
General Discussion.
10:30 A. M.—Statistics—Why? (30 minutes.)
11:00 A. M.—The Superintendent and His Work. (30 minutes.)

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30 P. M.—Devotional Hour. (30 minutes.)
2:50 P. M.—The Teachers' Opportunity, (20 minutes.)
3:10 P. M.—The Teachers' Preparation. (20 minutes.)
3:30 P. M.—The Teachers' Reward. (20 minutes.)
3:50 P. M.—How to Conduct a Teachers' Meeting.
General Discussion.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

7:25 P. M.—Song Service.
Address—The Bible Our Inspired Text Book. (30 minutes.)
Address—The Great End of Sunday School Work. (30 minutes.)

The Primary Teachers will hold a separate conference both afternoons. This programme will be published in the next issue.

These various subjects are to be discussed by the most prominent Sunday school workers of the state assisted by some of the best talent of the United States as representatives of the International Sunday School work.

Every school should commence now to make their arrangements to be represented.

To Fight the Yellow Fever.

The quarantine board of Mobile bay met Friday and determined to put on the narative quarantine of the bay on April 1st. The election of medical agents for the various Central American and Mexican posts was postponed until the next regular meeting on March 28d. The following officers of the board were elected for the ensuing year: Geo. E. Sage, president; Duke Goodman, vice-president; R. B. Owen, secretary; Dr. Henry Goldthwait, quarantine physician. It is the judgment of the board that there will be no yellow fever in the state this year unless it is imported.

Will Soon Be in Operation.

The turning on of steam Tuesday at the Avondale cotton mill at Birmingham means that the big plant is about ready to commence the manufacture of a high class of cotton cloth. There are 1,000 looms in this plant and 35,000 spindles, and it will consume from 10,000 to 15,000 bales of cotton per annum, employing 600 operatives. The entire plant will soon be in complete operation.

Decatur's New Railroad.

About one hundred men are at work on the construction of the Middle Tennessee and Alabama railroad. There is strong probability that the projected Decatur, Danville and Southwestern road will be combined with this and be pushed through the Warrior coal fields.

Madison Nominates Candidates.

At the democratic convention of Madison county the following candidates were nominated for county offices: Probate judge, S. Morgan Stewart; circuit clerk, W. T. Lawler; commissioners, Henry Lowes and Albert Matthews.

Machinery for a Gold Mine.

The machinery for the Alabama King gold mine arrived at Jackson Gap last week, and will immediately be placed in position to turn out the yellow metal.

Son Shoots His Father.

At Centerville the past week M. F. Gardner, a well known citizen and popular traveling man, was shot twice by his 20-year-old son, Fred. The rumor is that he was abusing his wife when his son walked in and shot him twice.

Later unconfirmed reports say that he died from the effects of the wounds.

Tragedy at Riverside Park.

W. W. Scruggs, a candy maker by occupation, was shot and instantly killed at Riverside park, near Montgomery, by R. N. Chisenhall. Both were drinking at the time of the deed.

Not in Favor of State Exhibit.

After careful consideration of the matter of an Alabama exhibit at the Trans-Mississippi exposition at Omaha, Governor Johnston states that his judgment does not approve of the state spending any money upon it; that an exhibit would result in no great benefit to the state.

Col. Hewlett Dead.

Col. Thomas H. Hewlett, the oldest citizen in Madison county, died Sunday, near Huntsville, at the age of 91 years.

FIFTY FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Monday.

Today's session of the senate was devoted entirely to the discussion of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. At the hour of adjournment the bill had not been disposed of, and its discussion will be continued tomorrow. The bill, as it passed the house, carried $5,615,647. By the senate committee the appropriations were increased $1,459,659, making the total amount of the bill as reported to the senate $7,076,297.

The House.

The spirit of patriotism was rampant in the house today, and by an almost unanimous vote the Hawley bill providing for two additional regiments of artillery was passed under a suspension of the rules. The great chorus of ayes was offset by three votes on the minority side, Messrs. Cockran, Tenn.; Jones (dem., Va.), and Todd (fusionist, Mich.). No effort was made to obstruct action, but Mr. Bailey, the democratic leader, pleaded for more time than the forty minutes allowed under the rules, and, because it was refused, after the bill had been passed he inaugurated a filibuster against District of Columbia legislation that continued all day. Mr. Bailey desired to speak in favor of the bill, but could get no time. Every reference of support to the government in a possible crisis was received with applause.

Representative Cannon today at the close of the session introduced a bill making "appropriations for national defense." It is as follows:

"That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury, not heretofore appropriated, to be expended at the discretion of the president, and to remain available until June 30, 1898, $50,000,000."

It was referred to the committee on appropriations.

Representative Morton (O.) introduced a resolution, which was referred to the committee on rules, setting aside next Thursday and Friday for the consideration of a joint resolution to recognize the independence of the republic of Cuba.

The Senate—Tuesday.

Today's session of the senate was largely devoted to the consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. After an extended discussion the bill containing a provision for the reduction of about one-half of the present rates of telephone charge in the district was passed.... The bill appropriating $288,000 for the relief of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Tennessee, was then passed, after a brief debate.

The House—Wednesday.

President McKinley's hands have been upheld by both branches of the American congress. With enthusiasm, fervor and promptness, almost unparalleled in the senate in time of peace, that body today passed the emergency appropriation bill carrying $183,000 of deficiencies, and placing at the disposal of the president $50,000,000 for national defense. The bill was engrossed, signed by McKinley, and is now a law. The vote by which the measure was passed was unanimous. Seventy-six short, sharp and emphatic speeches were delivered in favor of the bill, each one being simply a ringing "aye" during the roll call upon the passage of the measure. Not only did every senator present register his vote in favor of the bill, but for every absent member the authoritative announcement was made that if he were present he would vote aye. From the time the bill was presented to the senate by Mr. Hale, of Maine, until it passed not an unharmonious note was sounded. Party lines were swept aside. It was just 12:13 when Mr. Hale reported the bill to the senate and asked that it be placed on its passage. There was no debate on the bill, and after it was read Vice-President Hobart placed it immediately on its passage. Twelve minutes after the bill was reported to the senate the vice-president announced its unanimous passage.

The House.

The house devoted itself to routine business today. The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill went through its last stage in the adoption of the final conference report and the remainder of the day was consumed in considering the senate amendment to the Indian appropriation bill.... The house committee on rivers and harbors voted today not to report a river and harbor appropriation bill at this session.

The Senate—Thursday.

No business of real importance was transacted by the senate in open session today. The session lasted an hour, the time being largely consumed in disposing of routine morning business.... A joint resolution to revive the grade of lieutenant-general of the army was reported unanimously by the military affairs committee.... Bills extending for three years the time for the construction of the line of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company through the Indian Territory, and to authorize John R. Williams, first lieutenant of the United States army to accept the decoration of the Legion of Honor from the president of the French republic, were passed.... Consideration of bills on the general calendar was then begun, the first being a measure authorizing the president to take such steps as he might deem necessary to obtain an indemnity from the Spanish government for injuries done to the two Americans—August Bolter and Gustav Richan—by unlawful arrest and imprisonment. Mr. Davis objected and it went over.... After the senate had passed only one bill of minor importance it went into executive session at 1:15, and at 3:05 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

The House.

After a debate in the house which lasted more than five hours the senate amendment of the Indian appropriation bill for the free entry of ceded Indian lands was non concurred in by a vote of 99 to 136. The friends of the free home clause made a gallant struggle, but they met the opposition of some of the prominent leaders of the republican side, Messrs. Dingley, Grosvenor, Dalzell and Payne, and they were further weakened by the fact that many of the friends of the proposition were alienated by the belief that, as drawn, the amendment would work injury to the agricultural colleges of the country. The senate amendment of the ratification of the Sencca treaty was also non concurred in after the substitute proposition offered by the conferees to ratify the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache treaty had fallen under the point of order. The action of the house today sends the bill back to conference with non concurrence on all the senate amendments.... A bill was passed granting to the Shreveport Bridge and Terminal company the right to construct a bridge across the Red river at Shreveport, La.... At 5:17 the house adjourned.

The House—Friday.

The bill to pay the Bowman act claims aggregating $1,250,000 for rations and supplies furnished the union army during the war was before the house until 5 o'clock today, but by mid-completing the general debate little progress was made. Of the 5,000 odd claims in the claim all but a few come from the south, and dilatory tactics were resorted to to prevent progress with the bill. In a speech favoring the bill Mr. Gibson (rep.), of Tennessee, said the claims were distributed as follows by states: Alabama, 60; Arkansas, 56; Georgia, 42; Illinois, 1; Kansas, 3; Kentucky, 56; Louisiana, 22; Maryland, 70; Mississippi, 109; Missouri, 61; New York, 1; North Carolina, 113; Ohio, 2; Oregon, 1; Pennsylvania, 4; South Carolina, 22; Tennessee, 180; Virginia, 66, and West Virginia, 46. During the filibustering the house was in an uproar. At 5 o'clock, after completing two pages of the bill, the house recessed until 8 o'clock for an evening session to be devoted to pension legislation. After the evening session the house adjourned over until Monday.

Why State Aid Is Necessary.

In addressing the Maryland State Grange recently, General Stone spoke of conditions which may exist in other States as well. He said in part:

"I find that the question of State aid is eliminated in Maryland by a constitutional provision which prohibits the use of State funds for such a purpose. Get up a sentiment strong enough, and amend your Constitution, like other States are doing. It is a vicious system that requires localities to keep up the roads. It is a work that concerns the people of the whole State, and is not a local question. Roads are of vital interest to the cities. Blockade your country roads to-day, and to-morrow your city will begin to scatter. The benefits of good roads are equally shared by the cities, but they must assist in the work of construction before they can reap the advantages.

"About three-fourths of the property interests of the country are to be found in the cities, and held by the corporations. Now, the farmers, representing about one-fourth of the property interests, have been endeavoring to keep up the roads for the whole country. The result is obvious. The burden was too much, and bad roads are to be found everywhere.

"There exist in some places strong objections to employing convicts upon public roads. A happy solution of this difficulty, however, presents itself. Employ your convicts in preparing material for building good roads. This has been tried in a number of States, and has proved to be as economical as well as a healthful way of working convicts. I am satisfied that Maryland could employ its short term prisoners all House of Correction inmates in this way, and deliver road material at fifty cents a ton in any part of the State.

"You must convince your legislators that the State of Maryland is entitled to as good legislation as any other State of the Union. You must star them at home, as I follow them to Annapolis. . . . You can tell them what you want in a general way, that is:

"First—A complete reform in the local road administration, so that you will get your money's worth for the money you now pay.

"Second—You want more money for roads, without more taxes on farm property.

"Third—You want an efficient State supervision to make sure that the new money spent on roads shall be spent to the best possible advantage.

"Fourth—You want to make sure for the future that all property, and all the people interested in or benefited by good highways shall contribute their proper share toward building and maintaining those roads."

After sitting laboriously in special session on the question whether Queen Wilhelmina should ride her new bicycle, the Privy Council of the Netherlands decided that considerations of regal dignity and personal safety forbade her to ride. What the girl queen herself thought about it may be inferred from the fact that she acquired the bicycle before the question was submitted to the Privy Council.

Talking of foot-ball, the result is seldom good when what's done on the gridiron lacks fire.

WILL SECURE TWO WATSH...

British Sympathy in This Controversy With the United States.

After the cabinet meeting [illegible] one of the members said:

"It is now altogether probable that we will secure two vessels under the Brazilian [illegible] will be two vessels under the flag of the United States."

A PANIC IMMINENT

Spanish Stocks Take a Heavy Slump—Calls on the Government for Succor.

At Madrid the anxiety [illegible] lations between Spain and the United States, which has pervaded political and commercial circles for several days, culminated on Thursday in a heavy fall in funds, all securities, actually, the exterior and interior debt [illegible] ing 1 per cent. Treasury bonds declined 1 to 2 per cent. Cuban [illegible] going down 3 per cent. Bank [illegible] shares dropping from 4 13 to [illegible] Tobacco shares going down [illegible] to 2 40. Foreign exchanges [illegible] in an unprecedented degree. [illegible] on Paris being at 38 premium, [illegible] London at 39 premium.

All the newspapers call [illegible] government to stop the [illegible] prompt and clear statement [illegible] real conditions existing in [illegible] also defining the international [illegible] tions.

The newspapers re-echo [illegible] signal sensation and [illegible] caused by the United States [illegible] the Montgomery to Havana [illegible] the appropriation of $50,000,000 [illegible] the national defense.

M'KINLEY STANDS FIRM

Plan to Seize Cuba Should Peace Fail.

Postmaster General Gary [illegible] told a southern correspondent [illegible] that not until the president [illegible] hausted every appeal to Congress [illegible] would he countenance war. [illegible] those appeals availed [illegible] tion, with a full realization [illegible] sponsibility, enter into a [illegible] Spain, knowing that the Go[illegible] would a judge the cause [illegible] try to be righteous and [illegible] If Spain absolutely [illegible] pliance with our demands [illegible] ment will be required to [illegible]

The president has decided [illegible] event, to at once seize [illegible] Cuba and take possession [illegible] of Havana and collect [illegible] until the indemnity demanded [illegible] when he will turn the [illegible] the Cuban republic which [illegible] meantime be recognized [illegible] gressional enactment.

Philippine Rebellion Breaking.

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The Utmost Haste.

Orders of a most [illegible] have been sent out to [illegible] coast fortifications, [illegible] most haste in completing [illegible] for hostilities.

The president told a [illegible] senate that the situation [illegible] changed, and, to quote [illegible] of the senator, "There [illegible] to intervene in Cuba [illegible] the Maine disaster has [illegible] opportunity to prepare [illegible] quences of such an act [illegible] more efficient way."

To the Rich Mining District.

W. C. Bradbury & Co. [illegible] Col., in connection with [illegible] Construction Company [illegible] City, have closed a contract [illegible] construction of 125 miles [illegible] from Chihuahua to Ojinaga [illegible] at a cost of $2,500,000. [illegible] will be built by a syndicate [illegible] Colonel Payne, Ex-Secretary [illegible] Navy W. C. Whitney and [illegible] Scully, of New York. [illegible] to reach the rich mining [illegible] the vicinity of Guerrero.

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To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

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the method and results when [illegible] of Figs is taken; it is pleasing [illegible] refreshing to the taste, and acts [illegible] yet promptly on the Kidneys, [illegible] and Bowels, cleanses the system [illegible] effectually, dispels colds, headaches [illegible] and fevers and cures habitual [illegible] ation. Syrup of Figs is the [illegible] remedy of its kind ever produced, [illegible] pleasing to the taste and acceptable [illegible] to the stomach, prompt in its [illegible] on and truly beneficial in its effects, [illegible] prepared only from the most [illegible] and agreeable substances, its many [illegible] cellent qualities commend it to all, [illegible] and have made it the most popular [illegible] remedy known.

[illegible] p of Figs, is for sale in 50c and $1 [illegible] ttles by all leading druggists who [illegible] Any reliable druggist who may not [illegible] have it on hand will procure it [illegible] promptly for any one who wishes [illegible] to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

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CONSUMPTION

WILL SECURE TWO WARSHIPS

British Sympathy in This Controversy With the United States.

After the cabinet meeting Friday one of the members said:

"It is now altogether probable we will secure two vessels under construction for the Brazilian government. It is not possible at this time to say just how many ships in all the government will be able to secure. [illegible] options on a number that have been offered, but nothing is likely to be definitely accomplished in the way of securing them until an examination is made into their condition, for which purpose a naval officer has been dispatched abroad.

"We do not want a lot of vessels that other nations contracted to build and now find are not up to [illegible]. The fact is notorious that there are not a great many really good [illegible] to be had, but I should not be surprised if we are able to get a [illegible] suitable ones at least. [illegible] appropriation for [illegible] will be expended in [illegible] may be [illegible] war [illegible] stated here.

"And I think the sympathy of the British government in this controversy is with the United States. At [illegible] she does not side with Spain. I do not mean by this statement to [illegible] infer that the English will become advocates of our cause and extend substantial help, but will give us moral support."

A PANIC IMMINENT.

Spanish Stocks Take a Heavy Tumble—Calls on the Government for Statement.

At Madrid the anxiety as to the relations between Spain and the United States, which has pervaded financial and commercial circles for several days, culminated on Thursday in a heavy fall in funds, all securities, the exterior and interior debts declining 1 per cent. Treasury bonds declined 1 to 2 per cent; Cuban bonds going down 3 per cent; Bank of Spain shares dropping from 4.13 to 4.1[illegible]. Tobacco shares going down from [illegible] to 240. Foreign exchanges have risen in an unprecedented degree, the rate on Paris being at 38 premium and London at 39 premium.

All the newspapers call upon the government to stop the panic by a prompt and clear statement as to the real conditions existing in Cuba and also defining the international situation.

The newspapers re-echo the profound sensation and displeasure caused by the United States sending the Montgomery to Havana, and the appropriation of $50,000,000 for the national defense.

M'KINLEY STANDS FIRM.

Plan to Seize Cuba Should Peace Fail.

Postmaster General Gary says a southern supreme court [illegible] that not until the president has exhausted every appeal to God [illegible] would he countenance war, but [illegible] these appeals availed not, he [illegible] then, with a full realization of [illegible] responsibility, enter into a war with Spain, knowing that the God of [illegible] would adjudge the cause of the [illegible] to be righteous and just.

If Spain absolutely refuses compliance with our demands the [illegible] ment will be required to act.

"The president has decided in the event, to at once seize the island of Cuba and take possession of the city of Havana and collect the [illegible] until the indemnity demanded [illegible] when he will turn the island over to the Cuban republic which will [illegible] meantime be recognized through congressional enactment.

Philippine Rebellion Breaks Out.

Special dispatches from [illegible] there is little doubt that [illegible] trouble between [illegible] States and Spain has caused [illegible] in the Philippine Islands [illegible] and has increased [illegible] of the insurgents, who [illegible] important towns [illegible] Manila. It [illegible]

The Utmost Haste.

Orders of a most special [illegible] have been sent out to all [illegible] coast fortifications requiring utmost haste in completing [illegible] for hostilities.

The president told a member of the senate that the situation had changed, and, to quote the words of the senator, "The president is to intervene in Cuba almost [illegible] the Maine disaster has given [illegible] opportunity to prepare for consequences of such an act in a more efficient way."

To the Rich Mining District.

W. C. Bradbury & Co., of [illegible] Col., in connection with [illegible] Construction Company, [illegible] City, have closed a contract for construction of 125 miles [illegible] from Chihuahua to Guerrero at a cost of $2,500,000. [illegible] will be built by a syndicate [illegible] Colonel Payne, Ex-Secretary of Navy W. C. Whitney [illegible] Scully, of New York, [illegible] to reach the rich mining [illegible] the vicinity of Guerrero.

More Carelessness.

Excited Wife—Oh, professor, the cook has fallen and broken her collar-bone!

Professor—Discharge her at once! You told her what to expect if she broke anything more.—Detroit Free Press.

As a rule, women look their happiest when they are either just going to get a husband, or have recently lost one.

Every woman knows some man who would be immensely rich instead of poor, if she had his wife's energy."

The Happy Man.

It is said, to console a man who loses his money, that he is now in position to find out who are his friends. That is no consolation; a man is happiest when he doesn't have to know who his friends are.—Atchison (Kan.) Globe.

It is not difficult for a man to be a woman's ideal if he lives in another State.

There are usually a few flies on the sweetest paradise of lovers.

The most pitiful objects in this world are girls who act like men and men who act like girls.

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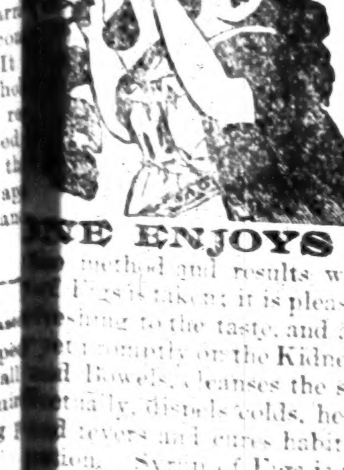

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INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR MARCH 20.

Lesson Text: "John the Baptist Beheaded," Matthew xiv., 1-12—Golden Text: Prov. iv., 22—Commentary on the Lesson by the Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

1. "At that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus." In Mark vi, 14 it is written that His name was spread abroad, and in Luke ix, 7, it is said that Herod was perplexed because that it was said of some that John was risen from the dead. The context in Mark and Luke would indicate that it was about the time of the sending forth of the twelve. It seems to me that the heart thought for us is that something of the words and works of Jesus by some means reached Herod. If we are redeemed by His blood, it is that through us the fame of Him may be far and wide made known. He brought Israel out of Egypt, dividing the waters of the Red sea, leading them through the desert and drying up Jordan before them to make His glorious name known, that the many might be blessed in Him (Isa. lxiii, 12, 14; Joshua iv, 24).

2. "And said unto His servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do show forth themselves in him." It is said in Mark vi, 20, that Herod heard John gladly and did many things, knowing that he was a just and holy man, but as neither hearing nor doing will avail unless Christ is actually received into the heart (I John v, 12; John i, 12), Herod's knowledge did not profit him. His evil doings would not suffer him to turn unto God (Hos. v, 4).

3. "For Herod had laid hold on John and bound him and put him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife." These are among the seemingly strange things. That God who controls all things, even the devil, for there can be nothing beyond His control, should permit Joseph to be stolen, sold into slavery, falsely accused and imprisoned; David to be hunted as a partridge upon the mountains; Jeremiah to know the horrors of the dungeon mire, and John the Baptist, His own herald, none greater born of woman (Math. xi, 11), to suffer imprisonment and death.

4. "For John said unto him, It is not lawful for thee to have her." Therefore, for his faithfulness, he is put in prison. Would it have been better for him to have said nothing about this sin? Might he have said, It is no affair of mine? They are the children of the devil anyway, and to him they are going, whether Herodias lives with Herod or with Philip? Some would say so, and there are no doubt many things in which we are to take no part, as they are not given to us to meddle with, but in this case John was brought face to face with the sin, and either had to be blind to it for peace's sake or speak faithfully for Christ's sake.

5. "And when he would have put him to death he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet." How full of fears this wretched specimen of self-indulgent humanity was. He feared the woman under whose control he had placed himself for lust's sake. He feared the people over whom he was placed, and he evidently feared the hereafter, for he did many things, and would doubtless have done more if such doing would have made him sure of heaven without requiring him to give up his darling sin.

6, 7. "But when Herod's birthday was kept the daughter of Herodias danced before them and pleased Herod. Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask." Feast days and birthdays must be kept, the entertainment business must go on, no matter what becomes of Christ or His heralds. We are sure that He was not invited to this feast, and neither was His faithful John. This was like Belshazzar's feast, the devil's own, and he knew what he was up to. He was running this thing to accomplish his purpose. How well he enabled that poor, godless girl to dance that day! How he enabled her to captivate the sinful heart of Herod and to lead him in his excitement to make her this great promise, and all to secure the death of John!

8. "And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger." We read in II Chron. xxii, 3, concerning a certain king that "his mother was his counselor to do wickedly." We know also that Rebekah was neither her own friend nor her son's when she counseled him to lie to his father. Lying and deceit have the same author as lust, and envy, and hatred, and murder. Let us resist the devil lest he use even as he did Simon Peter, when he said, "Pity Thyself, Lord" (Math. xvi, 22, margin).

9. "And the king was sorry; nevertheless, for the oath's sake and them which sat with him at meat, he commanded it to be given her." His honor before his guests was at stake and he dared not show himself a man. Perhaps there was no man in him. He may have been all beast, all carnal of the lowest kind. He could truthfully have said, I cannot give what is not mine, and his man's life is not in my power to give [illegible]. That however, was too noble for [illegible] and he dared not go [illegible]. We have all had other [illegible]

10. "And he sent and beheaded John in the prison." Not long before John had sent messengers to Jesus inquiring if He was the Christ or if there was yet another to be looked for. Jesus wrought miracles and sent the messengers to tell John what they had seen and heard and added, "Blessed is he whosoever shall not be offended in Me" [illegible]. We have no record that Jesus ever went to see him. Now is heard the tramp of feet. Some one is coming to see him. Is it the Lord and Master? His cell is brightening. He is wanted, not for earth but for heaven. In a moment it is over, for the damsel awaits her gift and angels and redeemed spirits wait to welcome the faithful messenger to bliss eternal and indescribable.

11. "And his head was brought in a charger and given to the damsel, and she brought it to her mother." Did ever mother ask or daughter carry such a gruesome dish? What did they do with it? How did they treat it? Well, the devil accomplished his purpose and John's sojourn in a mortal body was ended. But can it be that the devil has the least idea of the bliss of the redeemed when he is allowed to [illegible]? If so, would he not desire to hinder them into such [illegible]

12. "And his disciples came and took up the body and buried it and went and told Jesus." In Mark vi, 29, it is written that they laid it in a tomb. They did not bury John, or lay him in a tomb, and they will not bury us if the time should come for us to pass out of the mortal body.—Lesson Helper.

Mrs. Margaret M. Traill Christie, who has been appointed by the India office to study the bubonic plague in the hospitals for native women in Bombay, is a very young woman, and it is only two years since she got her degree from London University.

The wife of Sir William Vernon Harcourt is an American, the daughter of Motley, the historian. Although she takes great interest in politics, like most of the wives of English statesmen, she appears on the platform rarely. It is said that she does much for her husband in the drawing-room.

Dr. John P. Maynard, famous as the discoverer of the value of collodion in surgery, died a few days ago at his home in Dedham, Mass., aged seventy-two years. He was born in Boston and graduated from Yale College and Harvard Medical School. In 1847 he made the discovery and application of collodion.

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Finger Nail Jewelry Is About the Latest Thing Out.

Finger nail jewelry is about the latest thing that manufacturers of gemmed novelties have brought out. There are both rings and pendants, and they are made in quite a number of forms, but all of them have just as light a setting as is consistent with the safe fastening of the stones. The pendants most affected consist of two or three small stones, set tandem, and connected by

DIAMONDS ON THE FINGER NAILS.

fine gold chains instead of by solid bars. That makes them less awkward to the wearer and also more effective when they are flashed.

The jewels are attached to the nails by a screw arrangement such as is often used for diamond earrings. The nails do not have to be especially long, but great care must be taken in perforating them, and that is an operation which is usually left to a manicure. New holes must be made every week or two, and the more common practice is to transfer the gems from one finger to another whenever a new hole must be made. When rings are used instead of pendants, they are usually only about half the diameter of the ordinary finger ring, and are studded all around with very small stones.

An Overworked Brain.

From the Record, Pierceton, Ind.

Determined to rise in his chosen profession as an educator, Ernest Kemper, of Pierceton, Ind., overtaxed himself mentally and physically. He was ambitious, his mind was always on his work. From early morn until late at night he continually pored over his books.

Few persons, even with the strongest constitutions, can keep up under such a strain.

In addition to his studies, Mr. Kemper was teaching a school some three miles from his home. Finally, his excessive study and the exposure of going to and from school in all kinds of weather undermined his health.

He was taken to his bed with pneumonia and his overworked brain almost collapsed. For several weeks he was seriously ill.

Catarrh had taken root in his system and his mind was in a delicate condition. He was sent to Colorado where he spent three months without receiving any benefit. Then a noted specialist from Cleveland treated him without avail, and then a hospital in Chicago was tried, but all absolutely without benefit. Finally his physician recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and from the first box he began to improve. When he had taken nine boxes he was completely cured. This famous blood and nerve medicine had accomplished what all his former expensive treatment failed to accomplish. Mr. Kemper says his catarrh has entirely left him; he is strong again and weighs nine pounds more than he ever did. He gives the pills the entire credit. He is starting teaching again and feels abundantly able to continue the work. To prove that the above is true in every respect, Mr. Kemper made an affidavit as follows:

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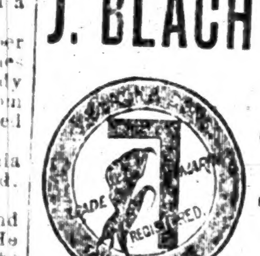

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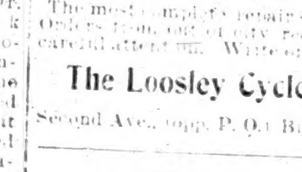

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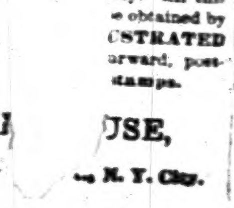

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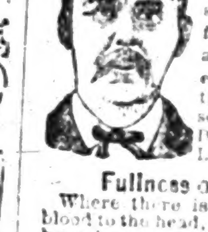

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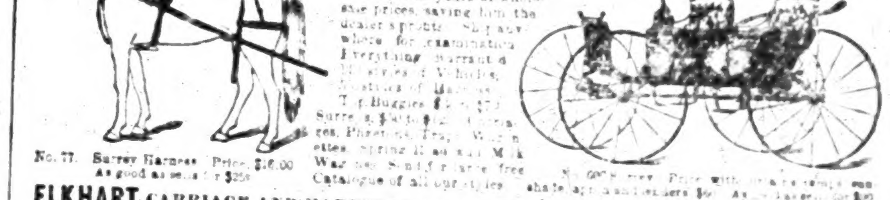

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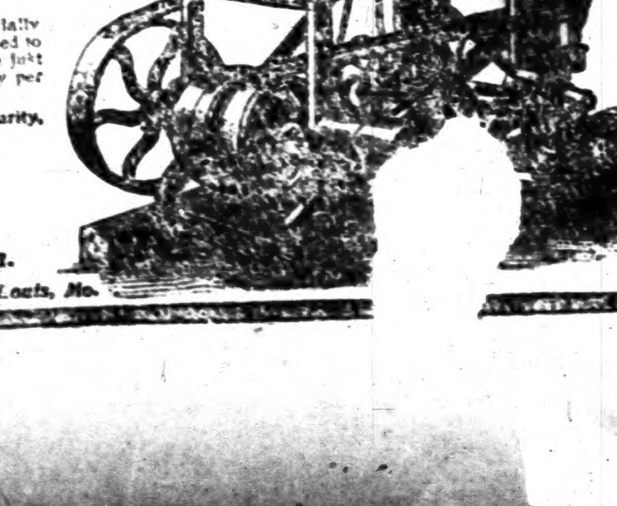

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The third vice-Klacker arose and said before they commenced a political discussion he would move that a committee of three be appointed to confer with the town council and demand that a wagon and team be sent around to the Klub headquarters every morning to haul away the chips so that the sidewalk would not be entirely blocked. A prominent Klacker offered an amendment to the effect that the town council be required to pay for the chips, but after some discussion the amendment was voted down, and the original motion was carried unanimously.

The first vice-Klacker announced that a subject of an extraordinary nature had been offered for debate and his idea was, as it was likely to prove a warm subject, to first of all state that it had been his intention to discuss county politics, but at the present moment the State was much wrought up over the action of the Governor in kissing the girls. He would say right now that in his opinion the governor was eminently correct, and further that if he (the Governor) had too much work of the kind on hand, he (the first vice-Klacker) would volunteer to assist him to the best of his ability. The point he was in doubt about, however, he would now submit to the Klub. "Which conferred the greatest honor, the Kisser or the Kissee?" It was undoubtedly a great honor to be kissed by the Governor of the State, although it was an honor he did not covet, and again, it was always a great honor for any man to be kissed by a pretty girl, and it was needless for him to say there were none but pretty girls in Alabama. Then again, what he really wanted to know, was the Governor the Kisser or was he the Kissee? Did he bestow the kiss or was he the recipient? Or possibly it may have been one of those cases in which he was both Kisser and Kissee.

At this point a Klacker arose and said it was all nonsense, that anyone was bound to know the Governor being a man must be the Kisser, and the girl could not be anything else but the Kiss-he.

He therefore moved a resolution that Governor Johnston be commended for his action in the kissing business, and that he be requested to make the most of his opportunity for "There'll come a time some day" when he will be only an ordinary citizen with no special privileges for kissing. The resolution was carried with much cheering, and the Klub adjourned.

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Let us take the question home to ourselves and see just how it is. What man of common sense is there among us who would deliver a costly bill of lumber to a person to build us a house without first ascertaining if he was a competent man for the work? Where is the farmer who would put a man to hearing off his cotton, running around his corn, cutting his grain, or shoeing his horse, without first having found out that he was competent for the work? Or who would lose his rail timber or board trees by putting an incompetent man at work upon them? When we want to employ a man to work for us do we not first look well to his qualifications? If we want a lawyer do we not first see if he is competent? If we want a doctor do we not try to get one who understands his business? If we want a pastor for our our church do we not try to get the best one who will serve us? If we want to buy a horse do we not first look well to his qualifications? If we select a board tree, a lot of seed corn, or may be buy a lot of cloth, or meat, or coffee do we not examine as to the fitness or qualifications of the articles to the uses to which we are to put them?

Now, Mr Editor, if we can see the necessity of using our sound judgment in our daily affairs, then why should we not use the same caution in selecting men to fill our public offices? The time has come when we must stop voting for men simply because we like them personally and because they are good men, but we must measure our candidates with the yarpstick of common sense. Select the man who is best qualified to fill the office and who is best able to advise the people and to discharge the duties of the office to which we shall elect him. If you can spare the space, Mr. Editor, I would like to hear from other parts of the county on this subject.
A VOTER.

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A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow. Eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides. No appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

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Pratt City, Ala., March 22, '98
Alex Shelton, who was sentenced to be hanged in Chilton and respited was instantly killed by an explosion of gas in the prison mines here.

Mr. James M. Kicker, of Coopers, has secured a position as guard at the prison here.

Mr. E. J. Downs is spending a few days with relatives and friends at Coopers.

Mr. Ruban Gunn is very sick with pneumonia.
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Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great remedy. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Turn-Round Topics.

F. A. Guldge and T. J. Traywick, of Verbena, were down on a turkey hunt one day last week.

R. D. May and Walter Chambers from near Prattville were visitors here last week.

B. J. Goss and family spent Saturday with B. F. Taylor.

John Pitts and family visited relatives near Coosa river church Sunday.

E. T. Connell and wife; F. M. Connell and family; Adelbert Goss and sister, Miss Geneva, spent Sunday with H. Kendrick.

David Kendrick and Eugene and Napoleon Goss visited Bozeman Sunday.
ORANGE BLOSSOMS.

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Rev. E. Edwards, pastor of the English Baptist Church at Minersville, Pa., when suffering with rheumatism, was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me. It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any sufferer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me." For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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NOTICE.

For the accommodation of Confederate soldiers and widows who are entitled to a pension under an act of the Legislature for the relief of needy Confederate soldiers, etc., I will be at Stanton on Thursday, the 14th day of April, 1898, in the forenoon, and at Maplesville in the afternoon prepared to accommodate those who may desire to make application for this pension. I will also be at Providence church in beat two on Thursday, the 21st day of April, at 12 o'clock for the same purpose.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

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Lily Lyrics.

We are having fine weather for farming and farmers are taking advantage of it and are about done planting corn, and are now putting out fertilizer. Oats are looking fine and there are more sown this year than usual in this section.

There was a song service at Mulberry Sunday.

Bro. Price failed to get here at his last appointment at Isabella.

Prof. Thornton is moving on nicely with his school.

Rev. Thomas preached at Mr. Baker's Sunday night.

Quite a number of the Mulberians attended meeting at Macadonia Sunday week.
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Clanton Locals.

Mr. Jim Collins, of Birmingham, was a visitor here this week.

Mr. C. W. Reynolds, of Jemison, was in town this morning.

Col. Collier went to Montgomery yesterday.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

The Thorsby Lumber Company, a partnership, Plaintiff,
vs.
M. E. Taylor and The Concordia Land and Improvement Association, a corporation Defendents.

Circuit Court of Chilton County, Spring Term, 1898. No. 1361.

Whereas an affidavit has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, Alabama, by W. J. Martin, Attorney for the Paintiff in this cause, that M. E. Taylor, one of the above named defendants, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and that his place of residence is unknown:

It is therefore ordered that publication, for the said defendant, M. E. Taylor, be made for three successive weeks in the Banner, a new-paper published in Chilton county, Alabama, commanding the said M. E. Taylor to appear at the next term of the Circuit Court to be held for said county, at the place of holding same, then and there to answer, plead or demur to the complaint filed in this cause, and that a copy of said newspaper, containing a copy of this notice, be mailed to the said M. E. Taylor if his place of residence shall be known or ascertained.

Witness my hand this 7th. day of March, 1898.
J. P. VanDerveer,
Clerk of the Circuit Court,
Chilton County Alabama.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by L.L. Beard to the undersigned Emily Hughes, on the 24th day of July, 1895, I, Emily Hughes, the said Mortgagee, will on the

4th DAY OF APRIL, 1898,

proceed to sell, in front of the Court House door at Clanton, Alabama, at public outcery, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being situate in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, to wit:

The SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 31, Township 21, Range 16.

The said mortgage, under which this sale is made, is recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, in book X6 of mortgages at pages 193 and 194. The above sale made for the purpose of satisfying the mortgage debt and the expenses of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in six several mortgages executed to the undersigned Emily Hughes by Sallie M. Hanlin and her husband, J. M. Hanlin, on the eighth day of July, 1895, which said mortgages are recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, Alabama, in book 36 of Mortgages at pages 172, 173, 174, 168, 169, 164, 165, 162, 163, 166, 167, 170, 171, I, the said Emily Hughes, the said mortgagee, will proceed to sell on the 4th day of April, 1898 in front of the court house door at Clanton, Alabama at public outcery to the highest bidder for cash the following described land or real estate lying and being situate in the counts of Chilton in the state of Alabama to wit: The south-east fourth of south west fourth of section number thirty-one, township twenty-one, range sixteen, less two acres on the northern side, sold to Alfred Bethea. The above sale is made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage debt and the costs expenses and attorneys fees of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Notice to Non Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County.
In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, Northeastern Chancery Division.

Allen P. Howison, complainant, vs. E. E. Jackson and William Jackson, defendants.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of H. C. Tompkins, Esq., that the Defendant, William Jackson, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at Salisbury, in the State of Maryland, and further, that in the belief of said affiant the Defendant is over the age of twenty one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in The Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him the said William Jackson, to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 25th day of March, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

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J. E. COX.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

Only about seven out of every 100 men now in the Klondike gold fields are making a living. But every man of the throng now rushing into that cheerless region confidently expects to be one of the seven.

A Leipsic professor delivered a lecture the other day on "Darkest Europe"—Upper Albania, where the custom of blood-feud cost the country 3000 lives a year and makes most people afraid to leave their village.

The state of Colorado struck a small bonanza when the reorganized Union Pacific railroad, with a capital stock of $136,000,000, applied for incorporation under its laws. It cost that company just $20,402.50 for its certificate.

According to Dr. Schwartz of Berlin marriage is the most important feature in longevity. No doubt this is because bachelors keep such late hours, are irregular in the hours at which they dine and are liable to have holes in their stockings.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach has declared that England will insist, even at the risk of a war, that Chinese ports shall remain open to the trade of the world. This is the most vigorous and inspiring utterance that has come from official Europe since the retirement of Mr. Gladstone.

Butchery, salvation, bribery. That is the Spanish record for three years in Cuba. Is it any wonder that the Spanish cause seems to be on the brink of collapse? And when collapse comes, it is not likely that there will be a general agreement that it was well deserved? asks the Washington Star.

An Australian merchant, in a long letter to the London Times, tells of the superiority of American as compared with British methods obtaining in the Australian market. He enlarges upon the typewritten letters, carbon triplicate invoices, the artistic and very attractive catalogues, and the willingness of American makes to put the merchant's imprint upon all printed matter, the listing and illustrating of parts, the carefulness and attractiveness of the packing, the absence of disputes of shortages and breakages, and many other less important trade influences that are characteristic of American dealings and goods.

The free library movement in rural towns has been greatly encouraged by the liberality of the Wisconsin, New York and Massachusetts legislatures in providing state aid for towns in those commonwealths that are willing to make an effort to establish a free public library. These institutions do much to add to the attractions of rural life, maintains the American Agriculturist. It is probable that ere many years, every thrifty town in the country will have its free library. New Jersey, Ohio, Iowa and other states whose legislatures are in session this winter, should see to it that due provision to encourage this movement is made by the state.

As in the case of many another hero romance and treachery are mingled in the tragic fate of the "Sheridan of Cuba," remarks the New York Mail and Express. True to the traditions of his original race, Aranguren was both valorous and amorous. His is the tale of troubadour as well as of soldier. There is the flavor of medievalism in his dashing raids and in his courtship. He never laid down the sword, but he sometimes carried the guitar. The world, outside of Spain, has admired his courage; and all the world that loves a lover will sympathize with his gallantry. His deeds and his death together make the theme for both historian and poet.

It is not difficult account for the unrest prevailing agricultural districts of Hu the condition of the inhabi described truthfully at the ngress of Hungarian agric ers at Budapest. The asse as made, and not contradicted, th be principal food of the farm hand onsists of bre onions, and tha is aver- for the art of e is-

CURRENT NEWS IN ALABAMA.

ADDITIONAL CAVALRY COMPANIES TO BE FORMED.

EXPLOSION IN PRATT MINES KILLED SIX CONVICTS.

A Grewsome Mystery in Lowndes County—England May Exclude Alabama Iron—Congressman Brewer Will Retain His Seat—A Woman Heavily Fined—Other Interesting Notes.

MILITARY SPIRIT ABROAD.

Additional Cavalry Companies to Be Formed in This State.

A movement is on foot to organize additional cavalry companies in Alabama. At present there not a sufficient number of these companies in Alabama to form a regiment and the new ones that are to be formed are for the purpose of filling out the required number for a regiment. It is stated that the new companies will not be required to drill, but will simply be organized to be held in readiness in case of war. Under these circumstances Alabama would then have a full regiment of cavalry. One of the new companies will be in Birmingham. It is not yet known where the others will be located.

It is learned further that the war spirit has caused the determination to be reached to form a new infantry company at Decatur, which city now has no military organization. The Decatur company will belong to the Third Regiment.

Lieutenant Samuel G. Jones, of the United States army, on duty with the Alabama National Guard, is in Birmingham engaged in inspecting the State troops in that section.

UNIDENTIFIED CORPSE.

Remains of a Young Woman Found Buried in a Secluded Spot.

Lowndes county reports a grewsome mystery. Some workmen living near Fort Deposit were going to their homes from the village when they were attracted by the barking of some dogs and going in the direction of the brutes found them scratching in some fresh earth in an old field. The men instituted an investigation and unearthed the decomposed body of a young woman. It had been buried in dry goods box and placed about two feet deep in the earth. The body was evidently that of a young woman. It was attired in a stylish, tasty woolen suit, the hair was carefully braided, the feet were encased in neat black shoes and the hands of the corpse were inclosed in new kid gloves, harmonizing in color with the costume. No one seems to have any idea of the identity of the young woman.

England May Exclude Alabama Iron.

The financial secretary to the English treasury, Mr. Hanbury, in the house of commons Thursday replying to Sir Charles Howard Vincent, conservative, relative to the exclusion of consignments from the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad company and the Sloss Iron & Steel company, of Birmingham, who are alleged to be employers of prison labor, said the foreign prison made goods act did not empower the commissioners of customs to exclude such consignments unless evidence of their prison-made origin was furnished them.

New Gas Plant for Birmingham.

The contract for the new bi-product plant to be erected at the Sloss city furnaces on First avenue, was closed Saturday. The Semet-Solvay people will build the bi-product plant, together with the coal tar and ammonia plants. It is said that work will be begun within the next few weeks and that the plant will be one of the largest in this country. The gas plant will be an adjunct to this. It is said, however, that the bi-product people will own a large interest in the gas company, at the head of which are Messrs. Sol Haas and Alex London.

Tax Commission Bureau.

The tax commission bureau of the revenue department of the state is doing a great deal of effective work. Several large sums from back taxes have been recently paid into the treasury, and effective county commissioners appointed, among them George F. Sedberry for Elmore county, F. L. S. Grace for Lowndes, and W. Y. Charlavoye for Lawrence.

Deal Practically Closed.

It is learned that the deal for the sale of extensive furnace properties at Sheffield and the iron and coal properties along the line of the North Alabama railroad, to an English syndicate, has practically been closed through J. W. Worthington and F. B. Nichols, of Birmingham, who represent the syndicate. Extensive developments are expected to follow. About $1,000,000 is involved in the trade.

Child Burned to Death.

The little 3-year-old daughter of Mrs. Jennie Matthews, of Alabama City, was burned to death last week.

Remitted School Funds.

Treasurer Ellis has remitted school funds for the present quarter to thirty-one counties, aggregating $78,000. At the same ratio for the remaining thirty-four counties, who have not filed their pay rolls it will require from $160,000 to $1

FIRE DAMP EXPLOSION

In Pratt Mines Results in the Killing of Six Convicts.

Saturday morning about 4 o'clock a terrific explosion occurred in slope 2 at Pratt Mines, and as a result six negro convicts are dead. Their names are as follows:

George Jones, Jefferson county; Alex Shelton, Jefferson county; Will Scott, Chilton county; Henry Johnson, Jefferson county; Tom Oliver, Jefferson county; Eli Lanhorn, She by county. All of the men were serving long terms, and three of them had life sentences.

The cause of the explosion is not definitely known, but the general impression is that it was from fire damp. There was some dynamite in the mine, which was used for blasting purposes, but it is believed that this did not explode.

The night shift was working in the mine when the explosion occurred. The six men killed are supposed to have been working at the face of the heading, about two miles from the mouth of the mine.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The Edgar Foundry and Machine shops at Mobile were destroyed by fire.

Mattie Crooks has been appointed postmistress at Pleasant Ridge, Greene county.

The contract has been let for the remodeling of Pike's court house at a cost of $10,000.

The State Bar association will hold its annual meeting in Montgomery Friday and Saturday, June 17 and 18.

Fire at Vincent destroyed the store of O. M. Harris & Son. The loss was about $1,000, fully covered by insurance.

Albert Meyers, wholesale and retail dealer in shoes at Selma, has assigned to M. J. Meyers. Liabilities, about $15,000.

Beginning Thursday the twentieth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of Alabama will be held in Montgomery.

Friday morning William Bell, a negro brakeman on the Birmingham Mineral railroad, fell under car at Boyle's and was killed.

Representative Stallings introduced a bill in the house to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Conecuh river in Escambia county.

George Arantz Bros., whose mammoth law mills were totally destroyed by fire last Saturday at Decatur, are making arrangements to rebuild the plant.

The board of trustees of the Baptist institute at Walnut Grove met Thursday night and elected Prof. W. Y. Adams president for a term of three years.

Doc Thompson, an alleged ex-moonshiner, was found dead in Coosa county with a bullet hole in his forehead. He had been reporting his neighbors for similar offenses.

A small son of Mr. A. J. Nicholson, who lives in Centreville, was drowned last week. The child was playing around a tub of water that was in the yard and fell into the tub and was drowned before it was found.

Woman Heavily Fined.

In the United States court at Birmingham Lula M. Whitfield was fined $1,000 and costs for making and presenting false accounts to the government.

It was charged that the woman after appearing in a case as a witness, entered a claim for mileage and made a sworn statement that she had traveled a number of miles further than she really had. When her case was called she wept bitterly. Upon being arraigned she entered a plea of guilty and a fine of $1,000 and costs was entered against her. An execution was issued against her for the amount. She was not committed to jail.

Brewer Will Retain His Seat.

The elections committee at Washington by a vote of 8 to 1, decided that Judge Brewer, of Alabama, was entitled to his seat in congress, eight to dismiss the contest of Goodwyn for the seat. Judge Lumley, a combination of republican and populist, from North Carolina, was the only member of the committee who voted for Goodwyn.

Chairman Taylor will prepare the report, which will be presented to the house in a few days. It will state that while there may have been some frauds in the district, there was no evidence to show that Brewer was not elected or that Goodwyn was.

The Governor Pardons Convicts.

Pardons for the following convicts were issued from the executive office at the capitol Thursday:

George Murchison, convicted of murder in 1882 at Mobile, and sentenced for life.

Addison Allen, convicted sealed weapon in C mber, and se for eigh

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SPAIN'S MILITARY FORCES.

Seventy Thousand Men Killed or Incapacitated for Service in the Cuban War.

Seventy thousand men is the number of Spanish soldiers who have been killed, wounded or otherwise incapacitated for duty during the present war in Cuba. These figures have been received in Washington recently from reliable sources, and are said to be as nearly authentic as it is possible to obtain them, without recourse to the records kept by the Spanish government. From the same source considerable other information bearing on the military strength of Spain and her dependencies is obtained. The present force of Spain in Cuba is as follows: Regulars, 125,000 men. Of this number it is estimated that 80,000 of them are effective for military purposes. They are distributed throughout the island as follows: About 25,000 are in the two eastern provinces of Santiago de Cuba and Puerto Principe, and the remainder are in the provinces of Santa Clara, Matanzas, Havana and Pinar del Rio. There are about 30,000 members in what is known as the volunteer army. These are mostly in the province of Havana, and are largely in the nature of home guards, corresponding to our state militia. There are 55,000 men who are not effective for military duty from various causes.

The strength of the Spanish army at home, and including her near-by possessions, is 100,000 men, which, in times of demand for additional soldiers, may be increased as follows: First reserve, 50,000; second reserve, 160,000, all of whom are instructed in military tactics, and a third reserve, which is not instructed, of 300,000 men, making in all a grand total of 610,000 men.

Since these figures were received recent drafts of 100,000 men to strengthen the army in Cuba leaves only 85,000 men of Spain's regular army now in the peninsula, the Balearic Islands, the Spanish possessions in North Africa and the Canary Islands.

In the Philippine Islands Spain has an army of 32,000 men, which includes about 15,000 native troops. Several regiments of the latter were disbanded during the time of the last insurrection in the islands, and in time of war, it is said, they are of very little use to the Spanish government. In Porto Rico there are 5,000 Spanish troops, which, in the event of hostilities, could be supplemented by 4,000 volunteers.

"SIMPLY INDESCRIBABLE."

Senator Gallinger Talks About the "Destitution in Cuba."

Senator Gallinger was at the capitol Friday for the first time since his return from Cuba. When requested to make a statement as to his observations of the condition of affairs on the island, he responded:

"You can sign my name to any picture you may draw of utter wretchedness, destitution and hellishness in that country. The condition of affairs, so far as I had opportunity to observe it, and I was only in Havana and Matanzas, is simply indescribable. I had not expected to find it half as bad as it is, and I do not believe that anyone who simply reads the accounts and does not see for himself can form an adequate idea of the situation. The reconcentrados are wedged into all available places in the cities, and are perishing by the thousands for want of the commonest necessaries of life. The best information obtainable leads to the conclusion that there have been beyond a doubt four hundred thousand deaths as the result of Spain's brutal policy, and the tragedy goes on from day to day. The Society of the Red Cross is furnishing some relief by its efforts, but the most of those people are beyond the reach of aid, whether through medicine or food. The mortality in Matanzas for the last four months previous to our visit has been equal to ten times the ordinary death rate."

Sold His Yacht.

Charles R. Flint, of New York, has sold the government his new yacht, now building, to be used as a torpedo boat. The boat is to be a twin-screw, with two engines of 1,200 horse-power each. She will be 130 feet long, 5 feet draught, and capable of a speed of 31 knots. Her coal capacity will be sufficient to allow her to cross the Atlantic. She will have accommodations for twenty-four men.

INDEPENDENCE OR DEATH.

Palma Declares That the Cubans Will Not Have Autonomy.

T. Estrada Palma, head of the Cuban Junta, has issued a proclamation to the people of the United States in which he stated that the Cubans would not accept autonomy. "Independence or death," was their motto.

The proclamation says: "I cannot believe that the American people would ever lend themselves to the most treacherous and blood-stained monarchy of history for the purpose of trying to make Cuba accept autonomy. Should such prove to be the case, however, I declare in the name of the Cuban people in arms, that force alone can compel our submission."

Coal for the Navy.

The United States government has contracted with Arkansas mine owners for the delivery of 500 cars of coal for the use of the navy. The coal will be ped from Coal Hill to Galveston. ther contract for 10,000 cars is said o have been made with the Western Coal and Mining Company.

Building Sub-Marine Mines.

A force is at work planting Savannah harbor with sub-marine mines and torpedoes off Fort Pulaski, at the mouth of Savannah river.

PRESIDENT NOT WEAKENING

Formation of New Squadron Purely a Strategic Move by Government.

MAINE INCIDENT SECONDARY TO FREE CUBA

Four Battleships of the Best Types to be Placed at Hampton Roads—Court of Inquiry Still at Work—Spanish Flotilla Will Not Proceed.

A special from Washington says: The implications made in a number of papers that the president is weakening in his policy, is deeply, even bitterly resented by the members of the administration.

Some of these papers point to the withdrawal of the Texas and the Massachusetts from the vicinity of Cuba as indicative of weakness on the part of the chief executive.

The fact of the matter is that this move to form another squadron implies just the contrary, and even indicates that the administration fears a campaign of defense is inevitable.

In spite of all the reports of settlement by purchase and autonomy, the general belief among public men here is that the Cuban policy of the president is about to culminate. Senator Proctor's speech is taken as a forerunner of executive action.

The Maine incident is to be made secondary to the independence of Cuba, and the massing of squadrons along the Atlantic coast indicates a defensive campaign. Senators and other well-informed public men further believe that the president will recognize the independence of Cuba and then wait with the expectation of an attack from Spain.

It is not known when the report of the court of inquiry will come to Washington, but it is expected here in the course of two or three days.

A cabinet officer expressed the belief that the report will require careful consideration on the part of the president and his cabinet before being given to the public, which would seem to postpone publication to some time about the middle of next week.

FORMING A NEW SQUADRON.

Five Battleships of the Best Types to Be Placed at Hampton Roads.

The navy department has issued orders for the formation of a new squadron of naval vessels to be stationed at Hampton Roads. The squadron, in the beginning, will consist of five ships, all the best of their types. Two of them, the battleships Massachusetts and Texas, are withdrawn from the present North Atlantic fleet at Key West and Tortugas.

It would be a grave mistake in ordering this movement if the navy department is animated by any purpose of yielding to representations, or intimations, that may have come from the Spanish minister as to the mischief caused by the gathering of so large a naval force as Admiral Sicard's fleet in the vicinity of Cuba. On the contrary, the formation of the new squadron was brought about by purely strategic considerations, although it appears from the nature of the force so far under orders to rendezvous at Hampton Roads that this strategy is of the defensive nature.

The new squadron cannot be called a "flying squadron," because the association of heavy battleships with fleet cruisers like the Brooklyn, Columbia and Minneapolis reduces the available speed of the whole to the speed of the slowest vessel, and the squadron could not do much "flying" in the naval sense. The indications rather are that, when reinforced by some smaller cruisers, the squadron will constitute an ideal naval defense.

Court of Inquiry Still at Work.

The court of inquiry at Key West is diligently continuing its sessions on board the battleship Iowa, and, judging from statements made by members, it is quite problematical how many more days will pass before the public learns its conclusions.

Ordered Not to Proceed.

Admiral Bermejo, the Spanish minister of marine, has wired the commander of the torpedo flotilla at the Canaries not to proceed to Havana.

FIVE MILLION DOLLARS

Will be Spent Out of the War Fund for Atlantic and Gulf Fortifications.

Steps have been taken by the engineers' office of the government for the expenditure of $5,000,000 originally allotted out of the $50,000,000 national defense fund for the continuation of the improvements of various works of fortifications. Practically all of it will be devoted to the Atlantic and Gulf coasts. While the expenditure will be under the general supervision of the engineer's office at Washington, the details connected therewith, including the making of contracts, etc., will be left to the discretion of the local engineers.

The O'Higgins Has Not Been Sold.

The Santiago correspondent of the London Times says: "The Chilian Government authorizes me to deny the rumors of the sale of the cruiser O'Higgins. No offer for any Chilian vessel will be entertained until the questions between Chili and Peru are definitely arranged."

The Montgomery Relieved by the Fern

The United States dispatch boat Fern has relieved the Montgomery in Havana harbor. The latter vessel is now at Key West.

NO REPORT YET

And Not Expected Before Thursday or Friday.

A special from Washington M... says: It can be stated positively authoritatively that the report of Court of Inquiry on the Maine ... had not been received up to ... day. From the same authority ... source it can be stated that it ... is not likely to be here before Thursday or Friday.

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The president will not act with undue haste. He would avert war if it can be possible, but he will put the honor and courage of the United States above all things.

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WALLACE A. BARTLETT.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

All men are born free and equal, but most of them don't believe it.—San Francisco Star.

With the witnesses who were summoned to testify in the Hanna bribery case, silence is golden.—Phoenix Gazette.

The price of iron and steel has advanced and the wages of the workers have been reduced. This is in strict accord with the supply and demand! Or is it the cost of production regulating the price?—Appeal to Reason.

Bryan demanded a direct legislation plank in the Chicago platform.—Minneapolis Representative.

We would advise the country to watch events closely during these exciting times incident to the Maine disaster. If there is not a bond deal connected with it, we shall be greatly surprised.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

The workingmen of Cleveland know Mark Hanna of old. He may protest that he is not a labor union crusher, and protest again and again; but they know that the bones of all the slaughtered unions of Cleveland are piled up before his front door. A tardy denial now can have no effect, against their own memories and the newspaper reports of the time when he made his anti-union crusade. Even today Mark Hanna cannot muster a corporal's guard of union workingmen in all the establishments he owns in Cleveland. His organ, too, the Cleveland Leader, is known everywhere among printers as a "rat office."—Cleveland Recorder.

Then you do not think Mr. Reed is as bad as he appears? Of course not. He is simply part of a machinery to break up and destroy our representative system, and he is so involved in the cog-wheels of gold rascality that he has to move with the machinery or be ground to atoms.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

In these days when public officials are so subservient to aggregated wealth as represented in the great corporations, it is positively refreshing to become aware of such a man as Commissioner of Insurance McNall of the state of Kansas. This competent and brave public servant has just begun a new campaign against the corruption of the great life insurance companies, and the indications are that before these octopi are through with him they will know how to do their duty to the people. The latest action of Mr. McNall, taken last week, was to require from the corporations of this state a statement of the sums which may have been expended by them for political purposes. Mr. McNall has learned that at least two of the corporations have made plans to purchase legislation in the state of Kansas, and he proposes to find out all about the business.—Twentieth Century.

Why Not?

If the eminent financiers whom Secretary Lyman J. Gage has invited to suggest a currency plan that will make their business prosperous cannot agree upon some plan it would be remarkable. So it is altogether likely that in a short time we will have a plan that will make at least one business prosperous. Now why would it not be a good idea to ask parties engaged in other lines of business what laws they would like to have enacted that would make their business prosperous? For instance, men who have been engaged in the business of raising horses have not been very prosperous for several years. Then again other "business men" who have been engaged in the business of stealing horses have not had as good laws for the protection of their business as some other lines of business. In fact, some of the laws passed have actually discriminated against their interests. Men engaged in the raising of poultry could without doubt suggest laws that would make their business more profitable. Gentlemen engaged in the business of stealing chickens could make suggestions in regard to laws that would have a tendency to increase their profits. Men engaged in the business of wrecking trains could have their business as well protected by law as the business of wrecking railroads has been. In short, all of the different lines of business could be made prosperous by laws for their benefit. Provided, the laws were so framed that what was beneficial to one industry did not conflict with the prosperity of other industries.—E. L. Smith.

The Plundered Workers.

What! A hundred barrels of wine in the cellar of the master, and for the exhausted slave only water from the river?

What! A hundred mantles in the presses, and only rags for the groaning slave?

Who is it that planted the vine, gathered and pressed the grape? The slave. Who, then, has a right to drink the wine? The slave.

Who is it that sheared the sheep, spun the wool, wove the mantles? The slave.

Who, then, should wear the mantle? The slave.

Up, ye poor and oppressed! Up! Rise!—Eugene Sue.

NO CHECK IN BUSINESS

In the Onward Current Occasioned by Peace or War Reports.

GOLD IMPORTATIONS REACH $25,000,000.

Great Excess of Merchandise Exports Over February—Pig Iron and Finished Products Remain Unchanged—Failures.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Neither peace nor war reports have changed the onward current of business. Orders for more than $25,500,000 gold from Europe have blocked any drift toward stringency in rates for money, and treasury receipts of about $1,100,000 per day have kept in check any question about the currency, while exports of products have continued with a rate considerably higher and the demand for products of the great industries shows steady expansion. Prompt action by the senate and the house has removed all fear of embarrassment through conflicting purposes at Washington. The government is making ready without any waste of time, while frankly assuring everybody that it looks for a peaceful settlement and hopes that its preparations may prove unnecessary.

The backbone of the situation is the excess of merchandise exports, more than $41,000,000 in February with an increase of $,200,000 in miscellaneous products, $2,100,000 in provisions, $4,500,000 in cotton and $7,000,000 in breadstuffs compared with last year, and $15,100,000 in all products. In two weeks of March exports have been 16 per cent larger than last year and imports have gained but 8.7 per cent, although especially swelled by receipts of India rubber, sugar and hides. The outgo of cotton surpasses all expectations though the price was stronger last week and the export demand apparently paid no attention to market fluctuations. Receipts from plantations continue much greater than at the corresponding date from the largest crop heretofore produced, so that the guesses about the future crop are now the main reliance of speculators.

Wheat also moves in spite of all speculation. Exports for three weeks from both coasts were 10,639,125 bushels against 4,538,441 bushels last year. The price has varied with conflicting reports, but closed ½c higher for the week.

Wool shows no change in quotations, though eastern markets are extremely dull and transactions were only 2,062,300 pounds this week against 10,891,900 pounds last year. Little encouragement appears in the market for cotton goods with print cloth 1-16c lower than a week ago and standard grades undersold by many of less note. The demand is large, but not large enough. In woolen goods, on the contrary, the material advance in prices has raised the only obstacle to increased transaction.

Pig iron is unchanged, and so are finished productions, except wire nails, which are 5 cents per keg weaker; and steel rails, which are said to be sold at $17.50 at the east by some establishments.

Failures for the week have been 208 in the United States against 216 last year.

ARMY BILL PREPARED.

It Contemplates That the Army Shall Have 104,000 Men.

The most interesting proposition yet made by the war department to meet the contingencies of the future probably has just been completed. It is the preparation of a bill providing among other sections for the placing of the army on a war footing for the full strength of 104,000 men. The bill has been carefully gone over by the war department, and was introduced in the house by Representative Hull.

In view of a possibility of a conflict with Spain, considerable interest centers just now in the strength of the military force that can be called on in case of necessity. According to the latest reports the total organized strength of the militia of the United States is 114,362, while the number of men available for military duty (organized) is 1,031,339.

BLANCO'S BOAST.

No Other Banner Than That of Spain at the Entrance to the Gulf.

General Blanco, at a banquet to the officers of the Vizcaya and the Almirante Oquendo, toasted "The King, the Queen Regent, the Army and Navy of Spain."

He said: "The present generation will never see another banner than that of Spain at the entrance to the Gulf of Mexico. That banner, representing civilization, progress, liberty, humanity and religion, will be eternal, like that of the first American nation."

Admiral Manterola, responding in behalf of the navy, said: "In union, the army and navy will always be indestructible."

Cruiser Amazonas Transferred.

At Gravesend, England, the cruiser Amazonas, built by the Armstrongs for Brazil and purchased by the United States, was formally transferred from the Brazilian flag to the stars and stripes Thursday. The ceremony was simple and dignified, and to the Brazilian officers it was somewhat pathetic.

A bill prohibiting the sale and distribution of newspapers in Canada issued on Sunday has passed a second reading in the Dominion house of commons.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS

The Senate—Monday.

During its session of three hours today the senate passed a considerable number of bills from the general calendar, among the number being one authorizing the construction of eight new revenue cutters not exceeding in aggregate cost the sum of $1,025,000. The national quarantine bill was made the regular order of business and will be taken up probably on Wednesday. ....Mr. Hoar called up a resolution reported by him from the judiciary committee providing for the submission to the legislatures of the various states of a proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States relative to the succession to the presidency. He desired simply to place in the record certain information bearing upon the success and briefly to impress senators with the desirability of passing the resolution at an early date in order to remedy a manifest defect in the constitution.

The House.

This being the second Monday of the month, it was given over, under the rules, to the consideration of business relating to the District of Columbia. The District business was concluded at 4:30 p. m. A few senate bills were passed, and at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate—Tuesday.

After the passage today of numerous bills from the calendar, the senate began the consideration of the measure providing for a national system of quarantine. Little beyond the reading was accomplished. Some desultory discussion occurred on an amendment offered by the committee, but no progress being made on the general bill....The bills passed were the following: To authorize the Pensacola, Alabama & Tennessee railroad to erect a bridge across the Alabama river in Wilcox county, Ala. To establish a light house at the Pass of Cape Fear river, Wilmington, at a cost not to exceed $70,000; to extend for the uses of the mail service the plan to adopt the return postal card of the United States Economic company. A bill to regulate the collection and disbursement of monies arising from leases made by the Seneca Nation to New York Indians was passed....A measure providing that United States marshals and district attorneys should continue to fill their respective offices till the appointment and qualification of their successors, was passed. On motion of Mr. Fairbanks, of Indiana, the senate at 3:45 p. m. went into executive session and at 5:25 p. m. adjourned.

The House.

The house agreed today to consider the bill for the relief of the legal heirs of the victims and survivors of the Maine disaster as soon as the report of the postoffice appropriation bill, which was taken up today, is out of the way. Mr. Loud, in charge of the postoffice bill, explained its provisions briefly. It carried $98,962,300, being $958,901 less than the estimates and $3,296,962 more than the appropriations for the current year. Mr. Bromwell made an extended speech against the appropriation for special fast mail facilities from Boston to New Orleans. During general debate on the bill the members generally took advantage of the latitude allowed in committee of the whole to discuss various political questions, and the debate accordingly covered a wide range. At the conclusion of the debate an arrangement was made to close general discussion until tomorrow at 3 o'clock.

The Senate—Wednesday.

The legislative session of the senate today was confined to the passage of a few bills largely of a local character. The national quarantine bill was not considered....The senate committee on foreign relations today agreed to recommend that the Hawaiian islands be annexed by legislation in open session and agreed upon a joint resolution for the accomplishment of this purpose, which Senator Davis was authorized to report to the senate. Later, in the senate chamber, Senator Davis reported a joint resolution providing for the annexation of the Hawaiian islands. The joint resolution went to the calendar....The amendments made by the house to the bill granting a right of way to the Omaha & Northern Railway company were agreed to and the bill passed....After other minor business the senate went into executive session....At 12:55 the senate resumed business in open session. Bills were passed as follows: To extend one year the time for the construction of the Denison & Northern railroad through the Indian Territory; to provide for submitting to the court of claims for determination the rights of the Delaware Indians in the Cherokee nation, the Mississippi Choctaws in the Choctaw nation, the Chickasaw freedmen in the Chickasaw nation and inter-married persons in the Choctaw, Chickasaw and Cherokee nations; and relating to the selection of inspectors of the hulls and boilers of vessels.... At 2 o'clock the senate went into executive session and at 4:20 p. m. adjourned.

The House.

The postoffice appropriation bill, which was technically the subject before the house, was almost lost track of in the senate today. Numerous topics were discussed, but for the first time the Cuba-Spanish question, which had been kept in the background heretofore, forged to the front. Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, brought the question into the arena, and in the course of the debate that followed Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, took occasion to deny emphatically the stories afloat to the effect that the president desired an early adjournment of congress, in order that he might effect a settlement without congressional interference....The subject of Hawaiian annexation also came in for attention today. Mr. Williams, of Mississippi; Mr. Adams, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Berry, of Kentucky, all members of the foreign affairs committee, made speeches upon the subject.

The Senate—Thursday.

The senate today passed bills as follows: To pay to Stewart College (now the Southwestern University), located at Clarksville, Tenn., $25,500 for damages done by Union troops during the war; to authorize the erection of a statue of the late President Lincoln at Gettysburg, Pa., to cost $50,000; to prohibit railroad companies from charging more than 3 cents per mile for carrying passengers through Indian Territory. Senator Bacon spoke in favor of the national quarantine bill. ....The senate then adjourned until Monday.

The House.

No political questions were discussed in the house today. The whole session was devoted to the postoffice appropriation bill. The questions which consumed the major portion of the time related to the allowance for clerk hire at postoffices and to rural free delivery. The house increased the allowance for rural free delivery from $150,000 to $300,000, and defeated the proposition for increased clerk hire.

The House—Friday.

The house spent another day on the postoffice appropriation bill, but only disposed of two pages of it. Most of the day was devoted to a debate on the merits of the pneumatic tube mail service in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, and the advisability of continuing existing contracts. Without completing the bill, the house adjourned.

The House—Saturday.

The house today passed the postoffice appropriation bill, which has been under consideration since Wednesday by a vote of 119 to 61. The main points of attack today were the appropriation of $30,000,000 and for railway train mails; and $171,000 for special mail facilities from New York to New Orleans.

These items annually attract more or less of a contest. This year the opposition seems to be less intent. All efforts to reduce the appropriation for railway transportation signally failed and the vote on the southern mail subsidy was 78 to 98, against striking out. By neat parliamentary manoeuvering the opponents of the subsidy were prevented from getting a direct vote on a motion to recommit with instructions.

At the opening session of the house today Mr. Dingley, the floor manager of the majority offered the bill reported from the ways and means committee, providing for the free entry into this country of guns, ammunition and other naval supplies and war material purchased abroad until January 1, 1899. He explained that the committee had unanimously reported the bill. It was asked for by the secretaries of war and navy. The bill was passed without division.

A PHILANTHROPIC CONSPIRACY.

Troy Messenger, March 15.

In several of it's recent issues the Birmingham Age-Herald has contained editorial articles charging that a deep laid "conspiracy" has been concocted by certain prominent school men of Alabama (naming Dr. Eldridge, president of the State Normal College,) "to defraud the people."

The matter is this:

There are yet about 600,000 acres of public land in Alabama. It belongs to the United States government, but instead of being a matter of profit, it is a source of loss, owing to the constant prosecution of trespassers and depredators.

Some time ago a bill was introduced in congress to grant a part of this public domain to the Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo and the Negro Normal School at Tuskegee. Friends of other schools having in equity as just claims as these mentioned, asked for similar favors and Dr. Eldridge, in keeping with his character as an earnest and liberal friend of education, proposed that the bill should be so amended as to donate the entire area of public land in Alabama to the cause of education, nearly one-half going to the common schools and the rest to the higher institutions. In this way these institutions, whose efficiency is hampered and whose very existence made precarious by the meagre support accorded them by the state, would ... a much more ... [illegible] ... the common schools be helped materially toward ... [illegible] ... enlightment and ... [illegible] ... people demand they shall be placed.

This is the whole story of the "conspiracy" and the deep-laid scheme to defraud the people.

And how?

Are the people of Alabama defrauded when the government of the United States donates them means for educating their children? And do the public lands of Alabama belong to the people of Alabama any more than they do to the people of California? They are the property of the general government, and if the people of Alabama can get them as a donation at all, whether to the common or the higher schools, it is a great piece of good fortune at which every friend of education ... and progress ought to rejoice.

If the Age-Herald wishes to make ... upon the Normal school, it should come ... and do it. All its talk about the "... against the many" and "the classes ... the masses," is the outworn war-cry of the demagogue. It is talk that appeals only to ignorance and prejudice. Every intelligent person knows that professional schools for teachers are an indispensable adjunct to the public school system. If there are more of these institutions than the necessities of the situation demand let the number be decreased, but let us support and applaud the efforts of those who are using every means to increase the efficiency of our public school system, who are striving to redeem Alabama from the dark stigma of illiteracy which unfortunately rests upon her.

Everybody interested in seeing the latest developments in high-grade wheels should send a postal to the John P. Lovell Company, Boston, Mass., for their new catalogue. It contains valuable information.

The first spectrum photograph of a meteor is the remarkable object lately secured by the Harvard University. It is hoped that this will show something of the condition of shooting-stars and meteorites on first entering the earth's atmosphere.

CURRENT EVENTS IN OUR OWN STATE.

INTERESTING SCHOOL STATISTICS

Given Out by State Superintendent, Dr. John O. Turner.

Dr. John O. Turner, state superintendent of education, has issued a circular giving the educational status of Alabama from 1855 to 1896. It was prepared in refutation of the recent attacks on the public school system of the state, and contains some very valuable information.

The school system of the state was organized in 1855. There was then appropriated to the school fund from all sources, $237,515.39. There were 145,388 pupils.

In the year 1896 there was contributed from all sources $657,516.64, to which must be added local municipal appropriations and moneys paid by patrons of public schools to supplement the salaries of teachers. And then there are thousands of dollars paid every year to private denominational institutions. There were 4,663 white schools; 2,283 colored schools; 4,764 white teachers; 2,266 colored teachers; 194,892 white pupils, and 113,615 colored pupils, making in all 308,507 pupils.

New Rifles for Alabama National Guard.

Letters have been received by Governor Johnston from the war department in Washington requesting that 450 of the old defective rifles of the Alabama National Guard be shipped to the United States arsenal at the earliest possible date.

As soon as they are received, 450 of the newest and most improved style of modern rifles will be shipped to Montgomery for the use of the national guard. These new rifles will be apportioned out among the various companies of the state according to their several needs.

Fire Extinguisher Explodes.

A fire was discovered Sunday in the chemical labaratory of the Birmingham Medical college. The laboratory is located in the fourth story of the Lunsford building. While fighting the fire with a Babcock extinguisher, Fireman Harry Mullen, brother of Chief Mullen, was seriously injured by the explosion of the extinguisher. Mullen's right arm was broken, his teeth were all broken out and his jaw fractured. The damage from the fire was small.

Former State Treasurer Dead.

Isaac H. Vincent, state treasurer of Alabama from 1878 to 1883, died in Palo Pinto, Tex., a few days ago, and was buried at LaFayette. Vincent was elected treasurer for the third term in 1882, and during that term absconded, leaving the state about $250,000 short. After several years he was arrested, tried and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of years. He was pardoned by the governor in 1892.

Geneva's Court House Burned.

The court house at Geneva was destroyed by fire Saturday about 2 o'clock in the morning. The building is a total wreck, and the contents, among them all of the records of the county, were entirely consumed. The loss, as far as the building is concerned, is about $10,000, and there was no insurance on it. The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

Mobile Gets a New Theater.

J. Pollock, a wealthy dry goods man has purchased the old Mobile theater for $35,000 and will rebuild a fine new structure on the most improved plans, with large hotel in rear and modern trade front. The scheme is not connected with any Eastern trust, being a purely local effort.

Big Purchase by the M. & O.

The Mobile & Ohio railroad has bought 1,000 feet of river frontage just north of the mouth of One Mile Creek at Mobile, paying $37,500. The property is to be used to improve the terminal facilities of the road. Slips and wharves will be built in the property.

Fell to His Death.

B. F. Durkin, aged 31, was killed Monday evening while at work on one of the pipe works buildings in Anniston. Durkin fell to his death from a tall point on the building. He fell upon a pile of iron and his head was horribly crushed. He died instantly.

High Tribute to an Alabamian.

Dr. John H. Phillips, superintendent of the Birmingham public schools, has been selected by Mayor Carter Harrison as one of four expert educators from the south to examine into the school system of Chicago with the view of furthering its efficiency.

Line Repairer Fatally Injured.

W. H. Jordan, chief line repairer of the Birmingham Railway and Electric company, while repairing a trolly wire received a shock which knocked him from the top of a fifteen-foot ladder, fracturing his skull and inflicting probably fatal injuries.

Colonel McClure Coming.

Col. A. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia Times, will be the guest of Birmingham Friday and Saturday. A program for his entertainment includes an informal reception and tour of the district.

Hays Elected Mayor of Abbeville.

In the Abbeville city election B. B. Hays was elected mayor over three other candidates. Mr. Hays is only 23 years of age. Kirtand, Laney, Mills and Owens were elected councilmen.

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THE report of the committee investigating the Maine disaster is expected every day. Meanwhile war preparations continue with unabated vigor. About $25,000,000 has been spent on the navy.

THE Democratic executive committee of the Fourth congressional district is called to meet at Montgomery on April 20, for the purpose of naming time and place for holding a congressional convention to represent this district in congress. Wonder why the committee can't meet somewhere in the district. Clanton would welcome them.

THE Montgomery Journal says: "The signs become more apparent every day that there promises to be a deplorable and unusual amount of trading in the coming state convention. It is to be hoped that the delegates will not permit the will of their constituents to be thwarted by the personal scheming of self-seeking slate-makers, who realize that their only chance of success lies in unscrupulous trading. Verbrim sapientes."

TOM WATSON has repeatedly stated he would not be a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination in Georgia, and would not accept it if offered to him. That statement evidently had no weight with the convention, and last week he was unanimously nominated. Whether he will accept the nomination, or adhere to his previous declarations, has not yet been decided. If he accepts he has a big job on his hands, and if he declines he puts the People's Party in Georgia in bad shape.

UP to the present there are only two candidates publicly before the people of Chilton county for the respective offices of Probate Judge and Circuit Clerk. Rumor has it, however, there are others. The people are entitled, and ought to know what candidates are seeking their support and upon what grounds. Then they are in a position to make an intelligent choice. There are various tales afloat about independent candidates. This, however, is not a matter of concern at present and can very well be attended to when the time arrives. What the Populists of Chilton want to know now is who the candidates are before their primary.

MONTGOMERY gets the Populist State convention. The committee appointed to select the place for holding the Populist State convention has decided upon Montgomery. Chairman Deans stated that the Populists in Montgomery seemed to take more interest in the State convention than Birmingham did and that they offered better inducements. The convention will be held in McDonald's opera house, and not the capitol. The committee found that the expense of getting the hall of the capitol in shape was about as much as renting the opera house. The date of the convention, as has previously been published is Wednesday and Thursday, May 4 and 5. There will be about 500 delegates present. Chairman Deans stated that there were really no candidates out for any of the offices. M. W. Howard of Cullman and J. H. Harris of Chambers are spoken of as gubernatorial nominees. But there is no way of telling what the convention will do about this and other offices. From the present outlook the ticket put out would be a straight Populist ticket; that is, that there would be no Republicans on it, as in 1896.

J. W. MOORE.

The announcement of Supt. J. W Moore as a candidate for Judge of Probate, to be found in another column, is gratifying to his large circle of friends who will do all in their power to secure for him the nomination and elect him. Always quiet and unassuming Prof. Moore, by close application to his noble profession, has advanced himself to the front ranks of the teachers of the State, and his devotion to the cause of education has been greatly appreciated by the people of Chilton county, who have thrice signified their approbation by electing him Superintendent of Education. Never neglecting his duties, and always anxious to do what was right Prof. Moore has made an admirable superintendent, and THE BANNER has not the slightest doubt, that if he is chosen by the people to be their Judge of Probate, the same excellent service will be rendered by him in that position that he has given in the office he is now giving up.

The Discovery of The Day.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and to day stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at all Drug Stores.

E B DEASON

Mr. E. B. Deason, who this week announces himself a candidate for the position of Clerk of the Circuit Court, is a gentleman new in political life, whose friends have induced him to make the race, knowing him to be well qualified to fill the office. Mr. Deason's life has been spent in the neighborhood of Kincheon where his exemplary conduct has made strong friends of all his neighbors. Left fatherless at an early age, his devotion to his widowed mother has been boundless, while by his own exertions and studies he has gained an excellent education. As a school teacher his patrons pronounce him a success, and his experience as a bookkeeper would doubtless prove very useful if he secures the office he seeks. For some time his health was not very good, but after a brief sojourn in Florida he returned home and has since greatly improved. He will be a strong candidate.

I have been afflicted with rheumatism for fourteen years and nothing seemed to give any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned.—Josh. Edgar, Germantown, Cal. For sale by J. S. Johnson, Jr.

J. MONROE BURNETT.

Another new candidate for political honors, whose announcement we publish this week is Mr. J. Monroe Burnett, of Strasburg. Mr. Burnett is a good example of the rising young men of Chilton. He was born and raised in the county, has been educated in the county, and for the first time asks his fellow-citizens to entrust him with a public office, that of Clerk of the Circuit Court. That Mr. Burnett is fully competent to perform the duties of the office we are assured. He is a Populist and always has been since the formation of the party, and is also a member of the Farmer's Alliance. If elected he will bring to the office a bright intellect capable of grappling with all that comes before him, and reflect credit upon the county.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., March 28, 1893

Governor Leedy of Kansas comes in for his usual share of abuse from the plutocratic press, on account of his criticism of the recent Supreme Court decision on the maximum freight bill of Nebraska. The chief point of attack on the Governor was that when the Associated Press announced "a clean victory for the railroads," he merely suggested that it seemed to him an "unclean" victory. For this, he is stigmatized as "a dangerous man," whose "fool friends" should cease to follow him.

Twenty thousand people listened to W. J. Bryan speak at Atlanta, Ga., March 15, and when he referred to the war scare and eulogized the conduct of Consul-General Fitzhugh Lee, unbounded enthusiasm prevailed.

At many points in the west and south citizens' tickets, combining all the anti-Republican elements, are announced in the county and municipal campaigns.

Jerry Botkin of Kansas recently declined an invitation to the grand ball celebrating the anniversary of President McKinley's inauguration, and gave as one of his reasons that he, in common with many other M. C's, would be too busy trying to contrive means for overcoming the daily deficiency caused by the Dingley tariff law.

Governor Pingree issued a manifesto warning the members of the Michigan General Assembly, who were called by him to meet in extra session, against the acceptance of free railroad tickets or passes and reminded them that a law on the statute books of that state, forbids such compromising deals.

After many months of delay the senate has confirmed the nomination of T. V. Powderly for Immigration Commissioner, all but one Republican voting for, and all Democrats but three, against such a step. The Populists, of course, opposed an act that is a direct insult to organized labor. Senator Stewart read a letter from Powderly written in '92, in which he expressed views diametrically opposed to those espoused by him in '96. Mark Hanna defended Powderly. No more need be said.

Arrangements have been perfected between the Republican national committee and the congressional committeemen, so that the coming congressional campaigns can be carried on under the eye and with the advice and aid of national chairman Hanna.

Labor Unions, all over the United States have passed resolutions condemning the verdict of the jury in the case against Sheriff Martin and his deputies for shooting the striking miners at Hazelton, Penn.

The New York Sun has been having a bad case of rabies over the fact that Senator Allen, of Nebraska, is so frequently heard from in the Senate. It characterises his frequent and effective utterances as "brutal, aggressive, shameful monopoly."

The house committee on elections reported favorably the bill for a constitutional amendment making the term of congressmen four, instead of two years.

The Georgia Populist convention adjourned at 3 a. m. March 17 having named the following state ticket. Gov. Thos. Watson; Sec. of State Z. O. Jackson; Treasurer J. H. Taylor; School Commissioner B. M. Zettler; Chief Justice Walter B. Hill; Attorney General Carey Thornton. Gen. Phillips, W. D. Hawkins, and Chas. E. McGregar were elected national committeemen. The Nashville conference and the action of the "National Organization Committee" was heartily endorsed. The immediate election of a new national chairman in place of Senator Marion Butler was demanded of the national committee.

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Journalism and the Stage.

The two professions which attract most young women to New York are the stage and journalism. On an average ten applications for positions are filed every day with the manager of a single theater on Broadway, and three-fourths of the applicants are young women. The managing editor of a great newspaper suffers less, perhaps, from personal interruptions of this sort, from the fact that about him is an abatis of subeditors and question clerks through which it is almost impossible to pass. This abatis is a test of the applicant's grit and perseverance, and the managing editor knows, without further question, that a young woman who succeeds in reaching his side has qualities that are useful to the news getter. In concluding these remarks a contributor to The Puritan says, "Grit and perseverance for journalism and a pretty face and 'chic' manners for the stage are the qualifications most likely to win a hearing for the young woman who would enter either of these professions."

The Horse Tail.

Have you ever found a plant called the horsetail? It grows like a hollow jointed cane, with spiky leaves like fir needles coming out on all sides. This little grass has a wonderful history, and it is even claimed that it is the oldest in the world. Plants of many kinds are found in a fossil state in the oldest rocks, sometimes buried deep in mines and sometimes in rocks which have been torn out of the earth by fierce earthquakes and hurricanes, but the oldest of these fossil plants are quite different to every flower and leaf that grows upon the earth nowadays except the horsetails. They, and they alone, seem to be descendants of the grasses which grew before the flood and before the time of Job and even before Adam's creation.

The horsetails are now found in all parts of the world, and you may see them growing in shallow ponds and in wet fields and marshes. Is it not strange to think that they grew so long, long ago?

Straight From Dublin.

An Irishman, hailing from Dublin, recently came across the channel and enlisted in a line regiment.

One morning, when assembling on parade for drill, Pat happened to fall in next to a London recruit. On the order "Double!" being given by the drill sergeant, the cockney was heard to exclaim, "Oh, haug doubling!"

To which Pat immediately replied, "And hang London, ye spalpeer.!"—Answers.

He Couldn't Bluff.

He called her finally.

"Threes!" she exclaimed triumphantly.

He himself hadn't anything to show, and he should have said, "That's good," but what he did say was, "Blankety blank!" or words to that effect.

Whereupon the nurse sniffed and withdrew with the triplets howling in her arms.—New York Journal.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. Sold by [illegible].

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here are three little things w[illegible] more work than any other [illegible] things created—they are [illegible] the bee and DeWitt's L[illegible] y Risers, the last being the [illegible]s little pills for stomach [illegible] troubles. Stanfield & M[illegible]s.

[illegible]r. Felix Dudley has gone to S[illegible]ks, where he has secured a p[illegible]

[illegible]on. S. W. Johnston, of Atta[illegible] came to our town to institu[illegible] Knights of Pythias Lodge [illegible]p., was the guest of his sist[illegible] E. A. Matthews.

[illegible]e B. Y. P. U. will meet at t[illegible]ist church on Tuesday eveni[illegible] inst., at 7:30 o'clock.

[illegible]e Epworth League meeti[illegible]week will be conducted und[illegible] direction of the Charity a[illegible] Department and will [illegible] at the residence of Mrs. Ha[illegible]n Friday evening, 25th ins[illegible]ming at 7:30 o'clock. Ever[illegible] invited.

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Miss Courtney Duke went to Montgomery, yesterday and will spend a few days there.

Mrs. W. A Collier is down from Birmingham, paying a visit to her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Guildhorn.

Miss Addie Watts left Saturday for a visit to Montgomery and returned on Monday.

Mr. C. W. Robinson has moved his family into the Edwards house.

Tax collector T. J. Hubbard was a visitor here yesterday.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the little bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

Dr. Felix Dudley has gone to Sissonville where he has secured a position.

Mr. S. W. Johnston, of Attalla, has come to our town to institute a lodge of Knights of Pythias Lodge this week. He was the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. Matthews.

The B. Y. P. U. will meet at the Baptist church on Tuesday evening, March 21st., at 7:30 o'clock.

The Epworth League meeting next week will be conducted under the direction of the Charity and Relief Department and will be held at the residence of Mrs. Hanson on Friday evening, 24th inst., beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Everybody invited.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration is cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

Tax assessor A. C. Mims was in town Tuesday.

Mr. J. Monroe Burnett, of Strassburg was in town yesterday.

Mr. S. M. Adams, of Jemison, was a visitor here yesterday, and the people may look for his announcement next week.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chatteis, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 3 in the town of Maplesville, Alabama, together with the two-story store-house thereon, which said Lot is bounded as follows, to-wit: On the east by the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad; on the south by property of A. S. Woolsey, on north and west by property of Dr. J. S. Johnson, Sr., and to be sold as subject to two mortgages executed by said S. A. Foshee to Minthorne Woolsey, and by said Woolsey duly transferred and assigned to H. J. Foshee. And also Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton County, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

The above sale is continued to Monday March 28, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Sallie Hanlin, by the sale of the following described property, to wit:

Commencing at the south-east corner of the south-west quarter of south-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a western direction forty feet thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and twenty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land, and living and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named Sallie Hanlin in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 6th day of January, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued until Monday, March 28, 1898.

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Dr. Cady's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by Dr. J. S. Johnson, Jr. Clanton.

Notice of Day Set for Hearing Probate of Will.

The State of Alabama } In the Probate
Chilton County } Court.

To James S. Allen and George Allen, of Arkadia, La., and Ella Christopher, residence unknown:

You will please take notice that on the 18th day of March, 1898, a certain paper in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. P. Allen, deceased, was filed in my office for probate by Sudie Garner, and that the 25th day of April, 1898, was appointed a day for hearing thereof, at which time you can appear and contest the same, if you see proper.

Given under my hand this 21st day of March, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

Notice Of Application for Pardon.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that application will be made to the Governor of Alabama on or before April 1, 1898, to pardon Dave Carter, colored, who was convicted at the Spring term 1897 of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, of the offense of rocking a train. SALLY MIDDLEBROOKS.

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Notice to Delinquent Tax-Payers.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

The Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due. The persons named below are reported as delinquent, and the following real estate is reported as assessed to them, to wit:

BEAT No. 1.

R B Jordan sw ¼ of nw ¼ section 18 township 24 range 15 tax and costs $2.81

BEAT No. 2.

James Y Boyd n ½ of nw ¼ sec 20 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.28

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 23 tp 24 r 13 tax and cost $3.10

BEAT No. 3.

N B Sowall se ¼ of se ¼ sec 4 tp 21 r 13 tax and cost $3.10

BEAT No. 4.

C P Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $3.25

BEAT No. 5

G L Werth e ½ of nw ¼, sw ¼ of nw ¼, sec 4 tp 20 r 16 18 acres in se cor of se ¼ of ne ¼ sec 36 tp 21 r 15 s ½ of e ½ of nw ¼, and nw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $9.95

John L Harrell ne ¼ of sw ¼, nw ¼ of se ¼ sec 7 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.54

E H Downs 2 acres in nw cor of nw qr of ne qr sec 27 tp 21 r 15 tax and costs $11.46

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 8 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15. Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $16.10

G B Morgan n ½ of nw ¼ sec 23 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.44

Miss S A Green part of the nw qr of nw qr and part of the sw qr of nw qr sec 6 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $9.32

James Sharp sw qr of sw qr sec 16 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $3.07

BEAT No. 6.

W E Waits nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ of s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, ne ¼ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $11.43

James Jones se ¼ sec 12 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.15

H W Gardner se ¼ of nw ¼, e ½ of sw ¼, w ½ of se ¼, w ½ of ne ¼ less 12 acres sec 22 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $7.76

UNKNOWN OWNERS.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers, and of real estate upon which taxes are due; and therein is reported assessed to "Owner Unknown" the following real estate, to wit;

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $3.69

W ½ of se qr sec 2 tp 20 r 13 tax and costs $3.89

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $2.97

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $3.03

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $3.89

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $2.81

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.81

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $3.89

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.29

This is to notify you to appear before the Probate Court of said county at the next term thereof, commencing Monday the 11th. day of April, 1898, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why a decree for the sale of said real estate should not be made for the payment of the taxes assessed against you and fees and costs.

This 10th day of March, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

SHERIFF' SALE.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Kellett Campbell, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Kellett Campbell, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

One dark bay Mule.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named Kellett Campbell in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Ala.

Dated at Clanton, Ala. this 24th day of March, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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SHOES—Bought at sheriff's sale; all go for one-half of original cost.

BLACK SAILOR HATS—Latest styles and shapes, worth 50 cents, now go for only 16 cents.

Lace Pillow Shams, handsomest patterns and designs, at 24 cents a pair. Pillow Shams, in cloth, with turkey red work, 35 cents a pair. 100 pieces Laces and Embroidery 1 cent a yard and up. Handkerchiefs 3 cents and up. Full line of Summer Suits at the very lowest prices. White Bed Spreads, heavy and large, at 75 cents, regular price $2.00.

Large receipts of Ducking, in bundles. All colors. This is our specialty. Still selling at same price, 90 cents per bundle. This is the cheapest lot of goods ever brought to Chilton county.

PANTS—Just received 500 pairs of pants latest styles and all wool materials. Bought at bankrupt sale. All go at 50 cents on dollar.

HATS—Having bought at forced sale from L. & N. R. R. Co. a lot of hats at a great sacrifice, I offer this lot at 50 cents on the dollar of price. We are still selling brass pins at 1 cent per paper.

We are daily receiving new goods from the Eastern markets and it will give us great pleasure to show them. Everybody is invited to call and examine these goods. Thanking the public for past favors.

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EMINENT DIVINES SERMONS

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

"Peace in the Soul" Is the Title of the Rev. George H. Hepworth's Sermon, Preached in the New York Herald's Columns—An Address by D. L. Moody.

"For the kingdom of God is joy and peace."—Romans xiv., 17.

The Bible is the most practical book in the world. There is very little theology in it—not as much as some people think—but a great many inspired bits of advice as to the conduct of every day life, as though the writer loved the men and women who would read his word and was actuated by no other motive than to help them over rough places. For this reason the Book has maintained its hold on mankind. It is friendly, kindly and encouraging, a book not to be read through at a sitting, but to be taken up at odd times and glanced at just as you would look at a handful of jewels for a moment and then put them away.

I have noticed that it makes many, very many references to peace and joy—not the peace of a nation, that busy peace in which we compete for personal gain, but the peace of the heart, which creates contentment and keeps the soul in poise and equilibrium; the peace which makes a man feel that everything will come out right in the end because nothing can come out wrong when God is guiding our affairs. It is often spoken of in very extreme language as "the peace that passeth understanding," like the peace which a sensitive soul enjoys when it gazes on a magnificent landscape, or like that which the lover of music has when he is listening to some superb orchestra, or like that which a mother has when she is sitting by the cradle of her first born, a peace that refuses to be analyzed, but is so deep and strange that no one can describe it to a person who has not felt it.

I am talking to myself as well as to you when I say that we could get a great deal more out of life if we were more reposeful. We expend so much energy on trivial things, things so unimportant that it does not matter greatly how they go. We allow ourselves to be disturbed by small matters, whereas the soul is big enough to look on them with indifference. We keep ourselves in a condition of nervous tension, which is not simply hurtful to the body but equally so to the spiritual nature. Body and soul are so closely related that over excitement of the one seems to throw the other off its balance. You and I cannot be at out best until we are tranquil in heart with that kind of tranquillity which rests on the firm basis of faith that the angels of God are looking after our interests and trying to persuade us to take the right road to heaven. There is just an atom of insanity in us, and when we grow restless that atom is fanned into a flame. The truly sane man is the quiet souled man. I say, therefore, since Christianity teaches a man to be quiescent, that the Christian religion will both make us sane and keep us so.

When crossing the ocean recently our ship ran into a storm. The sea was very rough, the fog closed in on all sides, and we had an uncomfortable time. The waves were in an ugly mood, and on two or three occasions swept the deck. I enjoyed it as little as did the other passengers and should have been grateful for a ray of sunshine. But that was not to be thought of. Suppose I had taken on myself the responsibility of the situation. The captain was on the bridge night and day, but suppose I had allowed myself to wonder whether he knew his business, and had offered him advice as to the conduct of the vessel. Would that have allayed the tempest, would it have stilled the troubled waters, would it have kept the ship from rolling uneasily? I should not only have done no good, but should have interfered to my own detriment. My duty was to keep on my feet as best I could, not to go beyond my province as a passenger, to bear in mind that the captain had passed safely through a thousand worse storms and was showing no anxiety about this one. If I had faith in the master of the craft there was no need to be afraid. Any doubt as to his ability would at once create havoc of mind and
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does not cheerfully meet his fate, has a lurking doubt of God's existence. He may deny it to others, but he must needs admit it to himself. He may accept the longest creed that was ever written and be orthodox in all the details of his professed belief, but if you could find your way into his heart of hearts you would discover that his faith in God is a social or ecclesiastical luxury, and as such is worth very little.

Did Christ have any doubt that a legion of angels would minister unto Him in His necessity? Can you conceive of Him as sitting at the window of His friend's house in Bethany on the night before the crucifixion and wondering if He could go through the next day's experience? On the contrary, He was self-possessed, even cheerful, and if the opportunity to avoid the cross had been offered He would not have used it. He knew that the Father was there, that the Father would be with Him, and that the cruel nails could not pain Him so much as a doubt of that Father's love.

We cannot follow that example except in a far off way. He said 'Thy will be done' without a tremor, but we can say it with a tremor. The highest expression is repose, truthful repose of soul, but you cannot be self-possessed until you know that you are possessed of God. The essence of religion is the soul's consciousness that as its day so shall be its strength; that God and you can do anything and bear anything. After that you will be supremely quiescent and serene. He who has hold of God's hand and knows it is the most cheerful soul this side of Heaven.

GEORGE H. HEPWORTH.

DWIGHT L. MOODY SPEAKS.

Address by the Evangelist at a Crowded Meeting in New York.

Dwight L. Moody has been holding a series of crowded meetings in New York. The following account is from one of the famous evangelist's addresses there:

"In Luke xix., 10, is the keynote of this whole meeting. 'The Son of Man is come to seek and save that which is lost.' Even now I am cast down. A life-long friend has come to me saying that his health is lost and that it is only a question of time when he passes away. I am sad, I say, yet he has the promise of a beautiful life hereafter. Some friend of yours has lost his wealth, is reduced in life. You sympathize with him, I sympathize with him. And yet with all this misfortune there is a hope for a better life.

"To-day I passed the eye infirmary, across from where I am staying, where I am told are many little ones hopelessly blind. I cannot look at that building without a pang in my heart. A doctor told me that a mother brought her beautiful little child to him and said that it hadn't opened its eyes for several days. He looked at the little child and told her that it was blind. 'Yes,' said she, 'it has been blind for several days. It will be blind forever,' he told her. Then there came a wail from her heart that nearly broke my heart to hear of. Her child could never see its mother. Yet there is the hope that the child will be glorified in another world.

"On my way here I passed the Hospital for Cripples. I could not help but sympathize with them. And yet there is hope for these poor beings. There is the hope of another body—a glorified likeness of our Saviour Jesus Christ. And yet—and yet it is so hard for people to realize what it means to be lost—yes, L-O-S-T!"

The evangelist's voice thundered as he hurled this down upon the audience. A low murmur came in recognition of its force.

"What is it to be lost! When I came to New York twenty years ago little Charlie Ross had just been lost. The whole nation was moved as it had not been moved since the war. They gave me the picture of the child, asking that I search my congregation for some trace of him. Devoted friends of his mother came day after day, searching for the little child. Many and many a mother wept at the thought of the anguish of that boy's mother. And yet there are millions of mothers that have lost their sons, for these sons have missed the word of God!

"Again, I will tell you another story. In one of the towns in the West where I was preaching two little children had wandered into the woods—a brother and a sister. All day men searched for them and they were not found. The day following these men could do nothing at their labor. So they formed a line—a thousand of them—all a few feet apart, and scoured the woods. Then when the word came down the line that the little ones had been found safe and well, how that town was stirred.

"And yet, I tell you, here are hundreds and hundreds of drunkards, young men lost in vice, lost forever, and yet this town is never stirred. Think of the young men going down, down, down, deeper into vice, while no one seems to be moved.

"Except that man be born again he cannot see the Kingdom of God.

"There is not a poor drunkard nor a fallen woman that God does not want. They do not believe, perhaps, that God wants them. Go hunt them up. Tell them the Word of God.

"A certain woman has ten pieces of silver, and loses one. Does she let it go? No! She gets a broom and raises a dust and a commotion. She doesn't wait for the silver to come back. Then when she is successful she says: 'Rejoice with me, I have found the piece of silver.'

"There will be a great joy in New York when the lost are found. Luke said: 'Then drew unto Him the publicans and sinners.' It got out that Christ wanted the lost ones to come unto Him, the publicans and sinners. Then they came. What you must do is to publish that God seeks the sinner. If there is any one that is tired of sin, I bring you good news. The Shepherd is the same. He is still seeking you.

"A mother wrote to her infidel son, 'Go to Moody and Sankey's meeting.' That was in 1874. He said 'Yes,' and that was all she could get out of him. He would go if it wasn't too much trouble. The first meeting in Brooklyn chanced to be within a block of his home. He came. He said that he had no thought when he gave the promise that it would be so near, but it was a bore, anyhow. Next night he was converted. 'Have you written your mother?' I asked him. 'No,' said he, 'I've cabled.' That's the way the Shepherd seeks.

"While the Son of God seeks, you seek, too. I never knew one that was really seeking that didn't find. I told a man I knew that I could name the day and hour when he would be saved. 'Ho,' said he, 'I didn't know there was a prophet in your family.' 'Neither is there,' said I. 'I'm no prophet, but I can tell.' 'When?' he asked. 'The day and hour when you earnestly seek God.'

"God isn't going to save the man that is asleep. I saw a man at one of our meetings who stood with his hands in his pockets, leaning against a pillar. 'Do you wish to be saved?' I asked him. 'I've no objection,' he answered. Seek the Lord where he may be found. Can the Lord be found here to-day? Come, I ask you. Can the Lord be found here to-day?"

"Yes, yes," cried a dozen voices in reply. The evangelist nodded his head in pleasure.

"Seek the Lord where he may be found. Seek as men seek gold. It won't take long to find Him. Look at the crowd rushing into the Klondike. If men were as anxious to get into the Golden City as they are to get into the Klondike they would be saved readily enough. If they were as anxious for God as some of them seem to be for war just now, they would find Him easily enough.

"You don't have to wait to be saved. Pray now 'Lord, save me.' If it is a heartfelt cry, you'll be saved. If out of work or discouraged, cry out. God will hear you. How do I know, you ask? Because I have seen thousands saved. It is one of the easiest yet one of the hardest things in the world to be saved. But it's easy when you once make up your mind.

"Now let us pray that all in this house be saved. Let us continue in silent prayer."

Kneeling, the evangelist lifted his face, still clutching at his breast the song book. After a moment of restlessness, the great audience settled in a deep, intense silence. It was broken by the evangelist arising and asking that a hymn be sung. Then he spoke again.

"Come with me!" he cried; "come and be saved. Let all that wish to know the word of God come with me into that room over there. I will counsel with them.

"If there is any one beside you that needs converting, speak with them. If they be timid, bring them with you. Come."

Arising, the evangelist moved down from the platform, taking his way to the room at the rear. The crowd turned, and dozens of individuals followed in the evangelist's wake. There in that room they obtained his counsel and cheer, and with smiling faces went upon their ways.

COUNTERFEITING IN PRISON.

Convicts Take Metal From the Engines and Coin Nickels.

A counterfeiting plant has been discovered within the walls of the State Prison at Folsom, Cal. The work was done in the engine room by Convicts L. H. Coyne and James Brown. So far as known only nickels were coined, presumably because no silver could be obtained. When the officers rushed in Coyne and Brown leaped through a window and threw their dies and crucibles into a canal leading to the American River. A large number of well executed five-cent pieces were found. They were made from Babbit metal taken from the engines which run through the prison ground is for the purpose of hauling rock from the quarries.

It is thought that the dies or moulds were not made by the men who coined the money, but by some of the expert counterfeiters in the prison. Several of the bogus coins have been found in circulation in the town of Folsom.

SHARK CATCHERS DROWNED.

Four Japanese Lose Their Lives in the Surf in an Exciting Hunt.

Four Japanese fishermen were drowned near Pacific Grove, Cal., while harpooning sharks. Japanese catch sharks for oil, which nets twenty-five cents a gallon. Two boats went out, with three men in one and four in the other. The boats were lashed together with cross pieces so that they would better withstand the lunges of sharks when harpooned. A school of white sharks appeared early in the afternoon, and one fully twenty-five feet long, was harpooned. Instead of rushing out to sea as wounded sharks usually do, this one made for the shore and dragged the boats into the surf. Four huge rollers were encountered and capsized the boats. Three men in one of the boats reached shore. The others were drowned.

War on Food Adulterations.

The pure food congress at Washington was attended by about 200 delegates. War against food adulteration was declared in strong terms.

Prosperous American Farmers.

American farmers received $5,000,000 more for their products in 1897 than they did in 1896.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR MARCH 27.

Review of the Twelve Lessons of the First Quarter—Golden Text: Matthew xvi., 16—Commentary on the Quarter's Lesson by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

LESSON I.—Jesus and John (Math. iii., 7-17). Golden Text, Math. iii., 17. "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." The first and last lessons of the quarter concern Jesus and John. In this first lesson John points Him out as the One who baptizeth with the Holy Ghost and will one day thoroughly separate between the chaff and the wheat. As He is baptized by John in Jordan, the heavens are opened, the Spirit as a dove abides upon Him, and the Father testifies from heaven in the words of the Golden Text.

LESSON II.—Jesus Tempted (Math. iv., 1-11). Golden Text, Heb. ii., 18. "For in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succor them that are tempted." From the third chapter of the Bible to the third chapter from the end of it there is the record of a great enemy of God and man, that old serpent, the devil, who like a roaring lion walketh about seeking whom he may devour. If he can conquer the Captain of our Salvation, then our cause is lost, but if our David can vanquish this Goliath, victory is sure. As our blessed Lord by the sword of the Spirit defeated the enemy, so may we, and there is no other way. Satan's first attack in Eden was upon the word of God. We must receive it meekly and hold it fast.

LESSON III.—Beginning of the Ministry of Jesus (Math. iv., 17-25). Golden Text, Math. iv., 16. "The people which sat in darkness saw great light." As He dwelt at Capernaum they saw the light of His life, and wherever His people dwell the light of His life of love and compassion, of meekness and lowliness, should be made manifest. He called Peter and Andrew and James and John that he might make them fishers of men by having them follow Him. One of His last words to Peter was, "Follow thou Me" (John xxi., 22).

LESSON IV.—The Beatitudes (Math. v., 1-12). Golden Text, Math. v., 14. "Ye are the light of the world." As He begins His discourse, His first word is "blessed," for He came to bless and save and restore, not like the great enemy, to curse and to destroy. And who are the blessed in His sight? Not the proud, the mighty, the wise and the rich, but the poor in spirit. This is the key to all true blessedness, and without it there is none. It is at the foundation of all blessing. He became poor for our sakes.

LESSON V.—How to Pray (Math. vi., 5-15). Golden Text, Math. vi., 6, "Pray to thy Father, which is in secret." All life is lived either before God or men, either to please God or man, unto God or unto self. How very few live the former, how very many the latter. Even Christians are tempted to do good, pray, fast, etc., with reference to the opinion of their fellows rather than as in the sight of God. Our Lord Jesus had but one aim—to glorify the Father.

LESSON VI.—Our Father's Care (Math. vi., 24-34). Golden Text, I Pet. v., 7, "He careth for you." Three times in this lesson we are told to "take no thought," or "be not anxious," and the reason given for this precept is, "For your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of these things." Children of an earthly father could only grieve their father by anxiety about their food and raiment. It is his affair to see to those things. It is theirs to be good and obedient children, a credit and a comfort to him.

LESSON VII.—The Call of Matthew (Math. ix., 9-17). Golden Text, Math. ix., 9, "Follow Me." In chapters viii. and ix. we see Him preaching, teaching, healing, going about doing good. Matthew had been a receiver for those who kept for themselves and cared not how much they oppressed the poor, but now he is to receive in order to give to the poor. He is to be a channel of blessing between the Great Fountain and the perishing all about him. He begins by making a feast for our Lord, and that in the presence of His enemies. Are we ready and glad to honor our Lord before His enemies? Do we not care what men think or say of us if only we can glorify Him? If so, it is well.

LESSON VIII.—The Twelve Sent Forth (Math. x., 2-15). Golden Text, Math. x., 8, "Freely ye have received, freely give." Let us not forget the three great prayers which we should ever pray—that He would send forth laborers; that He would make Jerusalem a praise in the earth, and that He would come quickly (Math. ix., 38; Isa. lxii., 6, 7; Rev. xxii., 20).

LESSON IX.—Warning and Invitation (Math. xi., 20-30). Golden Text, Math. xi., 28, "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." It is well to remember that privilege increases responsibility, to whom much is given of him shall much be required. If He has led us to know Him, it is that others may through us know Him, too. If He has caused us to be specially taught in His work, it is that through us He may teach others also.

LESSON X.—Jesus and the Sabbath (Math. xii., 1-13). Golden Text, Math. xii., 8, "The Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath day." Not days, however holy, nor ordinances nor institutions, however ancient and honorable, must be exalted above Him. These Pharisees would honor the Sabbath above the Lord of the Sabbath because they knew Him not. If we honor anything above Him, it is because we know Him not. Our motto must be, "The Lord alone shall be exalted" (Isa. ii., 11, 17).

LESSON XI.—The Wheat and the Tares (Math. xiii., 24-30, 36-43). Golden Text, Math. xiii., 37, "He that soweth the good seed is the Son of Man." He sows nothing but good seed, the incorruptible seed of the word, which, when received into our hearts, makes us the good seed of this parable, to be planted in the soil of constant death to self that the seed may multiply, for except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die it abideth alone, but if it die it bringeth forth much fruit (John xii., 24). The Son of Man is not discouraged because only a part of the seed bears fruit and tares grow among the wheat. He knew that it would be so, but He shall yet see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied. The earth shall be filled with His glory, but not till after the harvest or end of this age.

LESSON XII.—John the Baptist Beheaded (Math. xiv., 1-12). Golden Text, Prov. iv., 23, "Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life." The application of this golden text to the lesson is a little difficult, for John's heart was all right, but there was no use telling Herod or Herodias to keep their hearts, for they could not do it.—Lesson Helper.

Torpedo Boat Destroyer.

According to a special dispatch from Sunderland the United States Government has purchased a torpedo boat destroyer from a ship-builder named Dorsors of that place. It is further stated that the boat is to have a speed of thirty knots an hour. Men are reported to be working nights to complete the boat.

Transferring Batteries.

Batteries B and F, Fourth United States artillery, are been transferred from Fort Ril... Kan., to the south. Battery F goe... Savannah, Ga., and Battery B to... Orleans.

TRUMPET CALLS.

Sam's Horn Sounds a Warning Note to the Unredeemed.

A POLICY politician never faces an issue.

Truth is a dead certainty; yet it lives.

In this universe of puzzles, the greatest is God's love for us.

What men call results, are with God only beginnings.

The weakest saint on his knees is too strong for the devil.

God alone can change us. Others can only bring out what is in us.

"No man hath seen God," but the heart sees farther than the telescope.

We always know what a man is when we know what his faith says God is.

The only standard of measurement to determine fitness for heaven is Christ.

BATTLE WITH A SNAKE.

A Florida Story Related by the Chicago Chronicle.

Mrs. Byron Brown, who lives over in the West End settlement, five miles from Ocala, Fla., had an exciting set-to with a huge snake the other day that has made her a great reputation as a brave woman. She has a fine lot of poultry. She never gives a chicken away, kills one or sells one, much to the disgust of her husband, who is a practical man, and wants to see some money come in for the big outlay in getting the fowls.

The other day while Mrs. Brown was in the house cooking some eggs for her husband's dinner she heard a terrible commotion in the hen yard. Running out she saw a huge snake devouring one of her pet chickens. She stood struck dumb with horror and pain—she was from Boston—and then her Yankee blood was roused and she determined that the "sarpint" should pay for his meal. Catching up a big stick, she struck at the snake, but missed, and the next moment the snake flew at her. She nimbly jumped aside and it missed her dress by an inch. Turning tail the reptile sought safety in flight. Gliding down by the fence, it sought a big knot hole and started to get out. As its folds disappeared through the hole Mrs. Brown was seized by a brilliant idea. Jumping forward she seized its tail and began pulling back. The snake thrashed vigorously, but couldn't strike back on account of the boards.

Mrs. Brown was struck by another brilliant idea. With an adroitness peculiar to women she tied the snake's tail into a double bow knot. Then slipping a big wedge of wood right behind it she drove a stake through the loops so the snake couldn't get back. Then going up to the other side she sought to kill the reptile. But his angry hiss and threatening look were too much for her. She ran into the house and came out with the eggs that had been boiling all this time, and were sizzling with heat. Getting the reptile excited she threw an egg. The snake struck at it in anger and madly swallowed it. Two or three more followed in rapid succession, the infuriated reptile swallowing every one as it came along. At the fourth one the snake seemed to think it had had enough of this red-hot kind of food and wildly thrashed about trying to get free. Soon one of the eggs came through its under side, having burned its way through the snake's body. Then another and another followed until all were on the ground and a dying snake lay there. Mrs. Brown then waxed brave, and, getting a pine wood knot, pounded the reptile's head into bits. It measured 9 feet 5¼ inches long and was 10 inches around the middle.

She saved the eggs and her husband remarked that day at dinner that she had "allowed the eggs to get pretty hard," whereat Mrs. Brown smiled.

The Breach Was Serious.

The fair young thing had only been married a short time, and she was in tears when she sought the home of her parents again.

"It's all over," she told her mother. "Harold and I have separated forever."

"Oh, it's not so bad as all that?"

"Yes, it is," asserted the fair young thing. "I think I know. It was all because of a little question of economy, too."

"Economy?"

"Yes. We both agreed that economy was necessary, and we were just as nice and generous to each other as possible, until—until——"

She burst into tears, and for a long time refused to be comforted.

"Until what?" inquired her mother, as soon as there was an opportunity.

"Until it came to the question as to whose bicycle was to be sold, for we were unanimous in the opinion that we could only afford to keep one."

Then the mother realized that the breach was indeed a serious one.

Pork Dangerous—Veal Unwholesome

"Pork is the source of trichina; for this reason it should be cooked thoroughly. Hogs are almost always fattened so as to be actually diseased before killing, and we find here also a common source of tuberculosis; it is also generally believed that pork eating is a common source of scrofula," writes Mrs. S. T. Rorer in the Ladies' Home Journal. "I certainly know that persons who indulge freely in pork have very unhealthy, rough and easily irritated skins. Veal (equally indigestible with pork) may not contain the dangerous germs of the mature ox; the fibre, however, is dense and difficult of digestion. Unless it be thoroughly boiled and chopped rather fine it had better not be eaten at all. It should never, under any circumstances, be given to children."

Woman's Fate.

From the Record, Bushnell, Ill.

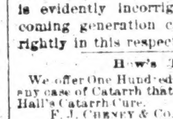
No woman is better able to speak to others regarding "woman's fate" than Mrs. Jacob Weaver, of Bushnell, Ill., wife of ex-City Marshal Weaver. She had entirely recovered from the illness which kept her bedfast much of the time for five or six years past, and says her recovery is due to that well-known remedy, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Mrs. Weaver is fifty-six years old, and has lived in Bushnell nearly thirty years. She is of unquestionable veracity and unblemished reputation. The story of her recovery is interesting. She says:

"I suffered for five or six years with the trouble that comes to women at this time of my life. I was much weakened, was unable much of the time to do my own work, and suffered beyond my power to describe. I was downhearted and melancholy.

"I took many different medicines, in fact, I took medicine all the time, but nothing seemed to do me any good.

"I read about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and some of my friends recommended them highly. I made up my mind to try them. I bought the first box in March, 1897, and was benefited from the start.



Mrs. Jacob Weaver.

"A box and a half cured me completely, and I am now rugged and strong. I have not been bothered with my trouble since I began taking the pills.

"I have recommended the pills to many women who are suffering as I suffered. They are the only thing that helped me in the trial that comes to so many women at my age."

MRS. J. H. WEAVER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23d day of October, A. D., 1897.

O. C. HICKS, *Notary Public.*

When woman is passing beyond the age of motherhood, it is a crisis in her life. Then, if ever, proper attention to hygiene should be exercised. The attendant sufferings will disappear and buoyant health will follow if Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are used.

These pills exert a powerful influence in restoring the system to its proper condition. They contain in a condensed form all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood.

The inventor who will produce an artificial feather that can take the place of the real article will be a benefactor to the race. Perhaps artificial feathers could be made from celluloid or of the recently invented artificial silk. With 200,000,000 plumage birds being killed every year to supply feathers for women's bonnets, it is evident that in the course of a decade or two there will be no birds worth looking at in any civilized country. The ladies have been appealed to hundreds of times to put a stop to the slaughter by consenting to a change in fashion, but so far they have shown no disposition to give up the feather fad. Men are supposed to be more heartless than women, but they do not encourage the universal slaughter of the birds by wearing feathers. As long, however, as they do not actively discourage the killing of birds by advising women not to wear plumes, they are not altogether blameless in the matter. Let us have more Audubon Societies among the young people, to teach the value and the beauty of birds and encourage their preservation. The present generation is evidently incorrigible. Perhaps a coming generation can be educated rightly in this respect.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

If the man who makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before is called a philanthropist, what should be said of Adolph Kyle, who has made it possible to grow FIVE BALES OF COTTON on an acre of ground which heretofore rarely, if ever, produced ONE BALE? See advertisement in this paper of Jackson's African Limpless Cotton Co.

Trinidad is perhaps the principal breeding place for seabirds in the South Atlantic. The deposit of guano is consequently great. There are traces of abundant extinct vegetation.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Bills have just been introduced in the Maryland legislature to place married women on the same legal standing as their husbands in the matter of holding or transferring property.

Chew Star Tobacco. The Best.

Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

At a recent Hancock county (Me.) dinner a dinner was announced by pounding on the violent warming pan, and coffee was served from the dolly coffee pot, over 100 years old.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

DYSPEPSIA, Flatulency and all stomach troubles cured by Tabules. Depot, Concord. Sample bottle mailed free. Write D. Tabules Mfg. Co., Savannah, Ga.

We have sold Piso's Cure for Consumption for 20 years. LIZZIE PETERS, Camp St., Harrisburg, Pa., May 4, 1895.

Old Trees in Great Britain.

Some of the oldest trees in the world are to be found in Great Britain. The tree called William the Conqueror's oak in Windsor Park is supposed to be 1,200 years old. The famous Bentley and Winfarthing oaks are at least two centuries older.

There is a large class of people in the world who do not care whether you are moral or not, so long as you make a big pretense of it.

The greatest bore we ever knew thought he was the most popular man in town.

Leprosy in France.

At the international congress of leprosy, which has just been brought to a conclusion at Berlin, the startling fact was elicited that the disease is very prevalent in France, especially in the northern districts thereof, and that it is on the increase. This discovery and the data furnished by the French medical authorities contributed in no small measure to the resolution voted by the Congress to the effect that leprosy is contagious.

LOVELL DIAMOND STAND THE T...

Board of Exp... So Decide.

Remarkable Investigation Fro... the Lovell Diamond Bicycle ... Out Ahead of All Compet...

COLONEL BENJAMIN S. ... President of the John P. Lovell ...

Where there are so many ... cycles in the market, all of ... appear to be the same, ... what there is in ... it is very difficult ... which is the best ... leading makes. The ... marvels of the most recent ... chanical construction, and ... together without the slightest ... knowledge to the manufacturer ... test was to take place. The ... composing the investigating board ... wrecked the machines down ... ber, and, after several days' ... ing of the relative merits ... chines, they were unanimous ... verdict that the Lovell Diamond ... doubtedly the best wheel made. ... ported to the paper, the president ... immediately wrote the Lovell ... company informing the latter ... gation made and the decision ... this was the first intimation ... company had of the ... statement that the Lovell Diamond ... best bicycle built is based ... that every part of the machine ... their own factory. Previous ... ing 1896 the machine bearing ... of the Lovell Diamond was ... for the John P. Lovell Arms ... side parties, but beginning with ... of 1897, every part of every ... their name plate has been ... factory of the John P. Lovell ... South Portland, Maine. ... ace-units for the proven ... "Lovell Diamond" over ... makers of the world. The ... pany have three stores in Boston, ... ton street, Broad street and ... avenue, and branch stores in ... Mass., Providence, R. I., ... Portland and Bangor, Me. ... agents in nearly every ... throughout the country. ... logue, "Famous Diamonds," ... free on application.

RIDES IN BLOOMERS.

Louise the First Princess to Wear Bifurcated Garments.

Princess Louise of Saxony is the first princess to wear bloomers. The bicycling craze early took hold of the ladies of European royal families, and it has of women over the ... of Italy was opposed to ... William became angry with ...

PRINCESS LOUISE RIDES ...

and cousins. ... around the country ... they were ... Princesses ... and so they had to ... cling to the drag ... now Princess Louise ... the conventions and ... The Princess is the wife ... heir to the throne and a ... King. She herself is a ... of Austria-Hungary. She ... age and has two sons.

While the New ... are cutting down wages ... the cotton mills in the ... ing on full time. Isl... them are running night ... with this the orders are ... of the output. As a ... nouncement is made that ... burg, Va., cotton mill ... semi-annual dividend of ... its capital of $500,000 and ... 000 to its reserve fund. ... the Lynchburg mill is ... tirely in that city.

WIT AND HUMOR.

Quite Jokes and Witticisms From Comic Papers.

NOT ENOUGH.

They say she is a poem—
Quite likely that may be.
I find into my sorrow
She is averse to me.

FATAL.

What did the blacksmith d... many?
Shoeing a mule.

RICHES HAVE WINGS.

She—What's the best kind ... for?
He—Greenbacks.

THE DIFFERENCE.

Jack—Who's your friend?
Oscar—Friend! That isn't a f...
Jack—That's my wife.

MIGHT BE GRATIFIED.

He—What is the singing?
She—"Let me like a soldier fa...
He—If I only had a gun!

A FIXED STAR.

Johnnie—What is a fixed ...
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Dear.

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DEFIANCE.

He—If I should kiss you, ...
She—I did you dare ...
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HOME, SWEET HOME.

My brain is on fire!" tragically ... aimed Mrs. Hopkins as she thr... self down upon the sofa.
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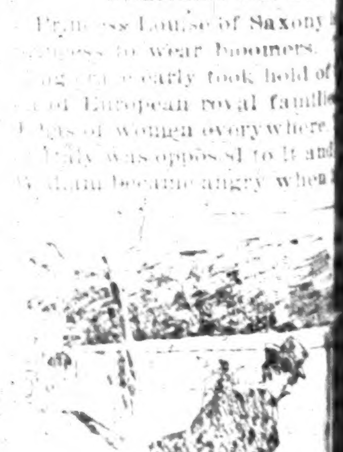

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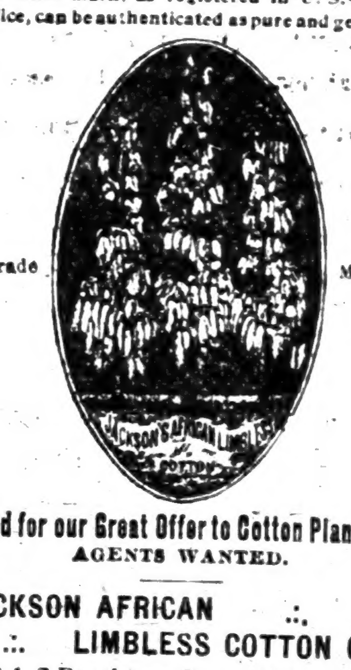
Trade  Mark.

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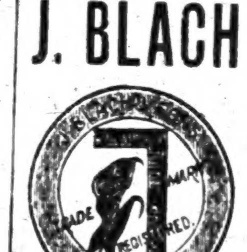

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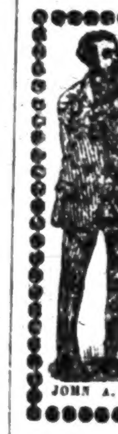

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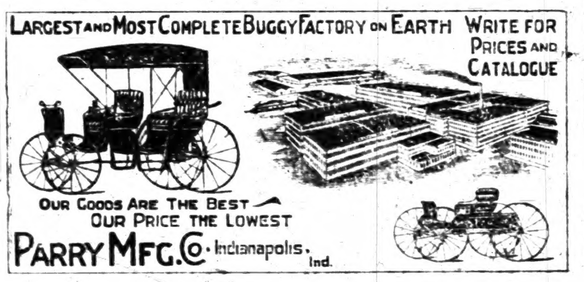

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...ME OF RENEWAL.

All nature is renewed in the springtime. The sky takes on a fresher color, the trees don their Easter garments, everything seems glad and happy. It seems such a beautiful season that such a disagreeable a malady as "spring fever" should afflict so many people to enjoy the warm sunshine and balmy breezes. What is it that sluggishness of activity which every spring time for...? Bad blood, you say? The blood, of course. The blood must be renewed, trees and flowers have the sap, the principle difficulty with the numerous spring ... Which will ... and remove ... disagreeable symp... what Mrs. Adlin Ad... ...says of Peruna: ... give up all ... ided to take ... is the best ... the world. I can't ... several hundred ... from ... expect will be ... by the Peruna Manufacturing Com... ...o., O...

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Clanton, Ala., March 30th, 1898.
To the voters of Chilton county:

In submitting my name to you as a candidate for the office of Judge of Probate, I feel that it is my duty to give an explanation why I announce myself subject to the votes of the general election instead of the primary of the People's Party. I desire to express to the people of Chilton county my sincere gratitude for the honors and trusts which you have in the past conferred on me, by electing me to the positions which I have held. I feel grateful to you for the confidence you have reposed in me and I trust that my acts toward you and my services for you have been so considered, that you will believe that I appreciate what has been done for me. It is my earnest desire to be true to my God, my people and myself. I realize that I have made mistakes but I have the satisfaction of knowing that I have knowingly wronged no one, I have always endeavored to do justice to all alike, and if any person has suffered a wrong on my account, I am sorry for it and will do everything that is possibly in my power to correct it. I do now, and have always believed in the doctrine of the office seeking the man and not the man seeking the office. I believe in fair and honest elections, whether they be party or general elections. I believe in the doctrines of the People's Party as set forth in its national platform and every vote cast by me since the organization of this party, has been for its nominees, national state and county. I am to-day as strong in my endorsement of these principles as I have ever been, and I believe if these principles could be carried into effect, our condition would be materially improved.

The reasons why I do not enter into the contest for the nomination in the Primary election, are, I think, good and sufficient, which if understood by my friends as I understand them, would convince them of the honesty of my purpose and the justice and fairness of my position. I cannot give my reasons in full in this article as it would be too lengthy, but I hope to have the opportunity of explaining myself fully in the matter, and with the aid of subsequent events which are likely to arise it will not be difficult to understand the motives which prompt me to take this course. My first reason is that in a county with conditions like ours, I do not think it is to the best interests of all the people to have the officers selected by a caucus, convention or part selection. I think an officer should be selected by the entire people and be the servant of all alike. I regard conventions and primary elections generally as party machines in which political schemers may by their manipulations unfairly defeat the will of the people. It is not my intention to make any charge against the Committee of our party, for I think they did what they thought and regarded as best, but had I been consulted and advised with, I should have suggested that no party election be had this year. I am strongly in favor of the complete union of the white people of our county, if it can be had with equal fairness to every voter, and upon principles which I regard as right and to the interests of the people.

The primary has been called and the rules and regulations are such that almost any one who wishes can vote in it, or be a candidate therein, and no person can prevent it. A primary is a party election and no one should take part in it but those who belong to the party and who endorse its principles, and I think that honest, thoughtful people will not do so, but it is quite an easy matter for some people to be induced or influenced to do otherwise. I believe there are plans devised and being worked by which it is expected and intended to unfairly defeat the will of the people for the benefit of individuals, and that being no law to prevent such measures and means being practiced, or any remedy therefore after it has been done, I am unwilling to go into the primary and pledge myself to abide by its results, as I would have to do in order to honorably participate in it. Under present conditions I cannot conscientiously lend my endorsement to such practices as I am constrained to believe is expected to be used in this election, if it was an election of Populists only, in which no others could vote or ask its nomination, then I would be perfectly willing to abide its results, but under the existing conditions I am not willing to do so. I wish to say further that I am not under any obligations or promise to any party or persons and I will not be. I am acting upon principle and what I honestly and conscientiously believe to be my duty and I expect to support and defend principles which I am known to have advocated for years, because I believe them to be right, and I cannot afford to forsake duty for any office which can be given me by the people. I expect to be severely criticised and charged with forsaking the party and many other things, and in this connection I have one request to make of those who speak of this matter through The Banner that you do it over your own name and not another's or fictitious one. My record is such that I am willing for it to be discussed in the papers or otherwise but when I am being spoken of, the people ought to know who is saying it.

I submit my name to the people to be voted for at the general election in August, because I have been solicited to ask for the election by many representative men in the county, who say they are satisfied with the administration of the office during the present term and are willing to have it continue so another term. I want the voters of the county to consider the matter well, and if you should want me to hold the office another term, and I should be elected to the office, I pledge myself to the people of Chilton county to do all in my power to discharge the duties of the office for all the people, without partiality or favor. If I am not elected to the office I will feel as grateful to those who support me as if I should be elected. Should I be defeated, if I believe it is by a majority of the people's votes I will submit cheerfully and return to my home to again enjoy its pleasures. I do not propose taking any unfair means to secure the office, and unless I believe it is by a majority of the votes of the county I would not under any conditions accept or hold the office. Again thanking you for past favors, I would say to my friends to consider well what is to your interest and act accordingly. Watch carefully the methods employed in the elections as I fear that the thing we have so strongly condemned in others is now to be met in our own ranks.

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To the People of Chilton county:

In compliance with the rulings of the People's Party Executive committee, I hereby declare myself a Populist and indorse the People's Party platform. I have always voted the Populist ticket.

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At a meeting of the Democratic Executive committee of Chilton county, held this day, a convention of the Democratic party of said county was called to meet at Clanton on April 13, 1898, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the State convention, the convention of the Fifth judicial circuit, and the convention of the North-eastern chancery division, which meet at Montgomery April 20, 1898. Beat representation will be the same as formerly. Beat meetings will be held at the several voting places as heretofore at 10 a.m., April 9, 1898, under the direction of the Beat committeeman, if present at the meeting.

All conservative voters, irrespective of past political association or differences, who will support the nominees and principles of the party are inuited to take part in the Beat meetings.

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R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

The Thorsby Lumber Company, a partnership, Plaintiff,
vs.
M. E. Taylor and The Concordia Land and Improvement Association, a corporation Defendents.
Circuit Court of Chilton County, Spring Term, 1898. No. 1361.

Whereas an affidavit has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, Alabama, by W. J. Martin, Attorney for the Plaintiff in this cause, that M. E. Taylor, one of the above named defendants, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and that his place of residence is unknown:

It is therefore ordered that publication, for the said defendant, M. E. Taylor, be made for three successive weeks in the Banner, a newspaper published in Chilton county, Alabama, commanding the said M. E. Taylor to appear at the next term of the Circuit Court to be held for said county, at the place of holding same, then and there to answer, plead or demur to the compaint filed in this cause, and that a copy of said newspaper, containing a copy of this notice, be mailed to the said M. E. Taylor if his place of residence shall be known or ascertained.

Witness my hand this 7th. day of March, 1898.

J. P. VanDerveer,
Clerk of the Circuit Court.
Chilton County Alabama.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by I. L. Beard to the undersigned Emily Hughes, on the 24th day of July, 1895, I. Emily Hughes, the said Mortgagee, will on the

4th DAY OF APRIL, 1898,

proceed to sell, in front of the Court House door at Clanton, Alabama, at public outcery, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being situate in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, to wit:

The SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 31, Township 21, Range 16.

The said mortgage, under which this sale is made, is recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, in book 36 of mortgages at pages 193 and 194. The above sale made for the purpose of satisfying the mortgage debt and the expenses of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in six several mortgages executed to the undersigned Emily Hughes by Sallie M. Hamlin and her husband, J. M. Hamlin, on the eighth day of July, 1895, which said mortgages are recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, Alabama, in book 36 of Mortgages at pages 172, 173, 174, 168, 169, 164, 165, 162, 163, 166, 167, 170, 171. I, the said Emily Hughes, the said mortgagee, will proceed to sell on the 4th day of April, 1898 in front of the court house door at Clanton, Alabama at public outcery to the highest bidder for cash the following described land or real estate lying and being situate in the county of Chilton in the state of Alabama to wit: The southeast fourth of south west fourth of section number thirty-one, town in up twenty-one, range sixteen, less two acres on the northern side, sold to Alfred Bethea. The above sale is made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage debt and the costs expenses and attorneys fees of this foreclosure.

W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney. EMILY HUGHES, Mortgagee.

Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County.
In Chancery at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District, Northeastern Chancery Division.

Allen P. Howison, complainant, vs. E. E. Jackson and William Jackson, defendants.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of H. C. Tompkins, Esq., that the Defendant, William Jackson, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at Salisbury, in the State of Maryland, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in The Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said William Jackson, to answer or demur to the same within thirty days after the 28th day of March, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 22 day of February, 1898.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.

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DEAR SIR—Five years ago I was working on a farm, getting $10.00 per year. I took a course in Penmanship in your College on borrowed money. Immediately upon graduating, you secured for me a situation as telegrapher and station agent on the Ala. Gt. So. R. R. From that day to this my success has been onward and upward. To day I am train dispatcher at a salary of $1,000.00 per year. J. E. COLE.

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Court of Inquiry Finds Vessel Was Blown Up By a Mine.

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Submits the Findings to Both Houses of Congress.

All the Expert Evidence, With the Conclusions of the Naval Board, Read in Senate and House and Immediately Referred to the Foreign Affairs Committees in Both Branches—The Board's Report Convicts Spain of Foul Play Only by Implication—No Responsibility For the Disaster Fixed—Magazines Blew Up, But Not Until After the Mine Had Been Exploded—Ship Broken In Two—Force of Explosion Came From Port to Starboard, Lifting the Ship in Air.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The findings of the Court of Inquiry which investigated the disaster causing the loss of the battleship Maine on February 15, in Havana Harbor, were transmitted to Congress at noon Monday. They were accompanied by the following message from the President:

To the Congress of the United States:

For some time prior to the visit of the Maine to Havana Harbor our Consular representatives pointed out the advantages to flow from the visit of National ships to the Cuban waters, in accustoming the people to the presence of our flag as the symbol of good will and of our ships in the fulfillment of the mission of protection to American interests, even though no immediate need therefor might exist.

Accordingly, on the 24th of January last, after conference with the Spanish Minister, in which the renewal of visits of our war vessels to Spanish waters was discussed and accepted, the Peninsular authorities at Madrid and Havana were advised of the purpose of this Government to resume friendly naval visits at Cuban ports and that in that view the Maine would forthwith call at the port of Havana. This announcement was received by the Spanish Government with appreciation of the friendly character to the visit of the Maine and with notification of intention to return the courtesy by sending Spanish ships to the principal ports of the United States. Meanwhile the Maine entered the port of Havana on the 25th of January, her arrival being marked with no special incident besides the exchange of customary salutes and ceremonial visits. The Maine continued in the harbor of Havana during the three weeks following her arrival. No appreciable excitement attended her stay; on the contrary, a feeling of relief and confidence followed the resumption of the long interrupted friendly intercourse. So noticeable was this immediate effect of her visit that the Consul-General strongly urged that the presence of our ships in Cuban waters should be kept up by retaining the Maine at Havana, or, in the event of her recall, by sending another vessel there to take her place.

Resume of the Tragedy.

At 9.40 o'clock in the evening of the 15th of February the Maine was destroyed by an explosion, by which the entire forward part of the ship was literally wrecked. In this catastrophe two officers and 264 of her crew perished, those who were not killed outright by her explosion being penned between decks by the tangle of wreckage and drowned by the immediate sinking of the ship.

Prompt assistance was rendered by the neighboring vessels anchored in the harbor, aid being especially given by the boats of the Spanish cruiser Alphonso XII. and the Ward line steamer City of Washington, which lay not far distant. The wounded were generously cared for by the authorities in Havana, the hospitals being freely open to them, while the earliest recovered bodies of the dead were interred by the municipality in a public cemetery in the city. Tributes of grief and sympathy were offered from all official quarters of the island. The appalling calamity fell upon the people of our country with crushing force, and for a brief time intense excitement prevailed, which in a community less just and self-controlled than ours might have led to hasty acts of blind resentment. This spirit, however, soon gave way to calmer processes of reason and to the resolve to investigate the facts and await material proof before forming a judgment as to the cause, the responsibility and if the facts warranted the remedy due. This course necessarily recommended itself from the outset to the Executive, for only in the light of a dispassionately ascertained certainty could it determine the nature and measure of his full duty in the matter. The usual procedure was followed as in all cases of casualty or disaster to national vessels

Object of the Naval Court.

of any maritime State. A Naval Court of Inquiry was at once organized composed of officers well qualified by rank and practical experience to discharge the onerous duty imposed upon them. Aided by a strong force of wreckers and divers the court proceeded to make a thorough investigation on the spot, employing every available means for the impartial and exact determination of the cause of the explosion. Its operations have been conducted with the utmost deliberation and judgment and while independently pursued, no source of information was neglected, and the fullest opportunity was allowed for a simultaneous investigation by the Spanish authorities.

The finding of the Court of Inquiry was reached, after twenty-three days of continuous labor, on the 21st of March and, having been approved on the 22d by the Commander-in-Chief of the United States naval force of the North Atlantic station was transmitted to the Executive. It is herewith laid before the Congress together with the voluminous testimony taken before the court. Its purport is in brief, as follows:

"When the Maine arrived at Havana she was conducted by the regular Government pilot to Buoy No. 4, to which she was moored in from five and one-half to six fathoms of water.

"The state of discipline on board and the condition of her magazines, boilers and coal bunkers and storage compartments are passed in review, with the conclusion that excellent order prevailed, and that no indication of any cause for an internal explosion existed in any quarter. At 8 o'clock in the evening of Feb. 15 everything had been reported secure and all was quiet. At 9.40 o'clock the vessel was suddenly destroyed. There were two distinct explosions, with a brief interval between them. The first lifted the forward part of the ship very perceptibly; the second, which was more open, prolonged and of greater volume, is attributed by the Court to the par- xplosion of two or more of the agazines. The evidence of th ishes that the afterpart of t' tically intact and sank

THE MAINE COURT OF INQUIRY.

CAPTAIN W. T. SAMPSON. CAPTAIN F. E. CHADWICK. COMMANDER ADOLPH MARIX. LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER W. P. POTTER.

in that condition a very few minutes after the explosion. The forward part was completely demolished. Upon the evidence of a concurrent external cause the finding of the court is as follows:

The Cause External.

"At frame 17 the outer shell of the ship, from a point eleven and one-half feet from the middle line of the ship and six feet above the keel when in its normal position, has been forced up so as to be now about four feet above the surface of the water; therefore about thirty-four feet above where it would be had the ship sunk uninjured.

"The outside bottom plating is bent into a reversed shape, the after wing of which, about 15 feet broad and 32 feet in length (from frame 17 to frame 25), is doubled back upon itself against the continuation of the same plating extending forward.

"At frame 18 the vertical keel is broken in two and the flat keel bent into an angle similar to the angle formed by the outside bottom plates. This break is now about 6 feet below the surface of the water and about 30 feet above its normal position.

"In the opinion of the court, this effect could have been produced only by the explosion of a mine situated under the bottom of the ship, at about frame 18, and somewhat on the port side of the ship. The conclusions of the court are:

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"That the loss of the Maine was not in any respect due to fault or negligence on the part of any of the officers or members of her crew; that the ship was destroyed by the explosion of a submarine mine, which caused the partial explosion of two or more of her forward magazines, and that no evidence has been obtainable fixing the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine upon any person or persons."

I have directed that the finding of the Court of Inquiry and the views of this Government thereon be communicated to the Government of her majesty, the Queen Regent, and I do not permit myself to doubt that the sense of justice of the Spanish nation will dictate a course of action suggested by honor and the friendly relations of the two Governments.

It will be the duty of the Executive to advise the Congress of the result, and in the meantime deliberate consideration is invoked.

(Signed) WILLIAM McKINLEY.

Executive Mansion, March 28, 1898.

OFFICIAL REPORT ON THE MAINE.

Submarine Mine Blew Her Up, But Spain Is Not Blamed.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The following is the full text of the report of the Court of Inquiry:

U. S. S. Iowa, 1st Rate.
KEY WEST, Fla., Monday, March 21, 1898.

After full and mature consideration of all the testimony before it, the Court finds as follows:

1. That the United States battleship Maine arrived in the harbor of Havana, Cuba, on the 25th day of January, 1898, and was taken to buoy No. 4 in from five and a half to six fathoms of water, by the regular Government pilot.

2. The state of discipline on board the Maine was excellent, and all orders and regulations in regard to the care and safety of the ship were strictly carried out.

All ammunition was stored in accordance with prescribed instructions, and proper care was taken whenever ammunition was handled.

Nothing was stored in any one of the

KING OF SPAIN.

magazines or shell-rooms which was not permitted to be stored there.

Ammunition Inspected.

The magazines and shell-rooms were always locked after having been opened, and after the destruction of the Maine the keys were found in their proper place in the Captain's cabin, everything having been reported secure that evening at 8 p. m.

The temperature of the magazines and shell-rooms was taken daily and reported. The only magazine which had an undue amount of heat was the after ten-inch magazine, and that did not explode at the time the Maine was destroyed.

The torpedo war heads were all stowed in the after part of the ship, under the ward room, and neither caused nor participated in the destruction of the Maine.

The dry gun cotton primers and detonators were stowed in the cabin aft, and removed from the scene of the explosion. Waste was carefully looked after on the Maine to obviate danger. Special orders in regard to this had been given by the commanding officer. Varnishes, dryers, alcohol and other combustibles of this nature were stowed on or above the main dock, and could not have had anything to do with the destruction of the Maine.

The medical stores were stored aft under the ward room and remote from the scene of the explosion.

No dangerous stores of any kind were stored below in any of the other storerooms.

The Coal Bunkers All Right.

The coal bunkers were inspected daily. Of those bunkers adjacent to the forward magazines and shell rooms, four were empty, namely: "B 3, B 4, B 5, B 6."

"A 15" had been in use that day and "A 16" was full of New River coal. This coal

SENOR POLO Y. BERNABE,

(The new Spanish Minister at Washington.)

had been carefully inspected before receiving it on board. The bunker in which it was stowed was accessible on three sides at all times, and the fourth side at this time on account of bunkers "B 4" and "B 6" being empty. This bunker, "A 15" had been inspected that day by the engineer officer on duty.

The fire alarms in the bunkers were in working order and there had never been a case of spontaneous combustion of coal on board the Maine.

The two after boilers of the ship were in use at the time of the disaster, but for auxiliary purposes only, with a comparatively low pressure of steam and being tended by a reliable watch, these boilers could not have caused the explosion of the ship. The four forward boilers have since been found by the divers and are in a fair condition.

On the night of the destruction of the Maine everything had been reported secure for the night at 8 p. m. by reliable persons through the proper authorities to the commanding officer. At the time the Maine was destroyed the ship was quiet, and, therefore, least liable to accident caused by movements from those on board.

Explosions.

3. The destruction of the Maine occurred at 9.40 p. m. on February 15, 1898, in the harbor of Havana, Cuba, she being at the time moored to the same buoy to which she had been taken upon her arrival. There were two explosions of a distinctly different character, with a very short but distant interval between them, and the forward part of the ship was lifted to a marked degree at the time of the first explosion. The first explosion was more in the nature of a report like that of a gun, while the second explosion was more open, prolonged and of greater volume. The second explosion was, in the opinion of the Court, caused by the partial explosion of two or more of the forward magazines of the Maine.

Condition of the Wreck.

4. The evidence bearing upon this being principally obtained from divers did not enable the Court to form a definite conclusion as to the condition of the wreck, although it was established that the after part of the ship was practically intact and sank in that condition a very few minutes after the destruction of the forward part.

The following facts in regard to the forward part of the ship are, however, established by the testimony:

That portion of the port side of the protective deck which extends from about frame 30 to about frame 41 was blown up aft and over to port. The main deck from about frame 30 to about frame 41 was blown up aft and slightly over to starboard, folding the forward part of the middle superstructure over and on top of the after part.

This was, in the opinion of the Court, caused by the partial explosion of the forward magazines of the Maine.

5. At frame 17, the outer shell of the ship, from a point eleven and a half feet from the middle line of the ship and six feet above the keel, when in its normal position, has been forced up so as to be now about four feet above the surface of the water; therefore about thirty-four feet above where it would be had the ship sunk uninjured. The outside bottom plating is bent into a reversed V-shape, the after wing of which, about fifteen feet broad and thirty feet in length (from frame 17 to frame 25), is doubled back upon itself against the continuation of the same plating extending forward.

At frame 18 the vertical keel is broken in two, and the flat keel bent into an angle similar to the angle formed by the outside bottom plating. This break is now about six feet below the surface of the water and about thirty feet above its normal position.

In the opinion of the court this effect could have been produced only by the explosion of a mine situated under the bottom of the ship at about frame 18 and somewhat on the port side of the ship.

Destroyed by a Mine.

6. The court finds that the loss of the Maine, on the occasion named, was not in any respect due to fault or negligence on the part of any of the officers or members of the crew of said vessel.

7. In the opinion of the court the Maine was destroyed by the explosion of a submarine mine, which caused the partial explosion of two or more of her forward magazines.

8. The Court has been unable to obtain evidence fixing the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine upon any person or persons.

A. MARIX,
Lieutenant Commander U. S. N., Judge Advocate.

W. T. SAMPSON,
Captain U. S. N., President.

The court having finished the inquiry it was ordered to make, adjourned that it was to await the action of the convening authority.

W. T. SAMPSON,
Captain U. S. N., President.
A. MARIX,
Lieutenant Commander U. S. N., Judge Advocate.

United States Flagship New York,
March 22, 1898, Off Key West, Fla.

The proceedings and findings of the Court of Inquiry in the above case are approved.

M. SICARD, Rear Admiral,
Commander-in-Chief of the United States naval force on the North Atlantic Station.

MESSAGE AND REPORT IN CONGRESS.

Read and Referred to Foreign Affairs Committees in Both Houses.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—Except on the occasion of the inauguration of a President, no such crowds as surged through the corridors and stormed the galleries for admission on the day the Maine report was sent in have been seen at the Capitol in a quarter of a century. At daylight people were already seeking entrance to the Capitol and hours before noon, when the two Houses convened, the marble stairways were choked with pushing, jostling people pressing toward the galleries. Not an inch of space remained in the public galleries at 9 o'clock, though long lines of people stretching down the stairways to the lower corridors continued to press forward. Within a few minutes after the reserve galleries were thrown open they, too, were completely filled with the exception of those reserved for the diplomatic corps and the families of the President and Cabinet. Admission to these galleries was strictly by card. Many distinguished personages were in the galleries.

In the Senate the reading of the journal was dispensed with, and at two minutes past twelve the message from the President was delivered by Mr. Pruden, one of his secretaries. At 12.12 Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, asked that the President's message be laid before the Senate. The Vice-President presented the message and the clerks proceeded to read it. When they got through with it Mr. Davis moved that the message, report and testimony be ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. The motion was agreed to.

In the House at exactly 12 o'clock the Speaker ascended the rostrum and called the body to order. Amid the impressive silence that followed the blind chaplain delivered a solemn prayer, which rang through the hall like a warning. He referred to the stern clouds that hung over the country threatening to break at any time. After the journal came the reading of the President's message. There was an outburst of applause in the galleries and on the floor when the reading of the message was concluded. The President's message was referred to committee without debate. This was the Committee on Foreign Affairs under the rules. No motion was made. Immediately after the announcement of Representative Simpkin's death the House at 12.18 P. M. adjourned for the day.

MRS. DELIA PARNELL DEAD.

Mother of the Irish Leader Expires From Effects of Burns.

Mrs. Delia Tudor Parnell, daughter of the celebrated American naval officer, Rear Admiral Charles Stewart, and mother of the late Charles Stewart Parnell, died Sunday at Avondale, Rathdrum, County

MRS. DELIA S. PARNELL.

Wicklow, Ireland, as the result of the burns received from the igniting of her clothing while she was setting before a fire.

Quiet Election in Havana.

Election day in Havana was more quiet than many election days in New York, Chicago, and other large American cities. Claims are made that the Government ticket, including twenty Autonomists and ten Conservatives, was elected. The vote in the city was very light.

Unlimited Recruiting Authorized.

Unlimited recruiting for the Navy has been authorized. Recruiting officers at all stations have been instructed to make efforts to secure good, healthy men for all purposes, with no restrictions as to number or experience, and to waive all the unimportant qualifications that have heretofore been demanded in the service. At least five thousand men are needed as soon as possible, in addition to the extra number recently authorized by Congress. Ten thousand more will be needed if auxiliary cruisers are pressed into service.

The Spanish Elections.

The elections held Sunday in Spain for the popular branch of the Cortes passed off, on the whole, quietly. The indications are that the Government of senor Sagasta will have an enormous majority, estimated at 300 of the 432 seats in the Chamber. The elections in Madrid were without special incident. At Bilbao the polling caused great excitement, and there was much disorder.

Congressman Simpkins Dead.

John Simpkins, representative in Congress from the Thirteenth Massachusetts District, died Sunday in Washington.

THE NEWS OF OUR STATE.

The Prosperous Town of Enterprise Devastated by Fire.

NEW RAILROAD FOR NORTHEAST ALABAMA.

Muscle Shoals Power to Be Utilized—Heavy Shipments of Alabama Coal—South-Girl Accidentally Killed By Her Brother—Other Items.

Enterprise Devastated by Fire.

The entire business portion of the prosperous town of Enterprise was destroyed by fire the past week.

The origin of the fire is not known. In the early part of the morning an attempt was made to burn a small frame building, which was discovered and put out. A second attempt was made which also failed. The third attempt, however, was successful, and before the flames from it had ceased the property loss had reached $250,000. Following is an estimate of the losses: Stokes & Holloway, $5,500; W. A. Lovard, $5,555; J. C. Wallen, $2,400; Bruner Bros., $1,850; J. W. Smith, $1,500; F. P. Richburg, $1,500; Heath Bros., $1,000; P. M. Whaley, $3,000; B. H. Ziegler, $1,000; Owens & White, $1,400; R. S. Williams, $1,400; Masonic Hall, $600.

There was but very little insurance on any of the property, as the town has been built within the past six months. Of the thirteen business houses only two remain, Henderson Bros. and Harrison Bros.

New Commandant at the University.

Erle Pettus, of Elkmont, has been appointed commandant at the University of Alabama by Dr. Powers, the president of the institute, and entered upon his duties March 21. Mr. Pettus graduated from the university with flattering honors in the class of '97. He is well up in military, especially the military as it exists at the university, and the president is to be congratulated on his fortunate selection of such a man to this post. In the primary election at Livingston March 19, Mr. Pettus was nominated by the democracy as representative in the next legislature. This he is honored at home and abroad.

They Are Ready for Action.

The three military companies in Anniston and Oxford are ready for action whenever the command comes. One of the companies, however, will be placed in a rather embarrassing position should marching orders be received within the next three or four days. The Woodstock Guards, are without guns. Three weeks ago the guards were ordered to box and ship their old guns to Springfield, Mass., to be exchanged for new guns. The guns, forty-five in number, were shipped without delay, but the new guns have not yet arrived. It is said that the guns are in Montgomery and that they will be available in a day or two.

New Railroad for Northeast Alabama.

The Southern railway will extend its Memphis division—the old Memphis & Charleston railway, from Stevenson to Chattanooga. Twelve men commenced the survey for the route the past week and the work of construction will commence as soon as practicable. This extension, it is estimated, will cost the Southern over $1,000,000, and includes another bridge over the Tennessee river at Chattanooga.

Accidentally Killed His Sister.

At Talladega, Saturday morning, Walter Johnston shot and killed his sister. The shooting was accidental, and was done with a 32-calibre pistol. The ball took effect in the girl's temple, and death was instantaneous. Walter Johnston is 17 years old; his sister was 14, and a beautiful girl. Both are children of H. C. Johnston, a well-known railroad man.

Battery at Fort Morgan.

Major W. Bonsell, chief of engineers in Mobile, has received orders from the government to build immediately at Fort Morgan another battery, and he has gone to work at once ordering the material for the work, which will be rapidly pushed to completion.

Enormous Cattle Shipments.

The sale of cattle for shipment to the far west still goes on in the section around Montgomery to an alarming extent and it will soon cause a famine in this state if it is not stopped at once. There has been more than two hundred car loads shipped to the west and the buying and selling still goes on.

Judge Head Retires from the Race.

Judge James B. Head has retired from the race for associate judge of the supreme court. His reason for retiring was his health, which has lately been such as to lead him to believe that he would not be in condition for arduous work for many months.

Muscle Shoals Power.

A survey for the Muscle Shoals Power company, of Sheffield, has just been completed by A. F. Walker, a civil and mining engineer, of Atlanta. The company proposes to utilize a portion of the present undeveloped power of the Tennessee river at Muscle Shoals by electrically transmitting it to Sheffield, Florence and Tuscumbia, cities eight to ten miles distant.

At Florence James Barnett, fifteen years of age, plead guilty to burglary and was sentenced to two years and three months.

Henry S. Dimont of Montgomery Dies Suddenly.

A dispatch received in Montgomery announces the death of Henry S. Dimont, which occurred in Memphis, Tenn., Monday morning. Mr. Dimont was a well known citizen of Montgomery, and was a member of the firm of Dimont & Co., wholesale grocers. He was also president of the Montgomery Gas Light company. He was a native of Memphis, and was 45 years old. He was married in Montgomery about 20 years ago to Miss Lizzie Lyon, daughter of the late Judge Lyon, of Montgomery. He is survived by his wife and two children, a boy and girl. He was a member of the Elks, Knights of Pythias and Masonic orders. The funeral will take place from Memphis.

Montgomery Gets Republican Convention.

The state executive committee of the republican party will be in session in this city, May 4 and [illegible] place for holding the [illegible] left in the hands of C. [illegible] G. B. Crowe and [illegible] Thoro will be about [illegible] present.

Montgomery Buys Water Works.

Montgomery, Ala., April 6.—The council, by a unanimous vote, has decided to purchase the water works plant of the Montgomery Water Works company for $425,000. W. B. Bibb, the only city director who voted against the proposition, was present at the meeting and cast the deciding vote in favor of the purchase.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

At Montgomery Miss [illegible] was robbed of $800 [illegible] entered her residence [illegible] money from an overturned [illegible]

The Alabama Great Southern train ran over a small negro boy who [illegible] track ahead of the train at [illegible] ville Friday.

C. W. Asheraft, [illegible] the Opelika Post, has [illegible] paper and will begin at once [illegible] work looking to the erection of [illegible] oil mill in Florence.

At Dothan, while [illegible] ling a pistol, Willie Fr[illegible] boy, shot his sister in the [illegible] ball came out under [illegible] wound is not at all serious.

The interest on the $225,000 will be paid in July 1. But as the [illegible] the treasury an effort will be made to get coupon holders to [illegible] now and give a small discount. [illegible] reached by the [illegible] on until 2 o'clock, [illegible] Birmingham, April 12. [illegible] of the monument fund [illegible] made up all over the [illegible] the erection of a [illegible] memory of the sailors [illegible] lives in the blowing up [illegible]

PURCHASING YACHTS.

Navy Department Secures Armored and Protected Cruisers.

By direction of President [illegible] Secretary Long within [illegible] hours spent something [illegible] million dollars Thursday [illegible] chase of twelve speedy [illegible] going tugs, which will be converted into torpedo boats and [illegible] picket boats.

In directing the purchase [illegible] and tugs President [illegible] guided by the information [illegible] that the Spanish torpedo [illegible] has sailed from the Canary [illegible] Porto Rico.

It is known that four [illegible] yachts have been secured [illegible] sent to the Brooklyn navy [illegible] they will be armored [illegible] and decks strengthened [illegible] ment placed aboard. [illegible] they will be sent immediately [illegible] West, where they will be [illegible] command of Captain [illegible]

Bringing Out Old Warships.

Secretary Long has [illegible] service the eight old [illegible] monitors used during the [illegible] now lying at League Island [illegible] Philadelphia. He says [illegible] the monitors Puritan and [illegible] ased to Boston and the [illegible] hont and Jason to New York [illegible]

The other monitors [illegible] hopac, Montauk and [illegible] remain at Philadelphia [illegible] being organized, and [illegible] as, it is said, could be [illegible] in one week. One company [illegible] is already equipped [illegible] axes and picks, and Captain [illegible] says he can take 10,000 [illegible] for this kind of work.

Japan's Demands on Russia.

A report from Yokohama that [illegible] requested Russia to evacuate [illegible] lands credence in the Japanese [illegible] which regards the recall [illegible] the Russian customs agent [illegible] as a sign that Russia [illegible] her policy in regard to [illegible]

France Desires Peace.

Owing to the relations between the United States and Spain, M. [illegible] the French foreign minister [illegible] could see no necessity [illegible] and that France desired the maintenance of peace.

...S OF OUR STATE.

...Heavy Shipment of Alabama...

A tow carrying 10,000 to 12,... Alabama coal is now being ... Greenville, Miss., and ... at Silver Run Bay will be ... down the Mississippi to ... markets by the Southern ... packet line. This will be the ... tow of coal that will have ... down the Mississippi river fro... ...since the line has been ... there was a tow of about 5,... left went down two weeks ... at Greenville to Walker ... handled by the Southern R... Greenville, who sent in loaded ...

...Governor's Appointments.

The governor has made the ... appointments: Notaries pu... ...rence f the peace, P. H. ... ...ter, beat 18; Blount county ... ...surance, beat 10; Lime ... ...f justice of peace, S. C. Knig... ...Lee county. Notaries pub... ...A. Harrison, beat 22, Jeffers... ...P. J. Doyle, Mobile; H. R. ... ...Birmingham. Constable, M... ...beat 1, Lamar county.

...Montgomery Gets Populist C...

The state convention of ... ...ple's party will be held in ... ...ery, May 4 and 5. The ... ...ation was appointed to ... ...place for holding the conve... ...left in the hands of Chairm... ...G. B. Crowe and Frank ... ...Thorpe will be about 500 ... ...present.

...Montgomery Buys Water W...

Montgomery, through its ... ...oil, perfected the purchase ... ...water works company ... ...$300,000. W. B. Bee... ...the municipality stockholder ... ...pany. The price agre... ...paid in 5 per cent warrants ...

...Republican Nominate Candi...

The republicans of Tuskalo... ...have nominated candidates ... ...nominations: Probate judge, ...Williams, present incumbent; ... ...clerk, S. M. Axeford; legis... ...L. Baker and J. D. Blocker; ... ...board of education, Mark ...

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A patriotic concert will ... ...Birmingham, April 12, for ... ...of the monument fund ... ...made up all over the Unite... ...the erection of a monu... ...memory of the sailors who ... ...lives in the blowing up of ...

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...Bringing Out Old Mo...

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The other monitors, Ma... ...hopac, Montauk and Ca... ...remain at Philadelphia, w... ...of preparing them for se... ...can immediately.

John S. Hopkins, ...People's Bank of Philad... ...carried suicide by shoo... ...with a pistol.

...Rush the Sam...

Lieutenant Colwell, at ... ...been directed by the nav... ...to purchase the builders of ... ...purchased cruiser Alba... ...the Brazilian vessel Abey... ...the construction of the ... ...possible speed. It is be... ...plans of the navy depa... ...the builders are placed u... ...the ship will be ready in ...

...Cattle Shipments.

...cattle for shipment to the ...ows on in the section ...ports so an alarming ...ll soon cause a famine ...ing more than two ... ...shipped to the west and ...selling still go south.

...ective from the Race.

...B. Heal has retired ... ...for associate judge of ...court. He runs in for ...his health, which has ...ne to be bad like to be ...ull and he is not in condition ...k many months.

...at Fort Morgan.

...ssely, chief of engineers ...received orders from ...to build immediately ... ...another battery, and ...work at once ordering ...the work, which will ...to be completed.

...Killed His Sister.

...Saturday morning, ...also and killed his ...ooting was accidental, ...with a 38-calibre pistol ...ter in the girl's temple, ...instantaneous. Waiter ...years old; his sister was ...pretty girl. Both are ...(col.) boston, a well ...

...at Fort Morgan.

...Cole Furnace company ... will be put in blast April ...

...LOWN UP EXTERNALLY

...Court of Inquiry to Fix the ... Explosion.

...ony was concluded on Friday ...

...the Cabinet Minister ...ary Spain of the ...War Opinion ...ry Woodford.

...Board's Report Delivered.

...Marix, judge advocate ...court of inquiry delivered the ...report of the court of inquiry to Sec... ...early Friday morning and ...after it was carried to the ...ons and placed in the hands ...At 10:30 the cabinet ...half an hour earlier than ...began the consideration of ...testimony. Even the ...which prevailed ...were made doubly ...case and no intimation of the ...reached by the court were ...Clerk, when an Asso... ...gave the informa... ...as well as to other ...others. These results, briefly ...are that the loss of the Maine ...explosion from the out... ...unable to fix the ...the explosion. The ...express an opinion as ...of the explosion, but ...to show that it was ...submarine mine, the exact ...not determined ...that it was ardent ...

SPANISH OFFICERS PLANNED THE DASTARDLY DEED.

An Extract From the Testimony of Ensign Powelson.

A witness was introduced whose name was suppressed by agreement between him and the court. He had to talk through an interpreter. This witness was crossing about 7:30 on the evening of the 15th from Havana to the Reglas on the ferry boat. He was sitting near three Spanish officers, two of the army and one of the navy, and a citizen. There were talking about the Maine. One of the army officers said: "That is nearly arranged."

The citizen asked if making explosions in the bay would not endanger Havana. The officers said:

"No; it was arranged so that it would simply explode, open the vessel and she would sink immediately."

The other man, greatly exclaimed: "I will take plenty of beer on that occasion."

Others came by and they suddenly stopped the conversation. They said it was a shame if the Maine should be in the harbor, and they would blow her up anyhow.

WAR THE ONLY KEY.

Senator Morgan Says That War Is Certain to Come.

"The only key with which to unlock the situation is war," said Senator Morgan to the Asso-Herald's Washington correspondent. Continuing, he further said: "Congress is in a frame of mind that will permit of no delays. War is certain to come. It is the only solution. It cannot be averted. Congress has it now in its power to act, and it can be set down as a fact that a declaration of war will be passed in the senate within a few days. The foreign relations committee will stand to its colors notwithstanding what influence, if any, may come from the White House. The president will want money to feed the hungry, and unless he complies with the wishes of congress in the manner of its distribution, which must be with warships and soldiers, I doubt if he will get it. The time for peace has passed. Congress is determined to free Cuba, and it can only be done by war, and war will, in my opinion, be declared at an early date."

SPAIN ASKS FOR MORE TIME.

Promise That Home Rule Will be Given and Troops Withdrawn.

Spain, although apparently defiant, has asked for further delay before the United States does anything more about Cuba.

This request was made through Senor Polo y Bernarde, Spanish minister at Washington. He promised in Spain's behalf that she would lay before the state department at an early day a plan for a more liberal government in Cuba. The details of Spain's new plan were not made known by Minister Polo, but he explained that Spain would not yield her sovereignty over Cuba. She would give the island home rule, withdraw the troops and exercise the most limited authority, but the flag must remain over Cuba. It was plainly stated that Cuban independence could not be bought with money.

The minister will probably be told that no pledge can be given to endorse any policy Spain may adopt short of Cuban independence.

FORTY-EIGHT LIVES LOST.

Cast Out on the Ice All Night in a Blinding Snow Storm.

The steamer Greenland, returning from the seal fishery, has put into Bay De Verde, at St. Johns, N. F., and reported a terrible disaster. On Wednesday last when among the ice floes, in search of seals, a storm arose, accompanied by a blinding snow, which drifted rapidly, and a severe frost fell. The members of the crew who were on the ice could not regain the vessel and were exposed to the terrible weather throughout the night and all the next day. Forty-eight men perished and between fifty and sixty were so badly frost-bitten that the amputation of one or more of their limbs will have to be undergone by all of them.

Senor Gullon Expects War.

Senor Gullon, the minister of foreign affairs, is quoted as saying that an extremely threatening note has arrived from Washington regarding the cessation of the war in Cuba. He added that "no matter how one regards the case, a rupture can now hardly be avoided."

KENTUCKY AND KEARSARGE.

The Twin Battleships, Launched at Newport News Dry Docks.

The twin battleships Kentucky and Kearsarge were launched from the yards of the Newport News dry docks of the ship building company Thursday, in the presence of an immense crowd. There was not a hitch in the programme, and cheers from 30,000 throats greeted the latest additions to the United States navy as they slid from the ways, the prow of one sprinkled with foaming champagne, the other christened with pure water from the home of Abraham Lincoln.

Purchased a German Boat.

Lieutenant Commander Colwell, the United States naval attache in London, has bought for the United States government from an American firm a first-class boat built in Schichau for Germany. She is ready to sail.

Ordered Painted Black.

Orders were issued Friday by the government to have all warships painted black, a color that is better adapted to hostilities because the vessels will not afford as good a target.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

Unsettled Relations With Spain Affect Eastern Business.

IRON BUSINESS CONTINUES TO BOOM.

Cotton Goods Have Not Improved—Decline in Print Cloths Have Taken Place—Flour and Corn Exports Larger Than Last Week.

Bradstreet's commercial report says: The favorable features of the week in distributive trade have been the reports coming, with few exceptions, from all parts of the northwest and west. The unsettled condition of our relations with Spain is credited with exercising some effect upon immediate demand and future undertakings in the eastern portion of the country. But two industries, cotton and woolen, most complaining are those on which conditions other than foreign complications have for some time past been toward depression. The coarse cotton goods situation does not improve in any way and declines in print cloths to a still lower record quotation have taken place. While some woolen goods mills have already booked good orders the business done as a whole has not been up to anticipations. Raw wool, however, does not reflect the rather unsatisfactory condition in the manufactured product in lower quotations. The condition of the iron and steel trade is one which excites satisfaction and almost surprise. From a number of widely separated sections the report comes of unprecedented activity in nearly all branches of the trade.

Pig iron is higher at several markets and efforts toward harmonizing producing elements in crude and manufactured products are being assiduously pushed. Modern steel plants are reported rushed with orders and demands more than keep up with the deliveries.

The passage of the cold wave, with little or no reported damage to the growing winter wheat, coupled with the general forward condition of agricultural matters is credited with much of the depressing influence in cereals.

Flour and corn exports are larger this week, but those of wheat are smaller. The total exports of wheat, including flour, aggregate 3,896,318 bushels against 3,679,000 bushels last week and 1,749,000 bushels in this week a year ago.

Corn exports aggregate 4,496,000 bushels against 3,941,874 bushels last week and 3,862,687 bushels this week a year ago.

GLADSTONE NEARING THE END.

His Family Admits That His Case Is Hopeless.

From London the news comes that Mr. Gladstone is dying of a cancerous growth involving the bone issues back of the nasal passages. The melancholy truth is now admitted privately by his son, Mr. Herbert Gladstone, and other members of his family. The unanimous verdict of several specialists who have been consulted regarding the case is that operation is impossible owing to the age and enfeebled condition of the patient. It would be possible to afford considerable relief and also to prolong life by surgical means if Mr. Gladstone were younger, but his heart already threatens failure to perform its functions, and the surgeons are of the opinion that the administration of anesthetics would result in immediate death.

MUST CONTAIN WAR CLAUSE.

English Ship Builders Cable Their Agents to Insert in Charters.

An ominous sign that the strained relations between the United States and Spain will result in war is furnished by English ship owners, who have cabled to their agents at New York that all charters must contain the "war clause." This clause, which is posted in the maritime exchange, is as follows:

"It is understood this steamer is to be only employed in strictly neutral trades; is not to carry contraband cargo or trade with ports declared under blockade; also in the event of war being declared by or against Great Britain by a maritime power this charter is to be null and void at the end of the then current voyage."

The United States gunboat Princeton, which is being built at Dialogue shipyard, Camden, is rapidly approaching completion. She will leave the shipyard in about a week for her final trial trip. The new boat is equipped with six-inch quick firing guns, four pounders, two one pounders, one three-inch breech-loading Howitzer, and one Gatling gun. Her complement will be 160 officers and men.

Consul General Lee, believing that a serious crisis in affairs is likely to occur now at any moment, is preparing a revised list of all Americans now in Havana, together with their addresses, so that in case of emergency they may be communicated with at short notice.

Sharpshooters Organizing.

Col. Frank D. Bartlett and Dr. J. F. Wooding, of Denver, Col., are enrolling 500 young men, experts in the use of the rifle, who will offer their services to President McKinley in case of war. The organization will be known as the Rocky Mountain Sharpshooters.

Made a Rich Haul.

It is believed that the two men who robbed the train near Goshen, Cal., secured not less than $50,000.

FIFTY FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Monday.

After the transaction of some routine business in the senate today Mr. Bacon introduced an amendment which he announced he would offer to the resolution providing for annexation of the Hawaiian islands to the United States. The amendment provides that the resolution shall not be effective until the question of annexation shall have been submitted to the qualified electors of Hawaii and passed upon affirmatively by them. The amendment is the same which Mr. Bacon offered to the Hawaiian treaty and which is still pending.... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, secured the passage of a resolution calling upon the secretary of the interior for information as to the number of all classes of pensioners, including the percentages of men and women and children carried on the pension rolls.... Among the bills passed were the following: To authorize the construction of a bridge across St. Francis river in Arkansas; to confer jurisdiction upon the United States circuit courts in certain cases.

The House.

The house today unanimously passed the bill for the relief of the survivors and victims of the Maine disaster. The bill reimburses the surviving officers and men for the losses they sustained to an amount not to exceed a year's sea pay, and directs the payment of a sum equal to a year's pay to the legal heirs of those who perished. After paying a high and flowery tribute to the men of the Maine, Mr. Cousins, of Iowa, closed with these words: "Hovering above the dark waters of that monstrous harbor of Havana the black-winged vulture watches for the belated dead, while over it and over all there is the eagle's piercing eye, sternly watching for the truth. Whether the appropriation carried by this resolution shall be ultimately charged to fate or to some foe, shall soon appear. Meanwhile, a patient and patriotic people, enlightened by the lessons of our history, remembering the woes of war, both to the vanquished and victorious, are ready for the truth and for their duty." There was tremendous applause as Mr. Cousins concluded his beautiful tribute. The remainder of the day was occupied in consideration of the old claim of John Rosch, the ship-builder, for $331,000. No action was taken upon the claim.... At 5 o'clock the house took a recess until 8 p. m., the evening session being devoted to the consideration of private pension bills.

The Senate—Tuesday.

A feature of the senate proceedings today was an extended speech by Senator Caffery, of Louisiana, in support of the pending quarantine bill.... Mr. Carter, of Montana, of the committee on territories, called up the measure reported by him, making further provisions for a civil government of Alaska, and addressed the senate at length upon it.... Mr. Gallinger, of New Hampshire, who recently returned from Cuba, announced that he would address the senate upon his observations in Cuba.... Mr. Forsker, of Ohio, presented the credentials of Mr. Hanna as United States senator, covering six years from March 4, 1899. The credentials were read and ordered filed.... Among the bills passed were the following: To prevent the appointment of cadets to the naval or military academies of the United States from states, territories or districts in which such cadets do not reside; to raise the age of protection for girls in the District of Columbia and in the territories to 18 years.

The House.

The naval appropriation bill was reported to the house today, carrying a total of $25,688,058, an increase over last year of $3,734,432, and over the current estimates of $2,314,824. For the increase of the navy the bill allows to be constructed by contract three sea-going coast line battleships, designed to carry the heaviest armor and most powerful ordnance, displacement 11,000 tons, with the heaviest practicable speed for their class, to cost, exclusive of armament, not exceeding $3,000,000 each, one to be named the Maine; six torpedo boats of 150 tons displacement, and six torpedo boat destroyers, about 350 tons displacement, to cost not exceeding $2,340,000, and one gunboat to take the place of the United States ship Michigan, to cost, exclusive of armament, not over $260,000.... The contested election case of Thorpe vs. Epes, from the Fourth Virginia district, was taken up and debated until 4 o'clock, when the house owing to the illness of Mr. Rhea, of Kentucky, who was to speak this afternoon, adjourned until tomorrow.

The Senate—Wednesday.

Almost as soon as the senate convened today Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, introduced a joint resolution declaring that the United States should do everything in its power to preserve peace with all the nations of the world, and not be forced into a war except to preserve the honor and dignity of the nation.... Mr. Hale favorably reported the bill providing for relief for the survivors of the Maine catastrophe. The measure was read and passed without a word of debate.... Mr. Gallinger, of New Hampshire, who has recently visited the island of Cuba, arose and delivered a vivid word picture of the horrors and barbarities of concentration on the island.... The senate then resumed the consideration of the bill making further provisions for a civil government in Alaska, and at 2 o'clock took up the national quarantine bill. Its consideration had not been concluded when the senate adjourned.

The House.

R. P. Thorpe was today given the seat from the fourth Virginia district. Sidney P. Epes (dem.) was unseated by a strict party vote of 151 to 180. The republicans, without a break, voted for Thorpe, and the democrats and populists, with the exception of Mr. Howard (pop.), of Alabama, voted for Epes. Mr. Thorpe contested the seat of Mr. McKenney in the last congress and was seated. The republican majority in the house, which was 52 when the house convened last summer, is now 54.

The Senate—Thursday.

The senate, after Senator Thurston's speech on the Cuban question, resumed its business, and the following bills were passed: For the protection of song birds—providing that the importation into the United States of birds, feathers or parts of birds for ornamental purposes be prohibited, and prohibiting the transportation or sale of such articles in any territory of the United States or in the District of Columbia; to authorize the Montgomery-Elmore Bridge and Improvement Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Alabama river near Montgomery, Ala., and to authorize the Monroe Railway and Construction Company to construct a bridge across Red river at Grand Ecore, La.... At 2:30, in accordance with previous notice, Mr. Bate, of Tennessee, presented a resolution in memory of the late Senator Harris, of Tennessee. Eulogies were delivered by Senators Bate, Morgan, Walthall, Chilton, Turley and others. At 4:25 p. m., as a further mark of respect, the senate adjourned until Monday.

The House.

The naval appropriation bill was taken up in the house today and after considerable difficulty an arrangement was made to close the general debate at 1 p. m. tomorrow. There was great pressure for time, but the leaders desired to limit, as far as possible, the opportunity for inflammatory utterances. The debate today was not on sensational lines; but every radical expression was cheered to the echo by the crowded galleries. The speeches of Messrs. Dayton, of West Virginia, and Arnold, of Pennsylvania, both of whom took advanced positions in favor of aggressive action to stop the war in Cuba, aroused intense enthusiasm. Mr. Boutelle, chairman of the naval committee, and Mr. Meyers, of Louisiana, confined their remarks closely to the bill and the extraordinary emergency which necessitated the large appropriations it carried. The other speakers were Messers. Tate of Georgia, Fox of Mississippi and Fitzgerald of Georgia. At 5:55 the house adjourned.

The House—Friday.

Consideration of the naval appropriation bill was resumed in the house today. The stirring scenes of the Fifty-first congress, when members of the minority were charging down the aisles, protesting against the rulings of Speaker Reed, were recalled in the turbulent protests made by the minority against the ruling of the chair during the consideration of the bill. The ruling in effect compelled members to confine their remarks under the five-minute rule to the subject before the house, and was made against Mr. Hartman (silver rep.) of Montana, who attempted to make a political speech. The ruling was denounced as an usurpation, and appeal after appeal was taken. When all else failed every expedient was resorted to to block progress with the bill. The turbulent scenes continued the remainder of the day, the minority resisting every step in the progress of the bill. Only four pages were disposed of. Before the bill was taken up for amendment Mr. Foss (rep.) of Illinois, a member of the naval committee, made a general speech in advocacy of the policy of building a strong and powerful navy.

The House—Saturday.

Consideration of the naval appropriation bill was resumed in the house today. During the debate on the bill every utterance in favor of aggressive action against Spain was applauded to the echo by the crowded galleries. The main contests of the day was over the appropriation to decrease the number of timber dry docks authorized from four to three. It led Mr. Cannon, chairman of the appropriation committee, who made the motion to discuss the whole question of war preparations, and to inveigh against the undue extravagance. He said the situation should be met with "loyal hearts and cool heads," but the temper of the house was in favor of the utmost liberality and he was voted down—78 to 107. The motion specifically eliminating the provision for the dock at Portsmouth, N. H., shared the same fate. No point of order was made against the proposed timber docks, but Mr. Cannon gave notice that he would raise a point against the proposed steel dock at Algiers, La., on the ground that a dock necessarily involved in the future the establishment of a navy yard. There was some further discussion of the relative merits of large battleships and smaller craft, in which the temper of the house seemed almost equally divided, but the paragraph relating to the ships had not been reached when the house adjourned.

Senator Blackburn Stricken.

Ex-Senator J. C. S. Blackburn, of Kentucky, had a stroke of paralysis while returning from the launching of the two new battleships at Newport News. Senator Blackburn was overcome while passing from his boat to his carriage, and was taken to his hotel in a semi-conscious state. Later in the day he recovered sufficiently to talk, and had passed out of danger.

It was stated that the senator's heart was not involved, as was at first supposed, but that the indisposition was only the recurrence of an old malady from which he has suffered before.

PROMINENT ALABAMIANS.

John H. Parker, a Unique Character in State Affairs.

Among the prominent men of Alabama who have attracted the attention of the people on account of their knowledge of affairs, is John H. Parker, of Elmore, formerly of Coosa county.

Mr. Parker has been a prominent member of the Alabama bar for nearly a quarter of a century, and is universally popular among the members of his profession and of the bench. He has served the democratic party unfalteringly and untiringly during that time, and has ever had the absolute faith and confidence of his co-workers in state affairs.

Though never aspiring to leadership, his zeal and fidelity has commended him to nearly every position, from beat committeeman to service on the state executive committee.

Mr. Parker is a great personal friend of Governor Johnston, having made a faithful fight in his section of the state for the governor's election. He is not only a man of learning in the law and the economic questions of the day, but his big heart and sympathy have won for him legions of friends all over Alabama. No man of his age in the state has received more enthusiastic compliments from the press and prominent leaders of the party. He has recently announced his candidacy for chancellor of the Northeastern division of Alabama, and such men as Col. Thos. Williams, known as the "old war horse" of democratic principles, in harness for fifty years, and many such men in his section of the state, have flocked to his support and are endorsing his candidacy. There are several good men in this race, but Mr. Parker's friends are enthusiastic and are working hard for his election.

This gentleman's innate conception of true hospitality adds to his personality a dignity seldom found in men of his broad generosity and love of his fellowmen.

No more can be said of a citizen than that he is modest, learned, faithful to his every trust and beloved of his neighbors, and this can all be said of John Parker.

Fletcher J. Cowart.

Fletcher J. Cowart, who is the leading candidate for the democratic nomination for superintendent of education of the state of Alabama, was born in Pike county and was educated in the common schools and at the Auburn College. For several years he taught at Brundidge; afterwards edited the Troy Messenger; was superintendent of education of Pike county from 1877 to 1880, and again from 1894 to 1896, thus having several years experience in the important work of administering the county school system. In 1880 he was elected to the state legislature from Pike, and again in 1882. Throughout his legislative service he was a prominent member of the house committee on education, and bore an important part in the shaping of useful legislation on the state's public school system. From 1885 to 1889 he was United States Indian Agent in New Mexico, in which position he won the thanks of the secretary of the interior for able and efficient service, especially in the management of the reservation schools. The board of trustees of the Troy graded schools has found in him one of its most zealous and progressive members. In 1893 he was chosen superintendent of these schools and has been re-elected without opposition each year since that time.

Mr. Cowart is held in high esteem in Masonic circles in Alabama, as is evidenced by his being a past grand commander of the Knights Templar of the state.

He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church from his youth.

Mr. Cowart is a friend of common schools and an earnest worker for their betterment. Able, cultured and experienced, eminently successful in every public trust he has held, thoroughly consecrated to the great cause of education, he would be an ideal chief executive of Alabama's educational department.—Montgomery Journal.

A Kansas mathematician figures it would require a freight train 6000 miles long to haul the products of Kansas in 1897. To move the corn crop 306,000 cars would be required. The Kansas hay crop is enough to fill a string of cars 1500 miles long; 102,000 cars would be required to carry the 51,000,000 bushels of wheat.

Everybody interested in seeing the latest developments in high-grade wheels should send a postal to the John P. Lovell Company, Boston, Mass., for their new catalogue. It contains valuable information.

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We beg to apologize to several correspondents whose communications are crowded out this week.

War talk continues, some prophecying we are bound to go to war with Spain, and others there will be no war. At the present moment it looks very much like war.

Hon. S. M. Adams desires us to say he will make a list of appointments and address the voters throughout the county at the earliest opportunity. Owing to the condition of the party in the county it is absolutely necessary for the people to turn out and learn for themselves the position the party is in. He will be glad to meet any of the candidates at these appointments

JUDSON STROCK

We are pleased to make the announcement of Mr. Judson Strock as a candidate for County Superintendent of Education. While not wishing to disparage any other possible candidate, we think Mr. Strock is eminently fitted for the position he seeks. He was born, raised and educated in this county, and is a graduate of Howard college. He is well acquainted with the requirements of the office, and if elected will doubtless make a most efficient superintendent.

The Smartest Dog.

"Talk about trained dogs," said Larry Phillips, as he was standing before a mixed goods restaurant in New York, "they ain't in it with Mike. Come here, Mike," he shouted, and Mike, a three legged bull terrier, wall eyed and lopsided, with an upper lip like a County Kerry squire's, sauntered up. His owner walked into the saloon and laid a quarter behind a cuspidor. "Mike," said he when he returned, "I left a quarter in the room yonder. Go and get it." Mike looked up intelligently and ran into the room, coming back presently empty mouthed. "That's the first time he ever failed me," said Larry, with some chagrin, as he walked in and picked up the coin. Then, looking at it closely: "Why, no wonder the dog wouldn't touch it. The blamed thing's a counterfeit. Who changed that quarter?" But the bartender only remarked, "Guess they're on the house, Larry." —Philadelphia Record.

Secretary Bliss and the Kickapoo.

Cornelius N. Bliss, the portly secretary of the interior, recently gave audience to a band of Kickapoo Indians. They were received with due solemnity, and when about to leave the chief held his right hand out on an exact level with the top of Mr. Bliss' head. "Heap little high," he grunted. But holding both hands open about half a foot from each ear and then pointing to his head he added impressively, "But hi yr skeokum heap big here." The only cabinet minister who can dance a sailor's hornpipe blushed a rosy red.—Philadelphia Press.

Hungry and Willing.

The editor of the Whitsett (Ga.) Courier recently received the following note from a lowland subscriber:

"I have made up my mind to kill you at breakfast tomorrow morning."

The editor replied:

"All right. If you'll just furnish the breakfast, you can shoot away."

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. Sold by J. S. Johnson, jr.

S. M. ADAMS

No man is better known in Chilton county than S. M. Adams of Jemison, and the announcement of his candidacy for the office of Judge of Probate will be hailed with much satisfaction by the Populists of the county. Not only in the county is Mr. Adams a well known man, but as a prime mover in the Populist movement he has acquired a reputation all over the state, to the extent of having been mentioned as a gubernatorial nominee. Mr Adams is a thorough Populist and lays his claim to the support of Populists in the county on that ground. While for some years Mr. Adams resided just over the border line in Bibb county, his whole life may be said to have been spent in Chilton. His marriage license was taken out in Clanton and all his children were born in this county. As to his qualifications for the office he now seeks we need only recall the fact that for six years he was President of the Farmers Alliance of Alabama, and twice has represented Bibb county in the Legislature. He is a man of strong convictions and fearlessly talks what he thinks is right. If elected, Chilton county will have the most outspoken Populist Judge of Probate in the State.

The Coming Woman

Who goes to the club while her husband tends the baby, as well as the good old-fashioned woman who looks after her home, will both at times get run down in health. They will be troubled with loss of appetite, headaches, sleeplessness, fainting or dizzy spells. The most wonderful remedy for these women is Electric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise up and call it blessed. It is the medicine for women. Female complaints and nervous troubles of all kinds are soon relieved by the use of Electric Bitters. Delicate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system. Only 50 c. per bottle. For sale by all druggists.

R M HONEYCUTT

We this week announce the candidacy of R. M. Honeycutt for re-election to the office he now holds. Everyone in the county knows Judge Honeycutt, and as he fully explains his position in an article which will be found in another place in this paper, The Banner thinks it is unnecessary to say more here, except that the administration of the office we have believed to have been in the interests of the people.

I have been afflicted with rheumatism for fourteen years and nothing seemed to give any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned.—Josh. Edgar, Germantown, Cal. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

E L MANNING

Mr. E. L. Manning, of Mountain Creek, this week announces himself a candidate for the position of Clerk of the Circuit Court. As many of our citizens know, Mr. Manning is a gentleman in the prime of life and mature intellect. He is an old Allianceman and a member of the People's Party ever since its organization, and has been not only a member but a strong worker for the cause. This is the first time he has asked for office and if the people elect him he can be relied upon to conscientiously perform the duties required of him. His friends claim he is the right man for the place and will make every honorable exertion to elect him.

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Political Pointers.

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Under the protecting care of a Republican admisistration nationally and in the state, Illinois has grown to be a hot bed for trusts. The latest one incorporated there is the Steel and Wire co., with a capital of $24,000,000. A backward glance over these columns for the past two years would show a most as dishing array of trusts, as we have carefully noted their incorporation and stated capital.

Governor Pingree, in his efforts to secure anti-railroad legislation has made some surprising discoveries as to legislators riding, not only on passes, but having in their possession Pullman and Wagner passes and telegraph and telephone franks. The doughty Governor had girded on his armor for a fight with this host of evils.

Honorable Thomas Watson persists in refusing to stand at the head of the Georgia Populist state ticket, and it is rumored that the rest of the nominees will withdraw in case he refuses to accept.

The Missouri Populist State committee has been called to meet at Lindell hotel in St. Louis Saturday, April 2, 1898, to consider matters pertaining to the party welfare.

Kansas and Nebraska, under Populism, are enjoying the best and most economical government they have ever had, regardless of the puny efforts of the plutocratic press to prove the contrary. Corporations are being compelled to bear their share of taxation and have to conform to the laws of the state the same as individuals. All this has been accomplished at a great saving of public funds when compared with former extravagant administrations.

When Congressman Dingley reported his bill to permit the importation of guns and ammunition without the payment of tariff duties, the Democrats and Populists gently interjected a number of questions which caused the tariff leader considerable embarrassment. He was asked why his measure was pushed if the Republican claim that the "foreigner pays the tax" was correct. After forcing him to admit that the consumer paid it, the bill was passed.

The majority of the people have permitted themselves to be so engrossed with the Spanish war scare that it is difficult to find any other news. Some level headed Socialists are calling the attention of the masses to the fact that war would be only in the interest of the already very rich, the poor and middle classes furnishing the men. A war at this time would retard the reform movement fifty years load the people with debt and entrench the money power behind a greatly enlarged standing army.

Mark Hanna's "educational bureau" at Washington is still grinding out news for the rural press. The following gem, recently sent out, is intended to inspire the country editor to a redoubling of his diligence: "The expected alliance of the Populists, Democrats and Silver Republicans, it is now reported in Washington, will not materialize. The Republicans feel assured, therefore, of success in the elections of the next two years."

A bill to "reform the currency" has been introduced in congress, the main features of which are a subtle plan to retire the greenbacks by turning them over to the national banks, and the redemption of silver dollars in gold. The bill is very ingenious, but there is no danger of it getting into law during the life of the present congress. Let us see to it that such a bill cannot pass the next one.

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State commissioner Johnson, of Kansas, has compiled a report on the inequalities of taxation in which he shows conclusively that the small property owner pays nearly all the taxes. The same trouble is manifest in other states and many legislatures will attempt to correct this growing evil. This equal taxation committee of the St. Louis single tax league claims to have evidence that "more than $350,000,000 worth in actual cash value of real estate and franchises in St. Louis goes untaxed."

Bellamy's paper, the New Nation, is to be published again, a company for that purpose having been organized at Denver. A. R.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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English Versus American Shells.

The comparative merits of English and American rowing systems are to be extended to the international test of boatbuilding. Harvard will row in an English cedar shell, built by Clasper, the famous artificer of racing boats, who is employed by the Oxford and Cambridge crews. In the opinion of an old rowing man there is no doubt that the trick of building wooden shells is better understood in England than in America. Yale has rowed in paper boats for many years and has found them satisfactory in model, stiffness and weight. In 1892 Josh Harswell had a cedar boat built for the Yale crew, but the shell was improperly braced and was as limber as a coach whip.

The shell was used for practice, and fast time was made in it, but was discarded for a paper boat in the race. Since 1892 Yale has stuck to paper boats and used one of them at Henley last summer. This season Bob Cook has ordered an American cedar shell, but will have a new paper boat on hand also and will give them a thorough trial before making a choice. The expert referred to does not believe that between a first class cedar and a good paper shell there is enough difference in speed in a four mile race to make the question worth much expense or worry. The problem is one of model more than of material.—New York Telegram.

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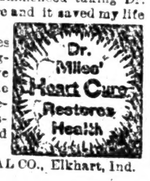

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By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following propecty:

Lot Number 3 in the town of Maplesville, Alabama, together with the two-story store-house thereon, which said lot is bounded as follows, to-wit: On the east by the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad; on the south by property of A. S. Wooley, on north and west by property of Dr. J. S. Johnson, Sr., and to be sold as subject to two mortgages executed by said S. A. Foshee to Minthorne Woolsey, and by said Woolsey duly transferred and assigned to H. J. Foshee. And also Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898.

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

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Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

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Commencing at the south-east corner of the south-west quarter of south-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, north, range sixteen east, and running thence in a westerly direction forty feet thence north one hundred and five feet, thence east four hundred and twenty feet, thence south one hundred and five feet, and thence west to point of beginning, containing one acre, and also the mill-dam, mill-house and mill-race situated on said land, and lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

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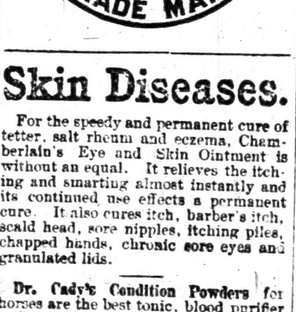

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The State of Alabama } In the Probate
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To James S. Allen and George Allen, of Arcadia, La., and Ella Christopher, residence unknown:

You will please take notice that on the 18th day of March, 1898, a certain paper in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. P. Allen, deceased, was filed in my office for probate by Sudie Garner, and that the 25th day of April, 1898, was appointed a day for hearing thereof, at which time you can appear and contest the same, if you see proper.

Given under my hand this 21st day of March, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

Notice Of Application for Pardon.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that application will be made to the Governor of Alabama on or before April 1, 1898, to pardon Dave Carter, colored, who was convicted at the Spring term 1897 of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, of the offense of rocking a train. SALLY MIDDLEBROOKS.

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Notice to Delinquent Tax-Payers.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

The Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due. The persons named below are reported as delinquent, and the following real estate is reported as assessed to them, to wit:

BEAT No. 1.

R B Jordan sw ¼ of nw ¼ section 18 township 24 range 15 tax and costs $2.81

BEAT No. 2.

James Y Boyd n ½ of nw ¼ sec 20 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.28

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 23 tp 24 r 13 tax and cost $3.10

BEAT No. 4.

C P Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $3.25

BEAT No. 5

G L Werth e ½ of nw ¼, sw ¼ of nw ¼, sec 4 tp 20 r 16 18 acres in se cor of se ¼ of ne ¼ sec 36 tp 21 r 15 8 ½ of e ½ of nw ¼, and nw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $9.95

John L Harrell ne ¼ of sw ¼, nw ¼ of se ¼ sec 7 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.54

E H Downs 2 acres in nw cor of nw qr of ne qr sec 27 tp 21 r 15 tax and costs $11.46

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 9 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15. Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $16.10

G B Morgan n ½ of nw ¼ sec 23 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.44

Mrs S A Green part of the nw qr of nw qr and part of the sw qr of nw qr sec 6 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $9.32

James Sharp sw qr of sw qr sec 16 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $3.07

BEAT No. 8.

W E Wailes nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ & s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $11.43

James Jones se ¼ sec 12 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.15

UNKNOWN OWNERS.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers, and of real estate upon which taxes are due; and therein is reported assessed to "Owner Unknown" the following real estate, to wit;

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $3.69

W ½ of se qr sec 2 tp 20 r 13 tax and costs $3.89

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This is to notify you to appear before the Probate Court of said county at the next term thereof, commencing Monday the 11th day of April, 1898, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why a decree for the sale of said real estate should not be made for the payment of the taxes assessed against you and fees and costs.

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TORPEDOES FOR DEFENSE.

GUARDING A HARBOR WITH THESE ENGINES OF DESTRUCTION.

Secrecy of the Work of Placing the Torpedoes—Planted All Over a Harbor, and Connected With the Shores by Electric Wires—Various Kinds of Torpedoes.

An expert on explosives in the employ of the Government at San Francisco, and who is particularly familiar with the handling of large torpedoes, gave some interesting information to a Chronicle reporter regarding the manner of placing and directing these terrible destroyers.

"The explosion which destroyed the battle-ship Maine in the Harbor of Havana, no matter what its cause," he said, "has drawn general attention to the importance of torpedoes as a means of harbor defense. It was recognized, from the very moment of the disaster that the destruction of the great armor-clad ship might have been due to a torpedo. And so inquiries have naturally arisen as to the extent to which American ports are protected in this manner, if at all.

"No work of the War Department is conducted with more privacy than that which pertains to the use of torpedoes for harbor defense. No published reports of any bureau or department of the government of the United States indicate what plans have been adopted for the placing of torpedoes, or at what particular point it is proposed to establish them, either in the case of war or at any other time.

"Torpedoes are of metal, cylindrical in form, about four feet in length and a foot or more in diameter. This quantity is sufficient to blow a hole through the bottom of any ship afloat, if exploded under water within fifty feet of her hull. The installation of 500 or 600 torpedoes, the number for the complete protection of this port, could be accomplished in a few weeks. This would include the laying of the submerged wires and the establishment of the necessary electric connections and instruments on shore. When completed no visible trace of the work would remain. The location of the electric station would be so masked as to be wholly concealed from observation. When fixed in their proper positions, in accordance with the most improved modern methods, the torpedoes would be 100 feet apart. As the destructive area of each is measured by a radius of fifty feet, to place them closer together than 100 feet would be to cause the explosion of one to set off all the others in the same line or group. The preferred arrangement or grouping is the quincunx, a system often adopted by orchardists in the planting of trees to insure the greatest economy of space.

"It is the electrical control of these terrible engines of warfare that makes them most dangerous and effective. Each of a long line of them over which a ship must pass in entering the harbor would have its designated number, and a chart in the hands of the operator or his assistant would show the precise location of each, as measured from certain fixed points of observation. By means of his delicate instruments the operator could in a moment test the electric connections of any single torpedo, and so ascertain if all were in readiness for an explosion. He could so govern the electric current that any given torpedo would be exploded the instant it were touched by an approaching ship. Or he could explode the charge at the proper moment by the pressure of a finger upon the key of his instrument. If all were in proper order and condition no enemy's ship or fleet of ships could pass within the harbor, unless, perhaps, in the darkness or shielded from view by a heavy fog. Even in those circumstances the torpedoes would be effective if the attack were anticipated, for the electric current could be so regulated that each would explode on contact with a ship.

"The War Department has distributed a large number of torpedo cases among the ports most exposed to attack. And in addition to the fixed and submerged torpedoes there are the automobile or dirigible torpedoes, of which there are several descriptions. These may be discharged from a ship or the shore, attain a high speed under water by means of compressed air or electric energy, and are directed in their movements by electric wires, which are reeled off as the machine rushes onward to the object of attack."

More Money in Rabbits Than Wheat.

J. R. Brannock bought 5,563 rabbits, 21,420 dozen eggs from January, 1897, to 1898, paying $2,755.58. The raising of poultry and catching rabbits is no trifling industry if closely followed. The rabbit crop, if rightly computed, has done more for the people of Harrison County this year than the wheat crop. We're puzzled to know what political party will claim the honor.—Cynthiana (Ky.) Log Cabin.

Three cannon, formerly part of the armament of the British ship Acteon, wrecked in Charleston harbor on June 28, 1776, have been mounted in a park in St. Louis.

The average person wears nearly 14 pounds of clothing.

Watson Declines to Run for Governor.

Hon. Thomas E. Watson, who was nominated for governor of Georgia last week by the populists, in an open letter declines to accept the honor. After saying he could not be elected, no matter how the ballots went, he announces that he is out of politics for good.

While taking a boat ride in Perry creek, near Dayton, Tenn., Miss Hattie Russell and Henry Allen were drowned.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

"Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do," says Watts. This is about the only standing offer of a job that there is left these days.—Industrial Advocate.

There is nothing in the report that General Lee was assassinated in Havana. Had the rumor been true, the administration would now probably be taking steps to hold a post mortem examination on the remains in order to ascertain if the fatality could not be attributed to an accident.—Kern County Californian.

"Jubilate Deo!" Loud's villainous bill to suppress progressive literature has been killed by 162 to 119. "The announcement was greeted by bursts of applause."—San Francisco Star.

When a deserving person dies of starvation in this land of plenty, the crime lies at the door of somebody. It were better to be a "dog and bay the moon" than be the one upon whose shoulders rests the responsibility of such a crime.—Pacific Union Printer.

Senator Hanna says the sinking of the Maine was an accident. Most Americans independent of politics consider Hanna's election a calamity. So misfortune after misfortune strikes us. —San Rafael Sun.

Have we become a nation of Shylocks, that national honor can be maintained and the righteous wrath of the people appeased with Spanish gold? What a spectacle! the president in case Spain is found guilty of blowing up the Maine will demand only millions. Can murder be atoned with filthy lucre? Honor is worth but little when it is measured in gold.—Phoenix Gazette.

Now that McKinley is president and a disgraceful war is being carried on at our front door, innocent people are being butchered and commerce prostrated, McKinley refuses to take any action to put a stop to the war for fear that it may make securities in which his moneyed saviors are interested, fluctuate. Finally, when the subject is thrust upon him in such a way that he can no longer escape it, he suggests that Cuba be purchased. It is money, money all the time. The United States under this man who has achieved his high position with money, feels no patriotism, is willing to endure insults, and is not disturbed by having a war vessel blown up and 253 brave sailors destroyed. He simply suggests that Cuba buy Cuba, and the United States guarantee the payment. If this is not the culmination of mendacity and pusillanimity, then we should wait for the next communication from the white house to get it.—Cleveland Recorder.

The bondholders and the breadwinners are two separate and distinct classes of people. The bondholder is a citizen and a patriot. The breadwinner is also a citizen and a patriot. Our dear, good government, which jails its producing classes when it finds them out of employment and money, has a very tender regard for the foreign holder of bonds, who is not a citizen and presumably not an American patriot. For the war it takes the lives of the toiling poor, but not the lives of the rich; neither does it take one cent of their cash. On the contrary, it borrows from them at an exorbitant rate of interest. By what strange process of civilized reasoning does it arrive at the conclusion that the dollar is greater than the life? Why is it that one class of patriots is drafted for a service extremely dangerous to life and limb, while another class of patriots may rest in luxury at home, drawing a revenue from an investment of cold, inert metal?—Coming Nation.

Just the Same.

Yes, you hate to be bought and you
hate to be sold,
And you hate to be forced to pay Shylock in gold,
You hate the hard times, but you're
bound to die game,
You hate 'em—but you vote for 'em
just the same.

You hate politicians that swagger and
rant,
You hate a good deal of the old party
cant,
You hate a large share of the ticket
you name—
You hate it—but vote for it just the
same!

You hate to be trampled in a financial
way,
And you hate giant frauds going on
day by day,
You curse in your soul the corruption
you blame—
You curse it—and vote for it just the
same!

You long for good laws and prosperous
times,
And you want to see boodlers sent up
for their crimes,
You want more reforms than we've
space here to name,
But—you never vote for them just the
same!

You hope for a change, and you pray
for relief,
And you swear you'll bring partisan
schemers to grief,
Then you march to the polls to put
blockheads to shame
But—vote the old ticket again just the
same. —Ex.

The Tree Is in Danger.

If the roots do not eat and drink, the tree dies. The roots are the poor.—Zola.

ENGLISH OWNERSHIP.

THIS COUNTRY'S RIGHWAYS CONTROLLED BY FOREIGNERS.

The London Times Makes the Interesting Revelation that the Corporations Which Dictated Our Political Policy Are English.

Some months ago the English syndicate which has charge of the investments of the British in American railways sent a representative over here to investigate our railway problem and the conditions characterizing it. The report of this commissioner has begun to appear in instalments in the London Times and its contents are exceedingly interesting. We are favored, for the first time, with an open admission that the leading railways of this country excepting the Pennsylvania, are practically English property. The Illinois Central is almost wholly owned in England. It is rather surprising to find that the old Vanderbilt road, the New York Central, has become one half English property. The huge mortgage recorded against it a year ago is held entirely in England, while the shares of its stock have been absorbed by three large English banking houses acting in the interest of numerous small private purchasers in England.

These facts are interesting. They afford a clue to many of the mysteries of our railway system. It is unreasoning to hate the English because they have been permitted to acquire so large a share of the country and to be actually the owners of the highways of the republic. The persons to blame are the financiers who have mortgaged the land to the foreigner. The financiers and the stock jobbers are wholly to blame, but it is useless to censure them. Our treatment of the corporations has been exceptionally liberal in view of the way the foreigner has been allowed to possess them. The ethics of the case are easily understood. We should not tolerate the ownership of the foreigner in our highways. The highways of a country belong to the people who dwell within it. They do not belong to the man three thousand miles away, no matter what pretensions he may make.

We may now, perhaps, understand why the railways of the country have been so much inspired by a feeling of hostility to the interests of the people. These great corporations are in reality foreign concerns. They exist primarily for the purpose of extracting a profit out of the American people in order that some person in England may get a dividend. It naturally follows that anything which makes for the advantage of the people of this country, where the operation of the railways is concerned, is disadvantageous to the English. The result is that the corporations follow the British policy. The proof of this is to be found in the policy pursued by our corporations in matters political. We suppose it would be impossible to name any wealthy corporation in the land which does not to-day favor a British policy in preference to an American policy. If, as is likely, the other corporations of the country are owned in England as largely as the railroads are so owned, the secret of corporationism is revealed. The corporation is an instrument for the exploitation of this country in the interests of the foreigner.

SOME FASHION NOTES.

It is not fashionable for men who own banks to wear overalls, but they often do lots of dirty work all the same.

It is very fashionable for a storekeeper to offer his customers "something just as good" out of which he can make more profit.

It is quite stylish for pretending Christian congregations to fire their pastors if they venture to preach true Christianity.

The very latest style of prosperity (the McKinley brand) is ushered in through the medium of free soup houses and charity wood yards.

It is still stylish to export our food products to Europe for the purpose of making profit while many of our own people are starving.

It is quite fashionable for the members of our legislatures to keep their mouths shut about the right of labor and to work them overtime for the benefit of trusts.

The style of prosperity enjoyed by the working class remains unchanged. There are no prospects of a change for the better this year.

The Telephone Monopoly.

Detroit, with a population exceeding 300,000, now has an independent telephone company, whose central station is serving 4,800 customers, and which expects to accommodate 1,200 or 1,500 more within the next six months.

Not only do Detroit people use their telephones quite as frequently as other folks, but they appear to get quite as good a quality of service. And yet the rates which this independent organization demands are only from one-third to one-sixth as great as those which New Yorkers pay. For private houses the price in Detroit is $25 a year, and for places of business only $40.—New York Tribune.

Oh, of Course.

"Plates for a war loan in the engravers' hands." Of course. Whoever loses by or is killed in such a possible war; the bondholders must be assured of their hearts' blood. And yet it was distinctly proved in the civil war that non-interest bearing greenbacks were as good as bonds until the government refused to receive them for its own dues.—San Francisco Star.

EMINENT DIVINES SERMONS

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

Rev. George H. Hepworth's Sermon in the New York Herald is Entitled "Nothing is Small"—An Address by Evangelist D. L. Moody on Bible Texts.

The New York Herald publishes the complete result of its recent competition for prize sermons printed in its columns. The first prize was awarded by the Herald itself, and the second, third and fourth prizes were decided by the votes of its readers. The successful competitors were as follows:

First prize, $1000, to the Rev. Richard G. Woodbridge, pastor of the Central Congregational Church, Middleboro, Mass. Subject, "The Power of Gentleness."

Second prize, $500, to the Rev. W. S. Perkins, pastor of St. Paul's Universalist Church, Meriden, Conn. Subject, "Burden Bearing."

Third prize, $300, to the Rev. John D. Long, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Babylon, L. I. Subject, "The Good Side of Life."

Fourth prize, $200, to the Rev. Edwin P. Parker, pastor of the South Church, Hartford, Conn. Subject, "Law of Kindness."

Dr. Hepworth on "Nothing is Small.

TEXT: "Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."—Matthew xxv., 21.

I know of no part of Scripture which gives me more good cheer than this. It contains the kindest and most encouraging statement of fact that ever fell from the lips of Christ. I oftentimes wonder what circumstance suggested this subject—what impelled Him to put a gentle hand on our shoulder, as though to say, "Be not troubled." To do things well is to do God's work in God's way. Nothing is trivial that is worth doing at all.

It is true that not all can be great in the sight of men, but every man may belong to heaven's nobility. There are men in the humblest walks of life who will wear coveted crowns in the hereafter because they did their simple duty in a simple fashion.

When we get into the other world we shall be profoundly surprised to find that the Lord's standard of value is very different from that to which we have been accustomed. We regard social position, wealth, intellectual culture as of prime importance and rather imagine that the Lord will hesitate to condemn any one with these three enviable possessions. But it is clear that we and He do not agree, for with Him a pure heart and a sweet, placid and gentle life are worth more than all else besides.

Not even God can make either your heart pure or your life sweet without your assistance. Nor can you make a pure heart or a sweet life without His assistance. These desirable results must come from a close association of God with man and of man with God. When your weakness, moved by a divine ambition, is commingled with His omnipotence, then and then only can the ideal soul be produced. He can make wealth, He can give you the genius which will make you famous, but it is absolutely necessary for you and Him to work in holy partnership before the thing which heaven prizes most can be attained.

When we step across the border we shall find that many of our earthly ideas of value are either mistakes or prejudices, and that lives are acceptable and profitable only in proportion to their spiritual symmetry and beauty. The more a man does for others, therefore, the more he does for himself, and if he cares only for himself, to the neglect of others, he will have to go into the primary class in heaven and learn what true religion means.

Someone said to me recently in despairing tones, "My life amounts to so little. I live the humdrum days in a humdrum way, and if I should drop out of existence it would make no difference to anyone." If that were true it would be very sad. But this man was to my mind one of the world's heroes. I knew his environment, and knew what he had done with it, how much he had made out of it. Yes, he was a manual laborer, and his hands were grimy with toil. He was a saint in overalls. He was the guardian angel of an aged mother who thought herself in heaven long before she went there because the son was so like Providence. He strained every nerve to give his boys an education that they might be fitted to do better work than he had done.

You say "All this is a matter of course." Then I add, and God's blessing is a matter of course.

That was a narrow life? No; it was as wide as God's love could make it, and as noble as an archangel's.

He who does the little duties of life with a large heart makes himself great in soul.

You can better afford to stand before God in honest rags than in the purple and fine linen of dishonesty.

The important question to be answered is not, Who are you? but What are you?

Your pocketbook does not weigh as much as your moral principle in the scales of God.

It is rank heresy to say that your life is worthless if you are doing your work well.

Heaven is full of princes who found it hard to pay the rent of their earthly houses.

Never allow yourself to say, and especially to feel, that the work you are doing is insignificant or the place you will fill is of no importance. To do that is to make an uncalled for criticism on the Lord, for you hereby declare that the duty He has set you to do is not worth doing. If there is a mistake anywhere it is in your opinion of the value of things and not in His judgment as to what He needs to have done. You have no right to hold any such opinion, and if you do it is because your ideas are based on false principles.

No matter how humble your sphere, fill it full by pouring your best and noblest qualities of character into it. A pool of water is a thing of beauty when the moon shines on it, and the smallest soul that ever breathed is a miracle when the spirit of God is reflected therein.

It requires many hands to make a watch. If one of the hands which fashions one of the cogs of one of the wheels does its work badly the watch will never keep good time. If the whole is to be perfect every part must be perfect.

So it is in the universe. You do not know, but God knows that unless you take pains to make your cog of the wheel with fidelity you may do a damage which cannot easily be repaired.

Little things done well make a great soul, and small duties are always great duties in the eyes of the angels.

GEORGE H. HEPWORTH.

ADDRESS BY MOODY.

The Famous Evangelist Speaks in New York on the Value of Bible Texts.

"I believe in my heart that the best thing on this earth is the Gospel of the Son of God. I said last night that the keynote of this mission is the saying of Christ, 'The Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.' To-night I will take another text to follow it. And I want you to remember that the object of the sermon is to drive home the text. I would rather have one text of the Bible than all the sermons in the world. There are enough of them preached in New York every week to save the city ten times over. In John i., 29, are the first words recorded by the evangelist as having been spoken to him by Jesus Christ. They are, 'What seek ye?' It may have been sixty years after John heard those words that he wrote them down, but they had made such an impression on him that he remembered the time and the place. With another who afterward became a disciple he had gone to look at Christ, and asked Him the question, 'Where dwellest Thou?' 'Come and see,' answered the Saviour, and the two disciples went, and never left Him.

"It is very evident that these two men found more in Christ than did a good many others of their time. And do you know that there are a good many in New York the same way. It is recorded in the gospels that many of those who followed the Saviour left Him, and there are many who follow Him to-day who say they are disappointed. Why? I think I can tell you. When the crowds followed Christ in the Holy Land they did so from various motives. Some of them wanted to see Him perform miracles. They wanted to see the devils cast out and the lepers cured, and so they were always crying to Him, 'Master, show us a sign.' Others thought He was going to found an earthly kingdom, and wanted to get into office when He founded it. Others [illegible] that they might entangle Him into saying something against the [illegible] laws which would lead to His [illegible] tion and death. Others followed from morbid curiosity to see [illegible] hear something new [illegible] accused of being after [illegible] loaves. They did not [illegible] sage.

"All these [illegible]

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you have come with low motives, thank God you have come at all, and you may change your mind before you're through. I'm glad to have a chance at you, whatever your motives for being here may be.

"Here is another text I want to read: 'Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.' So many people think that they will attend to temporal things first, and after they have made a comfortable fortune and settled down they will attend to eternal things. God says, 'No. You must first seek the Kingdom of God.' I think if this were really done you would never come to want.

"I have been besought on all sides to preach sermons on capital and labor and similar subjects. My friends, I believe as long as you start right and follow that text you will turn out right in the end. I believe so many don't get on because the Kingdom of God comes last, not first, with them. You can't tell what may happen before the morning. Christ would not even allow a man who followed Him to bury his dead father before he had obtained the Kingdom of God. I believe there are thousands and tens of thousands of young people who have written on the flyleaves of their Bibles by some loving father or mother the text I have quoted, from Matthew vi., 33.

"If Moses should suddenly appear here what do you suppose would be the first words he would say to you? If you asked him to come to the platform and take my place he would say: 'The choice is between life and death. Choose life.' If Hezekiah were to come here what would he say? I think he would ask you, 'How long halt ye between two opinions?' If Solomon should appear he would say, 'Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.' Suppose that little tentmaker, Paul of Tarsus, were here. He would shout, 'Now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation.' And if Jesus Christ were to appear among us He would say, 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.'"

HOW TO AVOID YELLOW JACK.

Professor Klek Says It is Easy to Avoid the Germs.

Uncle Sam has only to issue an order to his troops to "cook your food and boil your drinking water" to render the whole American army immune from yellow fever, according to Professor Edwin Klek, of Rush Medical College, Chicago, an account of whose discovery of yellow fever germs was published a fortnight ago.

The Spanish soldiers in Cuba, among whom the mortality from yellow fever has been great, have eaten and drunk cooked and uncooked food and water indiscriminately. It is Professor Klek's theory that if the simple precaution of boiling and cooking had been followed the army would have been practically immune from the disease.

In the event of war with Spain the American troops sent to Cuba would be forced to depend largely on food canned in the United States, which would lessen the danger considerably. It is Professor Klek's belief that the familiar injunction of the Chicago Health Department to "boil the water" would complete the safety of the troops from the disease, whose ravages are more to be dreaded than Spanish bullets.

THE SAN JOSE FRUIT BUG.

New Jersey Is Its Eastern Home, According to Entomologists.

The Agricultural Department has just issued a bulletin on the San Jose scale in 1896-97, prepared by Entomologist L. O. Howard. It is of much interest at this time because of the recent edict of the German Government prohibiting the importation of living plants, fruits, etc., on account of the alleged discovery of scale on pears shipped from California.

The bulletin says that in the fall of 1895 the insect was reported as being in twenty States, but in comparatively few localities in each, with the exception of New Jersey, which was overrun by it. In 1896-7 actual field inspection in Virginia, Maryland, Illinois, Ohio, Georgia and several other states showed that in them the insect was almost as widespread as in New Jersey, while twelve States and the District of Columbia have been added to the number containing infested points.

A list of fifty-five fruit and shade trees and ornamental shrubs affected by the pest is given. Considerable space is devoted to a discussion of the remedies suggested to kill the pest.

FILLED CHEESE EVIL.

Its Exportation to England Has Caused Injury to American Trade.

United States Consul Dickinson, at Nottingham, England, has sent the State Department, Washington, an interesting report upon the quantity and quality of cheese sent to Great Britain by America. In it he points a moral and conveys a warning to exporters who have been in the habit of sending "filled cheese" to foreign ports instead of the pure product. The result of this kind of fraud has cost American cheese dealers thousands of dollars in trade lost during the last few years. Canada has gained what we have relinquished. This gradual change of relations has been going on since 1891. That year the United States sent England nearly 148,000,000 pounds of cheese. Our product was then at the top of the British market.

The Drought in California.

Stock raisers of Fresno, Cal., are circulating a petition which is to be forwarded to President McKinley. The unprecedented drought has been very hard on stock, and in the petition the President will be asked to proclaim that stock may graze on certain portions of the Yosemite Park reservation during the coming season.

THE SABBATH S[CHOOL]

INTERNATIONAL LESSON CO[MMENT] FOR APRIL 3.

Lesson Text: "The Woman of Ca[naan]," Matthew xv., 21-31—Golden T[ext] xv., [illegible]—Commentary on [the Lesson] For the Day by the Rev. D. [illegible]

21. [illegible]

[illegible]

And His disciples came and besought Him, saying, Send her away, for she crieth after us." He knew the case thoroughly and how to deal with it. Silence is not [illegible] and delay is not unkind. The [illegible] that He may be gracious; [illegible] they that wait for Him (John [illegible] xxx., 18). He saw her faith [illegible] under His silence. It was a good [illegible] her that He did not say no and [illegible] away. The disciples were like most [illegible] selfish, and wanted quietness for [them]selves. They had not learned to [live for] others and forget self. Have you [illegible]

24. "But He answered and said, I [am] not sent but unto the lost sheep [of the] house of Israel." So He had command[ed] the twelve (chapter x., 6). He might have added, "But they have rejected [Me;] therefore have I come to you," but [it was] not necessary. He saw her faith strong under all this, and how it [illegible] Him! Did He not say: "Other [sheep I] have, which are not of this fold; [them] also I must bring, and they shall [hear My] voice, and there shall be one fold [and one] shepherd?" (John x., 16.)

25. "Then came she and worshiped [Him,] saying, Lord help me." How He [must have] joined in the clinging of this helpless [one!] He longed to help her. He [illegible] but it was not quite time. Though [her] needs is not personally hers, [illegible] daughter's, see how her cry still is [illegible] help me!" When we by faith in C[hrist re]ceive Him, and are assured by His [illegible] that now we are accepted, redeemed [illegible] fied, and that some day we shall [see] Him (Eph. i., 6, 7; Rom. v., 1; I John [iii.,] 2), is not all this in order that we [may] by one take up the case of others and [bring] them to Christ?

26. "But He answered and said, It [is not] meet to take the children's bread and [cast] it to the dogs." His words look hard, even unkind, but "God is love," and [Jesus] was "God manifest in the flesh," and [there] is naught but love in all this. We [must] not judge Him. He is the Judge. [We] must trust Him and wait patiently, [and] we shall one day see that He has [done] without cause all that He has done [(Ezek.] xiv., 23).

27. "And she said, Truth, Lord, [yet the] dogs eat of the crumbs which fall [from] their master's table." She had adde[d] Him as Lord and Son of David, and [now] as Master. Let Him say what He will, [let] Him do what seemeth Him good, she [will] trust Him, she will cling to Him [as] Ruth to Naomi, and like Ittai to [David,] like Elisha to Elijah. Nothing can [drive] her away. She has come for some[thing] and she will have it—if only a [dog's] shall be her Master, He is so very [illegible] and she so poor and needy.

28. "Then Jesus answered and said [unto] her, O woman, great is thy faith; [be it] unto thee even as thou wilt. And [her] daughter was made whole from that [very] hour." So she triumphed, her [illegible] Him gave her her heart's desire, [illegible] tended to do it. I doubt not [illegible] took that journey in order to [illegible] there is a time that is always best [illegible] keeps us waiting, it is because He [illegible] to us as to His mother at the [marriage,] "Mine hour is not yet come." It is [often]times asked, "Can our faith bring [blessing] to others?" Let this case answer. [It] have no reference to the daughter's [faith.] He said, "Great is thy faith," [and the] daughter was made whole.

29. "And Jesus departed from [thence] and came nigh unto the Sea of Galilee, [and] went up into a mountain and sat [down] there." He took the long journey [and was] refreshed by great faith and [illegible] for His hidden one. We read [illegible] else that He did at that time. [illegible] Philip, one of the seven, a long [journey to] bring joy to the Ethiopian. He [sent Ga]briel from heaven to instruct Daniel [and] comfort Zacharias. He sent an [angel to] the ship in the storm to comfort [Paul.] There is nothing too wonderful [illegible] and He is always "this same Jesus" [illegible] i., 11).

30. "And great multitudes came [unto] Him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and [many] others, and cast them down at Jesus' [feet,] and He healed them." What a [illegible] what His kingdom will be, "and the [inhabitant] shall not say I am sick, the people [that] dwell therein shall be forgiven [their in]iquity" (Isa. xxxiii., 24). It was [for this He] came down to earth. One does not [illegible] that they wanted to take Him by force to make Him their King (John vi., [15),] when hungry He could feed them, [when] sick He could heal them, and if they [died] He could bring them to life.

31. "Insomuch that the multitude [won]dered, when they saw the dumb [speak,] the maimed to be whole, the lame [to walk,] and the blind to see, and they glorified the God of Israel." But why did they [won]der? This was just what Isaiah [said] their Messiah would do (Isa. xxxv.). Why did they not welcome Him [and sub]mit to Him as their Messiah, [that they] might as a nation obtain joy and [gladness] and have sorrow and sadness flee [away?] No, they were not ready for God's [thoughts] and ways. Like their forefathers [they] wanted a king like other nations [illegible] Helper.

STARVATION AND DISEA[SE]

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Gained 22 Pounds in [illegible]
From the By-Stander, [illegible]
Alderman Louis W. Camp, [illegible] quite astonished his friends [illegible] able gain in weight. He has g[ained] five weeks. Those [who] do not know the facts [illegible] will read with interest.

"I was broken down in h[ealth] by [illegible]" said Mr. Ca[mp] [to a re]porter. "I was unable to w[ork for some] time and so badly afflicted [with] stomach trouble that life w[as a] nightmare.

"I tried various remedies, [but for] six months of my sickness I [got no relief.] I had always been a [strong] man and sickness [illegible]

"About two years ago I [began to] try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills [for Pale Peo]ple. I purchased one box [and received] such benefit that I used five [boxes and was] entirely cured. I gained [illegible] in five weeks. Since I stop[ped taking the] pills I have scarcely had an [illegible]

Interviewing the Ald[erman]

"Dr. Williams' Pink Pills [restored my] health and I [illegible] heart[ily recommend] them."

L. W. Camp [illegible] says the [follow]ing statement is true.

W. W. [illegible], N[otary]

Following is the physician's [report as] to Mr. Camp's present condit[ion:] I am a regularly licensed [physician of] Macomb, McDonough Coun[ty] very recently examined Mr. [Camp as] to his general physical cond[ition and find] the same to be all that co[uld be desired,] appetite and digestion good, and has all the evidence of [good] physical condition. SAM'L [illegible]

Subscribed and sworn to [this] 30th day of September, 1897.

W. W. [illegible], N[otary]

England has [illegible] court packing [illegible] 30,000 pounds [illegible] ish army in [illegible]

To Cure a Cold in O[ne Day]
Take Laxative Bromo Quinin[e Tablets.] Druggists [illegible]

There is an [illegible] embraces [illegible] is all [illegible] ponds and canals.

Educate Your Bowels W[ith] Candy Cathartic, cure cons[tipation] 10c, 25c. If C C C fail, druggi[sts refund money.]

Persons residing in the [illegible] who have no vote [illegible] the state in which they [illegible] dence.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Be[st.] Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

Near the Canadian sea [illegible] "eternal fires," so called [illegible] where natural gas [illegible] and has been on fire for [illegible]

Fits permanently cured. N[o fits or nervous]ness after first day's use of [Dr. Kline's Great] Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle [and treatise free.] Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arc[h St., Phila., Pa.]

A Scottish diver [illegible] the Cl[yde] called all European records [by remaining un]der water forty minutes.

To Cure Constipation [Forever.] Take Cascarets Candy Cath[artic.] If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggi[sts refund money.]

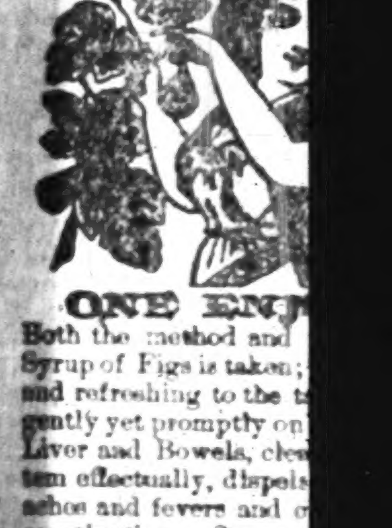
The national debt is now $1[illegible] dividual. In 1857 it was $2[illegible]

France gathers a window ta[x from] 6,000,000 houses.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Sy[rup for children] teething, softens the gums, red[uces inflammation,] allays pain, cures wind co[lic.]

Dyspepsia, Dyspepsia and [illegible] cured by Taber's Pepsin Co[mpound] mailed free. Write Dr. Taber [illegible]

I can recommend Piso's Cure [for Consump]tion to sufferers from Asthm[a.] [illegible], Ft. Howard, Wis., May [illegible]



ONE ENJ[OYS]
Both the method and [results when] Syrup of Figs is taken; [it is pleasant] and refreshing to the t[aste, and acts] gently yet promptly on [the Kidneys,] Liver and Bowels, clea[nses the sys]tem effectually, dispels [colds, head]aches and fevers and [cures habitual] constipation. Syrup o[f Figs is the] only remedy of its ki[nd ever pro]duced, pleasing to the [taste and ac]ceptable to the stomach, [prompt in] its action and truly be[neficial in its] effects, prepared only f[rom the most] healthy and agreeable [substances, its] many excellent qualiti[es commend it] to all and have made [it the most] popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is fo[r sale in 50] cent bottles by all [leading drug]gists. Any reliable [druggist who] may not have it on h[and will pro]cure it promptly for [any one who] wishes to try it. Do n[ot accept any] substitute.

CALIFORNIA FIG S[YRUP CO.]
SAN FRANCISCO, [CAL.]
LOUISVILLE, KY. [NEW YORK, N.Y.]

WAGON [SCALES]
A better Scale for less money than has ever been offered. Address, Jones of Binghamton, Binghamton, N. Y.

PISO'S CURE [FOR] CURES WHERE ALL ELSE [FAILS.] Best Cough Syrup. Tastes [good. Use] in time. Sold by drug[gists.] CONSUMP[TION]

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[illegible] I have always been a robust, healthy [man] and sickness bore heavily upon me. [A]bout two years ago I was advised to [try] Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I purchased one box and received so [much] benefit that I used five more and was [entir]ely cured. I gained twenty-two pounds [in five] weeks, since I stopped taking the [pills] I have scarcely had an ache or pain.

[illegible] Dr. Williams' Pink Pills restored me to [health and I] heartily recommend [them].

[illegible] says that the forego[ing] statement is true.

W. W. [illegible], Notary Public.

[illegible] the physician's certificate as [to] Mr. Camp's present condition.

I am a regularly licensed physician of [illegible] County, Ill. I have [illegible] examined Mr. L. W. Camp as [illegible] all that could be desired, [illegible] good, sleeps well, [illegible] M.D.

[illegible] Notary Public.

[illegible]

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

[Take Laxative] Bromo Quinine Tablets. All [druggists refund money if it fails to cure.] 25c.

[illegible]

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The [illegible] debt is now $3.[illegible] for each in[habitant illegible]

[illegible]

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Dyspepsia, Indigestion and all Stomach troubles [cured by] Dr. Tabor's Dyspepsia Compound. Sample bottle mailed free. Write Dr. Tabor Med. Co., Savannah, Ga.

[illegible] Piso's Cure for Consumption [illegible] E. D. Town[send illegible]

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RAM'S HORN BLASTS.

Warning Notes Calling the Wicked to Repentance.

CHRIST made service sacred.

Imagination is the artist of thought.

Truth is the goal of human aspiration.

Inquiry unsettles error and establishes truth.

A spiritual mind dwells much on spiritual things.

The past is the schoolmaster of the future.

Some men are long-headed and narrow-hearted.

Love is the spiritual cement which binds us to God.

Noble deeds are steps up the mountain side of character.

It is better to insult a prejudice than to sacrifice a principle.

A live mustard seed is more potent than a mountain of sand.

Understanding is the scale of thought where all ideas are weighed.

Theology has magnified God's justice at the expense of His goodness.

Custom is the tailor of habit, and makes use of popularity for pattern.

A honorable man will honor truth, and truth will make him more honorable.

BRAVE BILLY SPEKE.

Heroism of a Little English Boy Who Died in India.

Among the many stories of peril and sacrifice related by Sir William Wilson Hunter in his history of "The Thackerays in India," there is none more pathetic than that of the boyish heroism and filial devotion of a little midshipman, who died in a Calcutta hospital just after English rule was established there. The record of the sad affair was gathered from the disjointed narrative of the ship surgeon, who told the tale with a sob in his voice.

During the capture of Chandernagar, the English flag-ship, the Kent, under Admiral Watson, was riddled with cannot-shot and swept with grape. Captain Speke and his son Billy, a lad of 16 years, were struck at the same moment.

Doctor Ives, the surgeon, dressed the father's wounds, and then hurried to the lad; but the little midshipman would not allow his leg to be touched until he had been assured upon the surgeon's "honor" that his father had been attended to and fared well. After being satisfied upon this point, the noble boy said:

"Then pray, sir, look to and dress this poor man who is groaning so badly beside me."

"I have done what I can for him," replied the doctor, as he bent over the young fellow. "Now it is your turn."

"Sir," said the wounded lad, "I fear you must amputate above the joint."

The old surgeon felt a lump in his throat as he answered, "My dear, I fear I must."

But Billy Speke uttered not a word of fear or dismay. He simply slasped his hands together, and lifting his eyes toward heaven, whispered softly and distinctly, "Good God, do Thou enable me to behave worthy of my father's son!"

The petition was granted, and throughout the long torture of amputation the heroic boy did not speak.

The next morning father and son were taken to Calcutta, the father being placed in a relative's house, while the son was lodged in the hospital under the doctor's eye.

During the thirteen days of agony that followed, the midshipman's whole thought was for his father. In his delirium he fancied that voices told him that his father was dead, and this augmented his disease and increased his suffering. At last he could bear it no longer. He begged for a scrap of paper and a pencil, and by the flickering light of a rush, and with almost the last effort of the boyish brain, he scrawled these incoherent words to the doctor:

"If Mr. Ives will consider the disorder a son must be in when he is told he is dying and is yet in doubt whether his father is in as good health. If Mr. Ives is not too busy to honor this short note, which nothing but the greatest uneasiness could draw from me. The boy awaits an answer."

The boy did not "await an answer" long. The good surgeon hurried to his dying charge.

"And is he dead?" asked the boy.

"No, my dear. He is almost well."

A smile illumined the fast glazing eyes. "Thank God! I am satisfied now, and ready to die!" and then the young martyr begged the doctor's pardon for having disturbed him at so early an hour—and died!

He sleeps in brave company, and among all the graves in India there is none worthier the tribute of a tear than that of the boy hero, brave Billy Speke.

Served Him Right.

Brown—I hear that Green's wife is leading him a merry pace.

White—Let's see; she's his third wife, isn't she?

Brown—Yes.

White—Well, I've no sympathy for a man who doesn't know when he's got enough.

His Belief.

Bill—I see a Milwaukee railroad has discharged several Indian conductors for appropriating money.

Jill—Perhaps the Indians believed that none but the braves deserved the fare.—Yonkers Statesman.

The man who goes to church because he has nothing else to do is an idle worshiper.

NEW UNICYCLE.

A Contrivance Which, It Is Promised, Will Eclipse All Bicycle Records.

The latest novelty in wheels is a unicycle, which it is promised will eclipse all records of the bicycle.

The contrivance is the invention of Emory B. Sowers, of Westville, Ohio, who has succeeded in making surprisingly fast time on it. The motive power of this invention is obtained by the use of a safety, which can be fitted to

LATEST CYCLING NOVELTY.

and be taken from the large wheel without much loss of time. It is claimed the new machine will make it possible to develop a much higher rate of speed than the ordinary form with the same expenditure of energy.

The unicycle is guided by the handlebars the same as an ordinary. The rider's weight may be thrown or shifted by turning these, which, in turn, guide the larger wheel in the same direction. The new unicycle may be changed to a safety by taking off the top wheel and putting a wheel in the front forks as in the ordinary cycles.

Paper Bags for Bread.

A novel improvement has been made by one of the most prominent bakers of Berlin, which is the natural consequence of the increasing tendency to employ hygienic methods in every trade dealing with food and food supplies. While rolls have long been delivered in paper bags to customers, it has always been the rule to handle loaves with the fingers, each loaf going through a number of hands before delivered at the consumer's door, there to be received by the bare, often not too clean, fingers of the servant. The recent improvement, which has been covered by patents, consists of using paper bags the exact shape of the various sizes of bread turned out by a baker. These bags are open at both ends, and, being slightly longer than the loaf, the ends are turned together with a twist as the loaf is shoved from the oven straight into the bag. This cover will protect the bread from any pollution after it leaves the oven, as the loaf is kept in the bag not only while being handled in the bakery and by the delivery man, but while the loaf is being used, being cut at one end as the loaf gets shorter. The new system has found a very quick spread, and the best bakeries which at once introduced the new improvement, gained by its adoption.

At this season of the year we cherish the greatest contempt for the friend who recalls that we said last winter that we loved summer.

A Good Honest Doubter

is a person we like to meet. We like to have such a man try Tetterine. He will be more enthusiastic than anybody else once he's cured and convinced. Tetterine is for Tetter, Eczema, Ringworm and all skin diseases. 50 cents a box at drug stores or by mail from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

Take B. B. B. For All Diseases

Arising from Impure Blood, Rheumatism, Scrofula, Catarrh, all Skin and Blood Diseases. $1.00 per large bottle, 3 for $2.50, at druggists, or sent for price, express paid, by Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Book of wonderful cures free.

A Chicago paper complains that $100,000,000 worth of property in that city is held by absentee landlords.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

London has 600,000 houses. Paris has 90,000 houses. New York 114,000 houses. Philadelphia 190,000.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

To hold an ear of corn for eating, a neat device is made of a wire bow, with a handle twisted in the center and spring cones at each end to grasp the ear and hold it rigid.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

The population of Palestine is increasing rapidly. Ten years ago there were only 15,000 residents in Jaffa; today there are nearly 50,000.

Oh, What Splendid Coffee.

Mr. Goodman, Williams Co., Ill., writes: "From one package Salzer's German Coffee Berry costing 15c I grew 300 lbs. of better coffee than I can buy in stores at 30 cents a lb." A. C. 9

A package of this coffee and big seed and plant catalogue is sent you by John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon receipt of 15 cents stamps and this notice.

What was formerly a quill factory at Paris is now devoted to the manufacture of quill toothpicks, and turns out 20,000,000 yearly.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

Trinidad is perhaps the principal breeding place for seabirds in the South Atlantic. The deposit of guano is consequently great. There are traces of abundant extinct vegetation.

Spring Medicine

These two words emphasize a necessity and indicate a remedy.

SPRING—the season when the blood is most impure as a result of the winter's closer confinement, higher living, slower action of the kidneys and liver; when humors of all kinds, boils, pimples and eruptions are most liable to appear; when the weak, languid condition of the whole bodily structure demands and welcomes help.

MEDICINE—that to which the millions turn at this season—Hood's Sarsaparilla. The *original* and *only* preparation especially adapted to the present needs of the human family; that which makes the blood pure and clean, as shown by its thousands of wonderful cures of dreadful blood diseases; creates an appetite and cures dyspepsia, as shown by its "magic touch" in all stomach troubles; steadies and strengthens the nerves, as proved by people formerly nervous, now calm and self-possessed, thanks to

Only those who have been relieved of great suffering can fully appreciate the gratitude with which the testimonials overflow written in favor of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Just read this:

"C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.:

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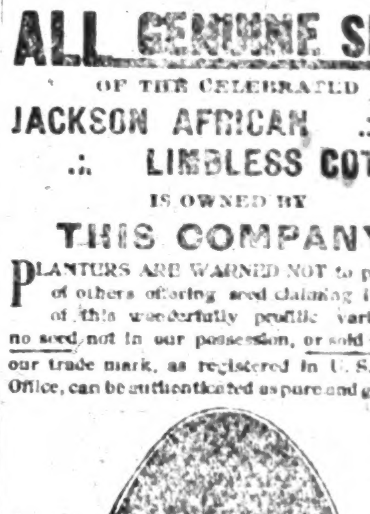

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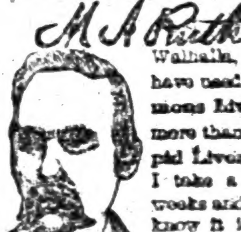

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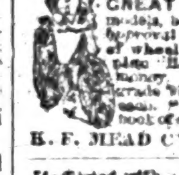

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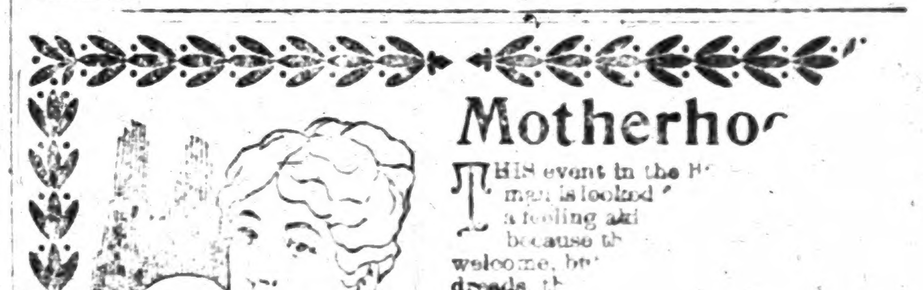

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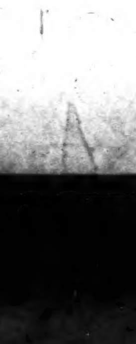

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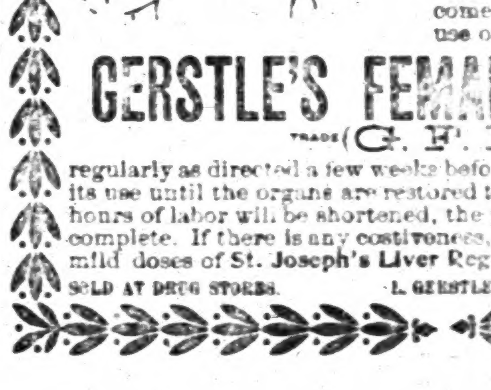

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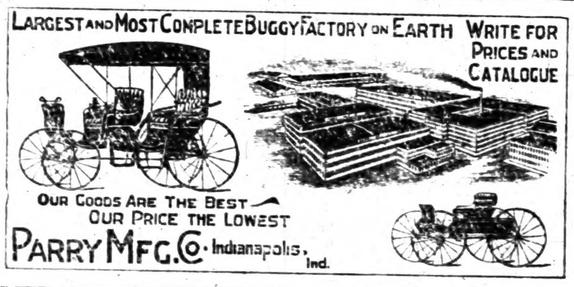

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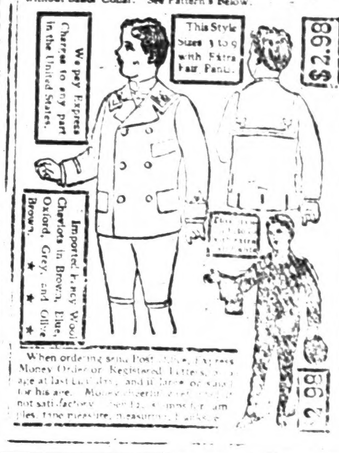

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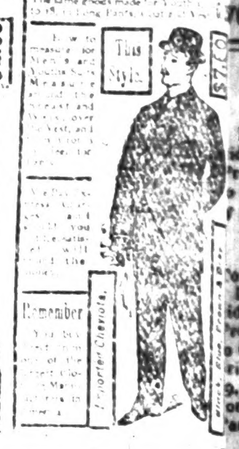

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR JUDGE OF PROBATE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Judge of Probate of Chilton county subject to the action of the People's Party primary election April 29, 1898.
J. P. VANDERVEER.

To the voters of Chilton county:
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Judge of Probate of Chilton county subject to the action of the People's Party primary election to be held April 29, 1898. I am a Populist and indorse the principles of the People's party.
J. W. MOORE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county subject to action of the People's Party primary election, April 29, 1898. My past record is not sufficient to prove me a Populist I take great pleasure in stating once again that I am, and endorse the principles and platform of the Populist Party from A to Z.
S. M. ADAMS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re election to the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton county, subject to the votes of the people of the county at the general election in August, 1898.
R. M. HONEYCUTT.

FOR CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county subject to the action of the People's Party primary election April 29, 1898.
E. B. DEASON.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton County subject to the action of the People's Party primary election April 29, 1898.
J. MONROE BURNETT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county subject to the action of the People's Party primary election, April 29, 1898.
E. L. MANNING.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

Being solicited by my friends, and wishing to subserve their interests, I hereby announce myself candidate for County Superintendent of Education, subject to the action of the People's Party primary.
JUDSON STROCK.

APPOINTMENTS.

I will meet the people of Chilton county at the following places for the purpose of discussing the political issues of interest to the Populist party in Chilton county:

Mt. Sinai church, seven miles south of Jemison, Monday April 11 at 11 a. m.

Mt. Nebo church, Monday April 11 at 3 p. m.

Mt. Hill church Monday April 11 at 7 p. m.

Pleasant Grove church, four miles west of Jemison, Tuesday 12 at 11 a. m.

Mt. Moriah church, Tuesday 12 at 3 p. m.

Providence church near Mapleville, Wednesday 13th, at 11 a. m.

Cross church Thursday, 14th at 11 a. m.

Stanton Thursday 14th at 3 p. m.

Mt. Zion church, four miles east of Stanton at 7 p. m.

Jemison Friday 15th at 11 a. m.

Mt. Olive church, Adams Gap Saturday 16th at 11 a. m.

Clanton Saturday 16th at 3 p. m.

Some time before date at 7 p. m.

Gentlemen who desire to discuss matters concerning Hard Times are invited to meet me. Associations are requested to be present. Let us talk face to face. The people can judge for themselves.
S. M. ADAMS.

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Editor Banner. Please allow me space in your paper to say that I understand that a report is being circulated in our county that possibly some of the candidates, if defeated in the April primary, would not support the nominees of the party.

Now I desire to say that I fully endorse every act and ruling of our executive committee, that I have full confidence in their honesty, abillty and integrity, that I have the same confidence in the managers selected by the executive committee as well as the same faith in the voters of the primary election. That I believe now and have always believed that the primaries of the People's Party would be conducted with honesty and fairness. I had this confidence six years ago and have had on reason to change it.

With unbounded confidence in the honesty and integrity of the party I have submitted my name for their consideration on April 29. I am willing now as I was six years ago to trust to their decision hoping that I will be honored at their hands with the nomination, but if it is the will of the People's Party of my county to confer that honor upon seom one else, I now promise them that they will find me as they have in the past, with my shoulder to the wheel doing all in my power, by vote and work, to secure the election of the man whom the party may have seen fit to nominate.

I want to say further that I am perfectly willing to accept and stand by anything that our executive committee shall do, especially when that committee is composed of such men as Conway Robinson, Campbell, Martin, Williams, Fleming, Littlejohn, Wells, Burkhalter, Edwards, Nix, Green Gandy, Jones, J. W. Hayes and W. A. ims. When these men shall on May 2 count the votes their verdict and the men whom they shall declare to be the People's Party nominees shall from that moment receive my whole and unqualified support.

I will say further that I have talked with nearly all the other candidates who are before the primary election and that I am satisfied that there is not a single one but who will cheerfully abide by the result and support the nominees.
J. P. VANDERVEER.

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Thorsby, Ala., April 4, 1898
Editor BANNER. I hope you will allow me space to make a few remarks concerning Mr. Honeycutt's letter in your last issue. Believing that you will have many letters from the people on this subject I shall refrain writing as lengthy a letter as I would like to do. In the first place I want to ask every reader of the Banner to read Mr. Honeycutt's letter carefully. Note the fact that he opposes party elections upon the ground that officers should be selected by all the people. Then further on he objects to the primary because its regulations don't bar everyone from voting but Populists Notice his appeal for complete union of the white people, then says a primary is a party election and no one should participate but those who belong to the party and indorse its principles. Says if it was an election of Populists only he would be willing to abide its results. He says he is under no obligations to any party or person and will not be. Pray tell me why he is under no obligations to the Populist party. True the party did not exist in name when he was elected to the office he now holds, but those who compose the party are those who twice gave him the tax-collector's office and elected him judge.
D. N. RIGGINS.

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Lily Lyrics.

Everything quiet; all busy at work and this makes news scarce.

The public roads have been put in good condition in this immediate neighborhood. We are glad our people have decided to have better roads.

Rev. W. A. Parker preached at Mulberry last Thursday the 31 ult.

There will be singing at Macedonia next Sunday the 10th inst.

Prof. Thornton has organized a prayer meeting to meet Thursday nights at his school house.

Mrs. McCary, aged 87, was laid to rest in the Isabella cemetery the 23 ult. Rev. J. W. Price conducted the services.
X. Y. Z.

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"A word to the wise is sufficient" and a word from the wise should be sufficient, but you ask, who are the wise? Those who know. The oft repeated experience of trustworthy persons may be taken for knowledge. Mr. W. M. Terry says Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other in the market. He has been in the drug business at Elkton, Ky., for twelve years; has sold hundreds of bottles of this remedy and nearly all other cough medicines manufactured, which shows conclusively that Chamberlain's is the most satisfactory to the people, and is the best. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Editor BANNER, I notice that a primary has been called for April 29. Now, I think I have a right to speak out in behalf of the Party. The motion of the executive committee "to pledge each candidate to publicly announce his belief in, and adherance to the principles of the People's Party" is the finest thing yet. The greatest trouble with the party in our county is we have let men ride it to office on our backs who never have publicly announced that they were truly Populists, and they never open their mouths in the interest of the party.

I suggest we nominate Sam Adams for Probate Judge, for he has never failed to speak out in no uncertain tones but expressly in the interests of the Party, long and loud. Now we who love the party and wish to maintain the same had better consider well. If we make a few more blunders the Party is dead in this county. We have nothing to fear if we elect Sam Adams, he has proved his faith by his words and works. Success to The BANNER and the People's Party.
BHAT 5.

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CATARRH SIX YEARS

Grew Rapidly Worse—Doctors Did No Good.

Mrs. Adam Staats, Mequon, Wis., in a recent letter to Dr. Hartman, writes: "I write this letter because of my sympathy for the suffering people. For six years I suffered with chronic catarrh. Whenever I caught a little cold I would have a severe spell of sickness. I used different catarrh medicines and the doctors did all they could, but the relief was only temporary. In December, 1897, my condition became very bad. I could not speak aloud; I had a terrible cough, profuse expectoration and frequently spit blood; night sweats and extreme emaciation. I was sure I must die of consumption. The catarrh seemed to have spread all over my body; my head throat, nose, bladder and womb. At this time I received a book concerning Pe-ru-na. I immediately wrote to Dr. Hartman, who prescribed Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin. I followed his directions strictly. I began to improve with the first bottle, and during the time that I took the medicines I gained twenty pounds. I feel as well now as anyone could possibly feel. I am sure I would have been dead long ago had it not been for Dr. Hartman's advice and medicine."

Every woman should have a copy of Dr. Hartman's latest book entitled "Health and Beauty." Sent free by The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

Democratic County Convention.

At a meeting of the Democratic Executive committee of Chilton county, held this day, a convention of the Democratic party of said county was called to meet at Clanton on April 13, 1898, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the State convention, the convention of the Fifth judicial circuit, and the convention of the North-eastern chancery division, which meet at Montgomery April 20, 1898. Beat representation will be the same as formerly. Beat meetings will be held at the several voting places as heretofore at 10 a.m., April 9, 1898, under the direction of the Beat committeeman, if present at the meeting.

All conservative voters, irrespective of past political association or differences, who will support the nominees and principles of the party are invited to take part in the Beat meetings
TIPTON MULLINS, Ch'man.

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Household Gods.

The ancient Greeks believed that the Penates were the gods who attended to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshipped as household gods in every home. The household god of to-day is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, cough, colds and for all affections of Throat, Chest and Lungs it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure, or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Free trial bottles at all Drug Stores. Regular size 50c and $1.00.

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Montevallo, Ala., April 4, '98
Editor BANNER. Will you please state in your paper this week that I will under no conditions be a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Education.
J. ALEX MOORE.

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Burwell, Ala., April 4, 1898
Friends. There are several candidates out for the various offices in the county and all of them are no doubt good men. We have from the southern part of the county Mr. E. L. Manning who is 46 years old, a stout, healthy, robust man, a citizen of the county 14 years. He is entirely self made. As a man and Christian he is respected in our community and wherever he goes.

Mr. Manning has been a diligent worker for the People's Party ever since its organization in the county any favor asked of him by the party was responded to with pleasure; he has represented the county twice as a delegate to the State convention, and has supported the nominees of said party and none other. He believes in education and does all he can for promotion of same, both morally and intellectually.

In short, friends, Mr. Manning is in every way capable of filling the office he is seeking and if elected would make an excellent Clerk.

Rally to the polls, men, and cast your vote for Mr. Manning for Circuit Clerk of Chilton county.
WALTER KENDRICK.

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Don't Neglect Your Liver.

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Jemi on.

At the city election here on Monday L. H. Reynolds was elected mayor without opposition. For aldermen the race was so close it will take a count to decide it. However, the town will be united, and we hope to yet have one of the best schools in the State.

No news up here. Candidates are moving around some among the dear people and each one seems to be confident of success. CITIZEN.

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It is a great leap from the old fashioned doses of blue-mass and nauseous physics to the pleasant little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They cure constipation, sick headache and biliousness. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Clanton Locals.

Col. H. Clay Armstrong Grand Sec. of the Gran l Lodge F. A. M. of Ala., was in our city last Saturday.

Dr. A. J. Marlar was shaking hands with his numerous friends here today.

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Mr. and Mrs. VanDerveer entertained the yonng people of Clanton in their usual hospitable style on Wednesday evening.

Miss Ola Fountain, of Oakmulgee, visited our city this week.

Miss Lutie, Sallie and Cora Malone spent one day in town during the past week.

A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can," the druggist recognized a household name for "DeWitt's Little Early Risers," and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

Mrs. Lewis is visiting her son George in Memphis.

Misses Cora, Ida and Annie Pop well were in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Burrell Burnett is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Gilchrist.

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Stanton.

Died on Firday, April 1, at his home at Stanton, Mr. A. G. Patrick, aged 87. For thirty-eight years he has been a highly respected citizen of Chilton county, having moved from South Carolina here in 1860. He was a member of the Baptist church since 24 years of age. The funeral took place at Sardis on Saturday, Rev. T. J. Deason officiating. Mr. Patrick leaves a number of children ond grandchildren, as well as a host of friends to mourn his departure hence.

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M. L. Yocum, Cameron, Pa., says "I was a sufferer for ten years, trying most all kinds of pile remedies, but without success. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was recommended to me. I used one box. It has effected a permanent cure." As a permanent cure for piles DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has no equal. Stanfield & Matthews.

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NOTICE.

For the accommodation of Confederate soldiers and widows who are entitled to a pension under an act of the Legislature for the relief of needy Confederate soldiers, etc., I will be at Stanton on Thursday, the 14th day of April, 1898, in the forenoon, and at Mapleaville in the afternoon prepared to accommodate those who may desire to make application for this pension. I will also be at Providence church in beat two on Thursday, the 21st day of April, at 12 o'clock for the same purpose.
R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

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The agricultural societies of several Ohio counties have decided to hold no fairs this fall. The cause is said to be the feeling that the race-track feature is fast superseding the purely agricultural part of the annual exhibitions. About the same state of affairs exists in Missouri.

Discussing the disaster in the harbor of Havana, the Philadelphia Ledger says: "The killed and wounded among the officers and seamen of the Maine outnumbered the record of the dead and wounded in any sea fight in which the United States Navy has been engaged in all its history."

It is reported that the manager of an opera house in a Western city claims that the churches and the halls connected with them are ruining his business by giving entertainments and concerts of the same character as those for which he has to pay an annual tax of $100, and asks that either his license shall be rebated or the churches be compelled to take out a similar one.

It is perhaps not generally known that the defence of Peking, China, is still largely intrusted to men armed only with bows and arrows. A recent imperial decree solemnly directs that those who "succeed in hitting the target with their arrows on horseback five times be given" such and such rewards, while those who manage to hit the mark four times on foot and once on horseback and four times on foot only shall be proportionately recompensed. The decree concludes with a list of the presidents and tallyists appointed for archery competitions which are still to take place.

According to the Railway Age the railroads of the United States carried 13,000,000,000 passengers one mile and 95,000,000,000 tons of freight one mile in 1897. Of the total earnings of the railways about seventy per cent. came from freight service and thirty per cent. from passengers. The expenses, wages, interest on borrowed money, etc., absorbed all but about $88,000,000 of the gross earnings. This was the profit of shareholders. Now a little calculation shows that the railroads had to carry a passenger 500 miles to earn $1 of profit, or say five miles to earn one cent. They had also to handle a ton of freight (beside loading and unloading it) 1530 miles to make $1 profit, or over fifteen miles to make one cent.

The world north of the equator is generally too busy to pay much attention to the progress of events in the south of Africa, but the result of the recent election in the South African Republic has an interest of its own. After fifteen years of continuous service President Paul Krueger has been re-elected, receiving about four times as many votes as his leading opponent. As the Presidential term in the South African Republic runs for five years, Mr. Kruger, if he lives, will have enjoyed an administration covering full twenty years. The election is interesting both as showing the grip which the sturdy old Boer holds upon the people of his nation and as a token of the steadfast character of the Dutch people. Other republics have their intrigues and their battles of selfish ambition. Lately the Transvaal has arisen to an importance which might make it well worth the while of any man to figure conspicuously in its history. But the Boers, true to their policy of conservatism, have returned to office the man who has been tried and found to be amply capable to fill his position. Just as the sturdy Oom Paul stood by his people when the Englishman, Jameson, attempted his ill-fated raid, the Dutch people now stand by Oom Paul. On the whole, it is a worthy and admirable trait—this stubborn following of approved leaders and ideals. It is true that rapid progress—enterprise, with its exciting turmoil of clashing forces—is not developed in this way but the Boer is content with good government as he finds it, and is willing to let well enough alone.

Le Matin of Paris states that there exists in France exactly 71,200 Jews in a population of nearly 38,000,000. These Jews are divided as follows: Paris 42,000; Bordeaux, 3000; along the eastern frontier, 19,000, making a total of 64,000. The remaining 7200 are scattered all over the territory. The active capital of France is estimated at $16,000,000,000. Of this, according to Le Matin, the Jews possess $4,000,000,000.

ANSWER UNSATISFACTORY

To President McKinley's Demand for Cessation of Hostilities in Cuba.

WANTS TIME TO TREAT WITH INSURGENTS.

Spain's Reply Considered a Shrewd Piece of Diplomacy—All Hopes for a Peaceful Settlement of Controversy Have Vanished—Situation in Cuba.

WASHINGTON (Special)—The reply of Spain to the note of the United States, demanding the immediate cessation of hostilities in Cuba, is said, in effect, to be:

The independence of Cuba means the parting or cession of Spanish territory, which cannot be done without the consent of the Spanish cortes, which is not in session, and will not be in session until April 24, and consequently no definite answer can be returned to the demand of the United States until the cortes assembles.

Then a counter proposition is submitted that the Cuban matter shall be settled upon a basis equitable among nations.

The United States is asked to give Spain time to treat with the insurgents and ascertain what can be done in the nature of a peaceful settlement.

Senators who know the nature of the Spanish reply say it is a very shrewd piece of diplomacy, and made for its effect upon the world at large.

It is said that the reply is unsatisfactory to the president, and that he does not believe it would be satisfactory to congress.

Administration circles feel that after Monday congress is likely to take matters in its own hands, and the fear is expressed there may be a disagreement between the branches of the government, which would be unfortunate at this critical period.

No one about the capitol has undertaken to speak for the president, although those who have seen him say his hopes for a peaceful solution of the difficulty have been disappointed by the reply of Spain.

Woodford Explains the Situation in Cuba.

The following is an abstract from the telegram received from General Woodford on the evening of March 31, 1898, on the general situation in Cuba:

He informs the government of the United States that General Blanco has revoked the bando relating to the reconcentrados in the western provinces of Cuba, which are understood to be the provinces of Matanzas, Santa Clara, Havana and Pinar del Rio; that the Spanish government has placed at the disposal of the governor-general the credit of 3,000,000 pesetas ($600,000) to the end that the country people might return at once and with success to their labors.

The Spanish government will accept whatever assistance to feed and succor the necessitous that may be sent from the United States in accordance with the plan now in operation.

He proposes to confide the preparation for an honorable and stable peace to the Insular parliament, without whose concurrence the Spanish government would not be able to arrive at the final result, it being understood that the powers reserved by the constitution to the central government are not less diminished.

As the Cuban chambers will not meet until the 4th day of May, the Spanish government will not on its part object to a suspension of hostilities if asked for by the insurgents from the general-in-chief, from whom it will belong to determine the duration and condition of the suspension.

This Ends the Negotiations.

In connection with the official statement made public Friday afternoon, it can be stated on authority that the case now made up of negotiations between the United States and Spain will constitute the case as it will be submitted to congress in the president's message. There is no present intention to pursue further negotiations which will change the status of the Cuban question as now presented in the correspondence between Spain and the United States.

According to the best information obtainable Spain has definitely resolved not to make any further concessions to the United States.

Schofield Takes Charge.

Gen. John M. Schofield has taken formal charge of the National Volunteer Reserve and plans for speedily obtaining an available standing army of one million men were made at a meeting of the military committee in New York. General Schofield suggested that congress at once be asked to put the new organization on a permanent official basis. It will be in charge of an executive committee, consisting of Gen. Nelson A. Miles, Gen. Russell A. Alger, Col. Washington, General McCook, Gen. Molineaux, Gen. McMahon, Gen. Pierson, Gen. Ripley and Gen. Wilson.

READY TO CO-OPERATE.

Insurgents Will March on Havana When War is Declared.

It was said at the Cuban junta in New York Saturday that the insurgents were prepared to give material aid to the United States should war with Spain be declared. "If the United States sent us arms and ammunition," an attache said, "we could raise our army to sixty thousand men, march on Havana and raze the city or storm the occupants into submission."

BRYAN ON CUBA.

Says Humanity Demands That This Government Shall Act.

Hon. W. J. Bryan has made the following statement for the Associated Press in answer to the question whether in his judgment the time had arrived for the United States to intervene in behalf of Cuba and bring the war to an end.

"Yes, the time for intervention has arrived. Cuba lies almost within sight of our shores, and the sufferings of her people cannot be ignored unless we, as a nation, have become so engrossed in money making as to be indifferent to distress.

"Intervention may be accompanied by danger and expense, but existence cannot be separated from responsibility and responsibility sometimes leads a nation as well as an individual into danger. A neighbor must sometimes incur danger for a neighbor and a friend for a friend.

"War is a terrible thing, and cannot be defended except as a means to an end, and yet it is sometimes the only means by which a necessary end can be secured. The state punishes its own citizens by imprisonment or even death when counsel and persuasion fail. War is the final arbiter between nations when reason and diplomacy are of no avail.

"Spain might not resist intervention; it is to be hoped she will recognize the right of the United States to act and immediately withdraw from Cuba; but whether she resists intervention or not, the United States must perform a plain duty.

"Spain has only herself to blame for the condition of affairs in Cuba. If she denies to her former subjects the right of war and calls the Cuban army a mob, let her remember the words of Victor Hugo:

"'The mob is the human race in misery.' No nation can afford to make its own people miserable.

"If the Cubans prefer death to Spanish rule, it must be because Spanish rule has robbed life of joy and hope. If a nation sows the wind, it must reap the whirlwind."

BRANN, OF THE ICONOCLAST, DEAD.

Fatal Wound Received in a Street Duel—Killed His Antagonist.

At 1:50 o'clock Saturday morning W. C. Brann, famous as the editor of The Iconoclast, died at his home in Waco, Texas, as the result of a pistol wound inflicted by Capt. W. M. Davis in a street fight. Davis is not expected to live, and is under influence of opiates. Brann's left lung was perforated, and he bled to death internally.

The combatants met at 6 o'clock Friday afternoon on the street, and after exchanging a few words both began emptying their revolvers into eacher's bodies. When the battle was over, Brann was found to be perforated in the left lung, the left leg and the right foot. Davis was shot through the right lung and through both of his arms.

The difficulty between the two men grew out of the Brann-Baylor feud of last year. Capt. Davis' daughters are pupils of Baylor university, and the references made in The Iconoclast to Baylor, which were generally construed to mean reflections on the moral character of the pupils and faculty, brought forth from Capt. Davis a denunciation of Brann delivered in language most forcible and direct.

THE 24 DE MAIO PURCHASED.

United States Secures Another Battle-Ship From Brazil.

The latest rumor is that the United States government has purchased the Brazilian battleship 24 De Maio at a cost of $3,000,000. The 24 De Maio is a steel-sheathed turreted vessel of 4,950 tons displacement and 6,200 indicated horse-power. She is 280 feet long, has 52 feet beam, draws 18 feet of water, and is driven by two propellers. She was built in England in 1884, at a cost of $1,725,260, exclusive of guns and ammunition. Her armored belt is eleven inches in thickness, and she has from ten to eleven and one-half inches of armor over her gun positions. The deck plating is two inches thick and the armament consists of four 9.4 guns, four 5.5 guns, two quick-firing guns and thirteen small rapid-fire guns. She has five torpedo tubes, is estimated to steam fifteen knots, carries a normal supply of 600 tons of coal, and her crew numbers 350 men.

Arbitrate Maine Matter.

The latest phase of the situation in Madrid is the report that the pope is urging Spain to offer an armistice and also that his holiness urges the insurgents to accept it. The note, which was transmitted to Washington in addition to the proposition in regard to an armistice and the reconcentrados, expresses regret "at the accident to the Maine in Spanish waters" and offers to arbitrate the matter.

Will Purchase St. Thomas Island.

The senate committee on foreign relations has reached a decision to purchase the Danish island of St. Thomas.

Will Favor Armed Intervention.

It is said the full senate committee on foreign relations has practically agreed to accept the recommendation of the sub-committee for a resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba, and recommending armed intervention if necessary to secure it.

Rothschilds to the Rescue.

A special from Madrid Friday says: The interest on the Spanish fours was paid today. It is understood that the Rothschilds advanced the money on the understanding that Spain would accept the terms of the United States.

A CONFLICT APPROACHING.

President McKinley Will Lay the Cuban Matter Before Congress Tuesday.

A DECLARATION OF WAR WILL FOLLOW.

The Whole Record Will be Laid Before Congress, Accompanied by a Message from the President—War Preparations Being Vigorously Pushed.

WASHINGTON—At 11:30 o'clock Saturday night General Grosvenor announced positively, after an extended conference with the president, that the message on the Cuban question would not be sent to congress before Tuesday.

The participants in this conference were Senator Hanna, General Grosvenor and Judge A. G. Thompson, president of the criminal law codification commission. Attorney-General Griggs was present a short time.

General Grosvenor further said: "It is no child's play to prepare such a paper as the president will give to congress and the country. It will thoroughly review all of this country's diplomatic negotiations with Spain relative to Cuba, and will contain such recommendations as will appeal to the sense of right and justice of the American people."

Cabinet Regards Conflict Inevitable.

There is little doubt that President McKinley and the members of his cabinet now regard a conflict with Spain as almost inevitable. In his message to congress, which in all probability will be sent in Monday, and certainly early next week, it is understood that the president will review at some length the record as it stands between this government and Spain, but will not insist upon further time in which to continue negotiations looking to a peaceful solution of the Cuban problem. The cabinet meeting Friday morning was unquestionably the most important held in many years. It received Spain's answer to the ultimatum of this government, and, finding it unsatisfactory, practically decided upon a policy which at this hour seems certain to involve hostilities.

The whole record will be laid before congress, and the question is now under earnest consideration of what shall be the particular form our policy shall take in bringing to an end the horrors in Cuba and securing the independence of the island. Propositions ranging from a simple recognition of Cuban independence to a straight-out declaration of war have been urged at the capitol, but there is hardly a doubt but that the majority of congress await the executive lead before taking action, and is disposed to adopt Mr. McKinley's suggestion on this point. It is thought that any of the resolutions, except possibly simple recognition of independence, would lead to war.

PREPARING FOR FLIGHT.

Fearing an Outbreak, the Royal Family Ready to Get Away.

The German ambassador at Madrid, Herr Von Radowitz, reports to the foreign office at Berlin that the Spanish royal family fears an outbreak unless the differences between the United States and Spain are soon settled. The Carlist movement is assuming more active form, and the royal family fears especially a pronunciamento from General Weyler and the military party. Everything is prepared in the royal castles for flight. The boy king, Alphonso, will be taken to San Lucar de Berameda, an Andalusian port, where a yacht is kept ready for sailing.

The replies to the queen's letter asking for the intervention of the European powers have been wholly unsatisfactory.

Four Men Killed.

A special from Campbellsville, Ky., says: A boiler explosion, four miles north of town Friday morning, killed four men outright and fatally hurt another. The dead are: Thomas Ratcliff, Dock Wright, Clarence Ritchiff and Thomas Newcomb. Elma Ratcliff was scalded and will die. The boiler, engine and shingle mill were demolished. Fragments were blown in every direction. Low water caused the accident.

MAY FIND A WAY OUT.

Strong Influence Directed to Spain to Accept McKinley's Demand.

In spite of the gloomy aspect prevailing in Madrid Saturday morning, the Associated Press correspondent hears that Spain may find a way out of the difficulty and grant all that President McKinley asked, though in a different form. A diplomat friendly to both nations made a strong representation to an influential Spanish minister urging Spain to accept America's moderate demands, which he approved, and representing that if it was not done this week it would be too late. It is further learned that these representations had a decided effect.

A Southern Editor Dead.

W. H. Edmonds, founder and editor of the Southern States Magazine, died last week at his home in Baltimore. He was one of the founders of the Manufacturers' Record and at one time proprietor of the Anniston, Ala., Hot Blast.

Appropriates $500,000 War Fund.

The legislature of Iowa before adjourning Friday passed a resolution giving the governor $500,000 in case of war, in enlisting, equipping and sending to the front Iowa's quota of troops for Cuba.

WOODFORD PREPARING TO RETURN

"If You Want Peace Prepare for War," is the Spanish Slogan.

LONDON, (Special)—A special dispatch from Madrid says United States Minister Woodford is making the necessary preparations to leave Madrid immediately in the event of a diplomatic rupture.

The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says: Spain, acting on the principle "Si vis pacem, para bellum, if you wish peace prepare for war," continues her preparations for hostilities with America. The coast defenses of the peninsula are in an efficient state, rather more so than two years ago, when the seizure of the Competidor by Lieutenant General Weyler brought the two countries to the verge of hostilities. These defenses were inspected by an eminent Spanish general and the necessary works have gone quietly on ever since.

A DEMON OF THE SEA.

The Dynamite Cruiser Nearly Ready to Join the Squadron in the Gulf.

The work of overhauling the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius, the work of fitting her guns and fitting her up for service, is now almost finished and she probably will be ordered to join the Washington navy yard in the south within the next few days. Plasmen are engaged at present giving her a coat of black paint, preparatory to painting her a dark green. The Vesuvius has not as yet taken aboard her many tons of dynamite that she carries in her magazines; this will be the last thing that will be loaded.

One of the officers, discussing the possibility of war, said: "There is one satisfaction about being aboard ship like this: In case we are struck there will be no board of inquiry and no trouble about divers. The plan to do will be to erect a monument to our memory and award to our executioners, for there will not be piece of the boat left big enough for an award."

SPAIN IS FIRM.

Will Make No Further Concessions, and That Means War.

MADRID, (Special.)—According to the best information obtainable Saturday Spain has definitely resolved not to make any further concessions to the United States.

The message which the Cuban colonial government has addressed to President McKinley through Senor Polo y Bernabe, Spanish minister at Washington, the full text of which has been published here, has caused a feeling of deep emotion throughout Spain, since it represents the opinion not only of "a large majority of the Cubans," but also the unanimous feeling of all political parties, whose leaders were consulted prior to its dispatch.

EARTHQUAKE IN CALIFORNIA.

Heavy Damage Sustained by the Mare Island Navy Yard.

San Francisco and a portion of the state was shaken at 11:30 Wednesday night by the most severe earthquake experienced since 1838, when several persons were killed. No fatalities are reported thus far, though considerable damage was done.

Owing to the damage done by the earthquake work has been temporarily shut down at the Mare Island navy yard, and the 1,700 employes are idle. Only two of the buildings escaped damage.

A conservative estimate of the damage done by the earthquake shocks at the navy yard is placed at $500,000. All departments have ceased work except that of equipment and the yards and docks.

PENSIONS FOR CONFEDERATES.

If They Are Entitled to Them After Service for Ninety Days.

The Chickering general bill, declaring that enlistment in either the army or navy will not deprive veterans of pensions for previous service, has been agreed on in the house committee on invalid pensions, with an amendment. The following amendment was adopted:

"All persons who served in the Confederate army during the late civil war who shall hereafter serve in the army or navy of the United States for at least ninety days, shall be entitled to benefits of the act of June 27, 1890, and pensionable thereunder, if shown to be unable to perform manual labor and dependent thereon for support."

Fleet Has Not Arrived at Puerto Rico.

MADRID.—The statement cabled that the torpedo flotilla of Spain has arrived at Puerto Rico was taken from a newspaper here. Investigation shows the announcement to be erroneous. The Spanish flotilla has arrived at Cape De Verde Islands, and it will proceed after coaling. As it has taken the Spanish flotilla nine days to make the Cape De Verde Islands from the Canary Islands, which they left on March 24, it should, roughly speaking, going at about the same rate of speed, take the flotilla about twenty-six days from now to reach Puerto Rico from the Cape De Verde Islands, supposing the flotilla was able to coal and start again Saturday.

Powder for Cubans.

Cuban agents or sympathizers in Chicago are busy shipping gunpowder and cartridges to the Florida coast. At Miami it is taken aboard small filibustering ships that deliver it to the insurgents. Twenty carloads have been shipped within a month, and half as many more are being arranged to follow.

The senate has confirmed the nomination of German Bulle, of New York, to be consul at Carderas, Cuba.

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Monetary ... for the week ... Canada ...

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The iron and steel ... decrease, for with work ... and some additional ... operation for governm... pig is not lower anywhere ...

Billets are still scarce ... are in demand. Price ... tured products are unchanged ... rails are a shade stronger.

Failures for the week ... in the United States ... year.

IT CAME TOO LA...

Spain Annuls Gen. Weyler's Plan of Concentra...

Havana, (Special).—Capt... Blanco has issued an impor... dated March 30, in which ... the end of reconcentration ... western provinces—Pinar ... Havana, Matanzas and San...

The preamble sets ... pacification of said pro... been considerably advan... combined action of arms ... natural effect of the ... autonomy in giving ... country, making possible ... ment of the sugar, tobacco ... crops, it also being necessary ... the minor plantings give ... living to the laboring ... lieving the time has come ... the normal conditions in ... and villages, to do away ... causes of suffering among ... to remove as far as ... effects of reconcentration ... to give complete liberty ... country people to return ... as they desire, to do so ... they may select, this order ...

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Projectiles for Spain.

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READY TO WITHDRAW.

Spain's Minister Instructed to Request to Quit His Post.

It is reported in Washington ... not authoritatively confirmed ... Spanish minister, Polo y Bernabe ... ceived instructions from Madrid ... ready to withdraw from that ... take leave of this government ... ment's notice. In all probability ... ister Woodford and Consul-General ... Lee will be withdrawn from ... and Havana at an early date. ... have been instructed to ... ness to quit their posts. ... as a precautionary measure ... ready to act in harmony with ... possible breaking of diplomatic ...

SPANISH FLOTILLA...

Was Seen by a London-bound ... Steaming Slowly Towards ...

A steamer which has arrived ... don from Las Palmas, Canary ... reports having met four Spanish ... pedo boats and three torpedo ... stroyers with an escort of ... 23, a few miles distant from ... mas. They were going ... were understood to be bound ... The flotilla was steaming ... looked most imposing, ... bunting showing.

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Pope Offers to Mediate.

...ADRID, (Special.) Senor ... minister of the interior ... ally that the pope has a... ask of mediating between ... he United States at the ... of the latter, both nations ... is mediation.

Official Denial.

...ASHINGTON.—Assistant Sec... ate Day has authorized an ... l of the statement that the ... mediate between this coun... s. At the white house t... was promptly and emphat... d.

AERIAL TORPEDO.

From a Terribly Destructive ... ine Invented by Hudson Maxim ... dson Maxim, of W... ...er of Hiram Maxim, ... just invented a gun ... destructive force ... n's. It is called the ... general a plan of relief, ... do, and is designed ... and naval ... its ... to take part, establishing ... es, the torpedo is fired ... ens, etc., and doing all in ... instead of being ... to terminate the existing ... of the water. The ... it is fired has a horse... of five miles, and it ... s anywhere within ... dy it will shiver it to ... has invented ... er to use with the torp...

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WITHIN THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS.

Opinion in Washington is That the Crisis Will Come This Week.

WASHINGTON.—The opinion almost universally held in Washington Sunday night by leading public men and diplomats is that the crisis will reach its climax this week, and that the question of war or peace will be determined within the next seven days.

Senators and representatives met and conferred all day about the gravity of the situation, and at the white house the president consulted with several members of his cabinet and other confidential advisers regarding the message which he is preparing to send to congress.

At the state, war and navy building active work was going on, and altogether it has been a day of suppressed feeling.

No absolute day has been yet announced when the message is to be sent to congress, and all that seems to be absolutely certain tonight is that it will not go in tomorrow; Tuesday possibly, but more probably Wednesday or perhaps Thursday.

In addition to the physical work of preparing the comprehensive document upon which the president expects to rest America's case with the world, there are other reasons why those in charge of the war preparations will welcome every hour's delay. War material which we have ordered abroad is not yet shipped, and the factories in this country which are at work day and night making powder and projectiles are anxious for delay.

Some of the factories in Connecticut with contracts have telegraphed Representative Hill urging all the delay possible. They say every day now is precious.

There is still a divergence of opinion as to what the president will recommend in his message; indeed, there seems to be still a question as to whether the president will make any specific recommendations.

Some of his most intimate friends, however, assert emphatically that his recommendations will be specific and vigorous, and such that his party and the country could willingly follow when he points the way.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

The New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

In the face of disturbed conditions and disturbing rumors, business and trade generally throughout the South have shown that same steadiness, the existence of which in the country at large is well indicated by twenty less failures than for the corresponding week of 1897.

Although going concerns have kept going satisfactorily, the comparatively few new enterprises reported to The Tradesman during the past week disclose some reluctance to consider new propositions, for the time being.

The Tradesman notes with pleasure, however, that such industries as have been getting under way are well distributed and widely diversified.

Among the more important are cotton seed oil mills in Mississippi, Texas, Tennessee and South Carolina, and in the latter state a batting mill; a large compress in Texas, and a shuttle factory in North Carolina. Another large lumber mill is projected at a Texas gulf point, and one in West Virginia.

North Carolina reports brick works and a foundry and Texas advices mention an ice factory, a canning factory and an irrigation company. An electric light company and an ice factory are under way in Mississippi, and in Georgia an electric light plant and a brick works. Tennessee reports another flouring mill, and Virginia has a $300,000 company to make calcium carbide and acetylene gas machinery. The Tradesman's entire list is as varied as are the items specified.

NOTE ADDRESSED TO INSURGENTS

Autonomists are Trying to Secure an Armistice Looking to Peace.

The Spanish minister has received a dispatch from Havana stating that the autonomist cabinet there has addressed an appeal to the insurgents, asking to arrange an armistice for the purpose of arriving at terms of peace. The insurgents are appealed to on the ground that they are all Cubans, and should unite for peace and liberty, which all want. The appeal also states that Spain is willing to enlarge the present scope of autonomy.

AT CAPE DE VERDE.

The Spanish Flotilla Is Ordered to Remain for Orders.

The Spanish cabinet has decided that the torpedo flotilla is to remain at the Cape de Verde islands until further orders. The flotilla will be joined by a squadron composed of the armored cruiser, Emperor Charles V, of 9,235 tons; the cruiser Alfonso XIII of 5,000 tons; the armored cruiser Infanta Maria Teresa, of 5,000 tons, and the armored cruiser Christobal Colon, of 6,840 tons, which will accompany the torpedo flotilla to Cuba.

To Insure Egress From Havana.

Acting under orders from Washington, Captain Sampson, commander of the United States fleet at Havana, sent the survey boat Bache Monday from the Tortugas to Havana. It is assumed that she is to afford a mode of safe egress for American citizens should a riot occur in Havana or war be declared. The Fern is still in Havana, but her accommodations are very limited.

The Oregon Heard From.

The battleship Oregon has arrived at Calleo, Peru, a day ahead of her schedule, to join the fleet at Key West.

NEWS OF A GREAT STATE.

Topics of the Day in Alabama Recapitulated in Condensed Form.

BRILLIANT AUTHORESS CLAIMED BY DEATH.

Colony of Italians Locating in Jefferson. Government Inquiry for Alabama Coal—Corps of New Militia to be Organized—Interesting News.

Alabama to the Front.

Lieut. John B. Hood, of Florence, has received orders from the naval department to report for duty at once at New York. He will have command of the torpedo boat Hawk, of the mosquito fleet.

To Organize a Corps of Naval Militia.

Hon. Robert J. Ligon, adjutant-general of the Alabama National Guard, is now in Mobile in conference with officials of the federal navy relative to organizing a corps of naval militia for the protection of Mobile and the balance of the gulf coast.

The Hargrove Strike.

The strike at the Hargrove mines is still on. T. H. Aldrich, of the Southern Cahaba Mining company, says that the strike was concerning a difference in a heading in the mines. While the men are out, some necessary repairs would be made and there was no urgent demand for coal anyway.

Populist Nominations in St. Clair.

Full details from the populist convention in St. Clair county show nominations as follows: Judge of probate, W. S. Foreman; circuit clerk, W. A. Hood; commissioners—first district, H. Chatman; second district, C. M. Simpson; representative, N. B. Shears; superintendent of education, N. B. Spratley.

After Sunday Liquor Sellers.

The Y. M. C. A. of Birmingham has commenced a crusade against Sunday liquor sellers in that city. Thursday morning Arlie Berber, a prominent member of the association, swore out a warrant for the arrest of Dick Hawkins and Dave Polk, two barkeepers, on the charge of selling on Sunday. Twenty other warrants, it is announced, are forthcoming soon.

Completed to Columbus.

Thursday the extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad, from Tuskaloosa to Columbus, Miss., was opened for business. It is not prepared as yet to handle traffic from all stations, as all the agents have not yet been named. Because of the newness of the roadbed the schedule at present will be slow. Before a great while the new road will be in shape for regular business. Work of completing the extension from Tuskaloosa to Montgomery is being rapidly pushed.

Significant Query.

A significant inquiry has been received by the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad company. The president and general manager of the Gulf Transit company, at Pensacola, wired the company asking how much coal they could deliver daily at that port in case it was made a coaling station. This would seem to indicate that the government is seriously considering the use of Pensacola for a supply station for coal for ships in Southern waters. A reply was dispatched back that the company could supply three to five thousand tons per diem, and more, if necessary.

A Brilliant Woman Dead.

Mrs. J. S. D. Davis, died at her home in Birmingham last Friday. Deceased was one of the most brilliant young women in the state of Alabama. Years ago she did literary work on the Age-Herald, in which she achieved an enviable reputation and and afterwards and up to very recently contributed to the leading magazines of the country both prose and poetry and wrote "Judith," a novel of exceptional merit. A few weeks ago she assisted in organizing the Women's Press Club of Alabama and became its secretary. She was one of the founders and the first editor of the Free Lance, a bright society and literary weekly published in Birmingham. Mrs. Davis was well known in the literary world as Miss Margaret E. O'Brien, her maiden name.

Italians Locating in Jefferson County.

An Italian colony is being established near Irondale, in Jefferson county, and the first batch, about sixty in number, arrived at that place during the past week. A year or two ago a large number of Italians were brought from Italy to be colonized on a large body of land purchased near Sunnyside, Ark. The men, after working the land there for several months, became dissatisfied, and a stampede back to sunny Italy was threatened. Every effort was made to quiet the movement to return to the old country, but it has kept up until another location was deemed advisable, and the selection of a site at Irondale is the result of the dissatisfaction with the first location.

The land at Irondale is to be cultivated at once, vineyards to be started and truck gardening begun. Irondale is five miles east of Birmingham, in a beautiful valley at the foot of Red Mountain—an ideal spot for a colony.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

Work is in progress on the new railroad to the Leeds ore fields.

APPALLING LOSS OF LIFE.

Levee at Shawneetown, Ill., Breaks and Floods the Town—250 Lives Lost.

A special from Evansville, Ind., Sunday says: At 6 o'clock this morning the levee at Shawneetown, Ill., broke a mile above the town, and from all the information that can be secured here, it is learned that a part of the place has been destroyed and that perhaps a large number of citizens have been drowned.

Shawneetown is seventy-five miles below Evansville, on the Ohio river and has a population of about 1,500. It is situated in a valley of extremely low land, with hills skirting it in the rear and with a 25-foot levee in front, running from hill to hill. The town is very much in the position of a fortified city, and when the levee gave way a mile above town under pressure of the very high river, the water shot through a 20-foot opening and struck the place like a hurricane, sweeping everything before it. Houses were turned and tossed about like boxes. The people were not warned of the break, and for that reason so many were caught.

Those at home sought refuge in second stories and on house tops. Those in the streets were carried before the avalanche of water and probably a majority are drowned. Citizens came from the place by skiffs for a telephone several miles away and asked for aid from Evansville.

They said that more than 200 people were drowned, and they had reason to believe it would reach 500 or even 1,000.

The water stands from twenty to thirty feet deep all over the town.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE COMPLETE

It Will Go Before Congress on Wednesday.

The president has completed his Cuban message and it will be presented to congress Wednesday. Secretary Long, after the special cabinet meeting Monday night, authorized the Associated Press to make this statement.

The message which is in itself is long, will not be accompanied by the consular reports dealing with the state of affairs in Cuba. These will go to the committee on foreign relations of the senate for their private information and will not be made public just now. The diplomatic correspondence between the United States and Spain will not be submitted at present.

The message in part will be a review of the Spanish course in the present and previous wars in Cuba, and will contain definite recommendations, in which congress will be in thorough accord. It will contain a severe arraignment of Spain, and will deal strongly with the Maine disaster.

FOR CONCERTED ACTION.

Arrangements for Aggressive Measures From Both Ends of the Capitol.

The leaders of the republicans of the house and senate who have been pressing for aggressive action on the Cuban question held several informal meetings Monday afternoon looking to the arrangement of a programme for concerted action at both ends of the capitol in case the president is not ready to transmit his message to congress on Wednesday.

The senate committee on foreign relations has agreed informally on their resolutions and the republicans of the foreign affairs committee of the house are practically united. Both will be for armed intervention and the blowing up of the Maine will be the feature of each.

LEE READY TO LEAVE HAVANA.

The British Consul to Take Charge of American Consulate if Lee Departs.

A special to the New York Herald from Washington says:

Consul-General Lee has been instructed to turn the American consulate over to British Consul Golin and has already made the necessary arrangements with Golin to do so. This is a mere precaution in case General Lee has to leave suddenly. He is simply setting his house in order. General Lee had a long conference with Consul Golin, who courteously agreed to do everything in his power when General Lee receives orders to leave or is forced to seek refuge with the foreigners and other Americans by the sudden uprising of the Havana populace.

Madrid Says There Was a Reply.

MADRID (Special).—The reply of the United States government has been communicated to the Spanish government. Its contents have not been made public, and no action has been taken upon it.

Washington Denies It.

WASHINGTON—An official announcement was made at the white house that negotiations with Spain have not been resumed. This statement was made after the Associated Press cablegram had been submitted to the president and Judge Day.

Hanna Declared Guilty of Bribery.

The senate committee on the bribery charges in connection with the Ohio election by a vote of nineteen to seventeen declared Senator Hanna guilty of bribery.

Brakeman Fatally Injured.

Brakeman R. R. Graham was perhaps fatally hurt at Pollard Friday night. He was coupling cars on the pile driver train, when, in some manner, he was caught and dangerously mashed about the head and shoulders.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Before 1888 the average number of labor strikes of all kinds in this country was about 500 a year. Since that date the average has been 1,500.

One big club of wheelmen in New York has decided not to let women or children participate in century runs. This is taking the right side in another good road movement, thinks the Philadelphia Times.

Official reports show that the attendance at the Indian schools has increased from 3,050, in 1877, to 18,676, in 1897. It appears that the real solution of the Indian question has been found in the spelling book.

In 1794 the habitual users of the English language did not number more than 30,000,000, in 1897 their number was estimated at 110,000,000.

The German emperor talks much about the time when it will be necessary to shed blood for the fatherland. Why not talk about the possibility of preserving the fatherland without bloodshed.

Reports from Klondike indicate that the desirable territory in that region has all been taken and that gold seekers who go to that country now will find themselves compelled to go hungry or engage in common labor. The northward rush, which has already begun, is bound to result in costly disappointment for thousands of men who would better have remained at home.

Fifty Texas farmers are about to go to Guerrero, Mexico, and lay out a town, to be called "The American City." The section settled upon is one of the richest in the state of San Luis Potosi, and grows beautiful crops of cotton, tobacco and sugar cane. The climate is healthful, and the colonists have high hopes of a prosperous career for their initial venture in the "land of the noonday sun." The members of the recently settled Cuban colony, situated near Guerrero, have a great success in tobacco-raising, and assert that their tobacco is in every way equal to the product of the fields of Cuba.

The champion non-professional wheelwoman of America is a resident of the staid and conventional city of Worcester, in the prim and decorous state of Massachusetts. Her name is Mrs. A. M. C. Allen, and her record for 1897 is 21,026 miles, ridden in 266 days. This is 10,206 miles more than any other woman's record in the United States. In the record 117 centuries are included. For the information of those who do not understand the technique of wheel language, it may be mentioned that a "century" is a ride of one hundred miles in a day. The recital of the dangers Mrs. Allen has passed is almost as thrilling as Othello's "hairbreadth 'scapes." Dog bites, a sprained ankle, a dislocated foot and such trifles were disregarded as far as possible, and the plucky "bicyclienne" pushed on with a determination and ardor unknown even to many men.

A correspondent to the British Medical Journal suggests that, considering the gravity of the disease in the aggregate, influenza should be made a notifiable disease and isolated. The Journal, in commenting on this, shows the impossibility of real isolation of influenza, saying that, "in a large family there are always many chances that more than one person has been exposed to the original infection, and that while the most marked case is being with much difficulty isolated, the least marked case is wandering at large," and also that "in slight cases prolonged isolation is out of the question." The Journal concludes: "But it is perfectly possible to avoid visiting an infected house, and we think it fair to urge that when people have influenza among them, they should keep to themselves, and then even people with a 'common cold' should not visit their neighbors."

Among aeronauts and polar explorers the conviction extends that Andree's expedition is lost, and that no remnant of it may ever be discovered. It is thought probable that the airship and its courageous voyagers have been cast away among the icy Arctic wastes, and that no authentic news of them may ever come to hand. The balloon left Spitzbergen on July 11 of last year, bearing Messrs. Andree, Strindberg and Fraenckel. The only trustworthy message from them was brought by a carrier pigeon, and was dated two days after their departure, stating that good progress toward the North had been made. From that point on all is silence and mystery, affording the best grounds for surmise that the silence will never be broken nor the veil of mystery pierced. The chance of hopeful news is, of course, not entirely exhausted, but it is at best a slender one, not calculated to encourage the further use of the balloon in Arctic discovery.

According to a Washington correspondent, "the long-standing occupation of one of the White House clerks is gone. Back through several administrations it has been the duty of one man to read the newspapers for the President. This man read and clipped and pasted. He filled scrapbooks with such articles as he thought the President might want to see at some future time. But, besides this, he read with reference to what might be of immediate concern to the President. When he found anything he thought the President would like to see at once, he clipped it and pasted it on a sheet, with the date and the name of the paper. These sheets were laid before the President as regularly as the mail requiring his attention. The reader for the President had a place on the White House staff as far back as Grant's time, if not earlier. He went through all the papers of the country. It was in this way that Mrs. Grant saw the beautiful tribute to her daughter at the time of the Sartoris wedding, written by the late John N. Edwards of Missouri, which she acknowledged gracefully, as the expression that had touched her most deeply. The reader for the President has been abolished. Mr. Porter is a newspaper man, and believes that he has a better way to accomplish the same purpose. Furthermore, the President has a select number of newspapers which he prefers to go through himself."

Does machinery displace labor, or widen the scope of its employment? asks the Atlanta Constitution. Ordinarily, this question evokes the answer that machinery displaces labor and that most of our present ills are due in some measure to the rapid increase of mechanical inventions, but a writer in Donahoe's Magazine undertakes to prove that such is not true. This writer first deals with the printing press. He states that when the printing press was invented some three or four hundred years ago, its immediate effect was to displace some few copyists, but that its ultimate effect was to cheapen the labor of publication and to create demands for books, newspapers and magazines the world over, giving employment to millions of laborers. With respect to the locomotive engine, he contends that where it has displaced one laborer it has given steady employment to thousands. So with the telegraph, the telephone, the sewing machine, the electric light, the electric motor, the linotype press, the typewriter and other useful inventions which have become such indispensable factors in our modern life. In the iron and steel industries alone the writer states that 1,500,000 laborers are today employed, whereas some 50 years ago these industries amounted to mere fiements.

To state that machinery displaces labor is to contradict the world's industrial records and to impeach the splendid progress which it has made from the simplicity of primeval days to the advanced civilization of the nineteenth century.

A Useful Weed.

Kelp, as is known by those living on the sea coast is a crude alkaline matter, produced by the combustion of seaweeds. These are dried in the sun and then burned in shallow excavations at a low heat. About twenty or twenty-four tons of seaweed yield one ton of kelp. Kelp is composed of chloride of sodium, carbonate of soda, sulphate of soda and potash, chloride of potassium, iodine of potassium or sodium, insoluble salts, and coloring matter. It used to be the great source of soda, but a better quality is now obtained from the composition of sea salt. A ton of good kelp will yield about eight pounds of iodine, large quantities of chloride of potassium and also by destructive distillation a large quantity of volatile oil, from four to fifteen gallons of paraffin oil, three or four gallons of naphtha and from one and a half to four hundred weight of sulphate of ammonia. This latter as well as the sulphate of soda and potash enter into many of the commercial fertilizers.

There are in Scotland twelve factories, most of them at Glasgow, and two in Ireland which produce annually in all from this marine plant 130 tons of iodine. At Finisterre in France there are factories which produce 50 tons of iodine.

Seaweeds of several kinds are used for forage. Oxen, sheep and deer seek the fucus vesiculosus on the seashore in winter when other supplies are scarce; in the Swedish province of Gothland it is boiled and mixed with a little coarse flour as food for hogs; and in Norway, fucus seratus is used as food for cattle, generally sprinkled with a little meal.—Farm, Field and Fireside.

South American Wheat.

Mr. Buchanan, the late Minister to the Argentine Confederation under the Cleveland Administration, has just returned from that country, and reports that the Argentine wheat crop this year will be great enough to permit an export of from 40,000,000 to 50,000,000 bushels, an amount which will have not a little effect upon the price as it will considerably augment the world's supply. The possibilities of South America as a wheat-producing country are almost limitless. A great area remains to be opened up in the Argentine, and when the railroad system is completed there it will develop a wheat belt almost as large as our own rich one in the far northwest. So, too, in Bolivia and Peru, at some time in the next century, there will be devoted to wheat cultivation an immense area which must bring South America seriously into competition with the United States for the wheat markets of the world.—Pittsburg Post.

Limited Partnerships.

The word "limited," so often seen after the business title of a firm, is a precaution against disaster. Under the English law there are two kinds of stock companies; in one the liability of the stockholders is unlimited, that is to say, if the stock of the company has a nominal value of $100,000 and the company fails for $500,000, the private property of the stockholders may be taken by process of law to satisfy the difference between the amount of the stock and the amount of the liability. When, however, the company is "limited" the liabilites of the stockholders are limited to the amount of stock they hold, and in case of the failure of the concern they are not liable to a greater extent than the value of their stock.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A squad of cyclists is now attached to every corps of cavalry in the German army.

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UP to the present war with Spain has not materialized, but it looks almost an impossibility to withhold a declaration of war much longer. The latest news is that President McKinley will send a message to Congress next Monday, and it probable that the message will be followed by Congress declaring war.

WE must appeal to our correspondents to make their communications short and to the point. We have on hand a number of letters which it is utterly impossible to find room in this issue for, and at the rate they are accumulating it would take a dozen issues of THE BANNER to find room for them. We are glad to see so much interest aroused at this time, but correspondents will please remember it takes time and space to publish all their epistles, and the shorter they are the better prospect there is of our being able to publish them. It is our endeavor to show partiality to none.

THREE weeks to-morrow the primary will take place, and it behooves every Populist in Chilton county to make it a most especial point to turn out that day and vote for the men of his choice. At this time the issue is narrowed down to a point of three candidates for the Probate Judge's office—Messrs J. P. VanDerveer, J. W. Moore and S. M. Adams being the only candidates before the voters. Judge Honeycutt declining to go before the primary has apparently cleared the situation. For Clerk of the Circuit Court there are also three candidates.—E. B. Deason, J. M. Burnett and E. L. Manning. As only one candidate, Judson Strock, is out Superintendent of education it appears that he will have an easy nomination. There is yet another office to be filled, and a very important office it is—that of Representative in the Legislature. It is a foregone conclusion that the party will make every exertion to procure a constitutional convention for the exbress purpose of disfranchising a large number of voters. Consequently Populists should see to it that their best men are sent to the Legislature in order to keep the measure for a new constitutional convention within reasonable limits. Let Chilton send its very best man.

An Up to Date Fable.

"The early bird gets the worm, remember," said an old bird to a young one.

Having an appetite for worms, the young bird resolved to profit by the suggestion contained in the proverb quoted by the elder fowl, and thereby accumulate a worm. The next morning that young bird was out looking for worms with a lantern. Sure enough, he found a wriggler, and he got him.

But that worm was a bad, tough worm. He had been out all night and was carrying a load home when gobbled by the bird. Besides being tough and indigestible the worm was filled with nicotine, benzine, rum, opium and such like deleterious and harmful ingredients.

When that young bird became an old bird, he was wont to say to his friends, "I date my dyspepsia from the hour that I swallowed that early worm."

Moral—Don't be too previous.—Truth.

Morgan and Reed.

Senator Morgan's new name for Speaker Reed, "the great white filibuster," seems likely to stick to the speaker, for it is being quoted and repeated all over the country. This reminds one of the fact that Senator Morgan occasionally hits the bullseye with a phrase that sticks. No one, says the Washington Post, will ever forget his utterance that certain senators were cuckoos, who, every time the White House clock struck the time of day, put out their heads and repeated the hour. It is not known, however, that the senator got his suggestion for his famous saying from a cuckoo clock in the house of a personal friend in this city. One night, while the senator was calling upon his friend, the cuckoo came out of the clock and uttered its plaintive note. The senator made no comment at the time, but on the following day he used the simile which traveled over the country like wild fire.

Transfer of the Chinese Seals.

The ceremony of the transfer of the seals from the retiring Chinese minister, Yang Yu, to the present minister plenipotentiary, Mr. Wu, took place in the annex of the Arlington recently. Mr. Yang Yu and his suit came down from the legation on Fourteenth street, bearing the seals with them. They are made of brass, stamped with the imperial signature, and bearing the words, "Manchuria and China." They were inclosed in a handsome leather case, and with them were the documents which Mr. Yang Yu signed on taking office.

Minister Wu and his suit met Mr. Yang Yu and the others in his parlors, and there the seals were solemnly transferred, Minister Wu signing the papers of state, which were then placed in the case with the seals in place of the documents bearing Mr. Yang Yu's signature. After this ceremony was over Minister Wu gave the retiring minister some very handsome presents of jewelry which he had brought from China.

Yells That Cost $3.

It costs money to yell even in a business way in the streets of Washington. The vocal powers of Alexander E. Simpson were the cause of his appearance in the police court the other day, and he left the building $3 poorer than when he entered it. For many years Simpson has been selling crabs to the residents of Capitol hill, and he is a familiar figure in that section. To invite attention to his wares, Simpson exercised his lungs to such an extent that complaints resulted. These complaints took the form of an information, and the judge decided that Simpson's outcries would cost him $3. CARL SCHOFIELD.

My wife has used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism with great relief, and I can recommend it as splendid liniment for rheumatism and other household use for which we have found it valuable.—W. J. CUYLER, Red Creek, N. Y.

Mr. Cuyler is one of the leading merchants of this village and one of the most prominent men in this vicinity.—W. G. PHIPPIN Editor, Red Creek Herald. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

National Committeeman W. C. Hill of Tennessee had an experience in Washington not long since that will linger long in his own memory and that of a certain cab driver of the capital. Mr. Hill is a small but wiry and resolute gentleman. The particular cabby with whom he had to do was big and strong and not overburdened with integrity. His fare was on the point of leaving the city, but got the jehu to drive him to a down town hotel, the bar of which he entered for liquid refreshments. While in the place the Tennessean dropped a roll of bills amounting to nearly $200. He re-entered the vehicle, but shortly afterward discovered his loss and directed the driver to take him back to the hotel where he had last remembered taking out his money.

On entering he made eager inquiry for the lost roll, but nobody had seen it. It was a good bit to let get away, and Mr. Hill was much put out. He went back to the street and said rather savagely to the coachman, "Drive me to the police station." The fellow demurred to this, and at last flatly refused to go. Hill's temper arose, and he made a grab for the man to pull him off his seat.

"Hold on, sir. That'll do. I'll give you back your money," and to the astonishment of the southerner cabby began to unscrew his ancient lamp, and from the socket drew forth a bundle of currency so blackened and soiled with grease and dirt that it was scarcely to be recognized as money. Mr. Hill counted it and found there was not a dollar missing.

He was so amazed at the denouement that he forgot to tell the driver what he thought of him, and the latter began to mumble forth a lame explanation that he hadn't meant to steal the cash, but only intended to keep it for awhile to teach the owner not to be so careless in future. Mr. Hill let it go at that, but he has his own ideas touching the intentions of the other party.—Washington Post.

Something to Know

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys and aids them in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or $1.00 per bottle.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., April 6, 1893

Whether war shall have been declared between Spain and the U. S. when this reaches the reader, or not, it is a fact that every effort to prevent hostilities has been made by the money power in this country and Europe. The sequel to this is the probability of the utter bankruptcy of Spain and the repudiation of that country's bonds in the event of war. The bondholders are all bound together, and their interests are the same the world over.

Wharton Barker, editor of the Philadelphia American, who seems to have a large sized presidential bee in his bonnet, makes a bid for the middle-of-the-road Populist nomination in every issue of his paper. His attacks on Senator Butler are in bad taste from a man who has never been recognized as anything else than a Republican. Mr. Barker's rather sudden change of heart will be looked upon with suspicion by those who were engaged in the reform movement during all the years he was aiding plutocracy.

Hon. A. H. Livingston, the Populist candidate for Congress in the 11th Missouri district during the last campaign, is reported to have offered a resolution at the late meeting of the so-called re-organization meeting of the People's Party in St. Louis, favoring a bolt from the regular organization. In a recent public speech Mr. Livingston advised Populists to support goldbug republican candidates, rather than vote for fusion with the Democrats. Thus are the middle-of-the-roaders openly allying themselves with the Republicans.

Col. Jacob L. Green, President of a Connecticutt life insurance company, who assumes to be an authority on finance, claims to have found a new way of suppressing the "silver craze." He advocates a change in the present law, allowing National Banks to issue a circulating medium on bank assets consisting of railroad stocks, straw bonds or "any old thing" as a means of providing a "cheap money" for the south and west. Great head! Great financier!

It is somewhat significant that the Rothchilds are buying silver mines in this country. One of their recent purchases is the North Star mine of Washington. With the enormous discoveries of gold in Alaska, it may be possible that the Rothchilds will want to change the standard of money back to silver.

The receivership of the Kansas Pacific railroad has ended and the property has been turned over to the Union Pacific and will become a part of that system.

The Republicans of Alabama will go through the formality of holding a state convention on June 7.

Arrangements have been made for a union of Populists, Democrats and Free Silver Republicans in Oregon this year, which, it is believed, will succeed in carrying the state.

Almost at the beginning of the present war scare Senator Mark Hanna stood in Wall street and declared that there would be no war. So far, and in the face of great provocation, his prophecy has been fulfilled, and yet there are people in this country who can still look an honest man in the face and deny that the money power has the administration by the throat.

Czar Reed in his bulldozing methods when preventing the passage of war resolutions enthusiastically offered and urged by the Democrats and Populists, showed that all the abuse heaped upon him as an unscrupulous despot has been richly deserved.

Secretary of State John Sherman refuses to be read out of office, in spite of frequent rumors as to his immediate resignation. His manifest age and infirmity and Mark Hanna's well-known dislike render his tenacity all the more remarkable.

So far as heard from all the Populists in congress and the senate advocate war with Spain.

Senator Allen has been heard from on the war question. He spoke with his usual force and vigor.

Gen. Blanco's assertion that the flag of Spain stands for civilization, progress and humanity is only equaled by the oft-repeated assertion during the campaign of '96, that the Stars and Stripes represented "peace, prosperity and Republicanism."

A meeting of the People's Party central committee of Illinois was held recently at Springfield with a fair attendance. It was decided to hold the convention in Springfield on Tuesday, May 17, the same date as the Democratic State convention. Basis of representation will be same as that of the convention of 1896. This will give the convention 700 delegates. A resolution was adopted stating that the party was in favor of co-operation with the Democrats and Silver Republicans. The resignation of Herman Taubeneck as chairman was accepted and Charles F. Palmer was elected to fill the vacancy. A. R.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

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Mr. J. Alex Moore, of Co... amongst our visitors Satu...

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ty Marshal Dudley looks quite ing in his new uniform, the of which strikes terror to all disposed persons.

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ury five years make a genera Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, ered from piles. He was ed by using three boxes of De Witch Hazel Salve. Stanfield thews.

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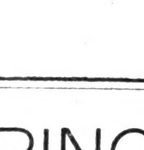

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Clanton, Ala.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 3 in the town of Maplesville, Alabama, together with the two-story store-house thereon, which said lot is bounded as follows, to-wit: On the east by the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad; on the south by property of A. S. Wooley, on north and west by property of Dr. J. S. Johnson, Jr., and to be sold as subject to two mortgages executed by said S. A. Foshee to Montgomery Woolsey, and by said Woolsey duly transferred and assigned to H. J. Foshee. And also lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

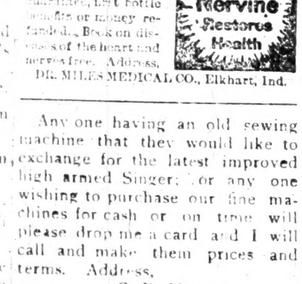
during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

The above sale is continued to Monday March 28, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued to Monday April 11, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.



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Revised Golfers' Proverbs.

The quickness of the swing deceives the eye.

Distance lends enchantment to the game.

Never judge a player by his clothes.

Do not approach with fear and trembling.

Keep putting away for a rainy day.

Say nothing—but play golf.

A ball in the hole is worth six on the green.

Golf was not learned in a day.

Too many professionals spoil the player.

It's long links that have no crossings.

There's no place like home links.

A rolling ball gathers no speed.

Practice makes perfect.—Golfer.

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Notice of Day Set for Hearing Probate of Will.

The State of Alabama } In the Probate
Chilton County } Court.

To James S. Allen and George Allen of Arcadia, La., and Ella Christopher, residence unknown:

You will please take notice that on the 18th day of March, 1898, a certain paper in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. P. Allen, deceased, was filed in my office for probate by Sudie Garner, and that the 25th day of April, 1898, was appointed a day for hearing thereof, at which time you can appear and contest the same if you see proper.

Given under my hand this 21st day of March, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

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Notice to Delinquent Tax-Payers.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

The Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due. The persons named below are reported as delinquent, and the following real estate is reported as assessed to them, to wit:

BEAT No. 1.

R B Jordan sw ¼ of nw ¼ section 18 township 24 range 15 tax and costs $2.81

BEAT No. 2.

James Y Boyd n ½ of nw ¼ sec 20 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.28

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 28 tp 24 r 13 tax and cost $3.10

BEAT No. 4.

C P Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $3.25

BEAT No. 5

G L Werth e ½ of nw ¼, sw ¼ of nw ¼ sec 4 tp 20 r 16 18 acres in se cor of se ¼ of ne ¼ sec 36 tp 21 r 15 s ½ of e ½ of nw ¼, and nw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $9.95

John L Harrell ne ¼ of sw ¼, nw ¼ of se ¼ sec 7 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.51

E H Downs 2 acres in nw cor of nw qr of ne qr sec 27 tp 21 r 15 tax and costs $11.46

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 4 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15. Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $16.10

G B Morgan n ½ of nw ¼ sec 23 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.44

Mrs S A Green part of the nw qr of nw qr and part of the sw qr of nw qr sec 6 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $9.32

James Sharp sw qr of sw qr sec 16 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $3.07

BEAT No. 3

W E Wailes nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ & s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $11.43

James Jones se ¼ sec 12 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.15

UNKNOWN OWNERS.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers, and of real estate upon which taxes are due; and therein is reported assessed to "Owner Unknown" the following real estate, to wit;

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $3.69

W ½ of se qr sec 2 tp 20 r 13 tax and costs $3.89

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $2.97

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $3.03

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $3.89

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $2.81

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.81

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $3.89

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.29

This is to notify you to appear before the Probate Court of said county at the next term thereof, commencing Monday the 11th, day of April, 1898, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why a decree for the sale of said real estate should not be made for the payment of the taxes assessed against you and fees and costs.

This 10th day of March, 1898.
R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. Stanfield & Matthews.

SHERIFF' SALE.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Kellett Campbell, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Kellett Campbell, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

One dark bay Mule.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named Kellett Campbell in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Ala.

Dated at Clanton, Ala. this 24th day of March, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued until Monday, April 11, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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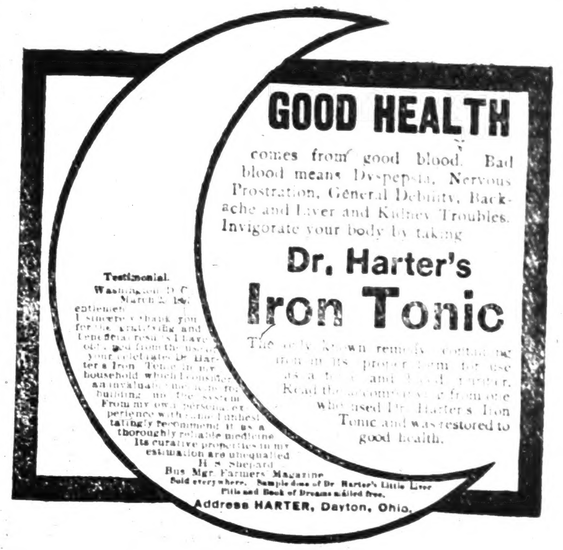

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SHOES—Bought at sheriff's sale; all go for one-half of original cost.

BLACK SAILOR HATS—Latest styles and shapes, worth 50 cents, now go for only 16 cents.

Lace Pillow Shams, handsomest patterns and designs, at 24 cents a pair. Pillow Shams, in cloth, with turkey red work, 35 cents a pair. 100 pieces Laces and Embroidery 1 cent a yard and up. Handkerchiefs 3 cents and up. Full line of Summer Suits at the very lowest prices. White Bed Spreads, heavy and large, at 75 cents, regular price $2.00.

Large receipts of Ducking, in bundles. All colors. This is our specialty. Still selling at same price, 90 cents per bundle. This is the cheapest lot of goods ever brought to Chilton county.

PANTS—Just received 500 pairs of pants latest styles and all colors and material. Bought at bankrupt sale. All go at 50 cents on dollar.

HATS—Having bought at forced sale from L. & N. R. R. Co. a lot of fine hats at a great sacrifice, I offer this lot at 50 cents on the dollar of cost prices. We are still selling brass pins at 1 cent per paper.

We are daily receiving new goods from the Eastern markets and it will give us great pleasure to show them. Everybody is invited to call and examine these goods. Thanking the public for past favors.

Respectfully H. TOURO.

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EASTER.

Frail, trembling hands outreached in eager groping,
If, haply through the shadows of the tomb,
Ye might but find and feel Him—vainly hoping
For life from lifeless touch, for light from gloom;
Tired feet that linger where no Christ lies hidden;
Sad eyes that weep, and lips that sob and moan—
No longer grieve nor grope. See! God has bidden
His strong white angels roll away the stone.

He whom ye seek behind yon gloomy portal—
Mingling your burial spices with your tears—
No more is dead; in strength and light immortal
He lives to crown with joy the desolate years.
Lives to o'ercome earth's anguished cry and sobbing,
Give rest for struggle, and for wounds His balm,
His strong sweet life through human pulses throbbing,
Changing all fear to trust, all strife to calm.

How shall ye know? Not by the radiant altars
Whose incense draws the fainting lilies' breath,
Not by the tide of praise that falls nor falters
Through countless psalms of victory over death.
Not by the sacred help of priestly praying,
Nor all that temples, shrines, or symbols give,
They only know whose hearts have heard Him saying:
"My life is thine, because I live ye live."

Sad fettered souls long held in self's dim prison,
Bound fast by error, ignorance, or pride,
Do ye not hear? The Conqueror is risen;
In His brave death thy foes and His have died.
Bury thy dead! Live, live the wondrous story
That lifts the world from deeps of woe and wrong.
Wouldst flood the shadows with the Easter glory?
Sing out, the whole year round, thine Easter song.

—Harper's Bazar.

ORIGIN OF EASTER.

EASTERTIDE, the oldest church festival, comes down to us from the ancient Hebrews. With them, however, the time was not associated with the death and resurrection of Christ, but with the season of the year when the earth pours forth its freshest blossoms and the revivification of nature—the springing forth of life in the spring.

It is from this that the Easter egg custom springs, and centuries ago, even before the birth of Christ, colored eggs were given and received by the celebrants of the feast. The egg for all time has been regarded as symbolical of the spring, when the earth receives from nature its new life. Not only the ancient Hebrews, but the ancient Persians, employed the colored eggs in their celebrations of the feast of the solar new year, in March.

With the Hebrews the festival was called Pasch, and the name still lives, with slight alterations, among many nations. The French call the festival Paques; the Dutch term it Paschen; the Danes Paaske, and the Swedes Pask. In the early days of Christianity the influence of the Jewish Pasch upon the holy day commemorating the slaying of Christ and his resurrection was such that it created many bitter dissensions between the western and the eastern churches. Finally the discussions assumed such a threatening aspect that Polycrates, bishop of Ephesus, appealed to Victor, bishop of Rome, asking for a general council to decide the much-vexed question.

Accordingly, councils met in all the countries, as well as at Rome, but, alas, for visions of harmony, they could not agree. They finally decided to recognize the day as their respective fathers before them had done, and no sect should censure the other for a difference of opinion.

Many warm and even bitter discussions still continued on the subject of Easter celebrations, and it finally led to the great emperor, Constantine, in 325, issuing an order for the dispute to be settled by the council of Nice. It was the momentous theme of the day. In obedience to royal command, 318 bishops and some 2000 inferior clerics assembled at Nice in Bithynia.

The first sessions met in the church, and as the council continued its work the place of meeting was transferred to the imperial palace, where special apartments were reserved for this august body. The main trouble was between the Jewish Christians and the Gentile Christians.

On the 14th day of the first lunar month the Jews observed with all the solemnity and regard for the Mosaic law the Feast of the Passover; thus they celebrated the death of Christ as represented by the Paschal Lamb. The first Sabbath after the 14th day of the March moon the Gentile Christians celebrated with joyous religious services the resurrection of Christ. Neither sect would recognize the other's festive day, and the council of Nice was greatly perplexed as how best to please all parties.

After continuing their debates, pro and con, for several months, the ecclesiastical dignitaries announced that the bitterly waged war of dispute was settled. Easter day was for all time to be the first Sabbath immediately following the fourteenth day of the March moon. By this arrangement the world may celebrate Easter, justly called the "Queen of Festivals," as early as March 22, and again it may not arrive until April 25, when nearly the entire earth is fragrant with spring buds and blossoms.

The word Easter is derived from a Pagan goddess of the early Teutons called Ostera. The German word for Easter is Ostern, but some philologists maintain that both the German and English words come from the ancient Saxon word Oster, or Osten, meaning "rising." Ostera, the German goddess, was credited with being the personification of the morning, and of the east, and also of the opening year.

Ostera was worshiped very generally in northern Germany, and it is believed that the fame of the goddess spread to England, where the Saxons joined in worshiping her. Until the beginning of the present century court was paid to Ostera by the kindling of great bonfires and in other ways, and even to-day in some of the remote districts where many superstitions beliefs are treasured by the peasantry the fame of Ostera still lives.

The early Christians made the Easter celebration extend over a period of eight days, but in the eleventh century the festival was reduced to three days, and later to one day. In olden days Easter was the popular time for baptism. The law courts were shut and the poor and needy were feasted regally in the churches, a custom that was much abused and which led to great disorder. Slaves were temporarily free, the people gave themselves up to hilarity and all sorts of enjoyment. Popular sports and dances were added, and the joyous solemnity of the day bade fair to be ruined.

While many curious observances cluster about Easter, the egg as an emblem of resurrection was, and is most generally used by all Nations. De Gebelin has connected it with the ancient Egyptians, Persians, Greeks and Romans, and Dr. Schwartz finds that it was customary among the Parsees to distribute red eggs at their spring festival. In Germany, instead of the egg, is an emblematic print, in which three hens are holding a basket wherein are three eggs.—Picayune.

Easter Symbols.

"Papa, what makes my candy rabbit's ears stick up so?"

"I'm almost afraid to say so, little daughter, but I think he's scared at your mother's Easter hat."

A Poached Egg.

EASTER CUSTOMS.

The Typical Use of the Egg is Common to All Countries.

This year Easter falls in April, so that in some localities we may really enjoy the soft air, the green of the grass, the song of birds and fragrance of flowers, so often only in the future at the Easter time. Hope comes again to the invalid with Easter days; the violets are peeping from their beds and all things seem

"Emblems of our own great resurrection,
Emblems of the bright and better land."

The egg in some form or other has been a type of the new life from the very beginning of the Christian era, a growth, probably, from the pagan idea that the egg was the beginning of all kinds of life. Various customs and ways of using the egg have grown up in different countries.

In Russia, as early as 1580, eggs colored red, typifying the blood of Christ shed as an atonement for our sins, were the most treasured of exchanges at Easter. Every believer went abroad at this season with his pockets well supplied with Easter eggs, as the society man of to-day attends to his well-filled card case. When two Russians met for the first time during the Easter holidays, if they had not met on the day itself, the belated Easter compliments were passed, first by solemnly shaking hands in silence, then the elder (or the younger, if he outranked the elder) would say: "The Lord is risen," and his companion would reply: "It is true;" then they kissed each other and ceremoniously drew from their respective pockets the Easter emblem and exchanged eggs.

Hyde, in his description of Oriental sports, tells of one with eggs among the Christians of Mesopotamia on Easter day, and forty days afterward: "The sport consists in striking their eggs one against another, and the egg that first breaks is won by the owner of the one that struck it. Immediately another egg is pitted against the winning egg, and so on till the last egg wins all the others, which their respective owners shall before have won."

THE EDEN LILY.

When God bid run Euphrates' stream,
Ere yet man came to earth,
For Faith and Virtue's future theme
He gave the lily birth.

He robed it as Himself divine,
Gave to its heart the gold
And majesty of royal line,
In simple, snowy fold.

Our parents loved the many flowers
They found in Eden blest;
The poetry of all the hours—
But hailed the lily best!

When the Archangel came and walked
The groves all golden shod,
Gravely to Adam, Michael talked
Of purity and God.

Then pointing to the lily fair,
Said, "Though you bring the gloom
Of death to earth, this lily rare
Shall typify the Bloom."

The angels now around the Throne
Circling are singing on,
When Easter brings the lifted stone,
And fear from earth has gone.

They tell that fallen man long doomed
At last has met the light;
That Israel's Lily now has bloomed
On altars pure and white.

—James Riley, in Boston Bouquet.

Eggs were held by the Egyptians as a sacred emblem of the renovation of mankind after the deluge. The Jews adopted them to suit the circumstances of their history as a type of their departure from the land of Egypt; they were also used in the feast of the Passover.

The Syrians believed that the gods from whom they claimed descent were hatched from mysteriously laid eggs. Hence we infer that our present custom of offering the Easter egg emblem has the heathen legends for its origin; in fact all our most precious festivals come down from similar sources, but purified with the light of Christianity.

THE EASTER BIRTH.

Again the flower-shoot cleaves the clod;
Again the grass spear greens the sod;
Again buds dot the willow rod.

The sap released within the tree
Is like a prisoned bird set free,
And mounteth upward buoyantly.

Once more at purple evening dream
The tender-voiced, enamoured stream
Unto the rush renews its theme.

How packed with meaning this new birth
Of all the growing things of earth—
Life springing after death and dearth!

Thou, soul, that still dost darkly grope,
Hath not this, in its vernal scope,
Some radiant resurrection hope?

—Clinton Scollard.

POLITICAL PROGRESS.

THE MOVEMENT IN FAVOR OF DIRECT LEGISLATION.

The Populist States Lead—Rapid Advances Made Toward Public Ownership of Franchises and Public Utilities—State Railroads and Income Taxes.

E. D. Durand, in Annals American Academy, summarizes recent political and municipal legislation, showing that the Populist party has already been instrumental in making some important local reforms. The movement in favor of direct legislation by the people, which has manifested itself for the years in the increased practice of referring special subjects of state or local legislation to popular vote, and in the increasing agitation for a general use of the initiative and referendum, has at last culminated in some of our western states. South Dakota goes further yet by proposing a constitutional amendment, to be voted upon in November next, declaring that "the people reserve to themselves the right to propose measures which measures the legislature shall enact and submit to a vote of the electors of the state, and also the right to require that any law which the legislature may have enacted shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the state before going into effect. * * * provided that not more than five per centum of the qualified electors of the state shall be required to invoke either the initiative or the referendum."

The sister state of Nebraska has meanwhile enacted a law, to take immediate effect, introducing the same principle for all local subdivisions—counties, townships, cities, villages and school districts—but not for the state government itself. A petition of 15 per cent of the voters is necessary to initiate measures, or to demand the reference of proposed measures to the people. The question must then be submitted to a vote at the next general election, but if the petition be signed by 20 per cent of the electors and contain a request for a more immediate vote, a special election must be held. The local legislative body may suggest amendments to measures proposed by popular initiative. In such case the original and modified propositions must both be placed on the ballot. Unless a majority declares itself against both forms, the form receiving the most affirmative votes becomes law.

The recent and growing popular agitation concerning the management of municipal property, works and privileges is beginning to bear fruit in legislation. A large proportion of our states now allow cities and towns themselves to construct and operate lighting as well as water plants. Washington last year went further and authorized the establishment of municipal street railways. Especially is there a tendency to regulate the granting of franchises to private individuals and companies. The chief advances are in limiting the duration of such grants, in demanding some commensurate payment for them, and in making them subject to popular control. The provisions of the new charter of New York is an instance in this regard. Far more radical is a Kansas law of 1897, which, however, applies only to light, heat, power and water plants. This act requires the grantees of franchises to report in minute detail the exact cost of constructing their plant, and semi-annually thereafter the exact receipts and expenditures of every sort. A profit of 6 per cent per annum is to be allowed on the actual investment shown by these statements, and the entire surplus of receipts is to go to the public treasury, unless a higher allowance be made to the holders of the franchise by consent of three-fifths of the taxpayers. No grant may be for more than twenty years, and after ten years the municipality may buy the plant at an appraised valuation. This law imposes terms even more severe than those regulating public franchises in any European city.

Several other states have adopted the practice of requiring franchises of all sorts to be disposed of upon competitive bids. While this system may prevent jobbery, in part, experience shows that it does not ordinarily win for the public a reasonable payment for privileges granted. Real competition is seldom possible, especially in the case of renewals or additional grants after one corporation has become thoroughly established. California, adopting this practice in 1897, prescribes further that the minimum payment to the municipal treasury for any kind of public franchise shall be three per cent of the gross receipts. No payment whatever is to be made, however, during the first five years of the grant. Wisconsin has passed a somewhat similar law, whose adoption is left to local option. The municipality is to fix such conditions as it sees fit as specifications in advertising for bids. Annual reports of gross receipts must be made by grantees of franchises, whether percentages upon them are demanded or not. The terms of franchises may not be altered without consent of the holders. Regarding light and water plants, it is further enacted by another law that any proposed franchise may be submitted to popular vote and must be so submitted if 20 per cent of the voters petition. Minnesota prohibits all perpetual franchises, and provides that if privileges are made exclusive, they must be limited to ten years and approved by popular vote. This latter provision signifies little, since evidently a large proportion of such grants, though not exclusive formally, are so practically.

Arkansas has established an ex-officio board to construct and operate one or more state railways. Wishing to avoid the experience of Tennessee, which earlier burdened itself with a heavy debt by building railways, Arkansas provides that the road shall be paid for by donations of money and land from the counties and municipalities through which it passes, and by issue of bonds secured upon the road itself, and not upon the state at large.

Inheritance taxes have been in favor and have been increased in many more states than have been added to the list. Massachusetts has increased the rates of its inheritance tax, and Kansas has established one. Kansas provides that the rate shall be 1 per cent on estates above $1,000 and not exceeding $2,000, and 5 per cent on those above $100,000. It is to be feared that the rate of this tax in many of those states which have it will fail to give a fair test of the working of the progressive income tax.

PROSPERITY NOTES.

After more than two months' hard fighting, the Globe rolling mill strike at Cleveland, Ohio, has been declared off and the men compelled to acknowledge a defeat, which may mean the total disintegration of their local union. The Globe mills are owned by Senator Mark Hanna.

The employes of Seyfert's rolling mill at Chikaiser, Pa., have been informed of a reduction in their wages. The puddlers from $2.40 to $2.25 per ton and the men in the plate mill about 10 per cent all around.

The appeal of the New Bedford, Mass., textile workers, now on strike, sets forth that 600 families, comprising 2,000 men, women and children, are slowly starving to death, and that unless aid is forthcoming within a short time the strike will have to be abandoned.

All the street car lines in Saginaw, Mich., were tied up Friday. The motormen went on strike. The men demand regular hours and pay for overtime. They have been working fourteen to sixteen hours daily.

Arthur Hamlin, a grandson of Hannibal Hamlin, vice-president of the United States when Lincoln was president, was arrested in this city on Monday last and charged with vagrancy. Hunger drove him to desperation, so he went into a restaurant, and after eating a hearty meal, left without paying. The proprietor of the place made the charge. The "culprit's" defense was that he was without either money or friends, had not eaten for days, and could not obtain employment, which he had earnestly sought for a long time. Judge Conlan, very properly, dismissed him, but, probably ironically, commanded him to "secure a situation." Can the judge secure it for him? Hundreds come into our office every week looking for that very thing, and we can say, because we know, that even most highly educated and refined men are grateful if they can secure a "place" even as "common laborer," which in most cases is impossible for the "market" is glutted.—San Francisco Star.

The Old Guard.

A health unto the Old Guard here,
A health to the Old Guard.
Who dared to march till the ranks of Truth
In times when the way was hard,
Who boldly stood for the people's cause,
And made that cause their own
In days before it had won applause
In days when they stood alone.

A health unto the Old Guard, here,
A health to the Old Guard,
Who gave of their time and life and means,
With hope of no reward.
Who battled long 'gainst Might, Mammon, Might,
Like veterans true and tried,
Who dared to fight for the love of right,
Though they fought on the losing side.

A health unto the Old Guard, true,
A health to the Old Guard,
We little know how much we owe
To these warriors, battle-scarred;
But when the fight is won at last,
The world will place each name
Away up high, for the Future sees
On the deathless roll of Fame.

—J. A. EDGERTON.

Jefferson the Visionary.

Every man and woman who has brain of a superior quality is a visionary. It is only the dull, senseless clod who has no visions of a higher feed humanity; of an international brotherhood wherein there shall be no soldiers and few policemen; of a holier church, better judges and better laws. These were some of the visions of Jefferson. —M. M. Trumbull.

INTERESTING EVENTS

BLAKE'S ANNUAL

Annual Rate of Increase

Decennial Growth

W. H. H.

CONVICT LABOR.

Report That Canada Has Exclusion Growth Alarm.

The Canadian government proposed to have a grand bazaar soon, and is said determined to exact an each shipment of iron border into that country convict labor was not a manufacture in any part.

President Baxter, of the Coal, Iron & Railroad Co., was seen and questioned, but would heard nothing of contemplated on any particular ship as the export business was conducted, he was sure that neither Great Britain had yet interfered with not informed that any contemplated. Mr. Baxter war would hamper the trade trade badly. Mexican trade generally, he said, ory from the standpoint but the price is very low no prospect, he thought, of output.

Sending Out Money For State.

The state treasurer has Agricultural and Mechanical at Auburn $16,356.17, Albany, $32,542. The numerous small payments at the beginning of a makes the disbursement five days exceedingly large remittances from collectors the state.

Treasurer Ellis has funds to the state's fiscal York preparatory to July interest in case agrees to accept the proposition made by Governor this event the state will one hundred dollars.

Naval Reserve Boys.

Ensign Thomas United States navy, forming with Col. R. J. tant general of the Auburn Guard, Col. James Lieut.-Col. Robert B. First regiment, Albany Guard, were also the information to forces in this state have not yet been organized, and the boys of Auburn may be

Governor Johnston Favors

It is understood that favorable to the secretary of the navy's reserve in the state, and probable that a bill will soon be introduced valuable men who are certain that if the proposition contributes that it once.

Dr. W. H. Johnston Dead.

Dr. William H. Johnston, eminent physician of Brooklyn, Sunday night as a result paralysis last Friday. He a brother of Governor J

Decrease in Sale of Fertilizers.

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FIFTY FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate Wednesday.

Again today were the galleries of the senate crowded to the doors.

Mr. Frye reported from the committee on foreign relations the senate resolution: "That the president be requested, if not incompatible with the public interest, to transmit to the senate all of the consular correspondence relating to the conduct of the war in the island of Cuba, the condition of the people, and other matters relating thereto."

Mr. Hawley, of the military affairs committee, reported a joint resolution providing that, in any case of emergency in which the immediate erection of any fort or fortification is, in the opinion of the secretary of war, deemed necessary and urgent, where the legislature of the state is not in session, so much of the existing law as prohibits the erection of such fortifications until the consent of the legislature has been obtained, shall be suspended so as to authorize the construction of such temporary fort on the written consent of the land. It went over.

The entire day was consumed considering various Cuban resolutions.

The House.

A wild and uproarious scene occurred in the house of representatives today when Mr. Bailey, the democratic leader, attempted to force the hand of the republicans upon a proposition to overrule the speaker and pass a resolution recognizing the independence of the Cuban republic. He was cheered on by the crowded galleries, but the members of the majority refused to support him. Many of them sympathized with the purpose of the resolution. Mr. Hull, chairman of the military committee, going so far as to indorse the proposition, under the impression that it provided for a declaration of war, but most of the radicals who yesterday were in favor of any sort of revolutionary methods had been won over to the policy of sticking to the party organization, and refused to do anything until the initiative came from their side. They were rallied by two of the leading advocates of armed intervention, and the speaker himself from the chair made a direct appeal to his party associates to stand firm, at the same time intimating that their impatience was curbed a little longer they would have the opportunity they coveted. When the vote was taken only two republicans, Messrs. Atcheson and Robbins, of Pennsylvania, broke from the party lines. About a dozen more sat silent in their seats and refused to vote. The scheme throughout was most dramatic, and the members and spectators in the galleries were wrought up to a high pitch of excitement. The vote on sustaining the speaker's ruling that the resolution was out of order was 180 ayes and 149 noes. Mr. Bailey's resolution which occasioned such story scenes is as follows:

"Resolved, by the senate and house of representatives, That the heroic struggle of the Cuban people against the force of arms and the horrors of famine has shown them worthy to be free; and

"Second, The United States hereby recognizes the republic of Cuba as a free and independent state."

The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the naval appropriation bill. Without reaching provisions relating to increase in the navy, the house adjourned.

The Senate—Thursday.

The request made in the senate today by Mr. Frye, on behalf of the foreign relations committee, that the resolution calling upon the president for the Cuban consular reports lie upon the table until such time as the committee desired to take it up, unexpectedly precipitated a discussion on the Cuban question. Upon the conclusion of the Cuban discussion the sundry civil appropriation bill was taken up, and forty pages of it were disposed of. The measure was then laid aside, and Mr. Hawley presented in amended form the joint resolution offered by Mr. Bacon concerning the erection of temporary fortifications. It is as follows: "That in case of emergency, when, in the opinion of the president, the immediate erection of any temporary fort or fortification is deemed important or urgent, such temporary fort or fortification may be constructed upon written consent of the owner of the land upon which such work is to be placed, and the requirements of section 355 of the Revised Statutes shall not be applicable in such cases." The resolution was passed and the senate adjourned.

The House.

For three hours today the packed galleries and excited members of the house listened to a passionate outburst of oratory on the Cuban question, during which the intensity was alternately manifested by cheers, jeers, and hisses. Time and time again the excited throngs in the galleries were admonished to be silent. At one time, at least, it seemed as if a motion would be made to clear them. The three speeches that stirred the assemblage to its depths were made by Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, who, it was assumed, spoke for the administration, and who practically pledged it to the cause of free Cuba; Mr. Bailey of Texas, the democratic leader, who announced the democratic position as for Cuba without war, if it could be avoided, but with war if necessary; and Mr. Johnson of Indiana, who spoke for peace, declaring that it was the duty to go to the extreme in magnanimity to avoid the horrors of war. No progress was made on the naval appropriation bill. The only important amendment was one appropriating $100,000 for the erection of new buildings at the Naval Academy.

The Senate—Friday.

The senate spent almost the entire day in the discussion of the resolution reported yesterday from the senate committee on foreign relations for the acquisition of the West India islands owned by Denmark to be used for a coaling station, and the session was closed by the practical withdrawal of the resolution by Senator Lodge, its author. He stated that the debate had developed such a wide difference of opinion in the senate, where there had hitherto been such unanimity, that he would not further press the matter at a time when the president needed the support of all senators of all parties.

The House.

In an exceedingly turbulent session of six hours the house today passed the naval appropriation bill and then adjourned until Monday. The war spirit was manifested in all the speeches and overrode the naval committee itself by increasing the number of torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers to twenty-four, the bill as providing but twelve and increasing the appropriation to $4,300,000 instead of $2,300,000. The amendment of Mr. Cannon, to reduce the number of battleships to one was buried under an overwhelming majority. The provision relating to armor plate which, in ordinary times would have precipitated a debate of several days, was disposed of in ten minutes, a proposition to decrease the price agreed to in the bill from $400 to $300 per ton being drowned in a perfect chorus of "noes." Mr. Underwood, democrat of Alabama, offered an amendment appropriating $4,000,000 for the establishment of a government armor plate factory. The amendment was ruled out on a point of order. The house at 6 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

BRIBED BY RUSSIA.

Li Hung Chang Accused by High Officials—In Danger of Losing His Life.

It is announced at Shanghai that a person of the highest rank has memorialized the emperor in the most vigorous language, accusing the whole Tsung Li Yamen (Chinese foreign office) of being in the pay of Russia. He asserts that Russia expended 10,000,000 taels in bribery during the recent negotiations regarding the cession of Port Arthur, Tallen Wan, etc., and claims that Li Hung Chang's share was 1,000,000 taels.

Thereupon the personage referred to demands a full investigation and asks that Li Hung Chang be beheaded if the accusations are proven, the memorializer offering to be executed himself if his charges are not sustained.

FORTY SUB-MARINE MINES

Placed in Havana Harbor Last Wednesday Night.

A dispatch to the New York World from Havana says:

Forty floating sub marine mines were secretly planted in Havana harbor last Wednesday night by the Spanish government. This information comes from official sources, and is absolutely correct. The mines were laid in the narrowest part of the channel, between Moro and Punta, in two lines of twenty mines each. They float twenty-four feet under the surface. Each is attached by an anchor chain to a heavy cable anchored to the bottom. The denotating wires run up the chains. There is sufficient force there to paralyze the biggest ships afloat. But if an entering fleet should use countermines or bow torpedoes on approaching the narrowest part of the entrance to the harbor the mines could be exploded.

TWO NEW VESSELS

Bought in Europe to be Hurried Across the Atlantic to New York.

Orders have been cabled to Lieut. J. J. Knapp, commanding the torpedo boat Somers, purchased from Germany, to proceed to England and take command of the cruiser Diogenes, purchased from the Thames Iron Works.

The Diogenes is a cruiser of 1,800 tons displacement, and will be used as a member of the second line of defense, for which purpose this government is purchasing a large number of yachts, and is converting them into torpedo boats. The Diogenes was originally built in 1882 for the Portuguese government, but as the Lisbon authorities failed to take her, she remained at the Thames Iron Works, and was rebuilt during the last year. She has a speed of sixteen knots, some protection and has an excellent battery for her size.

GERMANY WANTS SATISFACTION.

Has a Grievance Against Spain—May Send a Warship to Cuba.

BERLIN, (Special.) — Germany has commenced diplomatic representations to Spain relative to the Cannamaba case, and the German cruiser Geier has been ordered to get ready to proceed to Cuba, if satisfaction is not quickly forthcoming. The German version of the Cannamaba case is that some Cuban insurgents, during the night of March 12, attacked a German refinery at Cannamaba, belonging to the firm of Fischer & Schmidt, of Trinidad, province of Santa Clara. The insurgents are said to have rifled the safes, burned the buildings, killed four persons and wounded ten occupants of the refinery.

Wheeler for Belligerency.

Mr. Wheeler, of Alabama, introduced the following joint resolution in the house of representatives Wednesday: "Resolved, That the government of the United States hereby declares that the struggling patriots in the island of Cuba are belligerents, and are recognized as such by the government."

Women and the Wheel.

From the Gazette, Delaware, Ohio.

The healthfulness of bicycle riding for women is still a disputed question between eminent physicians and health reformers.

Used in moderation it surely creates for women a means of out-door exercise, the benefit of which all physicians concede. Used to excess, like any other pastime, its effect is surely to be dangerous.

The experience of Miss Bertha Reed, the seventeen-year old daughter of Mr. J. R. Reed, 335 Lake st., Delaware, Ohio, may point a moral for parents who, like Mr. and Mrs. Reed, have experienced some concern for their daughters who are fond of wheeling. In the fall of '95 Miss Bertha who had ridden a great deal, began to fail in an alarming manner. She grew steadily paler and thinner, and it appeared she was going into consumption. Rest and quiet did her absolutely no good. A physician found her pulse at 104—a very high rate. Thinking this may have been due to temporary nervousness when he examined her, he watched her closely, but her pulse continued at that rate for two weeks. He was satisfied then, from her high pulse and steadily wasting condition that she was suffering from anæmia or a bloodless condition of the body. She became extremely weak, and could not stand the least noise or excitement. In this condition of affairs they were recommended by an old friend to get some of that famous blood medicine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. They did so, and almost from the first dose Bertha began to improve. She continued to take the pills and was by means of those pills made entirely well, and more grateful people than her parents cannot be found in the whole State of Ohio.

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WISCONSIN'S YOUNG JURIST.

Judge John E. Pannier, of Chippewa Falls, but 23 Years Old.

The youngest judge in Wisconsin and probably the youngest in the country, is John E. Pannier, elected County Judge at Chippewa Falls, Wis., last spring. He is 23 years old and succeeded Judge Belden, of Racine, who ten years ago, at the time of his election, was the youngest judge on the bench.

Judge Pannier was born in Chippewa Falls and is a product of the public schools, which he attended until he was graduated from the high school in 1892.

JOHN E. PANNIER.

He then spent a year or more making the best of his time and opportunities in studying in the law office of Colonel L. J. Rusk, after which he went to Madison, where he entered the law course and was graduated with honors in 1895. Shortly after he began the practice of his profession. At the time of the spring election he secured the nomination and was elected to the office of County Judge.

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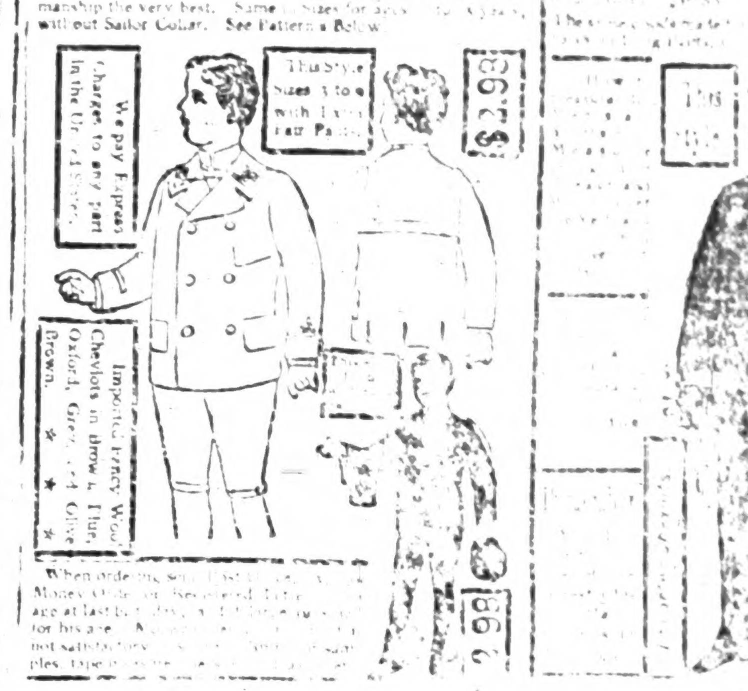

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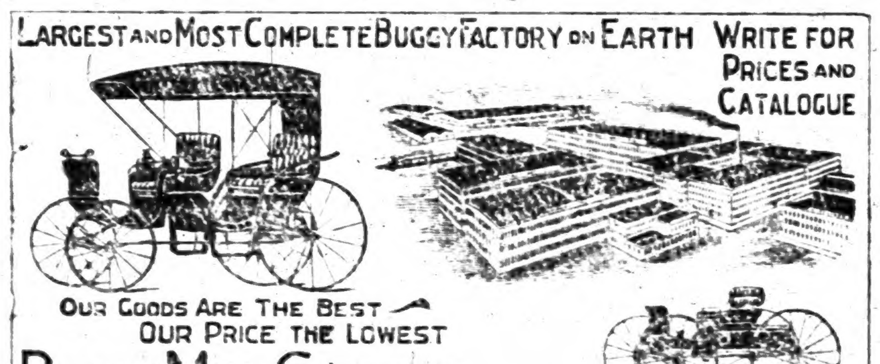

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J. W. M...

[I h]ereby announce mys[elf a candida]te for the office of Jud[ge of Probate] of Chilton county s[ubject to the] action of the People's [Party prim]ary election, April ... My past record is not ... prove me a Populist I ... sure in stating once a[gain] ... and endorse the p[latform of] the Popul[ist party from] A to Z. S. M. ...

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[I] hereby announce myse[lf a candi]date for Representative [in the Ge]neral Assembly, subject [to the acti]on of the People's P[arty prim]ary election, April 20, 18[98].
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APPOINTMENT[S].

[We] will meet the people o[f Chilton co]unty at the following p[laces for th]e purpose of discussing t[he politic]al issues of interest to th[e People's] Party in Chilton county: [At] Sardis church east of St... 11 a. m. [At] Macedonia church on ... ferry road near Coosa river ... 16th at 2 p. m. [At] Union Point same date ... The people are concerned ... hope that they will meet m... candidates are requeste[d to be on] hand and let us talk fac[e to face, an]d then the voters can j[udge for th]emselves. Respectfully,
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by announce myself a can- for re-election to the office Judge of Probate of Chilton subject to the votes of the county at the general in August, 1898.
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by announce myself a can- for representative in the Assembly, subject to the the People's Party pri- ion, April 29, 1898.
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S. M. Adams
J. W. Moore.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

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Editor BANNER. Pardon me for again imposing upon your kindness, but I have learned that a report is being circulated over our county by certain parties, and that the report is something like this: "That shortly after I was honored by the People's Party with the office of Circuit Clerk that I said that I was satisfied with the office but did not like the party that put me in." Now these may not be the exact words, but the idea and substance is the same.

I want to here say that this report is false and untrue, and that I have never used the above language or any words or language that could be twisted or construed in to any such a meaning, but that on the other hand as I stated in a communication in your last issue I now as I have always in the past endorse the People's Party platform in every thing. J. P. VANDERVEER.

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I was reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the Worcester Enterprise recently, which leads me to write this. I can truthfully say I never used any remedy equal to it for colic and diarrhoea. I have never had to use more than one or two doses to cure the worst case with myself or children.—W. A. STROUD, Pocomoke City, Md. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Editor BANNER. I am a voter of Chilton County and an earnest worker and supporter in the interests of the People's Party in national, state and county affairs. I am one who has always supported and labored for our party interests in every way in my power and am today more determined than ever for its success.

I am acquainted with all the men now asking for the nomination for the office of Probate Judge in our party primary on the 29th., I know them all to be true People's Party men, and I would like to make a few statements, having as my only object a desire to have our offices filled by competent men who are true to our party.

In looking over the list of candidates for Probate Judge, I notice the name of J. P. VanDerveer, our present Circuit Clerk. Mr. VanDerveer has been a resident citizen of our county for about twenty years. He came to this county when only about seventeen years of age and chose the life of farming as the means of making a support. For about fifteen years of this time I have been intimately acquainted with him and have always found him as he now is, a straightforward, honest, sober man of business, not spending his time traveling over the county trying to keep up and make new acquaintances that he might be in a better position to ask the people for an office, but staying always in the office the People's Party had entrusted to his care, and conducting the same in a manner that we are all proud of, and not only this but conducting his office in such a manner as to command the endorsement of every man no matter to what party he may belong.

Now I cannot say that the duties of his office are unusually light or that they are unusually heavy, but I do know that he is the only man for whom we voted in 1892, having an office in the court house, who has not been forced to employ an attorney to conduct his office for him. And right here let me say that I do not condemn a man too much for hiring an attorney, but I am in favor of electing a man for Probate Judge who is qualified to fill the office and not have it said any longer that we have to go outside of the People's Party to get men to show our officers how to fill their offices. Our people have heard this so often we are sick and tired of it.

We all know that the first time that we put in office all the men we had elected was in 1892, and we

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Thorsby, Ala., April 9, 1898
Editor BANNER. Please publish the following in your next issue. I hereby declare myself a Populist, and indorse the principles as laid down in the People's Party platform and have always voted the Populist ticket.
J. MONROE BURNETT.

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"A word to the wise is sufficient" and a word from the wise should be sufficient, but you ask, who are the wise? Those who know. The oft repeated experience of trustworthy persons may be taken for knowledge. Mr. W. M. Terry says Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other in the market. He has been in the drug business at Elkton, Ky., for twelve years; has sold hundreds of bottles of this remedy and nearly all other cough medicines manufactured, which shows conclusively that Chamberlain's is the most satisfactory to the people, and is the best. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Verbena, April 11, 1898
Editor BANNER. I want to say a few words in reply to one who signs himself "Beat 5". Judging from the tone of his letter he is laboring under a false impression. That is that Mr. Adams is the only candidate true to the People's Party. I think "Beat 5" did the other candidates who are running subject to the People's Party primary a great wrong to cast such slurs at them. Mr. Adams has doubtless been true to the party. Others have been equally loyal. Mr. VanDeveer expresses himself clearly in last week's paper, and his statements we have no right to dispute.

Both of the gentlemen referred to will doubtless get a respectable vote in beat 5, but there is another who is not less worthy and capable, Mr. J. W. Moore. Having been born and bred in this county, having always commanded the respect of his acquaintances, and having always been true to the principles of the People's Party both by his influence and vote, as is known throughout the county we feel certain that he will receive at the hands of the voters on the 29th due consideration for past services. I am always
A TRUE POPULIST.

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Collins Chapel, April 12, 1898
Editor BANNER. As politics is all the go these days, I would like to say a few words about our candidates. I was glad to see Mr. Deason out for Circuit Clerk and Mr. S. M. Adams for Probate Judge. I think he is a man who is well qualified for the office. And I think he is a man to whom the people should turn for the office. He is a man who has done more for the People's Party than any other man in the county.

The people are done planting corn and are preparing for cotton. They were all glad to see the nice rain that has fallen.
T. J. COLLINS.

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SIXTEEN YEARS

His Wife Had Been a Chronic Invalid—Cured at Last.

Mr. J. F. Scott, Cherokee, Texas, in writing to Dr. Hartman, stated: "I had kidney disease for about fifteen years and had got so bad that I could hardly get about and could not perform any kind of labor. I had tried quite a number of doctors and had taken nearly a wagon-load of patent and proprietary medicines, but continued to gradually grow worse. Also, my wife had been an invalid for about sixteen years, and you doubtless remember when I wrote you about her, there was hardly ever a day that she could sit up all day. We tried a great many remedies, but neither of us was ever benefited, only temporarily, till we began taking your Peruna and Manalin, as instructed in your letters to us. It has made a healthy man of me; I never felt better in my life and my wife is a most like a different person, she is so much better. The Peruna is the most wonderful medicine I ever saw; for la grippe it is a sure cure. I know this and have had my neighbor to try it."

Hundreds of similar testimonials may be found in a little book entitled "Facts and Faces," which will be sent free to any address by The Peruna Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

Clanton, Ala. March 28, 1898
Editor BANNER. Among the names of the honorable gentlemen who have announced themselves as candidates for the trusty gifts that are in the hands of the citizens of Chilton county, not to my surprise, I notice the name of the worthy and deserving young man, J. Monroe Burnett. Mr. Burnett is a perfect example of the energetic, ambitious and Christian-hearted young men who avail themselves of the surrounding opportunities that Chilton county affords, and utilize the passing time in preparing themselves for active use in life.

He has invariably set the example of an honorable and Christian young man; and his acquaintance is not hemmed in by the limits of his home vicinity but is extended throughout the county. His friends are many and in different locations; and there is no doubt that they will rally to the primary on the 29th of April and show, by their votes, their appreciation of such young men as he.

He will get a hearty support in this beat and I fully believe he will get it all over the county. The solicitation of his friends has brought him before the people in a candidate's capacity and now their duty is to crown him victor and give him courage to push to the front ranks of Alabama's useful men.
CITIZEN.

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The Greatest Discovery Yet.

W. M. Rippe, editor Fiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. Kings New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottle free at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

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Pletcher's.

The farmers are about done planting corn and not a few have begun slipping a few cottonseed into the ground and if present indications spell anything before the season advances far they will become bolder and the result will be an increased acreage over last year.

Among the mill men along the new line of railroad business seems to be very active. Propst Bros. a few miles below here, have their new mill about ready to put into operation. E. Pletcher has his mill running on full time mostly on railroad bill stuff and has orders ahead for several months full time.

Prof. L. E. Byrum has opened a flourishing school at this place. He is a young man of rare ability and possesses that push and energy that bespeak success in his undertaking. At the close of his present term he intends increasing his accommodations and opening up with a practical graded school, such a school we need and insure Prof. Byrum the hearty co operation of all the business men of the community and surrounding country.

The union Sunday-school, organized some time ago, continues to grow in membership and interest, ten new members were enrolled last Sunday, making a total enrollment of fifty. The officers and teachers are supt. T. S. Anderson, asst. supt. D Wilkins, sec. and treas. Prof. Byrum, class No. 1 Miss Lillie Abbott, No. 2 Miss Della Pletcher, No. 3 J. Ellis, No. 4 Mrs. E. Adams.

Reports from the Sunday-school at Pilgrim show that they too are doing a good work and have a total membership of sixty pupils.

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M. L. Yotum, Cameron, Pa., says "I was a sufferer for ten years, trying most all kinds of pile remedies, but without success. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was recommended to me. I used one box. It has effected a permanent cure." As a permanent cure for piles DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has no equal. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Clanton Locals.

Planters CUBAN RELIEF cures Colic, Neuralgia and Headache in five minutes. Sour Stomach and Summer Complaints. Price, 25 Cents.

Mr. J. M. Maddox and daughter were in town Saturday.

Thousands of sufferers from grippe have been restored to health by One Minute Cough Cure. It quickly cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe, asthma, and all throat and lung diseases. Stanfield & Matthews.

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NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

I call the attention of the candidates to meet me in Clanton on April 22 for the purpose of arranging the ticket. Each candidate will pay his pro rata share of the expenses. I also call attention of the candidates to the ruling of the Executive Commitee on their adherence to the People's Party and its platform.
W. H. CONWAY,
Chm. Ex. Com.

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Stanton.

On Monday April 4th, the death angel passed over the home of Mr. Geo. W. Fox and bore away his son, Willie E. He was only confined to his bed one week. He bore his sickness very patiently and passed away quietly. He seemed to be conscious of his end and perfectly willing to go. The last three months of his life were full of quietude and peace and he passed from earth to eternity in perfect peace. We have good evidence of his salvation. Willie left father, mother, two brothers and four sisters besides a number of friends to mourn his loss. He was very devoted to his family and a true friend to his country. His age was 23 years 6 months 12 days. We hope to meet our brother where parting is no more.
A FRIEND.

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A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can," the druggist recognized a household name for "DeWitt's Little Early Risers," and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Billingsley.

Mr. W. P. Headley killed a fine turkey on the 6th, weighing 22 lbs.

Rev. E. W. Lawley filled his regular appointment at Pleasant Grove on the first Sunday; there was a large congregation. He also organized a Sabbath-school.

Mr. J. N. Williams and wife visited friends in South Chilton this week.

We learn Mr. Walter Henley has gone into the bee business. We wish him success in his new enterprise.

Mr. W. C. Dickinson is all smiles since the little girl came to his house. Anyone would think him a candidate to meet him now.

Saturday before the first Sunday in May will be Decoration day at Pleasant Grove cemetery. Program will be published in The Banner.
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Democratic County Convention.

The Democrats of Chilton held their county convention yesterday. All the beats were represented. The only business done was the election of a new executive committee, and delegates to the state convention. The delegates were Tipton Mullins, W. L. Sampey, H. B. Oliver, C. W. Plant, J. Bice.

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West Chilton, April 11, 1898
Well Mr. Editor, as politics is beginning to wax warm again in Chilton, I thought perhaps some of my friends would like to hear from me. I am very cool on the subject. I see a good many have announced themselves candidates and they all seem to be fine men. But some one is going to get left. Judge Honeycutt is my choice and I shall support him regardless of man or money. And Mr. E. B. Deason in the main for our next clerk, and I shall do all in my power for his support in the coming election. I shall also support Mr. Strock for County Superintendent if he has no opposition. I am very sorry that Mr. Moore did not run for Superintendent again, if he had run for that office, he would have been elected without a doubt.

The frost on the 5th and 6th gave the farmers a black eye and a long face. Every thing is set back, besides the great damage to the fruit.

The state of Alabama needs a dog law; there are too many worthless dogs in the county eating up the bread that should be given to hogs. There ought to be, and there must be, a tax levied on every dog to the amount of $2, and that go to the public schools. This would enable the schools to run longer, and it would do away with so many worthless dogs, and be the means of raising more sheep. I hope everybody may take this into consideration before our next legislature meets again. Let us send men there who will take and pass this law. There are too many dogs, they must be taxed. Peace and good will to all men.
OLD MIKE.

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An Old Idea.

Every day strengthens the belief of eminent physicians that impure blood is the cause of the majority of our diseases. Twenty-five years ago this theory was used as a basis for the formula of Browns' Iron Bitters. The many remarkable cures effected by this famous old household remedy are sufficient to prove that the theory is correct. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

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PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

Phoenix, Arizona, is said to be the cleanest city in the world. She has splendid streets, with asphalt sidewalks. No one is permitted to spit upon them under a penalty of $5. The City Attorney was the first person subjected to the fine, and, to his credit, paid up and promised to do so no more.

Uncle Sam's canned goods are going like hot "flapjacks." Germany, Russia, France, England and Japan are all ordering them by the carload. War may not break out, but rations are needed for the navy just the same. America is the gainer by the fleets which are confronting one another in the Yellow Sea.

The French Ministry of Finance recently instituted an inquiry to learn the amount of gold in circulation. It has ascertained that there is $800,000,000 worth bearing the French stamp in circulation. It is claimed that this is a record amount. It is stated that the United States has $720,000,000, Germany $680,000,000, and Great Britain and Russia $600,000,000.

A Spanish newspaper says that "two descendants of Christopher Columbus are now inmates of a poorhouse in Cadiz. Columbus was treated very shabbily in Spain before he died." Upon which the Philadelphia Record makes the comment that "the fate of his descendants only furnish a new proof that a great man's posterity cannot expect to live upon the fame of his achievements."

That belief in lex talionis obtains strongly in New York has been demonstrated by the latest trials for murder. In the Borough of Brooklyn the cowboy Hinz, who shot and killed his brother-in-law, was tried and the jury disagreed, only two men favoring conviction. In Manhattan the jury in the case of Pietro Barcia, tried for killing the man who had slain his father in Italy, also disagreed. In this case only two men were for acquittal. Young Barcia had followed Francesco Cassatta from Italy in pursuit of his vendetta, and was proud of having fulfilled it. Both men will have to be tried again.

The Romany band of gypsies will crown a new queen in Topeka, Kan., on the 22d of May. It will be an unusual event in the United States, and members of the band from every State in the Union, and from foreign countries as well, will be present at the coronation. One thousand gypsies are expected at the ceremony. The young queen will reach her twentieth year May 22, and a law of the tribe prescribes that a sovereign must not be crowned before attaining that age. She is known as Molly Stanley, or, more properly, Molly Stackovitch, and her mother, the former queen, was Sofia Fryer, and for more than forty years reigned as the head of the Romany tribe in Austria. She died several years since. Father Belah Metrovitch, of Chicago, the only Romany priest in the United States, will perform the coronation ceremony, and Miss Minnie Youngs, also of Chicago, a cousin of the young queen, will have the honor of placing the crown on the head of the sovereign.

The marine sentry who gave Captain Sigsbee the first report of the disaster to the Maine is worthy of mention. His task was trifling, perhaps, but he did it with an American spirit of fidelity to his trust. Amid all the excitement, with explosions filling the air with noises that only partly drowned the shrieks of the wounded and dying men, with the ship blazing and filling with water, this marine calmly drew himself up to a salute as the commander of the vessel stumbled against him in the dark and made the formal report of the disaster in the briefest possible terms. This gallant fellow now makes light of his experience, saying that "any Yankee marine would do the same thing." He pays a high but not undeserved tribute to the trustworthiness of the men who go to sea in the American ships of war. The spirit that animates him is that which enabled the American navy in 1812-13 to sweep the Atlantic and gave to the young Republic the command of the seas and a high rank among the world's naval powers. The English papers were inclined to suggest that the disaster may have been due to negligence or lack of discipline on board the ship. The utter improbability of such a slanderous theory is indicated by this display of good order on the decks of the Maine in the first moments of the disaster, when all conditions were ripe for panic and demoralization.

CALLS FOR INTERVENTION.

The President Asks Congress for Power to Act at His Discretion

AND TO USE ARMY AND NAVY IF NECESSARY

To Terminate Hostilities in Cuba and Secure a Stable Government There—Arguments Are Advanced Against an Immediate Recognition.

Summary of the Message.

The president's message asks congress to authorize the president to take measures, at his discretion, to secure the termination of hostilities in Cuba and to secure the establishment of a stable government there, and to use the military and naval forces of the United States as may be necessary for those purposes.

The president says the only hope of relief from a condition which can be no longer endured is enforced pacification of the island.

The issue is now with congress, and he awaits its action, standing prepared to carry out every obligation imposed upon him by the constitution.

Spain's decree for a suspension of hostilities is submitted to congress for just and careful attention, with the observation that if the measure attains a successful result, "then our aspirations as a peace-loving people will be realized. If it fails it will be only another justification for our contemplated action."

The president opposes recognition of the present Cuban government.

The Maine incident figures prominently in the message. The president argues that the wreck of the Maine in Havana harbor shows that Spain is not able to guarantee security to foreign vessels.

Spain has disavowed any connection with that disaster and has offered to submit to arbitration all the differences which may arise from that affair.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The president today sent the following message to congress:

To the Congress of the United States:

Obedient to that precept of the constitution which commands the president to give from time to time the congress information of the state of the Union, and to recommend to their consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient, it becomes my duty now to address your body with regard to the great crisis that has arisen in the relations of the United States to Spain by reason of the warfare that for more than three years has raged in the neighboring island of Cuba.

I do so because of the intimate connection of the Cuban question with the state of our Union and the grave relation the course which it is now incumbent upon the nation to adopt must needs bear to the traditional policy of our government, if it is to accord with the precepts laid down by the founders of the Republic and religiously observed by the succeeding administrations to the present day.

Spanish Methods Condemned.

The present revolution is but the successor of other similar insurrections which have occurred in Cuba against the dominion of Spain, extending over a period of nearly half a century, each of which, during its progress, has subjected the United States to great effort and expense in enforcing its neutrality laws, caused enormous losses to American trade and commerce, caused irritation, annoyance and disturbance among our citizens, and by the exercise of cruel, barbarous and uncivilized practices of warfare, shocked the sensibilities and offended the humane sympathies of our people. Since the present revolution began in February, 1895, this country has seen the fertile domain at our threshold ravaged by fire and sword in the course of a struggle unequalled in the history of the island and rarely paralleled as to the number of combatants and the bitterness of the contest by any revolution of modern times where a dependent people, striving to be free, have been opposed by the power of the sovereign state.

Devastation in Cuba.

Our people have beheld a once prosperous community reduced to comparative want, its lucrative commerce virtually paralized, its exceptional productiveness diminished, its fields laid waste, its mills in ruins, and its people perishing by tens of thousands from hunger and destitution. We have found ourselves constrained, in the observance of that strict neutrality which our laws enjoin and which the laws of nations command, to police our own waters and watch our own seaports to prevent any unlawful act in aid of the Cubans. Our trade has suffered; the capital invested by our citizens in Cuba has been largely lost, and the temper and forbearance of our people have been so sorely tried as to beget a perilous unrest among our own citizens, which has inevitably found its expression from time to time in the National legislature, so that issues wholly external to our own body politic engross attention and stand in the way of that close devotion to domestic advancement that becomes a self-contained commonwealth whose primal maxim has been the avoidance of all foreign entanglements.

All this must needs awaken and has indeed aroused the utmost concern on the part of the government, as well during my predecessor's term as in my own.

Mr. Cleveland's Effort.

In April, 1897, the evils from which our country suffered through the Cuban war became so onerous that my predecessor made an effort to bring about peace through the mediation of this government in any way that might tend to an honorable adjustment of the contest between Spain and her revolted colony, on the basis of some effective scheme of self-government for Cuba under the flag and sovereignty of Spain. It failed, through the refusal of the Spanish government then in power to consider any form of mediation, or, indeed, of any plan of settlement which did not begin with the actual submission of the insurgents to the mother country, and then only on such terms as Spain herself should see fit to grant. The war continued unabated.

The resistance of the insurgents was in nowise diminished. The efforts of Spain were increased by the dispatch of fresh levies to Cuba and by the addition to the horrors of the strife of a new and inhuman phase happily unprecedented in the modern history of civilized Christian people.

An Inhuman Policy.

The peasantry, including all dwellings in the open agricultural interior were driven into garrison towns or isolated places held by the trochas. The razing movement in the provinces of all kinds was inaugurated. Fields were laid waste, dwellings unroofed and fired, mills destroyed and in short everything that could desolate the land and render it unfit for human habitation or support was condemned by order of one of the contending parties and executed by all the power at their disposal.

By the time the present administration took effect—a year ago—reconcentration, so-called, had been made effective over Santa Clara, Matanzas, Havana and Pinar del Rio. The agricultural population to the estimated number of 300,000 or more was herded within the towns and their immediate vicinage; families deprived of support, rendered destitute of shelter, left poorly clad and exposed to the most unsanitary conditions. The scarcity of food increased with devastation of the populated areas, and the destitution and want became misery and starvation. Month by month the death rate increased in an alarming ratio.

By March, 1897, according to conservative estimates from official Spanish sources, the mortality among the reconcentrados from starvation and the diseases thereto incident exceeded 50 per cent.

The unfortunates, being for the most part women and children, with aged and helpless men, enfeebled by disease and hunger, could not have tilled the soil without tools, seed or shelter, for their own support or for the supply of the city. Reconcentration, adopted avowedly as a war measure, in order to cut off the resources of the insurgents, worked its predestined results.

The Military Situation.

Meanwhile the military situation in the island had undergone a noticeable change. The extraordinary activity that characterized the second year of the war, when the insurgents even evaded the hitherto unharmed fields of Pinar del Rio and carried havoc and destruction up to the walls of the city of Havana itself, had relapsed into a dogged struggle in the central and eastern provinces.

Spain's Many Promises.

In this state of affairs my administration found itself confronted with the grave problem of its duty.

The assassination of the Prime Minister, Canovas, led to a change of government in Spain. The former administration, pledged to subjugation without concession, gave place to that of a more liberal party, committed long in advance to a policy of reform involving the wider principle of home rule for Cuba and Puerto Rico.

The overtures of this government, made through its new envoy, General Woodford, and looking to an immediate and effective amelioration of the conditions of the island, although not accepted to the extent of admitted mediation in any shape, were met by assurances that home rule, in an advanced phase, would be forthwith offered to Cuba without waiting for the war to end, and that more humane methods should thenceforth prevail in the conduct of hostilities.

Measures of Relief.

The president then takes up the measures of relief adopted by the United States for the suffering Cubans, and in part says:

Nearly $200,000 in money and supplies have already reached the sufferers and more is forthcoming. The supplies are admitted free of duty and transportation to the interior has been arranged so that relief, at first necessarily confined to Havana and the larger cities, is now extended through most if not all the towns where suffering exists. Thousands of lives have already been saved.

The necessity for a change in the condition of the reconcentrados is recognized by the Spanish government. Within a few days the orders of Gen. Weyler have been revoked.

No End in Sight.

The war in Cuba is of such a nature that short of subjugation or extermination a final military victory for either side seems impracticable. The alternative lies in the physical exhaustion of the one or of the other party, or perhaps both—a condition which in effect ended the ten years' war by the truce of Zanjon. The prospect of such a protracted and conclusion of the present strife is a contingency hardly to be contemplated with equanimity by the civilized world, and least of all by the United States, affected and injured as we are, deeply and intimately by its very existence.

Proposals to Spain.

Realizing this, it appeared to be my duty, in a spirit of true friendliness, no less to Spain than to the Cubans, who have so much to lose by the prolongation of the struggle, to bring about an immediate termination of the war. To this end I submitted, on the 20th ult., propositions to the Spanish government looking to an armistice until October 1 for the negotiation of peace, with the good offices of the president. In addition, I asked the immediate revocation of the order of reconcentration, so as to permit the people to return to their farms and the needy to be relieved with provisions and supplies from the United States, co-operating with the Spanish authorities, so as to afford full relief.

The Reply from Madrid.

The reply of the Spanish cabinet was received on the night of the 31st ultimo. It offers, as the means to bring about peace in Cuba, to confide the preparation thereof to the insular parliament, inasmuch as the concurrence of that body would be necessary to reach a final result, it being, however, understood the powers reserved by the constitution to the central government are not lessened or diminished. The Cuban parliament does not meet until the 4th of May next.

End of His Effort.

The action of the Cuban parliament in the matter of "preparing" peace and the manner of its doing so are not explained in the Spanish memorandum. With this last overture in the direction of peach and its disappointing reception by Spain, the executive was brought to the end of his effort.

Precedents.

The president then refers to his annual message of December last in reference to untried measures to end hostilities on the ill-fated island, and reviews the situation in the light of President Grant's words uttered in 1875, when he reached the conclusion that the recognition of independence of Cuba was impracticable and indefensible; that recognition of belligerence was not warranted by the facts according to the tests of public law. The president then refers to Jackson's action in regard to Texas and says:

"Turning to the question of recognizing at this time the independence of the present insurgent government in Cuba, we find safe precedents in our history from an early day. They are well summed up in President Jackson's message to congress, December 21, 1836, on the subject of the recognition of the independence of Texas."

Against Recognition.

I said in my message of December last:

"It is to be seriously considered whether the Cuban insurrection possesses beyond dispute the attributes of statehood which alone can demand the recognition of belligerency in its favor."

The same requirement must certainly be no less seriously considered when the graver issue of recognizing independence is in question, for no less positive test can be applied to the greater act than the lesser; while on the other hand the influences and consequences of the struggle upon the internal policy of the recognizing state, which form important factors where the recognition of belligerency is concerned, are secondary, if not rightly, eliminatable factors when the real question is whether the community claiming recognition is or is not independent beyond peradventure.

Nor from the standpoint of experience do I think it would be wise or prudent for this government to recognize at the present time the independence of the so-called Cuban Republic. Such recognition is not necessary in order to enable the United States to intervene and pacify the island. To commit this country now to recognition of any particular government in Cuba might subject us to embarrassing conditions of international obligations towards the organization so recognized. In case of intervention our conduct would be subject to the approval or disapproval of such government. We would be required to submit to its direction and to assume to it the mere relation of a friendly ally. When it shall appear hereafter that there is within the island a government capable of performing the duties and discharging the functions of a separate nation, and having as a matter of fact the proper forms and attributes of nationality, such government can be promptly and readily recognized, and the relations and interests of the United States with such nation adjusted.

There remain the alternative forms of intervention to end the war, either as an impartial neutral, by imposing a rational compromise between the contestants, or as the active ally of the one party or the other.

As to the first, it is not to be forgotten that during the last few months the relation of the United States has been one of friendly intervention in many ways, not in each itself conclusive, but tending to the exertion of a potential influence toward an ultimate pacific result, just and honorable to all interests concerned. The spirit of all our acts hitherto has been an earnest, unselfish desire for peace and prosperity in Cuba, untarnished by differences between the United States and Spain, and unstained by the blood of American citizens.

Forcible Intervention.

The forcible intervention of the United States as a neutral to stop the war according to the large dictates of humanity and following many historical precedents where neighboring states have interfered to check the hopeless sacrifice of life by internecine conflicts beyond their borders is justifiable on rational grounds. It involves, however, hostile constraint upon both the parties to the contest, as well as to enforce a trust to guide the eventual sentiment.

The grounds for such intervention may be briefly summarized as follows:

First—In the case of humanity and to put and end to the barbarities, bloodshed, starvation and horrible miseries now existing there, and which the parties to the conflict are either unable or unwilling to stop or mitigate. It is no answer to say this is all in another country, belonging to another nation and is, therefore, none of our business. It is especially our duty, for it is right at our door.

Second—We owe it to our citizens in Cuba to afford them that protection and indemnity for life and property which no government there can or will afford, and to that end to terminate the conditions that deprive them of equal protection.

Third—The right to intervene may be justified by the very serious injury to commerce, trade and business of our people and by the wanton destruction of property and devastation of the island.

Fourth—And which is of the most importance for the present consideration of affairs in Cuba, is a constant menace to our peace, and entails upon the government enormous expense. With such a conflict waged for years in an island so near us, and with which our people have such trade and business relations; when the lives and liberty of our citizens are in constant danger, and their property destroyed and themselves ruined; when our trading vessels are liable to search and are seized at our very doors by warships of a foreign nation; the expeditions of filibustering that we are powerless to repress altogether, and the irritating questions and entanglements thus arising—all these, and others that I need not mention, with the resulting strained relations, are a constant menace to our peace, and compel us to keep on a semi-war footing with a nation with which we are at peace.

The Maine Affair.

Those elements of danger and disorder already pointed out have been strikingly illustrated by a tragic event which has deeply, painfully moved the American people. I have already transmitted to congress the report of the naval court of inquiry on the destructive of the battleship Maine in the harbor of Havana during the night of February 15.

The destruction of that noble vessel has filled the national heart with inexpressible horror. The Naval Court of Inquiry was unanimous in its conclusion that the destruction of the Maine was caused by an exterior explosion, that of a submarine mine. It did not assume to place the responsibility. That remains to be fixed. In any event the destruction of the Maine by whatever exterior force is a patent and impressive proof of a state of things in Cuba that is intolerable. That condition is thus shown to be such that the Spanish government cannot assure safety and security to a vessel of the American navy in the harbor of Havana on a mission of peace and rightfully there.

The president again refers to words of President Grant, in 1875, and to the warning to Spain by President Cleveland that the time would soon come when our obligations to the sovereignty of Spain in Cuba would be superseded by the right of intervention.

The War Must Stop.

The long trial has proved that the object for which Spain has waged the war cannot be attained. The fire of insurrection may flame or may smoulder with varying success, but it has not been and it is plain that it cannot be extinguished by present methods. The only hope of relief and repose from a condition which cannot longer be endured is the enforced pacification of Cuba. In the name of humanity, in the name of civilization, in behalf of endangered American interests, which give us the right and duty to speak and to act, the war in Cuba must stop.

Wants Discretionary Power.

In view of these facts and of the considerations, I ask congress to authorize and empower the President to take measures to secure a full and final termination of hostilities between the Government of Spain and the people of Cuba, and to secure in the island the establishment of a stable government, capable of maintaining order and observing its international obligations, insuring peace and tranquility and the security of its citizens, as well as our own, and to use the military and naval forces of the United States as may be necessary for these purposes.

Appropriation for Relief.

And in the interest of humanity and to aid in preserving the lives of the starving people of the island, I recommend that the distribution of food and supplies be continued, and that an appropriation be made out of the public treasury to supplement the charity of our citizens. The issue is now with the congress. It is a solemn responsibility. I have exhausted every effort to relieve the intolerable condition of affairs which is at our doors. Prepared to execute every obligation imposed upon me by the constitution and the law, I await your action.

The Armistice Decree.

Yesterday, and since the preparation of the foregoing message, official information was received by me that the latest decree of the queen regent of Spain directs Gen. Blanco, in order to prepare and facilitate peace, to proclaim a suspension of hostilities, the duration and details of which have not yet been communicated to me. This fact, with every other pertinent consideration will, I am sure, have your just and careful attention in the solemn deliberation upon which you are about to enter.

If this measure attains a successful result, then our aspiratoins as Christian, peace-loving people will be realized. If it fails, it will only be another justification for our contemplated action.

(Signed) WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

Executive Mansion, April 11, 1898.

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From Havana Harbor to... bility on Spain.

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These ships are the most formidable... members of the Spanish fleet in... West Indian waters. The object... strategists in destroying those... seis is two-fold. It is designed to... vent their escaping northward... protected portions of the coast... to keep them from joining the... ward bound Spanish fleet and... a convoy for the torpedo boats...

U. S. ARMY ENGINEERS...

Sent to Mobile, Pensacola and... to Stock the Harbors With...

A detachment of twenty-five... the engineering corps of the... States army have been... Mobile, Pensacola and Galveston... detachment is from Willets... on Long Island, eighteen miles... New York, and have been... these cities by the government... place mines in the harbors as a... wise assisting in the various... tions and defenses that are... erected at these points.

A government training school... located at Willett's Point, where... kinds of engineering work is... For some time past special attention... has been given to the instruction... placing mines. The men are taught... to do all the actual work of... and taking out mines, while officers... cers make the electrical... which connect with the... this detachment is being sent to... gulf cities especially for this... work.

WILL NOT BACK DOWN...

Spain Refuses to Proceed Further... Play for Peace.

A special dispatch from... says that the ambassadors of... Germany, Russia and Italy... upon Senor Gullon, foreign... Thursday and presented a... in the interests of peace. Señor... lon replying, declared, according... the dispatch, that the members... Spanish cabinet were unanimous... considering that Spain had... the limit of international politeness... direction of conceding the... and allowing the pretensions of... United States.

A Death Blow.

George Stout, of Philadelphia... was knocked out by Oscar Gardner... the Omaha middleweight, in the... fight at Columbus, O., died from... effects of the blow. It was in the... twelfth round that the fatal... delivered. Stout falling heavily... never regaining consciousness.

Weary of the Fight...

The York Cotton mill strike... Saco, Me., have voted unanimously... return to work next Monday. The... 1,000 hands are involved in the...

M. LEE HAS LEFT...

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SUBSTANTIAL SYM...

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The Liverpool and Lond... nsurance company repres... New Orleans have received... rom the home office in... tructing them to permit... mployes who may desire,... United States troops in... ar, and to assure such em... heir salaries will be contin... ompany during their ser... tated that similar cables... een sent to all offices of th... and London and Globe in... tates. The information... vidence of the strong feeli... pathy prevailing in Englan... United States in the pres... ersy with Spain.

ADMINISTRATION...

War Can Only Be Averted... by Spain.

There is no longer any... the purposes of the gover... respect to the situation in C... in the opinion of the adm... is inevitable except in the... ter event of a surrender on... Spain.

The president's message, w... intended to send to Congress... day, has not been changed... particular and embodies... mous views of the cabinet... slightest variation of excep... movement to avert war now... from Madrid and must com... on demands, including a... Spain's disconnection in Cuba...

MCKINLEY'S REP...

Cabled to European Capitals... a Favorable Impress...

An inquiry at the several... and legations at Washing... that the reply of President... to the Powers has created... vorable impression among... adors and ministers. It... mediately to London, Pa... other European capitals.... ation of the president t... terest of humanity this w... ology, and his indirect appe... their influence in the name... ty, found a sympathetic re... the sentiments of all the... and other representatives.

Consul Leaves Jamai...

The agents of the steamer... have advices from Santiago... that the steamer sailed Fr... the United States Consul, Pa... ...n, and others on board, for... ...ed States.

The Oregon Leaves Ca...

A dispatch from Lima, P... announces the departure of t... Oregon from Callao, aft... coal and provisions. She... been painted the war col...

LEE MAY SUPPLY MISSING [illegible]

From Havana Harbor to Fix R[illegible] bility on Spain.

Representative Lorriner, of [illegible] is authority for the statem[illegible] General Lee will make some [illegible] disclosures before the senate [illegible] tee on foreign relations when he [illegible] in Washington regarding the [illegible] spiracy to blow up the Maine. [illegible] Lee will be called before the [illegible] tee, but the nature of the te[illegible] expected from him has not be[illegible] closed.

"I understand that General L[illegible] supply the missing link in the [illegible] mony," said he. "My informa[illegible] that Captain Sigsbee is in po[illegible] of the facts, but does not feel at [illegible] to give them until the person wh[illegible] them to him releases him from [illegible] crecy imposed. That person I [illegible] stand is General Lee."

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U. S. ARMY ENGINEERS

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McKinley, April 11, 1898.

LEE HAS LEFT HAVANA

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[illegible] STIRRED BY IMPENDING CALAMITY.

[illegible] Lee Goes Direct to Washington [illegible] Will Arrive at the Capital Tues-[illegible], When He Will Appear Before Congress and the President.

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Havana seemed dazed when the people found that General Lee was really going, and that all the Americans were going with him. Not to see the United States flag floating from the staff struck many residents as little [illegible] less than a calamity.

The fact that Mr. Gollan, the British consul, called with General Lee on Captain General Blanco also puzzled many, some believing this meant an English alliance had been settled. The truth is that the Havana newspapers have been under such close surveillance for months, have been made to publish so many untruths, and have printed so many tales of the United States backing down at the demand of Germany, Italy, Austria and Russia, that the residents take no stock whatever in anything published. Consequently when they saw the Americans leaving, despite the statements of the papers that they had no intention of going, the people believed a crisis at hand.

All arrived at Key West Sunday in a state of wreck. Everybody was sick. After brief reception, General Lee went on board the Olivette, which had been kept waiting, and sailed for Tampa at noon. He will go direct to Washington. Nineteen refugees were landed from the Bache and one hundred from the Evelyn.

SUBSTANTIAL SYMPATHY.

[illegible] ish Companies Will Pay Employes While Fighting for Uncle Sam.

The Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance company representatives at New Orleans have received a cablegram from the home office in England instructing them to permit any of the employes who may desire, to join the United States troops in the event of war, and to assure such employes that their salaries will be continued by the company during their service. It is stated that similar cablegrams have been sent to all offices of the Liverpool and London and Globe in the United States. The information is hailed as evidence of the strong feeling of sympathy prevailing in England with the United States in the present controversy with Spain.

[illegible] ADMINISTRATION FIRM.

War Can Only be Averted by a Back [illegible] by Spain.

There is no longer any doubt as to the [illegible] government with [illegible] Cuba. War, [illegible] administration, [illegible] the unlooked-[illegible] the part of [illegible]

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McKINLEY'S REPLY

[illegible] Created a Favorable Impression.

[illegible] several [illegible] Washington shows [illegible] President McKinley [illegible] among the ambas-[illegible] It was cabled [illegible] London, Paris and all [illegible] capitals. The decla-[illegible] president that in the [illegible] this warfare must [illegible] appeal to exert [illegible] the name of human-[illegible] reflection in [illegible] the ambassadors [illegible]

Consul Leaves Jamaica.

The agents of the steamer Blookline [illegible] from Santiago de Cuba [illegible] the steamer sailed Friday with [illegible] United States Consul, Pulaski Hy-[illegible] on board, for the United States.

The Oregon Leaves Callao.

A dispatch from Lima, Peru, announces the departure of the battleship Oregon from Callao, after taking on coal and provisions. She has not [illegible] painted the war color.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF STATE NEWS.

SATURDAY'S PRIMARIES.

Results So Far as Returns Are In—Warm Time in Calhoun County.

In the democratic primary election held over the state Saturday there was much interest. In some counties the vote was light, while in others the fight was red hot. The following is a size-up of the situation, so far as heard from:

At Blocton, J. C. Jones ran ahead for probate judge and James Oakley for clerk. C. C. Collier was the favorite for representative and J. G. Moore for superintendent of education. Thos. H. McClellan was endorsed for chief justice, and Chancellor W. H. Tayloe was endorsed, as was Solicitor W. W. Quarles.

In Hale county, Charles E. Waller and Hon. A. M. Tunstall are overwhelmingly elected for the house of representatives. W. C. Christian was elected probate judge. T. W. Coleman for chief justice and Thomas E. Knight for chancellor have certainly carried the county.

Smith won for probate judge and Harwood for representative in Greene county. Coleman for chief justice carried the county.

In Montgomery delegates were named in the interest of Judge Tyson for Associate Justice of the Supreme court. McClellan was the favorite for Chief justice.

Madison county named Humes for State Senator, Liles and Taliaferro for Representatives.

Reports from Gadsden, Attalla, Walnut Grove, Ball Play, Hoke's Bluff and Rock Springs beats indicate that the democratic delegates are instructed pretty evenly between Major Herzberg and J. H. Lovejoy for Probate Judge of Etowah county.

A report from Anniston says: Calhoun county has instructed for John W. Abercrombie, for State Superintendent of Education, and the Anniston beat favors Coleman for Chief Justice. Anniston's thirty-six delegates to the county convention are instructed for Mayor Hight for Probate Judge. The Jacksonville delegation favors Judge E. F. Crook, but is instructed to withdraw from the convention if that body seeks to name candidates for county offices.

Shepperd for probate judge, Little for clerk, Hargrove for superintendent of education, won out in Walker county, it seems. Lacy was named for representative.

One of the Sumter representatives will be W. H. Seyman. The other is in doubt. W. R. DeLoach wins for probate judge. The race for clerk is in doubt. Coleman may be endorsed for chief justice.

W. E. Skeggs seems to have won for probate judge in Morgan, with J. S. Morrow for clerk. Representative is still in doubt. McClellan is the favorite for chief justice.

A red-hot fight for probate judge in Lowndes makes the returns unreliable.

Indications from Conecuh county show that McClellan will be the choice for chief justice, and Tyson for associate.

Lee endorsed McClellan for chief justice.

Coleman carried Mobile county for chief justice.

In Talladega beat meetings were held in the eighteen beats of the county. Hon. J. E. Camp had no opposition for probate judge. J. A. Huey for circuit clerk against M. G. McCargo claims seventy-six delegates to the county convention out of the 118 for the entire county.

The full delegation from Perry will be for McClellan for chief justice.

Autauga county elects Livingston, a pronounced free coinage and Johnston man, for probate judge. He carried every beat in the county but four.

The free coinage democrats swept Bullock county. The delegates will be instructed for McClellan for chief justice.

Horton carried Hale county by 148 votes. Owens was elected clerk. Tunstall representative, and Christian for probate judge.

The Talladega county democratic convention will endorse J. M. Thornton for commissioner of agriculture, and also present his name to the state convention on April 20.

Tallapoosa county has gone for McClellan for chief justice, both the free silver and gold standard men endorsing him.

The returns from Morgan county shows the following nominations: For representatives, Hon. O. Kyle, Prof. D. F. Green; probate judge, Wm. E. Skeggs; superintendent of education, Prof. E. L. Hays; clerk of the circuit court, James R. Fowler; commissioner first district, Walter E. Todd; commissioner fourth district, James H. Harrison. Kyle will be a candidate for speaker of the house.

The democrats of St. Clair, in a convention at Broken Arrow, selected J. P. Woodall, E. J. Robinson, J. M. Mise, J. D. Fross, T. M. Jones, S. E. Farmen, Judge Joseph T. Green, J. T. Hodges, G. B. Foreman.

Patriotic Words From Wheeler.

The governor has received a patriotic letter from Gen. Wheeler, containing a suggestion that is of peculiar interest to the people of the gulf coast. In his letter he says:

"It looks very much as though we would now become involved in war with Spain, and it would not surprise me for the president to call for volunteers in a very short time. I am convinced that the only men who could most safely go to Cuba at this time, would be those from the gulf coast, and I have so stated to the secretary of war. I feel it the duty of every man who has had experience in military affairs, to tender any services you may direct."

DESPITE THE WAR SCARE

Business Continues to Show Activity All Along the Line.

STATE OF BUSINESS NOT EASY TO JUDGE.

Wheat Outgo Continues and the Exports of Cotton is Considered Extraordinary—Iron and Steel Industry Shows Demand Greater Than Ever.

R. G. Dun & Co's weekly review of trade says:

When everybody is asking whether it is to be war or peace, the state of business is not easy to judge. Since nobody can judge just how wise bankers may be in an emergency, there is some uncertainty, but thus far scarcely any stoppage whatever of manufacturing concerns appears nor any indications that the producing force is likely to be diminished, nor is any such symptoms to be seen in business reports. Evidence of existing conditions is not confusing or favorable. So far banking conservatism has not caused failures, which continue smaller than for many years, nor has it caused stoppage of any manufacturing concerns, nor lessened the volume of business reported by railroads in tonnage or clearings at the principal points.

The wheat outgo counts for much, and continues, Atlantic exports having been 2,241,217 for the week, against 1,521,122 last year, and corn exports were 3,483,650 bushels, against 3,323,287 last year. The price rose steadily and closed 2 cents higher for wheat, with corn 1 cent higher.

The exports of cotton are extraordinary, though just now deferred by the caution which causes larger shipments to New York, instead of outside from gulf ports. For four weeks it has averaged nearly $2,500,000 per week, lower than in 1895, from the largest crop ever grown, in spite of many reports of decreased production. In such conditions heavy industrial demands for a great force of operatives have been effective. The truth is that every industry meets enormous overproduction compared with corresponding demands in any other year, however prosperous, and yet nearly all are keeping almost their whole force employed and some are increasing their force. In one branch of woolen manufactures, two carpet mills have stopped, others are about to stop, as it is between seasons, but much complaint of cancellation causes lower prices. Sales of the week are insignificant, and prices have declined two cents for finer grades and over one cent in the average for all qualities.

In the iron and steel industry, with demands greater than ever before from general sources, urgent orders from the government enlarge work, but do not advance prices. Disasters in trade shown this week by separate branches of the business for the month of March and for the first quarter of 1898 make the best report that has been possible for five years. It is interesting to note that nearly all branches of business show surprising movement. Meanwhile banks are extremely cautious and commercial loans are but 10 per cent of their aggregate. The belief that quick expansion in all branches would follow greater liberality and patriotism by the banks is not wholly unfounded, and the heavy receipts of gold from Europe counts for little compared with the greater or less liability in loans by banks.

CLEARED FOR ACTION.

The Flying Squadron is Complete and Only Awaiting the Word.

The flying squadron at Fort Monroe is ready for action and complete in all details except the possible addition of a dispatch boat and a hospital boat. The battleship Texas has arrived which practically complete the squadron. "The Texas," said Captain Philips to the Associated Press representative, "is ready for sea at a hour's notice and ready to fight and, all rumors to the contrary, I believe she will show herself to be the worthiest ship in the ocean." The improvement to the tarrets of the Texas allows her 12-inch guns to be fired once in every three minutes instead of formerly only once in every eight minutes. All of the ships are practically cleared for action.

TO MOBILIZE MEN.

General Graham Looking for an Available Point.

General William M. Graham, commander of the department of the gulf, located at Atlanta, has visited two localities adjacent with a view of recommending the best available place for a mobilization point. He held a conference with Mayor Collier and other prominent citizens of Atlanta looking to the question of water supply. Gen. Graham says he now has his data in such shape that he will wire his recommendation to Washington immediately.

Ward Line Steamers Withdrawn.

R. A. C. Smith, of the Ward Line steamship company, returned to New York from Washington and stated that all the Ward Line steamers have been withdrawn from service. None of their steamers will go into Cuban ports again until the Spanish-Cuban situation has been settled.

"Thou Shalt Not Steal."

Rev. Dr. S. C. Swallow, of Harrisburg, Pa., has accepted the independent nomination for governor on the platform "Thou shalt not steal."

SPAIN GRANTS AN ARMISTICE.

Looked Upon as a Ruse to Gain Time. Has No Effect on the Message.

An Associated Press dispatch from Washington Sunday night says: The Spanish government, through its minister at Washington, Senor Bernabe, tonight delivered an important official document to the state department stating that the armistice which the queen regent of Spain had commanded General Blanco to proclaim Sunday night was without conditions, that her majesty's government had granted the liberal institutions to the island of Cuba which the coming Cuban parliament would develop; recalling the condolence and sympathy expressed by the queen regent and her government on the disaster of the Maine and the horror this disaster had occasioned in Spanish hearts, and appealing to the courtesy and sense of justice of the United states government to enlighten public opinion upon the attitude of Spain. The note also repeats the offer of the Spanish government to submit the Maine question to experts designated by the maritime powers of the world.

Although the Spanish note was surrounded with the usual secrecy of official negotiations, the following summary of its contents was secured:

"First. Her majesty, the queen regent of Spain, desirious of ending the troubles which are desolating Cuba, has commanded a suspension of hostilities. Gen. Blanco has been ordered to proclaim today an armistice without conditions. He will determine later the duration and details of this armistice, so as to carry out the generous intentions of her majesty and the wishes of the friends of peace.

"Second. Her majesty's government has granted to the island of Cuba instructions as liberal as those enjoyed by Canada under the British flag. The Cuban chambers will meet on the fourth of next May. It will be their duty and privilege to put into practice and develop these institutions. In addition to this Cuba is represented in the parliament at Madrid.

Third. Public opinion in this country appears to ignore the fact that the loss of the Maine was immediately followed by official and reiterated expressions of condolence from her majesty's, the queen's, government, from her charge d'affairs in Washington, and from the authorities in Havana; all of which tended to affirm the horrors which this disaster has caused to arise in Spanish hearts, as also the sympathy felt for the United States government and navy, and for the American nation.

"The Spanish minister feels confident that he can count upon the courtesy and sense of justice of the United States government to enlighten public opinion upon this subject.

"Fourth. As to the cause of this lamentable disaster, it resolves itself into a question of facts which can only be settled by martial proofs. The Spanish minister reiterates the assurance that his government is ready to submit the question to experts designated by the maratime powers, whose conclusions are in advance accepted."

A cabinet meeting was held after the note was presented to the president. It is said that the note will not alter the president's message on the situation.

THE CUBAN BONDS.

Guerrera Says Only $100,000 Worth Have Been Sold.

Deputy Treasurer Benjamin Guerrera of the Cuban republic was before the senate committee on foreign relations Friday. He said that only about $100,000 of Cuban bonds had been sold, and that the bonds were not on the market at all for general sale. The bonds brought about 40 cents on the dollar. He said the expenses of the war were paid by private subscriptions and by the returns from the taxation of the property in the portion of the island controlled by the insurgents. Not less than $400,000, he said, had been collected by taxation. The insurgent army generally secured its supplies from the country, and all the soldiers, both officers and men, were serving without compensation.

Mr. Guerrera was asked about the Spanish-Cuban bonds issued against the revenues of the island. He replied that he did not know their amount, which report placed as $400,000,000, but that they were the accumulation of year's of deficit. Many of them had, he said, been issued to pay the cost of putting down the rebellion in Cuba.

Paragraphs Got Mixed.

It was an Irish newspaper, according to Macmillan's Magazine, that once published this highly defamatory paragraph: "Dr. F. has been appointed resident medical officer to the Mater Misericordia hospital. Orders have been issued by the cemetery committee for the immediate extension of Glasnevin cemetery. The works are being executed with the utmost dispatch." It is perhaps unnecessary to explain that two paragraphs about quite different matters had got "mixed."

Reception Will be Given Lee

The Confederate veterans will give Gen. Lee a great ovation on his arrival in Washington. Gen. Fleming, president of the association, has telegraphed Lee that he will be given the greatest reception ever given to any man in that city. In the opinion of many, it will be the launching of Gen. Lee's presidential boom. He is to be given a state dinner at the White House about next Thursday evening.

Regulars Concentrating at Chickamauga

Two thousand four hundred United States regulars, stationed in Arizona and Northwest Texas, are en route to Chickamauga Park, near Chattanooga.

RED HOT EDITORIALS.

THE NEW YORK JOURNAL SPEAKS RIGHT OUT.

An Editorial Page That Is Unique Among the Great Daily Papers of This Press Subsidizing Era—Talks That Tell.

The following are editorials from recent issues of the New York Daily Journal, with an alleged circulation of half a million. They would be quite appropriate in the editorial page of any country Populist paper, but there is no other metropolitan daily in which they could ever by any possibility be found. Read the following:

The men of Pennsylvania who shot a lot of workingmen in the back have been declared innocent of any wrong doing. The cowardly hired newspapers that have not dared all through the trial to speak in defence of the killers now come out bravely and cheer the verdict. These newspapers are well paid, but they do their employers a sorry service.

The Lattimer free killing bee must be paid for in this country. It will be paid for by men such as those who hire the venal newspapers of New York. The man who knows that he can be safely murdered is not a pleasant man to deal with when trouble comes.

The gentlemen in Fifth avenue who have built high steel railings around their houses know how foolish it is to make workmen feel the hoplessness of an appeal to law against money.

But these men with the steel railings misunderstand the American workingman's idea. No railings are needed, unless they can be put around the ballot box. That particular institution will avenge the Lattimer murders.

The judge who set free without bail a body of men indicted for murder will learn, before he goes under ground to sicken all decent worms, that he has hurt the pocket-books that he tried to serve.—New York Journal.

The average British review is as insular as a St. Giles cockney and as ponderous as a witticism in Punch, but while the current Fortnightly is not without these characteristics it almost pays to plod through it in order to reach the instructively frank explanation by one writer of the way in which England really subjugates the world. He is discussing the problem of financing the proposed Chinese loan and the danger that it may be taken by a Franco-Russian syndicate.

"It is clear," says the contributor, who, by the way, is one of the best equipped English writers on international relations, "that if our immense interests in China are to be adequately protected we must not allow the empire to be the exclusive vassal of any foreign power or group of powers, and this is what must occur in a thinly disguised form if we abstain from competing with the state-guaranteed loan-mongering of Russia and France at Pekin. * * * We can safely and even profitably lend the money without rendering an increase of the burdens on trade necessary, and since the loan would be calculated to strengthen our interests at Pekin, and thus advance our interests in the far East, it was manifestly our duty to undertake it."

The debtor is the abject vassal the world over. Man or nation, it is the same; he who owes the debt is the serf of its holder. Interest has added almost as much territory to the British empire as was ever won by the British sword. Egypt is the "exclusive vassal" of Britain, because Egypt fell into the hands of Lombard street money lenders. China will go the same way, unless her rulers make the unimportant choice of preferring the Rothschilds that dominate French finance to the branch of the same family which rules Lombard street.

By the way, how great a proportion of United States bonds, national, state or corporation, are held in England? And how far is discernible the purpose of Great Britain to use her rights as a creditor to strengthen her influence at Washington, as she hopes to at Pekin, to control our currency system and to dominate our politics?—New York Journal.

Workingmen, in thinking of the Lattimer murders, never to be officially avenged, need not feel that the lives of the murdered men were entirely wasted. It is true that justice has been outraged and that a certain score some day to be wiped out is a little bigger than it was. But some good has been done. It is not likely that such a killing will occur again for many days. It is probable that the next coward armed with a repeating rifle will hesitate, fearing that murderer No. 2 may not fare as well as No. 1. Public opinion has crystallized about this Pennsylvania murder affair. Murder on a cash basis will probably receive a set-back, despite the verdict.

Of course, no such verdict could have been rendered in England or in France, where the rights of ordinary men are now recognized. They were not recognized in France at one time. But the most ordinary kind of men got a sort of habit of cutting off heads indiscriminately, and as it turned out that the heads belonged to persons of high degree, the memory of that affair has stuck.

In England the ordinary British person has reminded the powers so often of his presence, sometimes by cutting off a king's head, sometimes in other playful ways, that he is considered quite a serious quantity. The American locomotive engineers, at their last strike, managed to make it clear that they are not to be trifled with; the men of Pittsburg made themselves felt, and incidentally defeated a Republican candidate for the presidency. These are indications that the American ordinary man is gradually establishing himself as an animal with rights. The progress is slow, but it is sure.

Constant use of the ballot, with something more drastic on occasions when hired Pinkertons appear to shoot, is bound in the long run to frighten even the Carnegies who hire the Pinkertons and then run away to Europe.—New York Journal.

Lord Salisbury got, in the London City Council election recently, a response to the direful warnings which he uttered last November anent the awful consequences of popular government in New York. The whole power of the Tory Ministry, backed by the landlorders and bondholders and the titled nobs and snobs of the West End, was exerted to get control of the council with a view to carrying out the Salisbury scheme of depriving the people of London of the measure of home rule that they have succeeded in getting. The scheme was further supported by the monopolies which not only control the transit system of London, such as it is, and the gas supply, but even purvey water for the inhabitants of most of the British metropolis.

The efforts of officialdom and swelldom were especially directed against the labor candidates and the "Socialist" candidates for the governing body in which alone the popular power is exerted. Of course, "Socialist" was exploited as a term of opprobrium freighted with grave menace to good order, but it really applied to men who seek to have the public interests controlled by public agencies for the public benefit, instead of by private monopolies for private profit.

The result of all the scheming and manipulation of Salisbury and Chamberlain, who carried national politics into municipal affairs with all their might, and of the vigorous and skillful electioneering of landlords and property owners, which included some enticing blandishments of "noble ladies," there was a notable triumph of the radicals and progressives. More labor men and "Socialists" were returned than before, and those against whom the sharpest fight was made had increased majorities.

This is simply another step toward a government of London by its people instead of by the occupants of its palatial mansions and the holders of places in the imperial service. It means gradual progress toward a home rule in which those who toil and live in the metropolis all the year, and not those who pass the "season" and collect their rents and their interest and annuities there, shall control the administration of affairs. It works toward a government in which the people and their rights and interests, and not property, will be the chief object of public care. The Tory effort to stem this progressive movement, with all the power at the command of the Imperial Cabinet, suffered a signal defeat.—New York Journal.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

Striking Facts Regarding Two Systems of Railway Ownership.

The unusually heavy surplus of the Prussian railroads this year has attracted attention. The railroads of Prussia, as is well known, are owned and operated by the state. The Twentieth Century says the rate of transportation is about one-third the rate in this country for both passenger traffic and freight, but the annual profits have been very large, notwithstanding the great sums expended on the road bed and the rolling stock. It is customary to disparage the service in Prussia, but every traveler knows that the service is far superior to the service in this country. Class for class, the advantage is decidedly on the side of the state-owned railways of Prussia. This is a matter that can be very easily demonstrated, for there are in this country thousands of Germans who pay regular visits to the fatherland. The testimony of these men on the subject, wherever available, would show that the last five or ten years have resulted in epochmaking strides in Prussian railroading until to-day the service stands second to none. In spite of steady reductions in rates and lavish expenditures in improvements, the surplus has steadily risen. These surplus earnings have gone for military purposes but this year there is an excess over the needs of the army.

We are often told of the tremendous burden the poor Germans are forced to bear in the expense of the huge standing army. The burden of army expenditures in Prussia at least, is borne by the railway system. Now the railway system of Prussia costs the Prussians much less than the New York Central Railroad costs the people of New York. The profits of the Prussian railroads support the army and the profits of the Vanderbilt railroads support the Vanderbilts. But the Vanderbilts exact a great deal more from the New Yorkers than the Prussian army exacts from the Prussians. That is to say, it would be money in the pockets of the people of New York to take the Prussian army and the Prussian railroads and give away the Vanderbilts and the Vanderbilt railroads. The statistics on the subject may be studied at length in the Prussian Jahresberichte and the reports of the New York Railroad Commission. It is facts like these which make the conventional talk about the "freedom" and "opportunities" of the American people so discouraging in its humbug. One does not wonder at the talk because the corporations pay the newspapers to purvey it, but one does wonder that even the guileless and simple minded American countryman can swallow it.

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THE Chilton delegation to the Democratic State convention which meets next Wednesday at Montgomery will doubtless go energetically to work to secure the nomination of our Chilton county candidate, Prof. E. Y. McMorries, as State Superintendent of Education. Chilton is proud of its distinguished educator, and if we are to have another Democratic administration we hope to see Prof. McMorries inducted in the office to which his merits fully entitle him.

RUMORS are about that there is a determination on the part of some Populists not to participate in the primary on April 29. We hope there is no foundation for the rumor. So long as we live under party government there are several obligations due the party—one of the most important of which is that the members of the party should, by their votes, uphold and strengthen it. By abstaining from voting at the primary, Populists only encourage the opposition, and retard the progress of the party to which they look for relief. Let every Populist in Chilton do his duty and vote at the primary.

PRESIDENT McKinley's long expected message to Congress has proved disappointing, inasmuch as it leaves everything in an unsatisfactory state. 'Tis true he says the war in Cuba must stop, and asks Congress to give him power to stop it, but he does not say in what manner he proposes to stop it.

If he is disposed to give Cuba freedom from Spain, well and good; but if his purpose is to force some sham sort of autonomy it will not meet with support from the American people. The indications are that Congress will be too strong for the President and that war is inevitable.

Congress itself seems to be getting in a belligerent mood, yesterday there was a fight on the floor of the House between a Democrat and a Republican.

A FEW weeks ago THE BANNER suggested that, the present depot at Clanton being in a dilapidated condition, if a petition for a new depot was presented to the railroad company, the L. & N., with its accustomed liberality and public spirit, would recognize the fact that a new depot was needed. The suggestion was taken up by our leading merchants, headed by Mr. W. H. Sartor, and a petition was unanimously signed and presented to the Company. On Monday the division Superintendent, Mr. Newbold, and other officials came and made an investigation, and we understand they came to the conclusion Clanton was deserving of a much better depot than we now have, and will so report to the Company. Complaints as to the inadequate accommodations at the depot can now cease as doubtless at the earliest opportunity the Company will put th. work in hand.

WE have received the following communication from our highly esteemed friend, Mr. D. N. Riggins, and are pleased that it gives us the opportunity to further explain our position in the matter of correspondence. One thing about it we heartily commend, it is short and to the point. That explains the situation.

Thorsby, Ala., April 11, 1898
Editor BANNER. Please say to the people that you failed to publish my letter in full, a part of which appeared in your last issue, and oblige. D. N. RIGGINS.

Now, if every one of our correspondents had signed the above letter it would have been no more than their right, each and everyone could have made the same complaint. It is in no sense disrepect to our correspondents that we are sometimes compelled to cut their communications shorter. We refer Mr. Riggins and other correspondents to the columns of this issue. They will find we have gone to the utmost limit to find space for their letters, and to give everyone a fair show we have had to cut everyone of them. We think this meets the views of all interested. The several candidates have each their friends, but we do not believe any one of them wishes by sending in a lengthy communication to crowd out another. In addition to the letters we publish this week we have now on our desk a number which we have been unable to reach at all and we apologize to the writers for this mischance.

L. H. REYNOLDS.

The announcement of Mr. L. H. Reynolds as a candidate for re-election to the General Assembly will, we think, be hailed with satisfaction by the Populists of Chilton. The work before the Populist members of the house in the next Legislature will probably be of such a nature that one conversant with the proceedure there will be in a better position to accomplish more for the people than a new man would be. Mr. Reynolds' general qualification are well known to the people of Chilton county, and we will merely mention that as their representative in the last Legislature he acquitted himself to the thorough satisfaction of all good Populists. He introduced the bill raising the age of consent from 10 to 16 years, and this same bill was passed with an amendnent from 16 to 14 years. In all other measures he acted with the Populist party and to the best interests of the people. If elected we feel confident he can be relied upon to pursue the same cousre in the future he has in the past.

ROBT. J. EILAND.

Another of Chilton's ambitious young men this week announces his candidacy as Superintendent of Education. Mr. Robt. J. Eiland was born near Coopers, and was raised and educated in this county, and for sometime past has been one of our school teachers. He is an old Alliancemen as well as a Populist who has always voted with the party. At the request of a number of friends he submits his claims for the first time to the Populists of Chilton and asks them to nominate him County Superintendent of Education. As an educator himself, he is familiar with the educational needs of the county, and if elected will doubtless use his utmost endeavors to promote the cause of education.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
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Among the most interesting features, of the war flurry, to the reformer, are plans proposed by Cabinet members and other dignitaries for raising war funds. Men who profit by such issues, always advocate bonds, in season and out of season; so we have already been assured of $100,000,000 3 per cent short term bonds, with every possibility of the sum being raised to $500,000,000. An increased tax is suggested on tea, coffee, beer and tobacco. One dollar per barrel on beer alone would add, it is estimated, over $40,000,000 to the revenues. At a recent consultation as to ways and means of raising war funds where most of the cabinet and nine Senators (Republicans or Gold Democrats) were present, some intrepid member ventured to suggest that an income tax would be the most simple and speedy method, but was promptly silenced with the assurance that taxing wealth was "unconstitutional."

Notwithstanding the fact that S Hanna has been most vociferous in his cries for peace he has cast an anchor to windward by securing an enormous coal contract from Uncle Sam, although his bid was $1 higher than all others.

Congress has again allowed $30,000,000 to pay the railroads for carrying the mails, although the veriest tyro now knows that the job could be done for one-third that sum and a neat profit secured. Just as long as the post office commission is composed of special agents for the railroads such disgraceful steals will be perpetrated.

The most marked activity is seen among gold Democrats, and unless foiled in their plans they will secure many places in the next congress and may even gain a strong foothold in the Democratic party.

Another farce equal to that recently perpetrated under the name of a trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies is assured, if the bribery charges made against Hanna, in the last Ohio election, are sustained. The details of the case are all obtained and indisputably true, but the committee refuse almost to a man to sign them. It is understood that S Mark has lost no sleep in regard to the matter.

The Democrats and Populists of Milwaukee having made municipal ownership their main plank, carried that city at the recent municipal election by an overwhelming majority.

The fusion ticket in Lincoln, Neb., at the late election cut down the Republican majority from 15,000 to 300.

It is announced that Governor Leedy of Kansas has abandoned the proposed extra session of the legislature to be called with the view of improving the railroad laws.

Five thousand union carpenters are out on a strike in Chicago on a demand for an 8 hour day at 37½ cents per hour.

The railroads in Michigan have placed a boycott on all papers that print anything favorable to Pingree. No passes, no usual favors for the papers that print anything he says.

The New Jersey Legislature has reduced the Governor's sslary from $10,000 to $7,500, and passed a bill authorizing municipalities to sell franchises to the highest bidder.

In Oregon the Populists, Democrats and Silver Republicans have agreed on a state and congressional ticket. The Populists get Governor, Attorney General, State Printer and State Superintendent; the Democrats, one Congressman and Judge of the Supreme court, and the Silver Republicans one Congressman and Secretary of State.

Senator Allen of Nebraska last week wired the governor as follows: "Hon. Silas A. Holcomb, Lincoln, Neb.—Tender all State troops without delay. In the event of war with Spain I desire through you to place my services at the disposal of the State to serve the country in such capacity as you may assign me in defense of the national honor and for Cuban liberty. A. R.

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The friends and relatives of Mr. Agrippa Atkinson of Trussville Ala. were grieved to hear of his sad death which occured at his home in that place Sunday March 27. Mr. Atkinson was sick of typhoid fever only twelve days. Death, that great destroyer, entered their home again, and claimed for the victim Mrs. Lizzie Atkinson, his wife. Mrs. Atkinson was sick when her husband died and only lingered a few days until she too departed this life. Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson leave two sons to mourn their loss. Mr. Atkinson was formerly of this place but moved to Trussville about 20 years ago where he has since resided. Mr. A. J. Atkinson and daughter, Miss Leila, attended the burial of Mr. Atkinson.

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Our genial friend Mr. Lige Deason was in "these parts" not long since. His winning ways gain friends wherever he goes. We hope for him much success in the race he has entered, for we believe he would be the right man in the right place.

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[illegible] our farmers have com[illegible]ing cotton seed but [illegible] have stopped them [illegible] short session will close [illegible]

[illegible] Enoch Reed has ap[illegible]ed Postmaster at Isabella, [illegible] will have return[illegible] visit relatives at We[illegible]

[illegible]klen's Arnica Salve [illegible] best salve in the world for [illegible]ts, Sores, Ulcers, Salt-[illegible]rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chap[illegible]ds, Chilblains, Corns, and [illegible] Eruptions, and positively [illegible]es, or no pay required. It is [illegible]ed to give perfect satisfac[illegible] or money refunded. Price 25 [illegible] per box. For sale by J. S. John[illegible]

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Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

The above sale is continued to Monday March 28, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued to Monday April 11, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued until Monday, April 25, 1898.

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They've named a cruiser "Dixie." An' lobsters, I'll be bound
You're goin' ter see some fightin' when the "Dixie" swings eroun'!
Ef any o' them Spanish snips shall strike her, east or west,
Jest ot the han' play "Dixie," an' the boys'll do the rest!

I want ter see that "Dixie"—I want ter take my stan'
On the deck of her, an' holler: "Three cheers fer Dixie lan'!"
She means we're all united—the war hurts healed away,
An' "Way Down South in Dixie" is nationai today!

I bet you, she's a good 'un! I'd stake my last red cent
Thar ain't no better timber in the whole blame settlement!
An' all their shiny battleships besides that ship are tame,
Fer, when it comes to "Dixie," thar's somethin' in the name!

Here's three cheers an' a tiger—as hearty as kin be;
An' let the ban' play "Dixie" when the "Dixie puts to sea!
She'll make her way and win the day from shinin' east to west.—
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—F. L. Stanton in the Constitution.

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Notice to Delinquent Tax-Payers.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

The Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due. The persons named below are reported as delinquent, and the following real estate is reported assessed to them, to wit:

BEAT No. 1.

R B Jordan sw ¼ of nw ¼ section 18 township 24 range 15 tax and costs $2.81

BEAT No. 2.

James Y Boyd n ½ of nw ¼ sec 20 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $5.28

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 23 tp 24 r 13 tax and cost $6.10

BEAT No. 4.

C P Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $3.25

BEAT No. 5.

G L Werth e ½ of nw ¼, sw ¼ of nw ¼, sec 4 tp 20 r 16, 18 acres in se cor of se ¼ of ne ¼ sec 36 tp 21 r 15 s ½ of e ½ of nw ¼, and nw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $9.95

John L Harrell ne ¼ of sw ¼, nw ¼ of se ¼ sec 7 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.54

E H Downs 2 acres in nw cor of nw qr of ne qr sec 27 tp 21 r 15 tax and costs $11.16

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 4 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15. Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $16.10

G B Morgan n ½ of nw ¼ sec 23 tp 21 r 16 tax and costs $3.44

Mrs S A Green part of the nw qr of nw qr and part of the sw qr of nw qr sec 6 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $9.32

James Sharp sw qr of sw qr sec 16 tp 20 r 16 tax and costs $3.07

BEAT No. 8.

W E Wailes nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ & s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $11.43

James Jones se ¼ sec 12 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.15

UNKNOWN OWNERS.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent tax payers, and of real estate upon which taxes are due; and therein is reported assessed to "Owner Unknown" the following real estate, to wit;

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $3.69

W ½ of se qr sec 2 tp 20 r 13 tax and costs $3.89

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $2.97

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $3.03

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $3.89

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $2.81

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $3.81

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $3.89

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.29

This is to notify you to appear before the Probate Court of said county at the next term thereof, commencing Monday the 11th day of April, 1898, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why a decree for the sale of said real estate should not be made for the payment of the taxes assessed against you and fees and costs.

This 10th day of March, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to nexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. Stanfield & Matthews.

Notice of Day Set for Hearing Probate of Will.

The State of Alabama } In the Probate
Chilton County } Court.

To James S. Allen and George Allen, of Arcadia, La., and Ella Christopher, residence unknown:

You will please take notice that on the 18th day of March, 1898, a certain paper in writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. P. Allen, deceased, was filed in my office for probate by Sudie Garner, and that the 25th day of April, 1898, was appointed a day for hearing thereof, at which time you can appear and contest the same, if you see proper.

Given under my hand this 21st day of March, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

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Large receipts of Ducking, in bundles. All colors. This is our specialty. Still selling at same price, 90 cents per bundle. This is the cheapest lot of goods ever brought to Chilton county.

PANTS—Just received 500 pairs of pants latest styles and all colors and material. Bought at bankrupt sale. All go at 50 cents on dollar.

HATS—Having bought at forced sale from L. & N. R. R. Co. a lot of fine hats at a great sacrifice, I offer this lot at 50 cents on the dollar of cost price. We are still selling brass pins at 1 cent per paper.

We are daily receiving new goods from the Eastern markets and it will give us great pleasure to show them. Everybody is invited to call and examine these goods. Thanking the public for past favors.

Respectfully H. TOURO.

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Both Notes Were Mild—McKinley Makes Pointed Reply and Hoped the Powers Would Appreciate Our Efforts to Emancipate People of Cuba.

WASHINGTON (Special).—The representatives of the six powers of Europe seeking to avert war between Spain and the United States, called on President McKinley at noon Thursday. The governments of Great Britain, France, Germany, Austria, Russia and Italy were represented. Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, was the first to arrive, followed by Ambassador Von Hollonben, of Germany. Within a few minutes all the ambassadors had been ushered into the blue room, and President McKinley immediately left his office and went down to meet them. Sir Julian Pauncefote, as representative of the powers, presented the following:

"The undersigned representatives of Germany, Austria-Hungary, France, Great Britain, Italy and Russia, duly authorized in that behalf, address in the name of their respective governments, a pressing appeal to the feelings of humanity and moderation of the President and of the American people in their existing differences with Spain. They earnestly hope that further negotiations will lead to an agreement which, while securing the maintenance of peace, will afford all necessary guarantees for the re-establishment of order in Cuba. The powers do not doubt that the humanitarian and purely disinterested character of this representation will be fully recognized and appreciated by the American nation."

President McKinley replied as follows:

"The government of the United States recognizes the good will which has prompted the friendly communication of the representatives of Germany, Austria-Hungary, France, Great Britain, Italy and Russia as set forth in the address of your excellencies, and shares the hope therein expressed that the outcome of the situation in Cuba may be the maintenance of peace between the United States and Spain, by affording the necessary guarantee for the re-establishment of order in the island, so terminating the chronic condition of disturbance there which so deeply injures the interests and menaces the tranquility of the American nation and the consequences of the struggle thus kept up at our doors, besides shocking its sentiment of humanity. The government of the United States appreciates the humanitarian and disinterested character of the communication now made on behalf of the powers named, and for its part is confident that equal appreciation will be shown for its own earnest and unselfish endeavors to fulfill a duty to humanity by ending a situation the indefinite prolongation of which has become insufferable."

The call of the representatives of the powers on the president was quite brief, and was evidently by appointment, for they were at once shown into the diplomatic room of the state department, where they were joined by Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Day, with whom they were closeted behind closed doors.

Simply an Act of Friendship.

The British ambassador said in reference to the note signed by him with the other powers, submitted Thursday to the president, should not be misconstrued so far as England was concerned. It meant, he said, simply an act of friendship and to indicate to the United States that his government was willing to render any service within its power, should this government indicate as much.

Germany to Send a Ship.

A dispatch from Berlin says: In view of the probable outbreak of hostilities, the German Admiralty, which at present has not a single ship in West Indian waters, is considering the advisability of sending at least one cruiser for the protection of the political and commercial interests of Germany there.

In Favor of Carmack.

The contested congressional election case of Patterson against Carmack in the Tenth Tennessee district was reported to the house Friday, house election committee No. 1 recommending the seating of Carmack and declaring against ex-Representative Patterson's contest. The committee corrects the vote to make a majority of 590 for Carmack.

Schofield McKinley's Adviser.

President McKinley has issued orders making Gen. Schofield his military adviser, the same position held by Gen. Halleck in the civil war as the adviser to President Lincoln.

Fifteen Battleships Off For Cape Verds.

MADRID.—Fifteen Spanish men-of-war will leave Cadiz immediately for Cape Verde Islands and several battalions have started to reinforce the garrison at the Balearic Islands in the Mediterranean. The provincia militia in the Canary Islands will be placed on a war footing.

New Cotton Mill.

Arrangements are well under way for the construction of a $75,000 cotton mill at Norwood, N. C.

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FIFTY FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Monday.

In the senate today the greater part of the time was consumed in set speeches on the Cuban question. Mr. Perkins, of California, openly charged that Spain was responsible for the Maine disaster, and that it had been brought about by Spanish machinations and treachery. Mr. Clay, of Georgia, followed, basing his remarks upon the resolution of Mr. Foraker, which called for Cuban recognition and if necessary of armed intervention. Mr. Mantle followed with an extended speech upon the absorbing topic of Cuba, and urged immediate intervention. Mr. Rawlins, of Utah, made an argument for absolute declaration of armed intervention. At the conclusion of Mr. Rawlin's speech the sundry civil appropriation bill was taken up, but without disposing of it the senate went into executive session, and adjourned.

The House.

While there was no attempt to force consideration of the resolution regarding the Cuban situation in the house, there was a brief outbreak, in the course of which the warlike temper of the crowded galleries was so manifest that Speaker Reed threatened to clear them if it was repeated. Mr. Cannon, chairman of the committee on appropriations, asked unanimous consent for the consideration of the senate resolution suspending a portion of section 355 of the Revised Statutes so as to permit the United States to erect fortifications in cases of emergency upon any land upon obtaining the written consent of the owner. After several hours' debate on the resolution and the Cuban question in general, the bill was passed without division and the house adjourned.

The Senate—Tuesday.

"The United States ought immediately to declare war against Spain, and maintain that was until the people of Cuba are made free from Spanish starvation and cruelty and the government of the island firmly established as independent republic."

This utterance of Senator Chandler of New Hampshire, in a carefully prepared statement of his position on the Cuban crisis was the climax of an extended discussion of the subject participated in by several members of the senate this afternoon. The speeches had been delivered by Mr. Turner of Washington, Mr. Harris of Kansas, and Mr. Kenney of Delaware, all of whom took strong ground for vigorous and instant action by the United States.

At the conclusion of the speeches on the Cuban question the senate resumed consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill, the only progress made being the adoption in slightly modified form of the committee's amendment suspending the forestry reservation proclamation of 1897.

At 4:15 p. m. the senate went into executive session, and at 6:10 p. m. adjourned.

The House.

The crowds which thronged the galleries of the house today were disappointed. There were no outbreaks of any kind on the floor on the Cuban question. The whole day was spent on the private calendar, with the result that several bills were passed, among them one to pay the heirs of John Roach, the shipbuilder, $330,000 on a claim which has been pending a dozen years and another to pay O. C. Bosby Shell, superintendent of the Philadelphia mint $17,000 extracted from the gold vaults by a weigh-clerk.... At 5 o'clock the house recessed until 8 p. m., the evening session to be devoted to private pension bills.

The Senate—Wednesday.

The postponement of the coming of the president's message on the Cuban situation caused intense disappointment in the senate today, both on the floor and in the galleries. The president's message had been positively promised and its coming was awaited with genuine anxiety. Ten minutes after the senate convened consideration of the sundry civil bill was resumed and consumed almost the entire session.

The House.

The house was called to order promptly at 12 o'clock. It was arranged last Friday that the army reorganization bill should be a special order for today (not to interfere with a report from the committee on foreign affairs). It having been announced that the president's message on the Cuban situation would be presented today the demand for admission to the halls of congress was greater than has been known in many years; but when it was finally announced that the message would not be presented today, the immense crowd who had been waiting from 6 in the morning to 3 in the afternoon, turned away, weary and disgusted at the delay. Never was there such a disappointment at the capitol. The members felt it even more keenly than the spectators, and for two hours afterward they stood about the lobbies discussing this latest phase of the situation. The news of the proposed armistice, which came in on the heels of the announcement that Gen. Lee had cabled for delay, received quite as much attention as the request of Lee. The debate in the house over the army reorganization bill attracted little or no attention. At 5 o'clock, without action on the bill, the house adjourned.

The Senate—Thursday.

Some sharp war talk was indulged in by the senate today. When consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill was resumed, the question pending was the amendment of Mr. Pettus, of Alabama, providing for such improvement of the harbor at Mobile as would enable war vessels to obtain coal and other supplies there. Mr. Allison, in charge of the bill, made a point of order against the amendment. This called out a bitter speech by Mr. Morgan, who charged the appropriations committee with discriminations against proper measures, and he threatened to assist in dissolving the committee. Mr. Allison had a telegram read from Secretary Alger, saying that while he was willing that the improvement should be made, the money to be expended within the discretion of the secretary of war, he thought the outer bar should be left for the present, so as to prevent the too easy ingress of the foreign hostile ships. On this telegram the chair overruled Mr. Allison's point of order, and submitted the question to the senate whether the amendment should be considered. A yea and nay vote was taken on this proposition, and resulted in the negative—19 to 33. The vote had the effect of ruling the amendment out of order. At 2 o'clock the bill was laid aside, and Mr. Walthall, of Mississippi, presented resolutions on the death of his colleague, Senator James Z. George, and several senators paid tribute to his memory. At 4 o'clock, as a further mark of respect, the senate adjourned until Monday.

The House.

There was a scene of great excitement in the house late this afternoon during the consideration of the bill for the reorganization of the army. It was caused by Mr. Lentz, an Ohio democrat, who made a vigorous assault on the administration, charging that the policy of delay was in the interest of stock jobbers of Wall street. Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, replied in defense of the administration.... A great deal of opposition developed during the day to the army bill. Mr. Hull tried to save the bill by agreeing to strike out all its provisions, even the three battalion function features, but it was in the end recommitted—150 to 61.... The house adjourned until Monday.

BRAINY AMERICAN GIRL.

Miss Dorothea Klumpke Opens the Eyes of French Astronomers.

It was quite a surprise in American scientific circles when Miss Dorothea Klumpke, a San Francisco girl, won her way into the Paris Astronomical Observatory over the heads of more than fifty Frenchmen who were competing for entrance into this most celebrated school of astronomical science. She not only gained an entrance into the institution, but her splendid talent soon secured for her charge of the department which computes the measurement of the stars in the Paris belt. She has under her supervision several French scientists who have spent their whole lives in the study.

She is passionately devoted to the science. From 9 in the morning till 5 in the afternoon she works eagerly every day, always on the lookout for new facts and always perfecting her knowledge of facts already known.

Miss Klumpke went to Europe ten years ago at the age of 20, and has studied in Germany, Switzerland and Paris. She has a brilliant education,

MISS DOROTHEA KLUMPKE.

and is a charming and accomplished woman of whom all Americans may well be proud. She has recently been decorated by the French Government. She is one of a group of remarkable sisters. Anna Klumpke is a famous portrait painter of Boston; Augusta is a practicing physician in Paris; and Julia, the youngest, a girl of 19, is one of the most brilliant of Ysaye's pupils. They were all born in San Francisco, and educated in the public schools of that city. Their father was born in Holland, and came to America when very young. He settled in the South, but in '49 went west with the gold seekers.

Miss Klumpke's great ambition is to finish her immense task in Paris and to return to her own country to carry on her work in science. She is a firm believer in the astronomical future of America, and feels confident that it will soon lead the world in the great science. Miss Klumpke, in spite of her love for science, has still a woman's fancy for pretty clothes, and dresses in charming taste, her gowns being of her own designing.

Sixty-four Cadets Expelled.

The board of visitors of the South Carolina Military Academy at Charleston, have expelled sixty-four cadets who participated in a rebellion which took place ot the academy a few days since. They refused to obey orders and rioted around the building all night.

A Call for Men.

Governor Tunnel, of Delaware, has issued a proclamation calling upon the able-bodied men of the state to send in their names for enlistment in the national volunteer reserves.

Progress is reported in the matter of union between the South African republic and the Orange Free State, and there really seems some probability that the Transvaal will succeed in swallowing its little neighbor.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Addition to Anniston Mill.

The Anniston company is erecting an addition to its already large cotton mill. The addition will be about 50x50 feet in size and one story high.

McClellan for Chief Justice.

Telegrams from throughout the state received at Montgomery show that of the 504 votes in the state convention at least 325 are sure for Judge McClellan for chief justice.

New Industries in Prospect.

Negotiations are now on for the location of two plants in New Decatur, which promise to be successful. If so they will place capital to the amount of $150,000 in stable industries.

Receiver Appointed.

Upon the application of J. H. Bartlett, representing the English stockholders of the Jasper Land company, the Chancery Court has appointed Mr. Bartlett temporary receiver for the Corona Coal & Coke company.

A Government Order Filled.

The Birmingham Rolling Mill company has filled an order from the government for four tons of steel "round," to be used in fortifications work at Pensacola. The rods will be used in securing the foundations for fortifications.

Anniston Pipe Works Sold.

The plant of the Anniston Pipe and Foundry company was sold last week to the Southern Pipe company, a new corporation. The plant is one of the largest in the world. A portion of it was burned last summer, and is now being rebuilt. The new owners will enlarge the plant still further.

Jefferson's Democratic Primaries.

In the democratic primary election of Jefferson county Saturday, the following were the successful candidates: For probate judge, J. P. Stiles; senior judge of city court of Birmingham, Wm. W. Wilkerson; associate judge of city court of Birmingham, Charles A. Senn; judge of the tenth judicial circuit, W. C. Ward.

Courtland Municipal Election.

At the regular annual city election held at Courtland the following ticket was elected: Mayor, A. J. Crosthwait; aldermen, J. E. Brown, E. O. Campbell, C. A. Hall, Dr. J. F. Master and S. W. White; city marshall, W. T. Simmons. One of the aldermen, S. W. White, is a negro. A bitter fight was made against White, but a heavy republican vote, mostly negroes, carried the day for him.

Land Company Elects Officers.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Jasper Land Company the following directors were elected for the next year: J. H. Bartlett, E. W. Coleman, J. H. Bankhead, Jr., J. H. Crawford, R. Y. Lang. At a meeting of the directors the following officers were elected: E. W. Coleman, president; J. H. Crawford, vice-president; J. H. Bankhead, Jr., secretary and treasurer. The land company is capitalized at $500,000, and has much valuable land in Jasper and vicinity.

Pushing the Work at Fort Morgan.

The work of preparation at Fort Morgan, at Mobile, is being rapidly pushed. Major Russell is busily engaged in gathering material for the two new batteries which he has been ordered by the government to build at Fort Morgan. On one of these batteries he will mount two rapid fire guns and on the other will be mounted two twelve-inch disappearing guns, each of which with its carriage weighs in the neighborhood of half a million pounds. There are already mounted at Fort Morgan and in fine working order four eight-inch disappearing guns.

Indebted to the State.

Assistant Examiner Foster has filed with the governor his report on the office of Mr. C. C. Kelly, clerk of the circuit and exofficio clerk of the county court of Walker county, from the beginning of his term of office to January 1, 1898. Mr. Kelley according to the figures of the assistant examiner, owes the state $3,965.68. This is the recapitulation: Fees and removal bills not issued for paid labor and penitentiary cases, $3,626.10; amount due on fees bills collected, $47.80; fees and removal bills not taxed in cases of confession, $231.16; amount estimated due on solicitors fees, $30.62; total, $3,965.68.

End of the Carson Case.

Governor Johnston ended a unique case Friday by appointing Drewry B. Carson sheriff of Lauderdale county to succeed A. D. Carson, resigned. The governor recently ordered impeachment proceedings against the sheriff on account of his being frequently intoxicated. Out of the proceedings grew a $30,000 libel suit against the Western Union Telegraph Company and The Age-Herald Publishing Company, of Birmingham. The telegraph company transmitted a message to the Age-Herald before the court had come to a decision, saying that Carson had been found guilty. Subsequently the court held that Carson was drunk and the libel suits were dismissed.

Shipping Iron to Italy.

A shipment of 500 tons of pig iron bound for Genoa, Italy, is being made from the warrant yards at Ensley City furnaces. The shipment began a few days ago, and has been completed almost. The American Pig Iron Storage Warrant Company has been shipping considerable iron from their yards at Ensley recently, and it is estimated that a removal of at least 5,000 tons from one yard there has occurred in the last few months. [illegible] see Coal, Iron and Railroad Company is shipping a great deal [illegible] loaded at the furnaces. It is [illegible] Consolidated [illegible] to [illegible] ha and Co. [illegible]. Most of the being made there is going out of the United States.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

At Tombigbee David Morgan shot Theodore Mingo.

Mrs. Sarah Wood, widow of the late Judge W. B. Wood, died at Florence. She was 75 years of age.

Montgomery will [illegible] April 26, in a [illegible] the benefit of the Mary [illegible].

The Senator Kyle [illegible] the channel at Mobile, [illegible] boat had to be brought in [illegible] out.

Governor Johnston [illegible] gates to the international [illegible] congress, which meets at Salt Lake City, July 4th.

A petition has been presented to Perry county asking that a ferry be built over the Cahaba river at [illegible] ferry, for the convenience of the people of that section. The commissioners have the matter under consideration.

The export movement of cattle from Mobile to Cuba has been quite large for the past two months, during which there have been exported 1,207 head, not counting about 800 head which have been cleared within the past week.

Tax Collector Armistead on Friday paid into the state treasury for the county of Montgomery on taxes for 1897: State, $10,914.51; special, $1,020.39; poll, $233.70; 1898, state, $500.06; special, $50.00, making a total of $12,718.60.

M'KINLEY EXPECTS WAR.

The Cabinet Discusses the War Situation. No Fresh Developments

The cabinet meeting Friday occupied a little over an hour and a half. It was mainly devoted to an informal discussion of the situation. The president's demeanor was grave throughout, and the proceedings indicated that there was no expectation on the part of the administration that war would be averted.

It can be positively stated that there was no fresh development in the situation brought to the attention of the cabinet, or any dispatches or communication of any sort placed before it.

The joint note of the powers was considered, but that it will practically have no effect on the situation as it now exists was plainly evident.

Consul General Lee, it was reiterated, would surely leave Havana Saturday, according to the cabled instructions. Just when General Woodford is expected to vacate his post is not ascertainable and may not have been decided.

Owing to the complete formation of the policy and the absence of an overnight development, the entire meeting was devoted to discussion, including safety of Americans and the last fruitless session of the Spanish cabinet.

Secretary Long, one of the last to leave, carried numerous papers on matters of detail for consideration.

Pending the actual culmination of the diplomatic developments now rapidly approaching a head, the administration is steadfastly and consistently avoiding all possible outward evidence of the crisis.

The Cuban message will be placed before congress next Monday, unless some radical and unexpected events shall happen to change the firmly fixed intention of the president, and meantime the evacuation of the American citizens from Cuba will continue, and Gen. Woodford will arrange his affairs so as to leave Madrid at a moment's notice.

THIRTY-ONE MEN MEET DEATH.

A Snow Slide at Chilkoot Pass Leaves Death in Its Wake.

Advices from Skaguay, Alaska, state that about noon Friday, on the Chilkoot trail, between the Scales and Stonehouse, at least thirty-one men met death and a large number of others were injured more or less seriously in a snow slide. The dead were crushed under an avalanche of snow and ice.

Fully fifty people were overtaken by the slide and are either buried in the snow or scattered along the borders of the avalanche in a more or less injured condition.

The point at which the accident occurred is some five miles above Sheep camp. A blinding snow-storm was raging all day upon the summit, and as a consequence many of those in the vicinity were making no attempt to travel. Thousands of people were encamped in the vicinity of the accident at the time and were soon upon the scene rendering such assistance as was possible.

Enormous Contract for Powder.

The E. I. Dupont-DeMourse Company, at Wilmington, Del., it is understood, has received from the United States government a contract for furnishing $15,000,000 worth of powder, and the mills are being rushed to turn out the material as rapidly as possible. Most of the powder manufactured at the mills is being made red, and is more difficult to ignite than the black powder; there are fewer explosions, and it can be produced more rapidly by the machinery.

A European astronomer predicts that two moons will appear in the sky July 30, but other astronomers pronounce the prediction all moonshine.

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Then He Bought the Farm.

Fred—Suppose I should ask my wife, what would you say?

Anna—Guess.

Fred—Oh, I haven't the [illegible] What would it—er—[illegible]

Anna—Guess.

The woman who is [illegible] turing her husband [illegible] him a fool or else she has [illegible] a word to the wise is sufficient.

Satan doesn't object to a [illegible] ing church on Sunday if he [illegible] vices the other six days in the week.

An improved monkey [illegible] placed on the market that [illegible] screw mounted on [illegible] make it turn easily

EMINENT DIVINES SERMONS

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

The Rev. George H. Hepworth's Sunday Discourse in the New York Herald is Entitled "Heresy"—Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage Preaches on the Evil of Gambling.

TEXT: "My heart shall not reproach me so long as I live."—Job, xxvii., 6.

It is very important that your heart or conscience shall not accuse you. Your happiness does not depend on anybody else's conscience or heart, but on your own. God gave you a conscience, with the command that you should follow its behests, and when you get into the other world that conscience will be your judge. In other words, God will not judge you, but you will judge yourself.

It is your conscience that makes you an individual, which spiritually isolates you; and its approval is worth more than the approval of all the world beside. You cannot go far wrong if you always do what you think is right. You may ask advice, but you should decide for yourself what it is best to do, and then do it, whether people blame or praise. If every one were to follow this rule we should have a large difference of opinion among men, but above it a divine harmony of purpose. When the millennium comes we shall not all think alike, neither shall we allow any one to do our thinking for us, but we shall think for ourselves until thinking changes to conviction. Then we shall follow our convictions as we follow the flag of our country, and hold to them and be true to them, and so win the smile of God.

What you need most of all is to be your best, truest and noblest self. For that end you came into the world, and unless you accomplish that end your life will be essentially a failure and the requirements of the Almighty will stand neglected.

Men may call you heretical, but what men say of you is of no importance in comparison with what God will say. Your business is to be on His side, and to be sure in your heart that He is on your side. If, after that, people agree with you, you may well rejoice, but if they do not, that is their affair and not yours. Your duty is what you think your duty is after the enlightenment or illumination which always comes to him who is in accord with the Holy Spirit of the universe, and thus breathes the atmosphere of the spiritual life. To that duty you should never be false, for it is what makes you a living soul, what forms the quality of character, what opens the door of communion with the other world, what gives you a claim to the assistance of the angels and assures you of the approval of the Most High. Not ... [illegible] ...

This is a very queer world in one respect. We like to be sheep and follow a bell-wether. Even in matters of dress we must be told what to wear, and whether it is comely or uncomely we wear it. In the matter of religion there is as much fashion as there is in dress. What the majority believe we try to believe, because it is so easy to go with the majority. If it does not commend itself to our judgment we somehow consent, but openly approve. This induces an element of hypocrisy into the life of Holies, demoralizes mind and heart, takes from us our self-respect, and deprives us of heavenly recognition and approval. Our vital energy is sapped, our manliness and womanliness are injured, unless we can say of an opinion, I made it myself, and it is therefore mine.

In this matter of belief, of religious belief, you are to search for the truth—God's truth, Christ's truth, eternal truth. You are to dive into the depths of your soul, and what you bring therefrom is to be the foundation on which to build your life and character. The world may say nay or it may say yea, it makes no difference; you are to be governed solely by God's yea and nay as the words are whispered in your ear by Him who reveals Himself to every man, during every day and hour of his life. You may not get at the whole truth, eternity must unfold itself before you can know that; but you will get at that much of truth as will serve your purpose, be it great or small.

Men may tell you to believe this or that; it is nothing. You may believe as others do, or you may not; but if you believe what God shall tell you when you and He are together in the sacred ... [illegible] ... your days will be radiant and yet will be at peace.

... [illegible] heresy is the heresy of an evil life. Honest belief is never heresy, ... [illegible] ...

Be therefore, be yourself, and make ... [illegible] ... alone is orthodoxy, and high ... the result of pure feeling and ... thinking. If your conscience tells you you are right you have nothing to ... here or hereafter.

GEORGE H. HEPWORTH.

DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

The Downward Path of the Gamester Serves as a Subject.

TEXT: "Aceldama, that is to say, the field of blood."—Acts i., 19.

The money that Judas gave for surrendering Christ was used to purchase a graveyard. As the money was blood money, the ground bought by it was called in the Syriac tongue, "Aceldama," meaning "the field of blood." Well, there is one word I want to write to-day over every race course where wagers are staked, and every pool room and every gambling saloon and every table, public or private, where men and women bet for sums of money, large or small, and that is a word incarnadined with the life of innumerable victims—Aceldama.

The gambling spirit, which is at all times a stupendous evil, ever and anon sweeps over the country like an epidemic, prostrating uncounted thousands. There has never been a worse attack than that from which all the villages and towns and cities are now suffering.

Some years ago, when an association for the suppression of gambling was organized, an agent of the association came to a prominent citizen and asked him to patronize the society. He said: "No; I can have no interest in such an organization. I am in no wise affected by the evil." At that very moment his son, who was his partner in business, was one of the heaviest players in ... [illegible] ... Another ... [illegible] ... Directly or indirectly this evil strikes at the whole world.

Gambling is the risking of something more or less valuable in the hope of winning more than you hazard. The instruments of gaming may differ, but the principle is the same. The shuffling and dealing of cards, however full of temptation, is not gambling unless stakes are put up; while, on the other hand, gambling may be carried on without cards, or dice, or billiards, or a tenpin alley. The man who bets on horses, or elections, on battles, the man who deals in "fancy" stocks, or conducts a business which hazards extra capital, or goes into transactions without foundation but dependent upon what men call "luck," is a gambler.

Whatever you expect to get from your neighbor without offering an equivalent in money, time, or skill, is either the product of theft or gaming. Lottery tickets and lottery "policy" come into the same category. Bazars for the founding of hospitals, schools and churches, conducted on the raffling system, come under the same denomination. Do not, therefore, associate gambling necessarily with any instrument, or game, or time, or place, or think the principle depends upon whether you play for a glass of wine or one hundred shares of railroad stock. Whether you patronize "auction pools," "French mutuals," or "book-making," whether you employ faro or billiards, roulette and keno, cards or bagatelle, the very idea of the thing is dishonest; for it professes to bestow upon you a good for which you give no equivalent.

Men wishing to gamble will find places just suited to their capacity, not only in the underground oyster-cellar or at the table back of the curtain, covered with greasy cards, or in the steamboat smoking cabin, where the bloated wretch with rings in his ears deals out his pack, and winks in the unsuspecting traveler—providing free drinks all around—but in gilded parlors and amid gorgeous surroundings. This sin works ruin, first, by providing an unhealthy stimulant. Excitement is pleasurable. Under every sky and in every age men have sought it. We must at times have excitement. A thousand voices in our nature demand it. It is right; it is healthful; it is inspiring; it is a desire God-given.

A young man having suddenly inherited a large property, sits at the hazard tables, and takes up in a dice-box the estate won by a father's lifetime sweat, and shakes it and tosses it away. Intemperance soon stigmatizes its victim, kicking him out, a slavering fool, into the ditch, or sending him, with the drunkard's hiccough, staggering up the street, where his family lives. But gambling does not in that way expose its victims. The gambler may be eaten up by the gambler's passion, yet you only discover it by the greed in his eyes, the hardness of his features, the nervous restlessness, the threadbare coat, and his embarrassed business.

The infernal spell is on him; a giant is aroused within; and though you bind him with cables, they would part like thread; and though you fasten him seven times around with chains, they would snap like twisted wire; and though you piled up in his path heaven-high Bibles, tracts and sermons, and on the top should set the cross of the Son of God, over them all the gambler would leap like a roe over the rocks, on his way to perdition. "Aceldama, the field of blood!"

Notice, also, the effect of this crime upon domestic happiness. It has sent its ruthless ploughshares through hundreds of families, until the wife sat in rags and the daughters grew up to the same infamous practices, or took a short cut to destruction across the murderer's scaffold. Home has lost all charms for the gambler. How tame are the children's caresses and a wife's devotion to the gambler! How drearily the fire burns on the domestic hearth! There must be louder laughter, and something to win and something to lose; an excitement to drive the heart faster, fillip the blood and fire the imagination. No home, however bright, can keep back the gamester. The sweet call of love bounds back from his iron soul, and all endearments are consumed in the fire of his passion. The family Bible will go after all other treasures are lost, and if his crown in heaven were put into his hands he would cry: "Here goes; one more game, my boys. On this one throw I stake my crown of heaven."

The Church of God has not seemed willing to allow the world to have all the advantage of these games of chance. A church bazaar opens, and toward the close it is found that some of the more valuable articles are unsalable. Forthwith the conductors of the enterprise conclude that they will raffle for some of the valuable articles, and, under pretense of anxiety to make their minister a present or please some popular member of the church, fascinating persons are dispatched through the room, pencil in hand, to "solicit shares," or perhaps each draws for his own advantage, and scores of people go home with their trophies, thinking that it is all right, for Christian women did the embroidery and Christian men did the raffling, and the proceeds went toward a new communion set. But you may depend on it that as far as morality is concerned, you might as well have won by the crack of the billiard ball or the turn of the dice box. Do you wonder that churches are built, lighted, or ... [illegible] ... All this I style ecclesiastical gambling, ... [illegible] ... one man who is destroyed can say that his first step on the wrong road was when he won something at a church fair.

Shall I sketch the history of the gambler? Lured by bad company, he finds his way into a place where honest men ought never to go. He sits down to his first game, but only for pastime and the desire of being thought sociable. The players deal out the cards. They unconsciously play into Satan's hands, who takes all the tricks and both the players' souls for trumps—he being a sharper at any game. A slight stake is put up, just to add interest to the play. Game after game is played. Larger stakes and still larger. They begin to move nervously on their chairs. Their brows lower, and eyes flash, until now they who win and they who lose, fired alike with passion, sit with set jaws, and compressed lips, and clenched fists, and eyes like fireballs that seem starting from their sockets, to see the final turn before it comes—if losing, pale with envy and tremulous with unuttered oaths cast back red-hot upon the heart—or winning with hysteric laugh—"Ha! ha! I have it!"

A few years have passed, and he is only the wreck of a man. Seating himself at the table, ere he throws the first card, he stakes the last relic of his wife—the marriage ring which sealed the solemn vows between them. The game is lost, and, staggering back in exhaustion, he dreams. The bright hours of the past mock his agony, and in his dreams fiends with eyes of fire and tongues of flames circle about him with joined hands, to dance and sing their orgies with hellish chorus, chanting: "Hail, brother!" kissing his clammy forehead until their loathsome locks, flowing with serpents, crawled into his bosom, and sink their sharp fangs and suck up his life's blood, and, coiling around his head, pinch it with chills, and shudders unutterable.

Take warning! You are no stronger than tens of thousands who have by this practice been overthrown. No young man in our cities can escape being tempted. Beware of the first beginnings! This road is a down grade and every instant increases the momentum. Launch not upon this treacherous sea. Split hulks strew the beach. Everlasting storms howl up and down, tossing unwary craft into the Hell-gate. I speak of what I have seen with my own eyes. To a gambler's death-bed there comes no hope. He will probably die alone. His former associates come not nigh his dwelling. When the hour comes his miserable soul will go out of a miserable life into a miserable eternity. As his poor remains pass the house where he was ruined, old companions may look out for a moment and say: "There goes the old carcass—dead at last;" but they will not get up from the table. Let him down now into his grave. Plant no tree to cast its shade there, for the long, deep, eternal gloom that settles there is shadow enough. Plant no "forget-me-nots" or eglantines around the spot, for flowers were not made to grow on such a blasted heath. Visit it not in the sunshine, for that would be mockery, but in the dismal night, when no stars are out, and the spirit of darkness comes down, horsed on the wind, then visit the grave of the gambler.

The Boston Mechanics' Fair is announced for the month beginning on October 10. The hall will be open for the reception of exhibits four weeks prior to that date.

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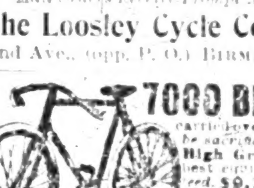

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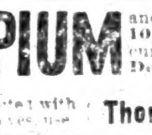

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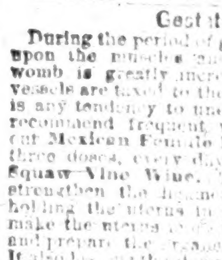

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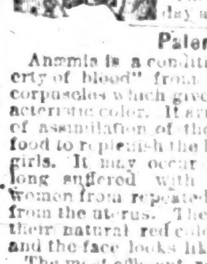

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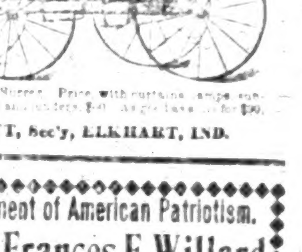

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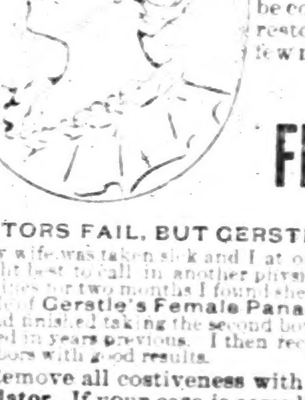

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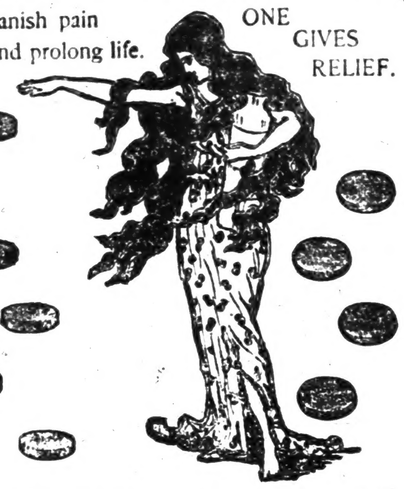

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Jan. 25, 1896.

DEAR SIRS: I am anxious for the sake of the suffering and out of gratitude to you to give my personal endorsement of your wonderful remedy. On the 9th of January, 1895, I was in Washington and was suddenly seized with an aggravated case of inflammatory rheumatism, so severe and painful was the attack that within 24 hours my left arm was paralyzed and I was only able to dress with assistance. I secured a bottle of "5 Drops" and took a dose that night, rubbing some on externally as directed. The following morning I was surprised to find myself immensely relieved, and continuing treatment woke the second morning cured. My arm was also limber. Over four weeks of intolerable pain and suffering had disappeared. The quickness and completeness of my cure was remarkable. I have known for over a year of the great curative properties of your incomparable remedy and have several friends who have been cured by it of Neuralgia, Catarrh and Asthma. Wishing you every success and trusting that those similarly afflicted will at least give this remedy a trial, sincerely yours,

J. P. VANDERVEER.

Berea, of Populist and Reform Papers, Old Stock Exchange Building, Chicago, Ill.

CURES THE INCURABLE.

DEAR SIRS:—I would like to thank you for your great remedy, "5 DROPS," and tell you what it has done for me. I had Rheumatism in every joint and in my heart, and had Catarrh of the head for 20 years. I was so lame in the legs of my feet and ankles and could not move without pain. I was so crippled that I had done but little work for seven years, and our family physician, a good doctor, told me that my Rheumatism and Catarrh were incurable, and I believed him. But after using "5 DROPS" a long two months, I can truly say I have not felt so well for so many years. This medicine does more than is claimed for it. After the first bottle my Catarrh left entirely, and I have no sign of Rheumatism at all and the heart weakness also. I am now in my 70th year, but by hearing so good and my strength is much better. I have gained over fifteen pounds in flesh and can do a full day's work. It is the best medicine I ever saw, and I recommend it to my friends. I would say for it has the same effect on the old as on the young. Let all who read this know of it and it will save the lives of the child and cause years of healthy existence to many people now old.

Yours, respectfully, W. M. KELLEMS.

Jan. 29, 1896. Iberia Parish Co., La.

We received the following letter from Mr. J. J. Walker of Omaha, Ill. Mr. Walker has been for many years an invalid, and in doing the [illegible] which was published in one of our exchanges, stating it has endorsement was genuine, and we are glad to say, which is unquestionable.

MR. J. J. WILSON.

DEAR SIR:—Your letter of recent date at hand. In answer would say that the testimonial you speak of is genuine. The company who manufactures and sells "5 Drops" has not my testimonial for use. I gave it to them and every word of it is true, and I am ready to swear to it and prove it by many witnesses. The company did not ask me for a letter. I sent it to them and Dr. Kellems for publication in order that poor sufferers, as I once was, might be induced to try, by the cured, what "5 Drops" and that I did so. Since then I have received many letters like yours, and it is a pleasure to me to answer all who write. Tell all your neighbors what I have written about "5 Drops." I know now to sympathize with those who are afflicted, for though I suffered so long it is only six months since I have felt strong.

Dr. S. W. Kellems, my brother, uses "5 Drops" in his practice, and joins me in endorsing this great remedy. He says for a case like yours it is a specific cure.

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W know that Mr. VanDerveer had charge of and looked after the interests of the People's Party in that election, and though we had to fight over every inch of the ground we know full well that he brought us through and that every man elected went into their office. None of us has forgotten the fact that they tried to get us to drop him then, making all kinds of promises, they knew that he was a leader whom they might well fear, and our wisdom in sticking to him has been fully proven. They know that with VanDerveer as our nominee there will be no more counting out and that we will march to certain victory in August.

Mr. VanDerveer is not the kind of a man to go over the county telling the people what he has done for them, and it is unnecessary, for they have not forgotten the number of times that he has come to their rescue.

We have not forgotten the time when the Legislature of Alabama was about to disfranchise the voters of our county by allowing the Governor to appoint our county commissioners, and that we sent to Montgomery a petition signed by nearly every man in our party begging that this great wrong be not imposed upon us. We well remember that they laughed at us and said that we would have to stand it. We remember how we felt, we have not forgotten it and never will. We had done all in our power and could do no more. We all remember full well how J. P. VanDerveer came to the rescue of our people and to the relief of the men who had voted for him, we remember how he devoted his time and his own money to the defeat of this law. He helped the People's Party of our county when they could not help themselves, he caused the bill to be defeated and the people to be protected in their rights. He did so without pay or hope of reward. He was put in office by our party to protect the people's rights and interests and he did so without fear.

Mr. VanDerveer has grown up among us and his interests and his property are and has always been with us and we have nothing to fear from this score. He is the best qualified man in our party to fill the office and when elected in August can and will take charge without help from any man. I could go on and write pages of what this man has done for our party, but cannot take up too much of your valuable space. As to the manner in which he has conducted his office, ask Judge Denson, Solicitor Brewer, or any of the many citizens who have served upon our grand juries since 1892 and they will say at once that he is the best qualified man in our party and even in the whole county for Probate Judge. Again ask any man in our county who goes to the court house and he will tell you that he has always found Mr. VanDerveer ever ready to give free of charge advice to our people, that they have found him always kind, polite, pleasant and respectful to our most humble citizen.

In conclusion I want to assure the voters of our party that if they nominate J. P. VanDerveer Probate Judge of our county on the 29th that he will fill the office and that he will do it in such a way that none of us will ever have cause to regret having voted for him. BEAT 4

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My wife has used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism with great relief, and I can recommend it as splendid liniment for rheumatism and other household use for which we have found it valuable. W. J. CUYLER, Red Creek, N. Y.

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FOR JUDGE OF PROBATE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Judge of Probate of Chilton county subject to the action of the People's Party primary election April 29, 1898.

J. P. VANDERVEER.

To the voters of Chilton county:

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Judge of Probate of Chilton county subject to the action of the People's Party primary election to be held April 29, 1898. I am a Populist and indorse the principles of the People's Party.

J. W. MOORE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county subject to the action of the People's Party primary election, April 29, 1898. If my past record is not sufficient to prove me a Populist I take great pleasure in stating once again that I am, and endorse the principles and platform of the Populist Party from A to Z.

S. M. ADAMS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton county, subject to the votes of the people of the county at the general election in August, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the important office of Judge of Probate, as a free silver and reform Republican opposing ... tions, and soliciting the ... of the people at the general ... in August.

I. G. BARBOUR.

FOR CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county subject to the action of the People's Party primary election April ... 1898.

E. B. DEASON.

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J. MONROE BURNETT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the position of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary election April ... 1898.

F. L. MANNING.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

Being solicited by my friends, and wishing to subserve their interests, I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Superintendent of Education, subject to the action of the People's Party primary election April 29, 1898.

ROBERT L. EVANS.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly, subject to the action of the People's Party primary election, April 29, 1898.

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[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

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Coopers, April 18, '98
Ed. BANNER. It has been rumored over the county for political gain that I would not support J. W. Moore for Probate Judge in the primary election. I positively say I never told anyone that I would not support him in the primary.

L. MOORE.

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Jemison, April 18, 1898.
Editor BANNER. The contest in our primary election will very soon close. With good will to all the candidates we must give S. M. Adams our preference. He is a man of convictions and we know him to be true to his convictions. In all the questions connected with the great reform movement that is stirring the people from ocean to ocean Adams stands as firm as the solid rocks of the hills. He is the people's man in every sense of the word. He espoused the cause of the people some years ago and has fought his way through thick and thin in defense of the principles we all love so dearly. Let me say to the people of Chilton let us stand by him. He will stand by us to the end. Come to the polls all who love the people come and vote for S. M. Adams. You all know him. He is known all over the state. Come out on the 29th inst. and do your duty. Don't say I am too busy—he will be elected any way. This idea has been the defeat of many a good man. Wake up, fellow-citizens and be at your post Friday the 29th.

C. L. LANGSTON.

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I was reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy in the Worcester Enterprise recently, which leads me to write this. I can truthfully say I never used any remedy equal to it for colic and diarrhœa. I have never had to use more than one or two doses to cure the worst case with myself or children.—W. A. STROUD, Popomoke City, Md. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Mountain Creek, April 19, 1898
Editor BANNER. I would be glad to be granted a little space in the BANNER this week to speak to the voters of the People's Party through its columns, and will say in the first place my work at home has occupied all of my time, and would have prevented me from canvassing much if I had been so inclined, but as I always have and do yet heartily indorse the principles of the People's Party I understand it to be one of their distinct principles for the party to seek and select their own representatives, and as I consider a rambling canvass a straightout office-seeking policy I shall simply commit my name and leave the voters free to say who or which of the candidates they think most suited for the places, and shall gracefully submit to their choice and heartily support the ticket nominated. I will say here that I wish to emphasize the fact that if the people confer the honor upon me of nominating me for Circuit Clerk I will then feel it my bounden duty to take the stump in defence of the Party and its principles against all outside attacks and opposition.

Now I understand that both of the young men that are out for the same office with me are young men of good morals and good education; young men that the whole party should feel proud of, and not only the People's Party but the entire citizenship of the county should feel proud of its young men of good morals and culture. As I realized the fact that if I get the nomination I will have two good men to beat which if I do will place me under lasting obligations to the voters of the People's Party of Chilton.

In conclusion I wish to congratulate brother L. H. Reynolds for again consenting to represent the people in the legislature. I think you have done the right thing at the right time, brother Reynolds.

E. L. MANNING.

Clear Creek, April 18, 1898
Editor BANNER. I read with pleasure the letter in last issue signed by "Beat 4" in the interest of J. P. VanDerveer for Probate Judge. I will not consume as much space as he did but I want to say I endorse every word of it. I have known J. P. VanDerveer since 1883, have lived on the same farm with him as a neighbor to him up to the time that he moved to Clanton and know every word Beat 4 said to be true. If any man doubts his ability to fill the office of Probate Judge or his fidelity to our principles let that man come to beat two and enquire about him, this beat in which he lived for seventeen years will vouch for him. If it had not been for J. P. VanDerveer in 1892 our party would have been defeated not only in the 1892 primary but in the August election as well. Has our party forgotten how he held us solid in the primary with the famous red tickets and the work that was done in the August election? I do not speak from hearsay but from personal knowledge. I was secretary of the court house meeting and an officer of our County Alliance and am in a position to know whereof I speak. I say to our party let us elect this man who is able and has nerve to pull us through in August. If VanDerveer heads our ticket we can rely on it being elected.

W. H. SHAW.

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"A word to the wise is sufficient" and a word from the wise should be sufficient, but you ask, who are the wise? Those who know. The oft repeated experience of trustworthy persons may be taken for knowledge. Mr. W. M. Terly says Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other in the market. He has been in the drug business at Elkton, Ky., for twelve years; has sold hundreds of bottles of this remedy and nearly all other cough medicines manufactured, which shows conclusively that Chamberlain's is the most satisfactory to the people, and is the best. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Birmingham, Ala., April 15, 1898
Editor BANNER. Having attended the Massey Business College at this place for the last three weeks will say for the benefit of those who contemplate attending a business college that at this will not find a more up-to-date business college anywhere, one that offers more advantages to its pupils.

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Yours truly,

J. L. WILSON.

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To cure catarrh is in the spring. During the winter the patient is likely to take fresh cold and have a set-back. But if treatment is begun in the spring and continue into the summer, nothing need be feared for the succeeding winter. Of course, it all depends on the medicine. There are a great many catarrh medicines which relieve the most disagreeable symptoms temporarily. Pe-ru-na cures more slowly but also more permanently than this class of medicines. A course of Pe-ru-na during the spring will cure catarrh more quickly than at any other season. Mr Walter H. Tucker, Concord, N. H., writes Dr. Hartman as follows: "When I began taking your medicines four years ago I was suffering with chronic catarrh. I had taken nearly two dozen bottles of a so called catarrh cure without much relief. Pe-ru-na cured the night sweats and dizziness; it cured the cough I have had from my cradle; I can say it saved my life."

Dr. Hartman has published in book form a series of lectures on various phases of chronic catarrh, which he calls "Winter Catarrh." This book will be sent free to any address by The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus Ohio.

Thorsby, April 16th, 1898
Editor BANNER. I wish to say through your columns that a report has reached my ears that I have come out of the race for Judge of Probate of Chilton county. This report is false and untrue. I am in the race for Judge of Probate until the 29th day of April, 1898, and on that day the voters of Chilton can say by their votes whether or not I shall come down or continue.

Very truly yours,

J. W. MOORE.

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Editor BANNER. Please allow me through your paper to express myself in regard to the People's Party. Believing as I do that the principles advocated by the party are such as tend to promote the interest and well being of our people at large, I would urge upon all that there be no strife among us. Let the canvass be such that the best of feelings may prevail. Whether successful or defeated may we all be found working together in the party.

JUDSON STROCK

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Thirty five years make a generation. Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Jemison, Ala. April 18, 1898
To the People of Chilton county.

As you see I have announced again for Representative. My business is such I cannot go over the county which I would like to do to try to show the people the necessity of standing together for there is the same cause now for the existence of the People's Party there was a few years ago to organize it. Let us stand together, nominate the best ticket we can, and then rally to its support in August. I assure you that the People's Party is bigger than any man and the patriotic men who organized it never expected it to be used to put a few men in office. No! It was organized for a more glorious and noble purpose—that of serving the whole people. Again I say to the people of Chilton if they want me to represent them in the next legislature, and so decide by their votes, I will do as I did in the last session look after their interests. I fully endorse the party platform and believe as I have in the past that if the principles of the party were put in force times would be a great deal better than they are now.

Respectfully,

L. H. REYNOLDS.

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The Surprise of All

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones and Son, Cawden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottle at J. S. Johnsons Drug Store.

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Burwell.

Whereas it hath pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst our dearly beloved brother H. Kendrick, April 14, who was a man beloved by all, and especially and tenderly by us who possesed a good degree of influence, who was a loyal husband and father; and whereas we sadly feel the loss to us, we pray to God to raise up another to fill his place; and we tender our sincere sympathies to his bereaved wife and family and pray tha we and they may meet him in the glory land.

A FRIEND.

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NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

I call the attention of the candidates to meet me in Clanton on April 22 for the purpose of arranging the ticket. Each candidate will pay his pro rata share of the expences. I also call attention of the candidates to the ruling of the Executive Commitee on their adherence to the People's Party and its platform.

W. H. CONWAY,
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Jumbo, April 16, 1898
Editor BANNER. Up here in beat one we have talked a good deal about our candidates for Probate Judge and I believe that I speak the sentiments almost solid of this beat when I say that we expect to vote for J. P. VanDerveer for Probate Judge. We know he is competent to fill the office and we are satisfied that he will hold up our principles, and we do not propose to be led or influenced by men outside of our party telling falsehoods on him.

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To the Voters of Chilton County:

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the important office of Judge of Probate as a free silver and reform Republican opposing conventions. Through a convention of a few politicians, Alabama and every other Southern State was voted out of the union, which was our blood-bought right.

It would only be reasonable, first, for the voters of this county to want to know where I am at. I think, myself, the time is ripe for each and every aspirant for office, in Beat, County, State, and Nation, to explain fully the principles that he, or they, endorse free from partisan policy. These are the things that the voting constituency of every county and State of the Nation ought to, and should know before choosing their representitives to fill the offices through America. Had this course been pursued, even for the last twenty-five years, our government would have been in fact a government of, for, and by the people, and not for the plutocrats to aggregate their stolen millions of dollars to euslave the rest of humanity.

It is said by a great many people that State and National politics should not be coupled together. That is erroneous. It shows conclusively that man is a trickster, or else is ignorant of the situation. Our United States senators are elected by our legislatures and, in case of the death of a senator, the Governor appoints one; and the Governor might be a free silver man to catch votes and a gold bug to catch money.

Have the voters of Chilton county followed the rule to exact of each and every aspirant for office to know just how they stand upon all important questions both State and National and especially upon the monetary question? If you have

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, ALABAMA.

One hundred and sixteen thousand, four hundred and ninety hummingbirds were sold at a recent sale in England, and a corresponding number of other birds. With regard to the lyre-bird an eminent ornithologist says, "This wonderful bird will soon become a thing of the past, and with it will disappear the sole survivor of a very ancient race before even its habits and structure are wholly known."

The twenty-second annual report of President Arthur Von Briesen, of the Legal Aid society of New York city, tells of legal assistance given during 1897 to 5350 persons, of $35,979 actually collected in the office of the society, and $36,839 recovered by settlement outside the office. At least 3000 other applications received attention, but did not require actual legal service, and were not recorded. The society's business is to give legal assistance to persons too poor to engage counsel. It undertakes many cases where the claims would cost private counsel more to collect than they are worth. The recovery of a sewing-girl's four dollars, or an artisan's five or six dollars, honestly earned but withheld, comes within the scope of society's good offices.

It has come to be the habit to give the whole name of a benefactor to a university. We have Johns Hopkins, Leland Stanford, Jr., and now the John B. Stetson university of De Land, Florida. On February 10th, which was presentation day, President Harper of Chicago university, and the Hon. J. L. M. Carey of the Peabody and Slater funds, were present, and gifts were announced for a new chapel and library, erected by Mr. Stetson at an expense of $50,000, provided with valuable organ and a collection for a museum of natural history by Mrs. Monroe Heath. The announcement was made of $100,000 additional endowment, half of it having been conditional, given by Mr. Stetson, who also transferred real estate to the value of $15,000 to the trustees. The day that added something like $180,000 to the property of the college.

Nature seems to be able to regulate the births of males and females without the help of German savants, asserts the New York Times. It may be remembered that Buckle found that the average birth rate the world over was twenty-one boys to twenty girls, thus giving every girl a chance for a Jack Potter allowing for the greater death rate among males. The Springfield Republican is authority for the assertion that in Massachusetts for forty years the male birth rate relative to the female has not noticeably changed, the number of male births to each 1000 female births in the last twenty years being 1053 as compared with 1059 for the preceding twenty years. In Europe, observations covering ten years indicate an average of 1060 males born to every 1000 females, England being at one extreme, with 1038, and Italy at the other, with 1071.

A corn convention held in Chicago recently developed several schemes for extending the use of the great American grain. It was resolved reports the Atlanta Journal, to make elaborate exhibits of corn and the many forms in which it is prepared for food uses at the Omaha exposition, the Buffalo exposition and the Paris exposition of 1900. The present high price of wheat has done much to improve the prospects of corn as a food product. Already a large proportion of the flour used in this country is made largely of corn. This flour is cheaper than pure wheat flour and quite as nutritious. More corn is being consumed as food in this country than ever before and the quantity will increase. Our corn is also becoming more popular in Europe. The prejudice against it among the masses of Europe is being destroyed. They are learning by actual experience that corn is good as well as cheap; that it may be prepared in many palatable forms, and that it has excellent qualities as a food substance. This is the main reason why our exports of corn have increased so rapidly. Corn is already our greatest crop both in size and value, and will continue to hold the supremacy. The movement to extend its use in foreign countries is timely, and will conduce to the interest of nearly every section of the country.

An improved monkey-wrench just placed on the market has the adjusting screw mounted on ball bearings to make it turn easily.

RESOLUTION PASSED FOR CUBAN INTERVENTION.

Severed Are the Tender Threads of Peace Between Spain and the United States.

TOCSIN OF WAR HAS BEEN SOUNDED BY CONGRESS.

The President Directed to Use Arms to Force Spain to Evacuate. Nations Are Notified That This Country Doesn't Want Cuba---The Joint Resolution Goes to the President.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special.) — Congress has declared for war with Spain. It was fifteen minutes to 2 o'clock Tuesday morning when both houses reached an agreement. The night sessions began at 8 o'clock. The time was spent mostly in recess. This offered opportunity for those in the house who were willing for fun to participate in it, and the result was it was a season more of mirth than business, except the frequent disagreements of the committee and reports. The house had at last became a deliberate body. Congress waited with patience and was willing to sit the night out in order to show the country that it was ready to act, and acted. The direct recognition of Cuba was eliminated—for which the democrats of the house had fought in the house, together with Senator Foraker and his republican followers in the senate.

The president will send his ultimatum to Spain Tuesday night. There was great cheering on both sides when the resolution was read as amended. Partisanship was subjugated and patriotism brooke loose.

The Fight a Memorable One.

The fight in both houses has been a memorable one. It was a kind of shuttle-cock affair, or checker-board play. It was the house's first move, and from 10 in the morning until after midnight each body took a hand at moving toward the king row. It was a struggle from the outset, and each side stood much firmer than was expected.

In the House.

The house, after one of the hardest and most desperate fights in its history, succeeded in forcing the senate to yield the main contention in the war resolutions—the independence of the existing government in Cuba. With that exception the house accepted the senate resolutions. The republicans who joined with the democrats in an attempt to concur in the senate amendments entire, rallied fourteen votes at one time, and on every vote thereafter they dwindled. When the final vote was taken, shortly before 3 o'clock Tuesday morning, 310 votes were cast for the declaration upon which we are to have war, if war it is to be. Six votes only were cast against it. They included five republicans and one democrat.

Conference Report in the Senate.

At 1:15 a. m. Mr. Davis presented a conference report, which embodied the resolutions passed by the senate Saturday night, with the one exception that it does not recognize the independence of Cuba. The report was adopted by a vote of 42 to 35 as follows:

Yeas—Aldrich, Allison, Baker, Burrows, Carter, Chandler, Clark, Cullom, Davis, Debse, Elkins, Fairbanks, Faulkner, Foraker, Frye, Gallinger, Gear, Gray, Hale, Hanna, Hansbrough, Hawley, Kyle, Lodge, McBride, McMillan, Mason, Morgan, Morrill, Nelson, Penrose, Perkins, Platt (Conn.), Pritchard, Proctor, Quay, Sewell, Shoup, Spooner, Warren, Wilson, Wolcott—42.

Nays—Allen, Bacon, Bate, Berry, Butler, Caffery, Cannon, Chilton, Clay, Cockrell, Daniel, Harris, Heitfeld, Jones (Ark.), Jones (Nev.), Kenney, Lindsay, McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Mantle, Martin, Mitchell, Money, Pasco, Pettigrew, Pettus, Rawlins, Roach, Stewart, Teller, Turley, Turner, Turpie, White—35.

The Resolution as Passed.

The resolution as agreed to by both houses is as follows:

"Joint resolution for the recognition of the independence of Cuba, demanding that the government of Spain relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba, and to withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters and directing the president of the United States to use the land and naval forces of the United States to carry these resolutions into effect:

"Whereas, The abhorrent conditions, which have existed for more than three years in the island of Cuba, so near our own borders, have shocked the moral sense of the people of the United States, have been a disgrace to Christian civilization, culminating, as they have, in the destruction of a United States battleship, with 266 of its officers and crew, while on a friendly visit in the harbor of Havana, and cannot longer be endured, as has been set forth by the president of the United States in his message to congress of April 11, 1898, upon which the action of congress was invited; therefore,

"Resolved, First—That the people of the Island of Cuba are and of right ought to be free and independent.

"Second—That it is the duty of the United States to demand, and the government of the United States does hereby demand, that the government of Spain at once relinquish its authority and government in the Island of Cuba, and withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters.

"Third—That the president of the United States be, and he hereby is, directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the actual service of the United States any militia of the several states, to such extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.

"Fourth—That the United States hereby disclaim any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, government or control over said island, except for the pacification thereof, and assert their determination, when that is accomplished, to leave the government and control of the island to its people."

TO CONCENTRATE TROOPS.

Twenty-two Regiments to Move Toward Chickamauga is the Plan.

WASHINGTON (Special.) — In the event that the war policy contemplates the invasion of Cuba, the army may be increased to 109,000 men. Of this, the regular troops and the national guard will aggregate about 55,000 men, and the remainder will be made up of volunteers. In the event of a call upon the national guard, attention will be directed first to the organizations in the states of New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio and the District of Columbia.

General Miles's plan is to mobilize seventeen of the twenty-five regiments of infantry and five of the ten regiments of cavalry at the Chickamauga park as speedily as possible.

"Infamous Calumny," Says Sagasta.

Senor Sagasta, the Spanish premier, is quoted in a special dispatch from Madrid as saying, with reference to the destruction of the Maine having having been caused through Spanish agency: "This infamous calumny merits the reprobation of the whole world. All the nations know the true cause of the disaster and many officials know it, too. For the American government to base a plea of intervention upon heartless calumny of this character is to rebel against reason and justice. For this reason it is impossible for us to refrain from protesting formally against the imputation."

Munitions of War.

The Wilson line steamer Marengo, which arrived Friday from New Castle, England, brought 250 tons of war material recently purchased from the well known firm of Sir William Armstrong, Mitchell & Co. The munitions of war consist of guns, gun cartridges and unloaded cartridges.

Death Under the Wheels.

While inspecting cars at Stonega, Va., John Stewart, of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, was run over by an engine and killed outright.

NO "TIPS" TO SPAIN.

Movements of Warships Will Not Be Made Public.

Gradually the lines are tightening around the news centers of the navy department. The officials of the bureau have given notice that hereafter no more information would be given to the public respecting the arrival and departure of vessels from any of the United States or foreign ports. This is done under explicit orders from Secretary Long, who believes that in times of great public crisis like the present, when the navy is likely to be called into active requisition, the best interests of the government require that no publicity shall be given to the movements of the ships composing it.

Queen Regent Threatens to Abdicate.

The Queen Regent of Spain has informed the members of her court that it is her intention to abdicate immediately if the cabinet takes any steps derogatory to Spain's honor and dignity. The last dispatches from Washington have created profound excitement throughout Spain. The Spaniards protest against the "odious imputation" setting forth that Spanish officers were responsible for the loss of the Maine. It is asserted in Madrid that proof can be furnished to show that no torpedoes have ever been laid in Havana harbor.

A Thirty-Million-Dollar Combination.

Representatives of about fifty knitting mills met in New York the past week and formed a knit goods manufacturers' association. The combination, which is to include only the underwear branches of the knit goods manufacturers, will be incorporated and capitalized at $30,000,000.

Another Spaniard Packs His Grip.

Senor Poling, Spanish vice-consul at Jacksonville, Fla., has packed his personal effects, and is waiting for further orders.

MORE WAR PREPARATIONS.

Naval Reserve Will Demand Patrol Boats. After the O'Higgins Again.

Several important and decisive steps in the work of war preparations were taken by the navy department Friday. It was decided that when hostilities appear certain to assign the naval reserves of New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Maryland and Michigan to the five auxiliary cruisers hereafter to be known as patrol boats. It was decided to charter the American liners St. Louis, St. Paul, Paris and the New York.

But of greater moment than any of these developments was the re-opening of negotiations for the purchase of two warships and several torpedo boats from Chili and Argentine. One of the cruisers is the O'Higgins, just completed in England.

The proposition has taken definite shape in the suggestion that Chili shall sell the O'Higgins and one torpedo boat, while Argentine shall dispose of their Garibaldi or the San Martini, both fine cruisers, and two torpedo boats.

This would leave the two navies in about the same respective condition.

Gladstone's Condition.

HAWARDEN, ENGLAND.—Mr. Gladstone's doctors say there has been little change in his condition during the past week. The family attended service in the Hawarden church Sunday morning, Rev. Stephen Gladstone officiating. As indicating the gravity of Mr. Gladstone's condition, it is noted that the clergyman requested the prayers of the church for his father. He also requested the prayers of his congregation that "peace might be maintained between the two great Christian countries the United States and Spain."

Carlists Ready to Seize Spanish Throne.

The supporters in Spain of Don Carlos, the Spanish pretender, headed by the Earl of Ashburnham, are actively preparing for an emergency. Every detail has been arranged to seize the propitious moment for action. The Carlists are convinced that the present Spanish dynasty is doomed, and that Sagasta will be forced to choose between republicanism and Don Carlos. They hold that the only chance for the present dynasty is a successful war against the United States, the possibility of which is scouted.

Want Lee to Lead Them.

It is known that a high position in the army has been offered General Lee. There is a clamor from the south to have him put in command of the southern soldiers who are sent to the front. General Lee said while in Washington that there will be no great danger from disease if the troops are properly handled. "If the troops are kept out of the sun and dew as much as possible, they will be all right," he said.

The Dauntless a Dispatch Boat.

The world-famous filibusterer, the swift and rakish sea-tug, Dauntless, is now the dispatch boat of the Associated Press. The United States court released her Monday upon a bond of $25,000. She is being provisioned and coaled for her mission in southern seas. When the necessity arises, she will go the front of the fray and bear news to the world of the battles.

Roosevelt Will Go to the Front.

Hon. Theodore Roosevelt probably will resign his office as assistant secretary of the navy in case of hostilities with Spain, to accept a commission for active service in the army. Nothing definite has yet been decided upon as to what assignment he will accept, but it is believed that he would prefer to serve with the New York state troops.

Final Effort for Peace.

ST. PETERSBURG, (Special.) — The diplomatic body, discussing together with Russian statesmen the desirability of a second friendly peace representation to the United States, have agreed strongly desiring that a last effort be made to avert war. It is believed such a step is about to be taken.

Spain Trying to Raise a Loan.

It is reported in London that the government of Spain has been in communication with leading financial houses, including the Rothschilds, in an effort to raise a loan of £4,000,000 ($20,000,000) on the security of the Almaden mines. The Rothschilds decline to confirm or deny the rumor.

Crespo Killed.

A special cablegram from Caracas, Venezuela, to the New York World, says that Ex-President Joaquin Crespo, of Venezuela, was killed in battle with Hernandez, the leader of the rebel forces, last Friday.

Panic at Manilla.

A special from Singapore says the steamship Leo XII, from Manilla, has arrived there, crowded with Spanish officials and well-to-do Spanish families, who are escaping from the rebellion, which is spreading rapidly in the Philippines. The report is that Manilla is panic stricken.

Germany is Not Hostile.

The semi-official North German Gazette at Berlin, published a note to the effect that the reports that the ambassadors of the powers at Washington have assumed a hostile attitude toward the United States are incorrect so far as Germany is concerned.

The Nue Freie Presse, like all other Vienna papers, has lost all sympathy for the United States. It says: "War is inevitable and America will triumph, but it will not become a page of fame in her history."

CURRENT NEWS IN ALABAMA

Topics of Interest to Our Own People Briefly Noted.

PROHIBITIONISTS NOMINATE STATE TICKET

Volunteers to be Enlisted Town Sold Under a Mortgage Judge Brewer Renominated—A Fatal Accident. Other Interesting Items.

Will Enlist Volunteers.

Gen. John H. Forney, of Jacksonville, who has been appointed with Gen. Jos. Wheeler to represent Alabama on the committee of one hundred to enlist volunteers for the National Volunteer Reserves, has received his commission and will go to work at once enlisting volunteers in this state. General Forney was a Confederate general who gained distinction on many fields of battle during the late war, and he is now eager to serve a reunited country.

Prohibitionists Nominate a Ticket.

The prohibition party of Alabama held a state convention in Montgomery the past week and nominated the following state ticket: For governor, W. B. Witherspoon, of Anniston; secretary of state, G. W. Townsend, of Montgomery; attorney general, H. H. Blackman, of Ozark; auditor, P. J. Lowman, of Sheffield; treasurer, D. C. Bachelor, of Montgomery; superintendent of education, N. J. Forney, of Calhoun; commissioner of agriculture, C. E. Crenshaw, of Elmore.

Town Under the Hammer.

The town of Fruithurst, including all of the real estate belonging to the Alabama Fruit Growing and Winery Association, was sold at execution sale in Edwardsville the past week to the C. S. Curtiss Company, of New York, for the sum of $15,455. Included in the sale was the very handsome hotel, which has made Fruithurst famous. The sale was subject to a mortgage. It is not thought that the town will suffer at all on account of the change in ownership of the property.

May Become a Military Center.

Brigadier-General Louis V. Clark has telegraphed to Congressman O. W. Underwood and through him has laid before the war department the advantages Birmingham offers for the mobilization of troops, both state and national, and he believes that the city stands a good show of becoming a military center.

Judge Brewer Renominated.

The judicial convention of the democratic party for the Seventh judicial circuit of Alabama met at Jacksonville and renominated by acclamation Judge Geo. E. Brewer. The Seventh circuit is composed of the counties of Calhoun, Clay, Cleburne, Shelby, St. Clair and Talladega.

Peculiar Fatal Accident.

The fourteen-year-old son of William Isley, at Waterloo, while playing with a shingle, accidentally struck his little eight-year-old brother with one of the stones. The lad was struck in the temple and died instantly.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Hon. H. D. Lane is very ill at Huntsville.

Fourteen car loads of cattle were shipped from Selma the past week to points in Texas.

At Montgomery a small child of Edward Reaves fell into a tub of water and was drowned.

Leroy Bowie, colored, charged with killing a negro named Evans, was allowed bail of $3,000 at Talladega.

Geneva county has let a contract to J. J. Johnson to erect a handsome brick court house at a cost of $13,500.

A. W. McCullough, special master of the Memphis division of the Southern Railway, died at Huntsville the past week.

Robert A. Moseley, Jr., has announced that he is in the race for the gubernatorial nomination of Alabama republicans.

J. C. Rea has commenced the erection of a flouring mill at Florence which will have a capacity of 100 barrels per day.

The medical association of Alabama convenened in Birmingham Tuesday with an attendance of between 300 and 400 physicians.

Hugh Fraser, charged with complicity in the murder of J. L. Howell in the Bessemer jail on December 27, has been acquitted in the circuit court.

Edmund H. Rakestraw, a progressive farmer living near Ashville, aged 75 years, dropped dead in the road near his house. Heart disease was the cause.

Capt. W. T. Boyd, ex-county treasurer of Perry, and a brother of Mr. George R. Boyd, cashier of the state treasurer's office, died at his home in Marion.

The senatorial convention in session at Centerville, nominated J. G. Moore, of Blocton, senator from the eighteenth district, composed of Bibb and Perry counties.

Mr. John A. Thompson, of Pine Level, has received the appointment of superintendent of education of Montgomery county to succeed Dr. J. J. Hunter, resigned.

Late returns from the democratic county convention show that McClellan will have 524 votes in the state convention for supreme judge, Coleman following with 114.

LAUNCHING OF THE ALABAMA

Senator Morgan's Daughter Will Christen the Battleship.

It was learned at Philadelphia today that May 18 has been fixed as the date for the launching of the United States battleship Alabama. The christening ceremonies will be performed by Miss Morgan, daughter of United States Senator Morgan, of Alabama, the state's representative on the battleship committee.

The Alabama will be the largest battleship ever built in the United States for the navy. She will be 368 feet long between perpendiculars and 72 feet beam. Her displacement will be 11,565 tons. Her guns will be of the following caliber: Four 13-inch guns, eight 8-inch guns, fourteen 6-inch rapid fire guns, twenty 6-pounder rapid fire guns, four 1-pounder rapid fire guns, four machine guns and four 18-inch torpedo tubes. The armor belt will be 17 inches thick at the water line, 12 inches thick at the protective deck, 17 inches thick on the turrets, 12 inches thick on the conning tower, and 2 inches thick on the deck. The engines will be of 10,000 horsepower, and will be capable of driving the ship 16 knots an hour.

The armament will be supplemented by a secondary battery of rapid fire guns, consisting of fourteen 6-inch guns and four 8-inch guns, together with a number of machine guns. She will have a complement of 500 officers and men. The Alabama will be 16 inches deeper and 4 feet broader in the beam than the Kearsarge, the largest battleship now in the United States navy. She will be 17 inches longer than the Kearsarge, and will have a displacement of 1,565 tons more than the Kearsarge. She will be the largest battleship ever built in the United States navy, and will be the most powerful vessel of her class in the world, and 2 of the best.

NEW ENTERPRISES IN SO

Several Important Works Under Construction.

A great variety of new enterprises in the south is reported in Tradesman for the past week, the most important of which are works, two cotton factories, a large cotton factory, a large cotton mill in Texas, a 1,000 spindle cotton mill in Georgia, an electric light and electric power plant, a cotton oil mill, to make ice and furnish electric power, one factory to build an ice and cold storage plant, and three companies, a bond issuing company, a land company, and a sugar refinery.

The timber industry includes a more saw mills, a lumber company, a planing mill, a factory for making parquet steps, a factory for making veneer nail.

Two mattress factories, one mine in Alabama, a manufactory in Virginia, two oil mills, a cotton seed oil mill, a cotton compress, the rebuilding of a cotton mill in Tennessee and a stove factory in Kentucky, recently burned, and a tobacco factory, a company of unusual diversity and importance.

Fighting in Cuba.

News of further fighting between the insurgents and the Spaniards in the province of Pinar del Rio reached Havana Monday. It is said that a force of insurgents, under Aguilar Rios, made an attack upon the Spanish garrison at Punta del Rio, just west of the fishing village of Mariel, to the Spanish capital. The official report says the fort was attacked and besieged by volunteers who made a brave defence, lasting two days. "In the meantime, however, officially admitted, "the insurgents entered the town and partially destroyed a tobacco warehouse." Spanish report adds that the garrison of the fort lost four men killed and nine men wounded.

Indians Threaten to Make Trouble.

Nearly a thousand Cheyenne Indians are gathered on the banks of the Canadian river, in Oklahoma, 30 miles from the agency, holding a war dance. It is feared by many that the Indians, incited by their medicine men, will take advantage of the war with Spain and start an uprising to secure their lands, and in revenge of the encroachments of the anti-territorial policy which has caused great discontent among the Indians.

No More Ships Can Be Sold.

It was stated at the state department Monday that the offer of the Chilian battleship O'Higgins has been practically withdrawn, that there is no longer any prospect that the United States desires or intends to secure any more warships, and that those longing to foreign nations are being built in foreign ship yards.

Batteries for Southern Ports.

General Wilson, chief of artillery, has been given an allotment from the emergency fund for erecting temporary batteries for the protection of Georgia, Florida and Louisiana ports.

Polo's Instructions.

According to a special dispatch from Madrid, the supreme council of war has authorized Senor Gullon, foreign minister at Washington to inform Spain directly President McKinley accepts "any resolution of congress which attacks Spain's sovereignty in Cuba."

Bound West.

A special from London says the Spanish warship Barcelona passed Dover Sunday morning, bound west.

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LAUNCHING OF THE ALABAMA.

Senator Morgan's Daughter Will Christen the Battleship.

It was learned at Philadelphia Sunday that May 18 has been fixed as the date for the launching of the United States battleship Alabama, in course of construction at Cramp's shipyard. Miss Morgan, daughter of United States Senator Morgan, will, it is said, christen the ship named in honor of her native state.

The Alabama will be the first in water of the big battleships contracted for in October, 1896. The other two, the Wisconsin and Illinois, are being built respectfully at San Francisco and Newport News. All three are [illegible]

The Alabama's keel was laid in November, 1896, and work on her has been considerably delayed because of [illegible] that arose over the [illegible] of the price the government [illegible] plate.

[illegible] the Alabama can be [illegible] from the fact that she [illegible] larger than the large battleships [illegible] by the Cramps [illegible] the navy [illegible] first class [illegible] Her length [illegible] extreme [illegible] 72 feet 5 inches; mean [illegible] 23 feet 6 inches, and displacement at that draught, 11,225 tons. Her guaranteed speed is to be 16 knots an hour.

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Indians Threaten to Make Trouble.

Nearly a thousand Cheyenne Indians are gathered on the banks of the [illegible] Canadian river, in Oklahoma, [illegible] miles from the agency, holding a [illegible] dance. It is feared by many that [illegible] Indians, incited by their medicine [illegible] will take advantage of the absence of the troops from neighboring forts to start an uprising to secure more [illegible] and in revenge of the enforcement of the anti-territorial polygamy law, which has caused great discontent in the [illegible]

No More Ships Can Be Secured.

It was stated at the navy department Monday that the efforts to [illegible] the Chilian battleship O'Higgins [illegible] practically abandoned, and [illegible] longer any prospects that [illegible] States desires or will be [illegible] secure any more warships either [illegible] foreign nations or [illegible] in foreign ship yards.

Batteries for Southern Points.

General Wilson, chief of engineers, has been given an allotment of $[illegible] from the emergency fund for [illegible] batteries on the [illegible] Florida and Texas.

Polo's Instructions.

According to a special dispatch [illegible] Madrid, the supreme council [illegible] has authorized Senor Gullon, [illegible] minister, to order the [illegible] minister at Washington to [illegible] Spain [illegible] President McKinley [illegible] attacks Spain's sovereignty [illegible] Cuba.

Bound West.

A special from London says [illegible] Spanish warship Barcelona [illegible] Dover Sunday morning, bound [illegible]

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ORDERS FOR MOBILIZING

Troops on the Coast for Quick Transportation to Cuba.

[illegible] STEPS TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT

Concentrating Troops at Four Points in the South—Commanding Officers Instructed to Put Orders Into Effect as Soon as Possible.

WASHINGTON, (Special.)—Decidedly [illegible] taken by the war [illegible] for the possi[illegible] with Spain was in[illegible] Friday, when orders were is[illegible] for the concentration at four points [illegible] regiments of infantry [illegible] five regiments [illegible] At Chickamauga there [illegible] regiments of cavalry and [illegible] five regiments of [illegible] At New Orleans, eight regi[illegible] infantry, at Tampa, seven [illegible] infantry, and at Mobile, [illegible] infantry. Since [illegible] proportion of the [illegible] mobilized, and the [illegible] the best evidence of [illegible] the situation as looked [illegible] president and his advisers.

[illegible] Alger at once called into [illegible] General Miles and Adjutant General [illegible] and acquainted them [illegible] results of the cabinet's de[illegible] There were hurried con[illegible] in which the quartermaster-general, who has charge of the transportation of the troops, the commissary [illegible] who looks after their sub[illegible] representatives in Wash[illegible] railroads running to the south, participated.

The department has so distributed the twenty-two regiments of infantry [illegible] places on the gulf [illegible] will be accessible for quick transportation to Cuba. Proposals have been [illegible] from steamship companies for [illegible] to the government [illegible]

[illegible] to the commanding offi[illegible] the regiments ordered to move [illegible] sent out, with directions to [illegible] into effect as soon as possible.

The following regiments of cavalry [illegible] batteries of artillery are re[illegible] duty at their present sta[illegible] and will be ordered to proceed [illegible] Chickamauga Park, Ga.:

All the light batteries of the First, Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth regiments of Artillery, and the First, Second, Third, Sixth and Ninth and [illegible] Regiments of Cavalry.

The following regiments of infantry [illegible] relieved from duty at their present [illegible] and will be ordered to the following points:

To New Orleans—The First, Seventh, Eighth, Twelfth, Sixteenth, Eighteenth, Twenty-third and Twenty-fifth.

To Mobile—Second, Third, Tenth, [illegible], Nineteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-second.

To Tampa, Fla.—The Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Ninth, Thirteenth, Seventeenth and Twenty-first.

The command of the army will devolve upon Major General Nelson A. Miles, who is now at the head of the military branch of the government. His temporary headquarters it is said, probably, will be at Atlanta. General Miles's permanent headquarters will depend entirely upon the exigencies of the situation and the developments of the campaign.

[illegible] east of the Rocky mountains, numbering about 20,000 men, will be moved.

INTERVENTION HOPELESS.

So Thinks the Austrian Ambassador to Great Britain.

LONDON, (Special.)—The Austrian Ambassador admits he has given up hope [illegible] powers preventing war. [illegible] says efforts to[illegible] demonstration could not [illegible] Great Britain having refused [illegible] such a movement. The British foreign office does not believe [illegible] naval demons[illegible] A Berlin dispatch, referring to [illegible] proposition to make [illegible] navy demonstration off the [illegible] of Cuba, says Austria is [illegible] in the matter, but it is [illegible] that Great Britain and [illegible] are not favorable to the suggestion.

SPAIN WARNED OF DANGER.

The Last "Peaceful Illusion" Has Completely Disappeared.

MADRID, (Special.)—The Liberal says: "War is inevitable, the last peaceful illusion disappearing before the decision announced by the American senate committee attributing to Spain the Maine explosion, recognizing Cuban independence and announcing that armed intervention will shortly take place." Thereupon the Liberal warns Spain of the danger of [illegible] and further confidence in America, lest Spain "lose by a coup [illegible] without a fight and honor, [illegible]"

American Consulate Under Guard.

[illegible] SPAIN, (Special.)—The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] States [illegible]

ST. THOMAS, West Indies.—A report is current [illegible] to the [illegible] have been going in [illegible]

THE NEWS OF OUR OWN STATE.

Boom in Telephone Construction.

There is a boom in telephone construction in North Alabama, and especially around Huntsville. Within the next few days the American Long Distance Telephone Company will begin erecting a line from Huntsville to Decatur, and from that place to Pulaski, Tenn., and Birmingham and Florence. Birmingham and Alabama cities south of there will have two lines connecting them with the north, as will Huntsville. The company proposes to connect every town in North Alabama, and it will take many months to do the work. In Madison county the local Bell telephone exchange is making a number of new stations in the country towns, connecting them with the exchange. Connections have been made recently with Meridianville, Hazle Green, Bell Factory and Maysville, and additional lines will soon be erected to Deposit, New Market, Noten's Chapel, Monrovia, Jeff and Triana.

To Erect Cotton Factory at Florence.

Mr. F. M. Perry, who recently purchased a tract of 1,100 acres of land near Florence for the purpose of erecting a cotton factory, has decided to add a combination flour and grist mill and two large cotton gins, making five large industries to be established by one man under one management. The flour and grist mill will have a capacity of twenty-five barrols of each daily, but will grind only the home-grown wheat and corn, and will not attempt to sell any but the home and country trade. Mr. Perry has about 12,000 acres of cotton land in this county, and will raise and gin a considerable portion of the raw material for the cotton mill. He will spend more than $100,000 upon the plant, and a force of hands is now at work making the necessary repairs upon the property.

Mobile Harbor Channel Mined.

Defenses of the channel and harbor at Mobile were completed Saturday. The whole bar channel is mined with gun cotton and dynamite, and hundreds of torpedoes were placed at irregular distances a mile from the fort, which is now one of the most strongly fortified harbors on the gulf. It will be connected by telegraph with Mobile and by cable with Fort Gaines, whence the wire will lead to the city along the western shore. An attempt was made by the government officers to purchase the present telegraph line from Fort Morgan to Mobile, but it failed, and the new lines were commenced on Western Union poles Monday.

A Noted Horse Thief Jailed.

One of the slickest horse thieves in the country was lodged in jail at Center Monday. James Foster is his name, and his head is as white as snow, being probably 60 years old. When captured he had on his person memoranda showing where he had stolen horses from, the amount expended for food for them before being disposed of, and the net profit on each horse stolen. His book showed that he operated from South Carolina to Texas.

Organizing Negro Regiment.

William J. Stevens, a well known negro politician, is organizing a regiment of negro troops in Anniston and nearby towns for service in Cuba. Stevens wired President McKinley and Governor Johnston tendering his own services in case of war and those of the negroes who are joining his regiment.

Government Buying Alabama Granite.

The government has given out a contract to supply granite for the fort at Mobile. Being pressed for time and unable to send to Maine for granite, the government's agent fortunately found that Tallassee granite from the Coosa region of Alabama would fulfill all the requirements. The contract is for 50,000 tons.

For Fort Morgan.

Mr. Walter Sarjeant, agent in Mobile of the Angier Line, has closed a contract to deliver at Fort Morgan for the use of the United States government 12,000 barrels of cement. The cement will come from Germany and is purchased by the Mobile Coal company.

Appointed Sheriff of Pickens County.

The governor has appointed B. C. Salmonds sheriff of Pickens county to succeed R. C. Long, resigned.

Populists' State Convention.

A call has been issued by order of the executive committee of the people's party of Alabama to meet in state convention at McDonald's opera house in Montgomery on May 4 to nominate candidates for state officers, etc. The representation of the respective counties is based on the number of votes cast for Hon. A. T. Goodwyn for governor in 1896.

Both Instantly Killed.

On Rough and Ready creek, Posey county, Kentucky, George Whitaker and William Jackson quarreled over a line fence. Both drew revolvers, fired simultaneously and both were killed.

The Pope Trying to Influence Spain.

A Rome correspondent of the London Times says: "In vatican circles the opinion is still held that an outbreak of war may yet be averted, and a rumor is afloat to the effect that the pope is endeavoring to persuade Spain to recognize the independence of Cuba."

There were 3,500 pounds of dynamite and a number of old car wheels, to be used as anchors for torpedoes, sent down to Fort Morgan from Mobile Saturday afternoon.

GOOD ROADS NOTES.

Good Roads in Maryland.

It has required much demonstration to convince the Maryland farmers that good roads are a profitable investment. The work of the agricultural experiment stations in this regard has been invaluable. Experiments with broad and narrow tires conducted under the eyes of the farmers have definitely shown the folly of maintaining the present system of small-tired wheels, as long as the roads are indifferent or positively bad in quality. There are two points from which to view the relationship between the tires and the quality of the road. The experiments have shown first that as long as the roads are in poor condition, subject to much moisture and thereby liable to become heavy and muddy at short notice, the use of the narrow tire is a positive hindrance. It requires more power to haul a wagon so equipped, for the tire sinks deep into the material of the road and thus forms for itself a constant obstruction that must be overcome. But the broad tire has a use other and indeed better than that of minimizing the labor and therefore the cost of hauling. It cures the bad conditions that have been largely caused by the narrow tire, serving as a compressor and gradually compacting the material and greatly improving its condition. Thus the use of the broad tire means a double gain. It saves in the cost of hauling, by permitting heavier loads to be hauled by the same agencies and in less time, and it saves, too, in the cost of road making and in repairing. It is believed that if all road users could be persuaded to change the tires of their draft vehicles, especially in the districts where bad roads are the rule rather than the exception, the ultimate cost of bringing the country thoroughfares up to a modern standard would within a very short time be so low that the most comprehensive road improvement laws could be passed without difficulty. The present movement in Maryland is concentrated in an effort to secure the enactment by the Legislature of certain pending bills that aim at the construction of good roads by authorizing the people to bond themselves for this purpose. In some States much has been done by granting exemptions from road taxes to those road users who have adopted the broad tires and likewise to those who have adjusted their vehicles so that the front and rear wheels will not "track," thus minimizing the chances of wearing the surface of the road. It has been found that with broad tires in use the amount of surfacing material needed is comparatively small.—Washington Star.

Steel Country Roads.

The steel country roads, with which the United States department of agriculture is experimenting, will practically be constructed as follows: The present design calls for an inverted trough-shaped steel rail, with a slightly raised head on the inside, and an 8-inch tread and 7-16-inch thick. These rails would be bedded in gravel laid in well-drained trenches, and the rails would be tied together at the ends and at the middle. On grades the rails would be indented slightly to prevent the horses slipping on the rails; the joints would be made stronger than the rail to prevent "low joints," and to prevent the formation of ruts alongside the rails each joint would form a "remount" for the wheels. The advantage claimed for these steel roads is the reduction in traction from forty pounds per ton on macadam to eight pounds on the steel rails. The materials for the heavier class of steel roads of this design will cost about $3,500 per mile in small quantities. The amount of material required is less than 100 tons per mile, and long lines could probably be built for $2000 per mile. The lighter type of road only requires 50 tons per mile and would cost about $1000 per mile. These prices are exclusive of grading and track-laying.

The average difference between rails and billets for the six years, 1891 to 1896, inclusive, was $6.72. The figures for the three years 1888, 1889 and 1890 showed that the rails could be sold at an average of less than $1 a ton above the price of billets, leaving, say, $5.72 per ton as the average extra profit which the pool enabled the steel-rail men to make. As during these six years their sales were in the neighborhood of 7,500,000 tons, this represents a profit of $40,000,000.

Country Doctors and Bad Roads.

The condition of country roads affects the rural doctor perhaps quite as much as anybody, especially as his duties compel him to use them pretty constantly, no matter what shape they may happen to be in. A Bloomington paper says that a physician in a small Illinois town has had life made a burden to him by the roads over, or rather through, which he has had to travel. "In some places the mud is actually a foot-and-a-half deep. It is at times almost impossible for a horse to get through it. Yet he has calls to make a distance of ten miles or more, over that kind of roads. Recently he was on a good horse galloping through the mud, in spite of the fact that, at every jump the horse went over his ankles,—when the horse slipped and fell. The doctor was thrown bodily over a ditch of water, while the horse went into the ditch head first. The soft ground let both rider and horse escape unhurt, but they were both so covered with mud that it was impossible to tell what color they were. The doctor had on a waterproof and did not get wet. He caught the horse, mounted and went on. It was not an unusual occurrence.

A Good Roadmaker.

Edwin McIntyre, who lives a hermit life in the house near Warren where Dr. Pilson R. Baker was shot, has a queer hobby. One of the prettiest and best pieces of road in Maine passes in front of his retreat. It has been built by Mr. McIntyre, who for the past twenty-three years has been picking up the stones and rocks near his home and pounding them into pebbles, which he has put in the highway. In twenty-three years' time he has pounded 900,000 stones and made them ready for road use. The town authorities, recognizing the value of the work, for years have compensated the man by giving him his road tax. He estimates that he has placed on the road twenty cords of these manufactured stones. Other towns might envy Warren such a faithful road builder.—Rockland (Me.) Star.

Pebbles.

Toll roads have been largely abolished in Indiana.

With bad roads farmers are dependent on the weather; with good highways they would be independent of it.

This is the season of the year to watch the roads. A road that is genuinely good is fit for traffic at all seasons.

A Good Roads League has been formed in Colorado, and is actively agitating highway improvement needs, means and methods.

A sample piece of five hundred feet of steel roadway, the plates being laid on cement, is to be put down on the Brecksville road near Cleveland.

Over five thousand citizens signed a petition for better street paving and repair, and presented it to the Mayor and Board of Public Works of Denver.

To keep down the cost of repairing macadamized roads as low as possible, they must receive constant attention, and all ruts and depressions be filled up as soon as they appear.

Sweep off the mud and dust as fast as they are formed, and fill up the ruts and bad places with new materials as soon as they appear, are all that is necessary in order to ensure good roads all the time.

A farmhouse near Osnaburg, Ohio, took fire the other night, and burned down, because no engines could reach it on account of the condition of the roads. An old man, who was alone in it, perished in the flames.

Removal of ruts from the highways, says Governor Mount, of Indiana, will be the initiative step in getting out of the ruts in the methods of our farming, and bring farm life to a higher plane of intelligent progress.

Life Without a Stomach.

The stomach has always been supposed to be absolutely essential to the proper performance of the digestive functions. The fact that two people have had their stomachs removed, and that one of them is alive and apparently in the enjoyment of excellent health, upsets all preconceived theories as to the absolute necessity of this portion of the human anatomy. A woman has had her stomach removed completely, that organ being hopelessly affected. The oesophagus was united with the canal leading from the stomach, and there seems to be nothing wrong in the internal economy of the owner of this curious digestive apparatus. To be sure, instead of full meals she takes an occasional bite, and is compelled to be very careful that she does not overload or overtax this substitute. The operation was almost in the nature of a caprice. It was evident that something was wrong with the patient's stomach, and, after careful preparation, the operation was begun. Almost immediately it developed that the entire stomach was involved, and that it would be impossible to save any portion of it. It was a foregone conclusion that death was only a matter of a few days. The operating physician conceived the rather original idea of uniting the oesophagus with the canal leading from the stomach. It is a matter for congratulation that thus far there have been no grave symptoms and that the patient takes food with relish, and apparently without discomfort. One is led to wonder to what lengths surgery may go, and how many of our notions and theories about the possibilities and limitations of the physical will hold in the face of these great advances in modern surgery.—Ledger.

What the Fox Should Have Said.

"No," said the man with the large head, "I can't say that I think very much of the fox in the old fable of 'The Fox and the Grapes.' It is recorded of him that after trying to get the grapes by every way that his ingenuity could suggest he finally turned up his nose and said, 'Oh, I don't care! they're sour anyway.'

"Now, if that fox had any really commendable wisdom in his triangular skull he would have looked at the grapes blandly, and then have announced to the world that they were sweet, but that sweets didn't agree with him; that owing to the condition of his stomach he considered it inadvisable to eat anything containing saccharine matter, and that, besides, a properly philosophical fox believed in self-denial and in taking things that were easily at his disposal, instead of trying to climb a trellis to secure attractive but deleterious grapes.

"If he had done that, instead of being the laughing stock of succeeding generations, he would have stood a good chance of being appointed professor of philosophy in a subsidized university, and of living on yellow-legged chickens for the rest of his natural life."—Tit-Bits.

A Waterproof Paper Church.

Bergen, Norway, boasts a paper church large enough to seat 1000 persons, the building being rendered fire-proof by a solution of quick lime, curdled milk and white of eggs.

UNCERTAINTY IS APPARENT.

Dun & Co.'s Trade Review Says There Is Much Hindrance to Business on Account of War Preparations.

R. G. Dun & Co's. weekly review of trade says:

Preparations for war continue as if it were inevitable. There is much hindrance to business, and yet the volume of payments through clearing houses is still 12.9 per cent. larger than last year, and outside New York about 2.2 per cent. larger than in 1892, though speculative stagnation here makes the aggregate lower. New York banks may now realize that they are strong enough for all possible emergencies and may give the government valuable aid by greater freedom in business loans. Sound New York banks are not in the least alarmed about the business situation, nor have they any occasion for alarm.

The industries are doing well because they have enormous orders taken in February or earlier, which insures operations for a period varying from a fortnight to several months.

But new orders are restricted by apprehension about the money market and the possibility of loans.

As to the iron business, foreign orders for six large vessels are pending in eastern yards, and orders for cars alone cover 20,000 tons basic steel at Pittsburg. Angles have advanced $1 per ton and structural works are all crowded with orders, while pipes are in heavy demand.

Print cloths are at the lowest point ever touched. The stagnation in wool is remarkable, the total sales at the three chief markets having been only 1,182,000 pounds, against 9,606,000 last year. Manufacturers are somewhat encouraged by a rather better tone in the clothing trade of late.

Wheat rose 5¼ and held 2¼ of it for the week. The volume of legitimate business is enormous and meanwhile failures are remarkably small, 245 this week, against 207 last year.

TO REVIEW CUBAN CASE.

Spain Will Send a Note to the European Powers.

A special dispatch from Madrid says: "Spain will send a note to the powers, which will review the whole Cuban question, pointing out that all the trouble with the United States arises through the clamor of the sugar manufacturers, who, it is claimed, fomented and organized the entire revolt. Attention will be recalled to the alleged unmolested filibusterings, and it will be asserted that the chief insurgent leaders are not Cubans, but adventurers of all nationalities, whose sole purpose is plunder and robbery.

"The concessions made by Spain will be enumerated and the note will say that Spain has done everything possible to pacify the island; the Consuls of the United States have constituted themselves insurgent agents, and the further statement will be made that whenever autonomy promised the desired results the American squadron was sent to Cuba to encourage the insurgents to hold out.

"These contentions, it is added, will be supported by documentary evidence, which, it is alleged, will prove the barefaced displayed throughout by the United States toward Spain.

"The note to the powers will conclude with the declaration that Spain, having exhausted the means of peace, is reluctantly compelled to prepare for war and to fight for the maintenance of its right and honor."

GEN. MILES EXPLAINS.

President Has the Authority to Call Out 12,000,000 Men.

Maj.-Gen. Miles, commanding the army, says that considerable misapprehension exists in regard to the raising of troops in the event of war. He thought the people should understand the situation more thoroughly than appears to be the case at present.

"In the event of the passage of the resolution reported by the senate foreign relations committee," said Gen. Miles, "the president would have authority to call into the service of the government militia to the number of about 12,000,000 men. The third section of the resolution directs and empowers the president to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States and to call into the actual service of the United States militia of the several states to such extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect."

SPANISH PARLIAMENT

Has Been Summoned to Meet on Wednesday, April 20.

MADRID, (Special.)—At a cabinet council, which was held Thursday under the presidency of the Queen Regent, it was decided to hasten the reopening of the Spanish parliament. The date for the assembling of the Cortes was April 25, but parliament will now be summoned on Wednesday, April 20, next.

The Queen Regent, at the cabinet council signed the decree for a national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish fleet.

Again at Hampton Roads.

The flying squadron, the departure of which caused so much excitement on Wednesday, returned Friday to anchorage at Fort Monroe, after having completed two days and two nights of arduous labor, with satisfaction to its commanding officer.

Purchase of Mules Ordered.

The quartermaster general of the army has been instructed to purchase 1,000 mules for transportation purposes. The purchase probably will be made at St. Louis or Kansas City.

FORTY-EIGHT HOURS THE LIMIT

For Spain to Relinquish Her Hold on Cuba, Says the Washington Post.

The Washington Post's summary of the situation published in Sunday's issue includes the following statement:

"Immediately the president is empowered to use the army and navy he will issue an ultimatum to Spain, giving her twenty-four hours—possibly forty-eight—within which to answer whether she will peaceably withdraw her troops and flag from Cuba. Her refusal to evacuate the island, which is, of course, expected, will be the signal for action on the part of this government and that action will be the use of both our naval and land forces. The Post makes this statement upon the highest possible authority, the course of action indicated having been decided upon at yesterday's cabinet meeting. Should the resolutions reach the president, accompanied by the amendment recognizing the republic of Cuba, the president will sign them, but in a brief message to congress he will hold that the constitutional prerogatives vested in the president to recognize other governments cannot be taken away and that the amendment is therefore void and inoperative."

CANNOT BE CONFIRMED.

Reported in Chicago That the Man Who Laid the Mines That Destroyed the Maine Is Under Arrest.

The Chicago Times-Herald says: "Charles A. Crandall, alias Emanuel Escadaro, who, acting under the personal orders of Captain General Weyler planted the mines and torpedos in the harbor of Havana, has been run to earth in Chicago. Thursday night he was in custody of three United States secret agents, who are taking him to Washington, where he is expected to give information to prove beyond any possible doubt that the Maine was blown up by a mine and her 266 officers and crew murdered designedly by agencies known to the Spanish officials.

"He was run down by a Cuban spy.

"Ever since the Maine was blown up Crandall, or Escadaro, has been dodging about the country. When the United States secret agents assured him that he would be protected he volunteered to accompany them.

"Crandall's statements are substantiated by letters in his possession from Weyler's officers and from Weyler himself."

The Times-Herald story, after diligent inquiry, could not be confirmed.

ENGLAND WITH US.

Will Take No Part in Reported Naval Demonstration Against United States.

LONDON, (Special.)—The officials of the British foreign office, when questioned on the subject, refused to make a statement on the hypothetical case as to whether Great Britain would join in a naval demonstration in behalf of Spain, but they added that they did not believe that such a demonstration would be attempted.

A representative of the Associated Press, however, learns from the ambassador here of a continental power that no such demonstration is contemplated, "though it might be mooted by some despairing friend of Spain." He added: "Such a movement could not succeed if attempted, in view of Great Britain's flat refusal to join in any demonstration or step with the view of putting pressure upon the United States. If the continental powers attempted it Great Britain would probably openly endorse the United States, a certain snub to Europe. The Austrian ambassador openly says he has given up any hope of Europe preventing war."

SPAIN FOR BLOODY WAR.

Cabinet Confirms Belief That War is Inevitable.

MADRID (Special.)—The action taken by the Spanish cabinet has confirmed the general belief that war is now inevitable. The warlike tone of the official note issued by the Spanish government finds general approval here, and creates much excitement.

Contrary to the general opinion that the queen regent has been negotiating for peace at any price, her attitude had much to do with the firm action of the cabinet.

The queen says:

"I prefer even the horrors of war, rather than a tarnish on the prestige of the army, or an impairment of the rights of the crown."

Angry Mob at Malaga.

MALAGA, SPAIN—There was a serious disturbance here Saturday, resulting in an attack upon the United States consulate. The demonstration began with the parading of small crowds through the streets shouting patriotic cries. But the mob eventually gathered and attacked the United States consulate. Stones were thrown, and one of the mob leaders procured a ladder, tore down the shield having upon it the arms of the United States, and dragged it along the streets. The prefect arrived and addressed the people, begging them to disperse, which to some degree restored order.

Disabilities Removed.

Governor Atkinson has issued orders as commander-in-chief of the Georgia militia, removing the disabilities of twenty five members of the Atlanta artillery, who were discharged by court martial in March, 1897. The young men were charged with an uprising against their captain.

Catskill in Commission.

The monitor Catskill was placed in commission at League Island navy yard. She is expected to leave for Boston Monday or Tuesday.

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EVERY Populist of Chilton owes it to himself, his party and his country to turn out and vote at the primary on the 29th.

NEXT Wednesday there will be public speaking at Clanton, when several of the candidates have arranged to address the people on the local issues of the campaign. This promises to be the most interesting meeting of the campaign, and it is expected that the several candidates will have delegations of their friends from all over the county to help whoop things up for them.

THE United States battleship "Alabama" will be launched at Philadelphia May 18. The cruiser "Alabama" made a world-wide reputation during the late trouble between the States, and doubtless the new battleship will make a record of which all will be proud. Here's to the "Alabama!"

THE last grand jury made a recommendation that some improvements be made in the conditions of the public conveniences near the jail. Something should be done at once before the hot weather sets in. Whether the county or the city is responsible we do not know, but some arrangements could surely be made when the health of the town is at stake.

WAR! The fiat has gone forth and once again in its history the United States will prove her prowess to the world. The resolutions passed by Congress are equivalent to a declaration of war against Spain, and it is probably only a matter of a few days before actual hostilities commence. The ultimate result is questioned by none—the freedom of Cuba, and the eternal abolition of the power of Spain in the Western hemisphere. Considering the vast resources of the United States and the shaky political and financial condition of the Spanish government it will in all probability be a campaign of short duration. An American army of 40,000 or 50,000 men in Cuba with the aid of the Cubans would easily be more than a match for the Spanish troops there, while the American navy can be relied upon to prevent any reinforcements or supplies reaching Cuba from Spain. With Cuba pacified, the remainder of the war will be between the navies of the two countries and Spain is in no condition to make good the losses she will unquestionably meet.

"The army and navy forever.
Three cheers for the red, white and blue."

As we go to press we learn the Democratic convention at Montgomery has nominated Joseph F. Johnston for governor; Thomas N. McClellan for chief justice; associate judges H. A. Sharpe, of Jefferson; Jonathan Harrison, of Dallas; John R. Tyson, of Montgomery; James K. Dowdell, of Chambers. Secretary of State, Robt P. McDavid, of Montgomery; Attorney-General Chas. G. Brown, of Jefferson; Auditor W. S. White, of Colbert; Treasurer G. W. Ellis. The convention is still in session and will probably conclude its labors today

SEVEN trains of troops passed through Clanton last night en route to Cuba via Tampa. They were the Sixth Infantry from Fort Thomas, Ky., the Seventeenth regiment from Columbus, O., and a part of the Fourth Infantry from Fort Sheridan, Ills. A large number of our citizens was at the depot and greeted the boys in blue with cheer upon cheer and words of encouragement.

FIRE AT STEWART'S GIN.

Yesterday afternoom shortly before two o'clock the cry of fire was raised, and a dense cloud of black smoke coming from a northerly direction showed the conflagration to be at Stewart's gin. With commendable promptitude every man and boy in town formed themselves into a bucket brigade and a large quantity of water thrown on the gin house prevented its destruction. The fire originated in the woodpile and was probably started by sparks from a passing locomotive. The boiler house was totally destroyed, and nougt remains of the woodpile but ashes. The wind was high and blowing towards the gin house and it was only owing to the hard work of our citizens that the entire building was not destroyed. Mr. John Oates, who was conspicuous by his efforts at the fire, had his arm and face scorched. Mr. Stewart was at his place at Lomax and we were unable to learn if he carried any insurance.

Clanton, April 21, 1898

Editor BANNER. Please allow me to offer my earnest thanks to all who came to my assistance yesterday in putting out the fire at my ginnery. When the fire started I was away and I appreciate the fact that it was only the real hard work of my neihbors and friends that saved whole the gin from destruction. I hardly know how to express myself and must therefore kindly beg all and everyone to accept these few words from a grateful heart. C. J. STEWART.

J. G. BARBOUR.

As an independent candidate, Mr. J. G. Barbour announces himself to the people of Chilton county soliciting their suffrage at the general election in August. Mr. Barbour himself gives a lengthy explanation of his position before the people, which renders it unnecesary for us to say much on the subject. If the people of Chilton county are prepared to dispense with all party distinctions and to elect independent candidates they will have an opportunity of so doing this summer. But this is a matter for the people to determine. Mr Barbour is a Chilton county man, and for three years was a justice of the peace in beat 5 He is a member of the Protestant church. He promises if elected to work for the best interests of the people.

Mr. DEASON'S HEALTH.

Clanton, April 20, 1898

E. B. Deason, Clanton.

Dear Sir. In reply to your request, I can unhesitatingly say that you are free from anything like consumption.

I treated you for asthma, but it is not at all like consumption.

So far as appears now, I know of no reason why any one should hesitate to vote for you on account of any fatal disease; with the care you have been taking, I see no reason why you should not live the usual allotment.

You are at liberty to make what use you like of this letter, remembering that in giving it, I in no way endorse your political views or in any way endorse you for the place you seek.

Yours truly,
W. E. STEWART.

Maplesville, April 19, 189

Editor BANNER I see that J. P VanDerveer is a candidate for the office of Probate Judge. I have known him since he first came to our county, a mere boy, for about ten years I lived within two miles of him and if I wanted a favor done or wanted advice he is the man I would go to He does not claim to be a lawyer but he has saved me a lawyer's fee more than once. He will get a heavy vote in this beat and I hope to see him Judge BEAT 7.

Diseases of the Blood and Nerves.

No one need suffer with neuralgia. This disease is quickly and permanently cured by Browns' Iron Bitters. Every disease of the blood, nerves and stomach, chronic or otherwise, succumbs to Browns' Iron Bitters. Known and used for nearly a quarter of a century, it stands to-day foremost among our most valued remedies. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

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To the Members of the People's Party Executive Committee of Chilton County:

Gentlemen: The interest that I feel in the People's Party and the peace and happiness of our people is the only apology that I have in giving you and the managers of the primary election on the 29th inst. a word of warning and caution, for I know that if our people are awake and will watch, all will be well. But if the managers of the primary on the 29th should neglect any duty, and any illegal votes, or error in the count should be the result of such neglect, then our party in Chilton county in my judgment will be greatly injured if not entirely destroyed.

It has been predicted already that we will practice fraud in this election. My friends, let us see to it that this evil shall not come into our party, and I think that I know it will not if our managers will do their duty. Our party was organized as a protest against frauds in elections and I feel confident that we will not have anything of that kind in the coming election if you will watch, for I believe that the Executive Committee is made up of honest men, and, I only ask them and the managers to watch and see to it that our enemies are not gratified after the primary is over by rejoicing over our division as a party on account of some unfair or dishonest methods used on the 29th inst. I beg to suggest first, that you observe the rules laid down by the committee with reference to the qualification of those who vote in the primary.

Second, see that you have qualified and honest men for clerks, preserve the ballots, and be as careful as you would in the general election, in the count, in preserving the list; in a word, let us for the sake of the future of our cause and in order that we may elect those who are nominated, see that all things come up right. Respectfully,

W. H. CONWAY
Chmn. Ex. Com.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by J. S. Johnson, Druggist.

Jemison, April 16, 1898

Editor BANNER. Please allow me space to express to the voters of the People's Party that it behooves us to stand firm and steadfast to the principles of the party and support the man that stands for the party and protects the same. Let us look to the interest of the party and people. I suggest we nominate S. M. Adams for Probate Judge, for there is not a firmer man in the county than he is, notwithstanding there are some who are enemies to him that claim he came in the county for no other purpose than that of being judge. I wish to state in his interest that he has as good a right in Chilton county as any man in it. He has stood by our party in all its struggles and was at our service at a moment's warning. Let us come together on the 29th, the day of the primary, as one man and nominate S. M. Adams for Probate Judge, E. B. Deason for Circuit Clerk. Make no more b...ders. BEAT 7 BOX 2.

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that are not very robust need a warming, building and fat-forming food—something to be used for two or three months in the fall—that they may not suffer from cold.

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Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion. See that the man and fish are on the wrapper.

SCOTT & BOWNE, ...

Jemison, Ala., April 19, 1898

Editor BANNER. I am glad I have lived to see Rev. S. M. Adams announced as a candidate for Probate Judge. He is our man. When I say that I mean he is the people's man. We were boys together. That dont signify anything if I did not know his ability, his firmness and all that makes him the very man that we need in the probate's office. He is unflinchingly strickly for the People's party. That is what we need and must have. The friends of Mr. Adams must not allow any one to ride into office on the back of the Alliance and the Populist party. We want a full blooded whole stock Populist, not for selfishness but a godly principle. Our rights we must defend. If beat 4 is a Populist he should let his name be seen. Now for Adams first and all the time. Friends, keep your eyes open till the last day in the evening, as a friend of the Banner, as a friend of the whole people. E. P. FLETCHER.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar.

You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail, upon receipt of three two-cent stamps to cover cost of postage on the bottle. Mention The Banner and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

Thorsby, April 18, 1898

Editor BANNER. Beat 9 will oppose any independent or siraddler. Mr. Honeycutt's letter is a very weak thing, notwithstanding he used some very strong language against the Populists of Chilton county. S. M. Adams and J. W. Moore for Probate and J. M. Burnett for Circuit Clerk will get about all the votes of this beat. Voters let me ask you not to forget J. M. Burnett. He is one of the best posted young men in Populist doctrines in the county and he believes in them. VOX.

A TEXAS WONDER.

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One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame back, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $1. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and will cure any case above mentioned. E. W. Hall sole manufacturer. P. O. Box 218, Waco, Texas. For sale by Dr. J. S. Johnson jr., Clanton, Ala

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Rev. L. B. POUNDS.

Stanton.

Crops are looking well in this vicinity considering the recent frost.

Messrs Tipton Mullins and Caldwell McMorries were in Stanton Tuesday.

Mr. I. B. Bowdoin set a trap and caught a wild dog supposed to have escaped from the gypsies.

Miss Jennie Lassiter of Plantersville is visiting her brother at this place.

R. M. Honeycutt, S. M. Adams and J. Monroe Burnett were in town one day this week.

Mr. H. H. Lassiter was on the sick list Thursday, but is again at business

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dyer and Mrs. Gregory spent the day in Selma Thursday.

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Everybody who lives in town and everybody in the county should come to town and inspect our new stock Whether you want to buy or not. Remember the cheapest store in Clanton is The Fair Store, on the corner opposite the Court House. ABE KANTER, Proprietor.

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In all the talk about politics there is one thing on which the people of Chilton county have already decided and that is that at

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... Duke visited friends ...

... is visiting Mrs. L. E. ...

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Mrs. W. T. Callen went ... yesterday.

... Evans made a trip to ... Tuesday.

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... E. Stewart attended the ... Medical Association at Birmingham yesterday.

... your attention to the new ... of G. W. Shackelford on ...

... liver pills you of ambition, ... your health. DeWitt's Little Risers cleanse the liver, ... constipation and all stomach troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

... and W. V. Bell, of ... accompanied by Miss ... Burkhead, spent Sunday ... father, Mr. O. R. Bell.

... Bearden, of Maplesville, ... his friend Mr. W. ... of this place. His many friends ... glad to see him in ... Come again, Shep.

... Scott, of Montgomery, ... town yesterday.

... Hand, of Carney, is ... day in town.

... Photographer, will be in ... short time. Call and see ... pictures. Low Prices ... and tin types.

... meeting at the Methodist ... continues to grow large. ... preaching of Rev. ... is much admired.

... McMorries left on ... morning for the capitol of the State Democratic ... incidentally his candidate for State Superintendent of Education.

... almost deserted village ... Monday, all the Democrats ... being in Montgomery.

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... to bring to Mr. W. ... on Saturday night ... was effected at ... and is presumed ... succeeded in making ... the back door. No ... There is a suspect ... in jail.

... Dunnavant, of Randolph ... visited here this ...

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By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala. Feb. 17, 1898.

The above sale is continued to Monday March 28, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued to Monday April 11, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued until Monday, April 25, 1898.

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"It won't take a minute," she said, "and I know my mother won't be angry, because it is something you ought to know about."

"What is wanted?" inquired the mother, opening the door.

"If you please," said the nurse, "she wouldn't have it any other way than that I should come back and see you."

"What for?"

"To have you tell me a story."

"I don't understand."

"I didn't want her to take my word for it," interrupted the little girl. "I want you to tell her the story father read out of the paper about an intoxicated gentleman who wouldn't listen to the advice of his friends and who was finally drowned in his bathtub. Nurse won't believe that there is any danger in my being washed and dressed so much."—Washington Star.

When persons are feverish and thirsty beyond what is natural—indicated by a metallic taste in the mouth or by a whitish appearance of the greater part of the tongue—one of the best "coolers" is to take a lemon, cut off the top, sprinkle over it some loaf sugar, working it down into the lemon with a spoon, and then suck it slowly.

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JURY LIST.

The following jurors have been drawn for the Spring Term of Circuit court which convenes Monday May 16, 1898.

GRAND JURY.

W F Armstrong, E L Manning, R P Barnes, J C Gaylor, W M Wilson, John Giles, Monrow Ramsey, J L Vines, Elijah Heveley, J B Downes, A L Foshee Sr, Jack Williams, John Patterson, James Popwell, G W Hill, J D Holsombeck, T J McDonald, Samp Driver, W F Littlejohn, E E Edwards, Robt Sims.

PETIT JURY—First Week.

Beat 1—D H Mullins

Beat 2—J E Champion, Sam Curry, Elijah Thomas, A J Glasscock, J A Lowery, P L Vardeo, W M Aldridge

Beat 3—J F Baker, Ira Headley, J W Vardeo, W M Odom, Martin Franklin, Dock Broadhead, B F Reynolds, J L Waldrup jr

Beat 4—J E Littlejohn, J J Gallman, J W Goodgame, J S Aldridge

Beat 5—E Driver, J W Moody, A M Robbins, E G Rollins, Joseph Mitchell, J W E Gulledge

Beat 7—W A Green, J P Mitford

Beat 8—J L O'Neale, M H Barnes, E W Bailey

Beat 9—D N Riggins, B N Martin

PETIT JURY—Second Week

Beat 1—E W Honeycutt, T J Dorminy

Beat 2—W A Sims, Robert Martin, J P Gentry

Beat 3—John F Fleming, Z J Jones, Dock Jones, S G Glasscock, B F Rasberry

Beat 4—P D Wilson, E G Mims, James Satterwhite, E M Pinckard, G L Foshee, W H Proctor, N A Kicker

Beat 5—P J Traywick, T S Jones sr, D F Jacks, W W Robinson, John Oakes

Beat 6—W C Dickerson, G H Pierce

Beat 7—B O Glover, Buck Bowline, J F Hays, Dolby Atkinson

Beat 8—W I Lovelady, R H Gandy

Beat 9—S R Cleckler, G W Serrell, James Barnett

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Clanton, April 18, 1898

Editor BANNER. I want to say a few words in reply to one who signs himself beat 4 as I have ben accused of writing that long piece. I say that I did not write that piece.

JOE A. MILLER.

Kincheon.

The weather is very unfavorable for farming; corn is about all planted and some have planted cottonseed. Mr. Joseph Popwell and family visited relatives near Coopers last week.

Argie Mims visited friends near Kincheon recently.

Miss Lizzie Jones is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. G. L. Speer.

Mr. A. J. Glasscock, of Jemison, visited relativer in South Chilton Saturday.

Sunday-school is progressing nicely at Fairview. A READER.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. Stanfield & Matthews.

No Time Lost.

Scribbler—When is that review of my novel coming out, Scather?

Scather—Well, to tell the truth, I have not read it yet.

Scribbler—Yet, when I brought the book to you you assured me that you would lose no time in reading it.

Scather—Well, I have lost no time in reading it yet.—Tit-Bits.

Its Worst.

What the savage Turk particularly resented was the intimation that his people practiced polygamy in its worst form.

"Anyhow," he insisted, "among us a man never has to marry his wife's whole family."—Detroit Journal.

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These Are Always Dangerous and Always Breeders of Panics—Gage and His Associates Attempting to Fasten Spurious Money on Country.

Paper issues redeemable in coin and the loaning of banking deposits, called bank credits, are the explosives of finance and the breeders of panic, according to the Silver Knight-Watchman. Money redeemable in other money and the compound loaning of deposits have been the cause of every financial panic of which we have any record. Redeemable paper and bank credit furnish for the time being additional means for the purchase of property, and in that way temporarily cause a rise in prices. If such credits could be made permanent, and not abused by excessive issues, they might have no bad effects. But all paper which is not money, but convertible into money, and all bank credits which are not based upon a like quantity of real money held by the bank issuing the credit, are the sources of panic, bankruptcy, and ruin.

The credits which pass for the time being as money, inflate prices, encourage imports and force the export of coin, which prevents the forthcoming of money when demand is made to meet the paper promises. The time must come, sooner or later, when real money cannot be had to meet outstanding promises. When the first crash comes the community is brought face to face with a vast volume of credits which they have been dealing in as money, but which are not money, and cannot be made good for want of money for redemption.

The history of bank issues and bank credits of every description in Europe and America is a history of inflation, robbery and collapse. Men of sense ought to know that there must be some relation between promises to pay money and the money with which to make payment, and that human nature is such that if people are allowed to issue promises to pay, and increase their wealth in that way, they will do so without regard to the fate of their victims, who, when the crash comes, hold their promises. As long as money manipulators are allowed to issue paper and pass it off as money and draw interest on their debts, they will do so, and while they are doing this, they will imitate the Pharisees of old, whose peculiarities are described in the New Testament.

Banker Gage, his associates and the entire money manipulating forces of the United States and London are now engaged in trying to fasten upon this country a volume of spurious money which they insist shall be redeemabble in gold. They expect to deceive the country by the pretense that the hundreds and perhaps thousands of millions of credit which they will issue is as good as gold because they promise to redeem it in gold. The promise they make is precisely the same as that which has been made in every instance where credit money has been issued and repudiated after it had served the purpose of robbing the community. There are some who admit that bank credit of every description issued by private persons or corporations is dangerous, because it always ends in a collapse.

But they say the government can issue credit money with perfect safety. We deny that proposition in toto. Mark the difference between silver coin and silver certificates and greenbacks and treasury notes. Silver coin is full legal tender, redeemable in nothing. Silver certificates are legal tender for the payment of public dues, and they are redeemable in silver coin which is in the treasury, dollar for dollar. These certificates have given the government no concern. No obligation was created by the issue of silver coin, nor by the issue of silver certificates, except to safely keep the silver coin for their redemption. Both are issued by the power of the government to create money, and when that power is exercised there is no after-clap about it any more than there is an after-clap in the passage of any other law. But the greenbacks are credit money. They are legal tender and that makes them as good as any other real money while they are out, but the United States has promised to redeem them in gold or silver coin at the option of the government. The executive department has given away or sold that option. We do not believe they are fools enough to give it away, because it is worth hundreds of millions. But ever president, from Hayes to McKinley, has insisted contrary to law that the creditor was entitled to demand gold for greenbacks. Behold the calamities resulting from the power of the bondholder to demand gold for greenbacks. If that power had not been conceded to the creditor it would have been impossible for Mr. Cleveland to have frightened the banks and the community and brought on the panic of 1893. He declared that the greenbacks were payable in gold; that the country would be dishonored if it did not pay them in gold, and that unless the purchasing clause of the Sherman act was repealed the country would be utterly bankrupted and that it was then on the verge of bankruptcy. This slander on the public credit by the president of the United States and the secretary of the treasury and by other high officials of the government and bank officers brought on the panic of 1893, which still continues, and which has wrecked the fortunes of millions of honest and industrious people. Nothing illustrates the wickedness of issuing credit money when the government has power to issue real money better than the use made of the greenbacks, and nothing illustrates more graphically the beneficial effects of issuing real money than the honest, steady work done by silver and silver certificates.

We do not propose to occupy space with the discussion of credit money of any kind, whether issued by the government or by private parties, because it is too manifest that money redeemable in other money is a trick and device to deceive the public and induce people to conform their business operations to a volume of money which does not exist, and which must inevitably disappear and spread ruin everywhere.

What argument is there in favor of the government issuing credit when it costs no more to coin real money than it does promises to pay? Real money will never bankrupt the government or swindle the community, and it is the duty of the government to furnish that kind of money. The duty of the government does not end there. It should make it a criminal offense for any person or corporation to issue any kind of currency to pass as money. Checks, bills of exchange, and other devices to facilitate business are all that are required if the government does its duty and maintains a volume of money sufficient to keep pace with population and business.

In this connection the distinction between bills of exchange, checks and the like and credit money must be borne in mind. The former are simply orders for money in existence, and do not pretend to be more than a transfer of the title of that money, whereas the latter purport to exercise a money function in themselves, and are not the representatives of any money in existence, or any money which will be found in case of stringency.

PROSPERITY NOTES.

The Androscoggin mills weavers at Lewiston, Me., have voted to remain out until the New Bedford strike is settled.

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There's one sure thing about the prosperity wave, anyhow—we've always got something coming.—Toledo Bee.

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Cigarmakers and packers, to the number of 380, employed by Seidenberg & Co., in New York city, went on strike on the 12th against a proposed reduction of wages, which, in some instances, is alleged to be as much as 25 per cent.

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If a reduction in the wages of operatives in the New England cotton mills is to be universal there is no reason why the announcement should not be made at once. The elections are over.—New York World.

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The strike among the canal laborers at Rome, N. Y., is over, and nearly all the men have returned to work at the old price, 12½ cents per hour.

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It is a beautiful fact that the wave of prosperity and the discovery that a man may live without a stomach were practically simultaneous in the time of their arrival and announcement. Thus does Providence provide for the wants of the children of men in every emergency.—Auburn (Cal.) Herald.

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An attempt was made at Westerly, R. I., recently to start the White Rock cotton mill, which has been closed for six weeks on account of a strike. Only fifty of the strikers returned to work.

Owners of the Post Office Department.

The lower branch of congress has passed the postoffice appropriation bill without reducing the item of $30,000,000 for railway mail transportation. This is tantamount to a confession that the railway corporations own the postoffice department. It was shown, in the debate upon the bill, that the railways now receive fully $20,000,000 per year more than they are entitled to for carrying the mails. This enormous overcharge is, of course, a great load for the department to carry, and it explains the poor financial showing made by our postoffice department in comparison with that of England, France or Germany. But the postoffice committee of the house is composed mostly of special agents of the railway corporations, and they naturally reported the bill favorably. But this was no excuse for the conduct of the house in passing the bill. But the house is in the same predicament as its committee. It is under the control of the railway corporations. There is something almost laughable in this incident. Every one knows that the corporations are receiving $20,000,000 per year more than they are honestly entitled to, and the corporations themselves do not deny it, yet the robbery of the government is calmly decreed to continue. This is Chinese, as truthful James remarked.—Twentieth Century.

The Wall Street Game.

And now come the patriots of Wall street through their congress and demand that the nation shall bow to the men who have the gold cornered and shall demand that tariff duties be paid part in gold. That is the game these traitors played during the dark days of the late civil war and by the law made a legal demand for their worthless gold when the nation had no more use for it than it had for diamonds. By this means they can force gold to a premium, buy bonds at a discount and make millions out of the hide and tallow of the labor of the country that is too ignorant to see how the game is played. And the band continues its music.—J. A. Wayland.

Let Them Try It.

If some well-to-do university men, who talk of what the poor should do, were pitchforked into one of the slum districts with nothing in their pockets and made to hustle for themselves for a month, they would return sadder, wiser and thinner men.—Ben Tillett.

FUNNY STATISTICS.

A FEDERAL INVESTIGATOR'S GREAT DISCOVERY.

The Main Cause of Poverty He Announces Is the Inordinate Consumption of Bulky Food—Every Poor Man Should Be a Chemist.

It is not that they laugh and sing and make merry—those statistics. On the contrary, they look very solemn and think themselves very scientific. Their humor is quite unconscious. Political economy used to be considered painfully slow. It was called the dismal science. People avoided it like a problem play. They wanted vaudeville. Now we know that a comic line can be stretched through discussions of the production and distribution of wealth, and that drollery lurks even in questions of food and shelter. For here comes Mr. Charles D. Wood, a federal food specialist who has been investigating life in the east side. After a series of scientific tests, culminating in computations, the accuracy of which cannot for a moment be questioned, says a writer in Criterion, he assures us that:

"The main cause of poverty, in almost all cases studied by the government in New York tenement dietary districts, was that weight or bulk was what was sought in food rather than nutriment value."

In this investigation everything is correct except the conclusion. The logic of the preliminary steps is unanswerable. The poor do run after bulk. They like something filling at the price. They use bad judgment in marketing; they are ignorant of the chemistry of cooking. Yes, they even waste food. Beside that, they will live in crowded, noisome streets, over foul butcher shops and subterranean dens, filled with stale vegetables. It has been noticed that they are slovenly, shiftless and that many of them have little regard for appearances. Some spend as much as 26 cents per day per person for food, while everybody knows, or ought to know, that "food sufficient to meet the demands of one grown man, at moderate work, need cost him but from 15 to 20 cents a day, if good management is used in its purchase." I have for a long time suspected that the poor do not know protein and carbo-hydrates when they see them. As for this examination, it leaves nothing to be desired from a scientific standpoint. I will overlook for the time being its impertinence, nor will I attempt to guess what conditions of waste might be revealed by a search through the abject wealth of Fifth avenue. What do you suppose the slum types were now and again detected in the act of eating? Chicken, cod, flounder, shad, condensed milk, canned asparagus, radishes, celery and cherry jelly! Had they but known it, there is more protein in peas, beans, wheat flour, rice and cheap cuts of beef, veal and mutton. One little girl, who did the marketing for the family, was caught redhanded buying peanuts. But do not tremble for her, gentle reader—she did just right. Peanuts are full of protein. The investigators patted her on the head. Some families wasted their substance in riotous round steaks, pork chops and green peas, or in great quantities of eggs and butter. Others had French rolls and buns instead of bread, or threw their money after soda crackers and jumbles. Far too much beer was drunk. An inexplicable and well nigh irresistible craving for bananas was observed, although any schoolboy dietary expert could have told the culprits at once that bananas are of no account as far as carbo-hydrates are concerned. Yes, also, all too true! Gentlemen of the governmental experimental-kitchen-station, we grant your premises. You have conducted your investigation well, but your conclusion is pitiable. We would let it pass unnoticed but for its desperate character. The step from unconscious comedy to black tragedy is a short one. You have stumbled into a common fallacy. Economy cannot solve the social problem, nor does waste produce general economized on the lines suggested in the investigation, they might possibly better their material condition slightly. But the moment all the families did the same, which is, of course, the result hoped for by the investigators, wages go down and rents up. Political economists tell us that wages do not depend upon the real earnings of labor, but upon what is left to labor after rent is taken out. Where land is monopolized, as it is everywhere except in the newest communities, rent must drive wages down to the point at which the poorest paid class will be just able to live and reproduce. By living more economically the denizens of the tenement would simply lower their standard of living and leave more for the landlord. It is system which is wrong. Land monopoly—that is the enemy. Just taxation—that is the cure. Rent is the first care of the poor, food is the last. Under the circumstances, 'oh, long-suffering poor, cast all thoughts of protein and carbo-hydrates to the winds. Have bananas just as often as you like. By and by we will come to your rescue, bearing justice in our hands, over the intervening hill tops of conservatism. In the meantime live high, just as high as you can!

A Veteran.

"Would you feel brave enough to face an enemy?"

"Would an enemy hurt worse than McKinley prosperity?"—Twentieth Century.

Regarding the Temporizers.

They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.—Benjamin Franklin.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

Congressman Loud has been an enemy to mankind in general and should be re-elected to remain at home in the future.—Journal of the Knights of Labor.

Reform will move with laggard steps so long as reformers are laggards in the matter of supporting reform papers. This is the vital point in the battle.—National New Era.

I care not what may be the label of any party; the principles they uphold, and their effect on the country should be the only things considered.—St. Louis Retriever.

Mark Hanna has demonstrated one thing; it is not necessary to be either right or president to run the government of this country.—Phoenix Gazette.

The man who loves to correct railroad abuses by passing repressive measures and creating commissions is indeed a very sanguine specimen. He might as well try to appease his appetite by rubbing a beefsteak across his stomach. Government ownership is the only remedy.—The Free Republic.

Is it not an outrageous crime against God and humanity, that in a country abounding in such natural resources of soil and minerals as are here found any man, woman or child should be doomed to live in abject poverty and wretchedness?—Good Citizen.

Supervisor Britt's resolution to prohibit the erection of any gas works without permission of the board may be in the interest of the monopoly or may be designed to promote public safety. The way to suppress any evil from that source is public ownership, not "competition"—falsely so-called.—San Francisco Star.

Wealth is not to be abused if honestly obtained by patient endeavor and economy. But when it is by law taken from the multitude and bestowed upon those who have purchased the smiles of power, its possession is a menace to the welfare of the country.—Columbus Post.

The Central Labor Union of New York has passed some red hot resolutions about the Lattimer tragedy, in which it denounces the court and officers as murderers. Well, what of it? Were they not the men elected by the votes of the laboring men? The laboring majority are responsible for the acts of the men they elect. When trades unions go into politics and kick out the leaders who have led them to such terrific ends, they will be entitled to some sympathy.—Appeal to Reason.

The people will not know what real freedom is until they elect every officer by a direct vote, until by ballot they accept or reject the laws offered them to live under, until by imperative mandate they can discharge any unsatisfactory official. At the present day the United States has no such thing as "a government of, by and for the people." A party that is not unmistakably in favor of the initiative, referendum and imperative mandate is a party not worth voting for.—Grander Age.

The Power of Exchanging.

A little study will show how fatal to us is the confinement of our legal tender to any rare, limitable commodity. For a sudden outpour of gold will stimulate and expand trade and double the demand for more gold. This being supplied the demand doubles again. The force of money, like that of steam or electricity, increases the demand for its use by the very act of employing it. In fact, the only kind of money representatives should be such as are illimitable, else substitutes must be used that our laws make new legal tender. A panic ensues, and the substitutes are rushed on to the legal tenders for redemption, and all goes into the hands of the few holders of the gold. We might with just as much reason, confine all our manufacturing power to natural gas or other limited supply. The business of the world calls for the use of an unlimited money, just as its manufactures and distribution require an unlimited power. Study of the subject would convince every disinterested, candid mind of this.—Clarke Irvine.

A Characteristic Incident.

A wholesale discharge of conductors on the electric railway in Milwaukee took place the other day. The men were lined up before the inspector and each one was required to empty his pockets. Those who did not have $5 of their own money to make change were discharged. Many of them had only 50 to 75 cents. The rules of the company require conductors to carry at least $5 of their own money while on duty, but some of the men have found this a hardship, owing to the beggarly wages they received. A more striking commentary on our swinish social system could not be desired than is furnished in this little incident.

The Koreshian Theory.

Speaking of the Koreshian theory that this world is a hollow sphere and that we are living on the inside of it, the editor of the New Dispensation finds occasion to remark: "I do not know whether the earth is a hollow cell or not. I am willing to let the scientists settle that among themselves but I do know positively that the present system of political economy and some more of our systems, religious, social and pseudo-scientific, are hollow sells and we are on the inside of them, like Jonah in the whale. But the old whale is getting pretty sick and I expect we will get out before long."

A GOOD COUNSEL

And the Good Words It Drops Under a Good President.

EDWIN R. STERLING, LL. D.

President Sterling's Work in State Educational Matters—A Wise Selection—Some good men, the President of the State Normal College, shall pass away from earth. The work of his hands will live after him, and whose many seek his monument will find it in the splendid institutions of learning which he has reared. Could a man have it in their memory? This is a nobler monument than towering dome or storied windows richly dyed. It will endure when marble shall have crumbled to dust.

This distinction was conferred upon Edwin R. Sterling, LL. D., when the appropriating Legislature of 1896-7 made its first donation from the Peabody Fund since 1867, a period of thirty years. Dr. Eldridge has been its President. Its growth has been remarkable and without precedent or parallel in the history of Alabama.

In his recent official statement to the Governor, Hon. Joseph F. Johnston, Dr. Sterling, State Superintendent of Education, has said, viz:

"Alabama has just reason to be proud of the successful and valuable and far-reaching work accomplished by its normal schools. As a summary of the results of its efforts during this time, we may consider briefly the subjoined facts and figures with regard to one of the normal schools, the State Normal College, at Troy. The growth of this college has been phenomenal. Hon. Willis G. Clark, the distinguished author of the History of Education in Alabama, which was published eight years ago, in speaking of the attendance at this college in 1888-89, used these words: 'At this time the Troy school will soon take the first place in the State, both in the normal and academic departments.' This prophecy has been fulfilled in ample measure. The school was founded by act of the Legislature in 1887. The following comparative statement will in part this story of its remarkable development:

	1887-88.	1896-97.
Normal students	84	250
Graduates	7	41
Amt. paid to teachers	$1,200	$9,250
Alabama counties represented	9	41
States represented	2	12

"The school is just closed (1896-'97) has been even more prosperous than that (1895-'96). The statistics given above relate to a period of eight years. They constitute a record of expansion about which the people of Alabama may well congratulate themselves. Never before has such been equaled in any State.

Under its plan of organization the College is made up of two departments, a model school or kindergarten, primary and high school, and a normal school, with its elective courses, scholastic, professional and special, post-graduate.

In each department the course of study is progressive, moderate and thorough, and in effect of the same character as that of the best colleges. The courses are graded and the work of each year is based upon the completion of the work of the preceding year. The Peabody Summer School of Pedagogy is the attendance work, and the other terms' work is

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Nov. 1.

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Subject: "Herding the Sheep"—Prays That His Flock May Listen to the Piping of the Good Shepherd, Bidding Them to Renounce Sin and Ask Pardon.

TEXT: "The Lord is my shepherd."—Psalms xxiii., 1.

What with post and rail fences and our pride in South Down, Astrakhan and Flemish varieties of sheep, there is no use now of the old-time shepherd. Such a one had abundance of opportunity of becoming a poet, being out of doors twelve hours a day, and oftimes waking up in the night on the hills. If the stars or the torrents or the sun or the flowers had anything to say, he was very apt to hear it. The Ettrick Shepherd of Scotland, who afterward took his seat in the brilliant circle of Wilson and Lockhart, got his wonderful poetic inspiration in the ten years in which he was watching the flocks of Mr. Laidlaw. There is often a sweet poetry in the rugged prose of the Scotch shepherd. One of those Scotch shepherds lost his only son, and he knelt down in prayer and was overheard to say, "O Lord, it has seemed good in Thy providence to take from me the staff of my right hand at the time when to me sand filled [illegible] I seemed to be most in need of it; and how I shall clinch up the hill of sorrow and hold me without it Thou [illegible] but I dinna."

David, the shepherd boy, is watching his father's sheep. They are pasturing on the very hills where afterward a Lamb was born of whom you have heard much, "the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." David, the shepherd boy, was beautiful, brave, musical and poetic. I think he often forgot the sheep in his reveries. There in the solitude he struck the harp-string that is thrilling through all ages. David, the boy, was gathering the material for David the poet and David the man. Like other boys, David was fond of using his knife among the sandtrips, and he had noticed the exuding of the [illegible] of the trees, and when he became a man he said: "The trees of the Lord are full of sap." David the boy, like other boys, had been fond of hunting the birds' nests, and had watched the old stork off the nest to find how many eggs were under her, and when he became a man he said, "As for the stork, the fir trees are her house." In boyhood he had heard the terrific thunderstorm that frightened the red deer into premature fawnings, as I when he became a man heard the voice of the Lord make[illegible] the hinds to calve." And the boy had looked up into the starry canopy, and in his boyish [illegible] the sky seemed like a [illegible] and the divine fingers working [illegible] threads of light and the beasts of [illegible] and became a man and wrote, "When I consider the heavens, the work of Thy fingers." When he became an old man thinking of the goodness of God, he [illegible] the blessing of his father's [illegible] many years and to think of the time when he toiled there on the hills [illegible] and he cries out in the text, "The Lord is my shepherd."

And first of the shepherd's plaid. It would be preposterous for a man going out to [illegible] and [illegible] work to put on [illegible] apparel. The potter does not work in velvet; the serving maid does not put on [illegible] while toiling at her duties; the shepherd does not wear a splendid robe in which to go out and [illegible] the storms and the rocks [illegible] the nettles; he puts on the rough apparel appropriate to his exposed work. The Lord our Shepherd, coming out to hunt the lost sheep, puts on no regal apparel, but the plain garment of our humanity. There was nothing pretentious about it. I know the old painters represent a halo around the babe Jesus, but I do not suppose that there was any more halo about that child than about the head of any other babe that was born that Christmas eve in Judea. Bending a man, how even was [illegible] garment. The scissors and needle had done nothing to make it graceful. I take it to have been a sack with three holes in it, one for the head and two for the arms. Although the soldiers quarreled over it that is no evidence of its value. I have seen two ragpickers quarrel over the refuse of an ash barrel. No, in the wardrobe of heaven be left the sandals of light, the girdles of beauty, the robes of power and put on the [illegible] and tattered raiment of our humanity. Sometimes he did not even wear the seamless robe. What is that hanging about the waist of Christ? Is it a badge of authority? Is it a royal coat of arms? No, it is a towel. The disciples' feet are filthy from the walk on the dusty ways and not fit to be put upon the sofas on which they are to recline at the meal, and so Jesus washes their feet and gathers them up in the towel to dry them. The work of saving this world was rough work, rugged work, hard work, and Jesus put on the raiment, the garb, raiment, of our flesh.

Next I mention the shepherd's crook. This was a rod with a curve at the end, which, when a sheep was going astray, was thrown over its neck, and in that way it was pulled back. When the sheep were not going astray the shepherd would often use it as a sort of crutch, leaning on it, but when the sheep were out of the way the crook was always busy pulling them back. All we, like sheep, have gone astray, and had it not been for the Shepherd's crook we would have fallen long ago over the precipices.

Here is a man who is making too much money. He is getting very vain. He says: "For a while I shall be independent of all the world. Oh, my soul, eat, drink and be merry." Business disaster comes to him. What is God going to do with him? Has God any grudge against him? Oh, no. God is the wing over him the shepherd's crook and pulling him back into better pastures. Here is a man who has always been well. He has never had any sympathy for invalids. He calls them coughing, wheezing nuisances. After awhile sickness comes to him. He does not understand what God is going to do with him. He says, "Is the Lord angry with me?" Oh, no. With the shepherd's crook he has been pulled back into better pastures. Here is a happy household circle. The parent does not realize the truth that these children are only loaned to him, and he forgets from what source came his domestic blessings. Sickness drops upon those children and death swoops upon a little one. He says, "Is God angry with me?" No. His shepherd's crook rules him back into better pastures. I do not know what would have become of us if it had not been for the Shepherd's crook. Oh, the morales of our troubles! You take up apples and plums from under the shade of the trees, and the very best fruits of Christian character we find in the deep shade of trouble.

When I was on the steamer coming across the ocean, I got a cinder in my eye, and several persons tried to get it out very persistently. It could not be taken out in that way. I was told that the engineer had a device in such cases. I went to him. He put his large, sooty hand on me, took a knife and wrapped the lid of the eye around the knife. I expected to be hurt very much, but without any pain and instantly he poured the cinder. Oh, there come times in our Christian life when our spiritual vision is being spoiled and all gentle annoyances fail. Then there comes some giant trouble and, black handed, lays hold of us and removes that which would have made our vision forever. I will gather all our joys together in one regiment of consolation, and I will put them under Colonel Joy. Then I will gather all your sorrows together in one regiment of woe, commander and put them under Colonel Breakheart. Each of these regiments has gained for God the greater spiritual victories. Certainly that under Colonel Breakheart.

There is no animal that struggles more violently than a sheep when you corner it and catch hold of it. Down in the glen I see a group of men around a lost sheep. A plowman comes along and seizes the sheep and tries to pacify it, but it is more frightened than ever. A miller comes along, puts down his grist and caresses the sheep, and it seems as if it would die of fright. After awhile some one breaks through the thicket. He says, "Let me have the poor thing." He comes up and lays his arms around the sheep, and it is immediately quiet. Who is the last man that comes? It is the shepherd. Ah, my friends, be not afraid of the shepherd's crook. It is never used on you save in mercy to pull you back. The hard, cold iceberg of trouble will melt in the warm gulf stream of divine sympathy.

There is one passage I think you misinterpret. "The bruised reed He will not break." Do you know that the shepherd in olden times played upon these reeds? They were very easily bruised, but when they were bruised they were never mended. The shepherd could so easily make another one, he would snap the old one and throw it away and get another. The Bible says it is not so with our shepherd. When the music is gone out of a man's soul, God does not snap him in twain and throw him away. He mends and restores. "The bruised reed He will not break."

Next I speak of the shepherds' dogs. They watch the straying sheep and drive them back again. Every shepherd has his dog, from the nomads of the Bible times down to the Scotch herdsman watching his flocks on the Grampian hills. Our shepherd employs the criticisms and persecutions of the world as his dogs. There are those, you know, whose whole work it is to watch the inconsistencies of Christians and bark at them. If one of God's sheep gets astray, the world howls. With more avidity than a shepherd's dog ever caught a stray sheep by the flanks or jugged it by the ears would Satan seize the Christian astray. It ought to do us good to know that we are thus watched. It ought to put us on our guard. They cannot bite us if we stay near the Shepherd. The sharp knife of worldly assault will only trim the vines until they produce better grapes. The more you pound marjoram and rosemary the sweeter they smell. The more dogs take after you the quicker you will get to the gate.

You have noticed that different flocks of sheep have different marks upon them—sometimes a red mark, sometimes a blue mark, sometimes a crooked mark. The Lord our Shepherd has a mark for his sheep. It is a red mark, the mark of the cross. "Blessed are they that are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Furthermore, consider the shepherds' pasture grounds. The old shepherd used to take the sheep upon the mountains in the summer and dwell in the valleys in the winter. The sheepfolding out of doors perpetually, their wool was better than if they had been kept in the hot atmosphere of the sheepcot. Wells were dug for the sheep and covered with large stones in order that the hot weather might not spoil the water. And then the shepherd led his sheep wherever he would. Nobody disputed his right. So the Lord our shepherd has a large pasturage ground. He takes us in the summer of the mountains and in the winter to the valleys. Warm days of prosperity come, and we stand on sun gilt Sabbaths and on hills of transfiguration, and we are so high up we can catch a glimpse of the pinnacles of the heavenly city. Then cold wintry days of trouble come, and we go down into the valley of sickness, want and bereavement, and we say, "Is there any sorrow like unto my sorrow?" But, blessed be God, the Lord's sheep can find pasture anywhere. Between two rocks of trouble a tuft of succulent promises, green pastures beside still waters, long sweet grass between bitter graves. You have noticed the structure of the sheep's mouth? It is so sharp that it can take up a blade of grass or clover top from the very narrowest spot. And so God's sheep can pick up comfort where others can gather none. "The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him."

Lastly, consider the shepherd's fold. The time of sheep shearing was a very glad time. The neighbors gathered together, and they poured wine and danced for joy. The sheep were put in a place inclosed by a wall, where it was very easy to count them and know whether any of them had been taken by the jackals or dogs. The inclosure was called the sheepfold. Good news I have to tell you, in that our Lord the Shepherd has a sheepfold, and those who are gathered in it shall never be struck by the storm, shall never be touched by the jackals of temptation and trouble. It has a high wall—so high that no troubles can get in—so high that the joys cannot get out. How glad the old sheep will be to find the lambs that left them a good many years ago. Millions of children in heaven. Oh, what a merry heaven it will make! Not many long meter psalms there. They will be in the majority and will run away with our song, carrying it up to a still higher point of ecstasy. Oh, there will be shouting. If children on earth clapped their hands and danced for joy, what will they do when to the gladness of childhood on earth is added the gladness of childhood in heaven?

It is time we got over these morbid ideas of how we shall get out of this world. You make your religion an undertaker planing coffins and driving hearses. Your religion smells of the varnish of a funeral casket. Rather let your religion to-day come out and show you the sheepfold that God has provided for you. Ah, you say, there is a river between this and that. I know it, but that Jordan is only for the sheep washing, and they shall go up on the other banks snow white. They follow the great Shepherd. They heard his voice long ago. They are safe now—one! and one Shepherd.

Alas for those who are finally found outside the inclosure! The night of their sin howls with jackals; they are thirsting for their blood. The very moment that a lamb may be frisking upon the hills a bear may be looking at it from the thicket.

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The shepherd of old used to play beautiful music, and sometimes the sheep would gather around him and listen. To-day my heavenly Shepherd calls to you with the very music of heaven, bidding you to leave your sin and accept His pardon. Oh, that all the flock would hear the piping of the Good Shepherd.

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Fifteen years ago I was the victim of severe acute rheumatism; my suffering was intense and almost unbearable. Three noted physicians in succession failed in their honest endeavors to give me relief. The fourth, my favorite, who was indisposed himself, when I was first attacked, finally came to my bedside. He, in his anxiety and sympathy to lull the pain and induce sleep, thought best to give me at intervals a small quantity of morphine. Ignorant of its wonderful power, I continued its use for several days, and then it was that I awoke to the sad realization that I was bound in chains which no human power or will could break asunder. Since the fatal hour I became an involuntary and unconscious victim of that fascinating and yet most potent drug, as the greatest enemy and destroyer of human hope and ambition, mine has been a weary pilgrimage in the dark, ever dying, yet could not die. Many times during the passing of those fifteen long and dreary years, and especially since the death of one of the best women that ever wore the sacred crown of wife, I was tempted to snap asunder the silver cord of life and leap to meet the nameless terrors of the great unknown. And if for once I had consulted the awful dread the world would have cried out "insane," when as nothing else could have been [illegible] true. One day, about nine months ago, while suffering the horrors of Dante's mimic hell, there came to me in my delirium the thought to go and tell my tale of suffering and despair to Dr. Woolley. Perhaps he can and will cause the very darkness of night to show the approach of morning. I wandered to your office, as you know, in a condition suggestive of one [illegible] the dark and troubled waves of death. I told you of my slavery to a habit which deserves the pity of every intelligent and charitable person on earth, and cried out for help. After a careful diagnosis of my case, and learning how long I had used Opiates or Morphine, and the quantity necessary to sustain me at the time, you prepared for me a bottle of your Antidote, and from that good hour I have neither wanted, needed nor used a grain of Morphine, Opium or other Opiate. After commencing the use of your Antidote my general health began to improve wonderfully, and despair that had been my constant companion, by degrees deserted me and one month ago I realized that my system no longer required the use of your Antidote, and that I was indeed a free man. I am pleased to report that my health is constantly improving. I weigh to-day fifty pounds more than I did. I have some of the last bottle of your Antidote and will preserve and keep it as a sacred relic of my restoration from midnight darkness into the bright light of day and happiness.

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not I would advise you to change the schedule and adopt that plan, and above everything hold your representatives strictly to their promises. Then, if you elect competent men for your officers you are bound to have a sound government and laws enacted to benefit the whole people. That principle would dispense with so much partyism. Adherence to party ties has enslaved the masses of the people, by blindly following after their leaders for years, after they had departed from all principles of a free republican form of government.

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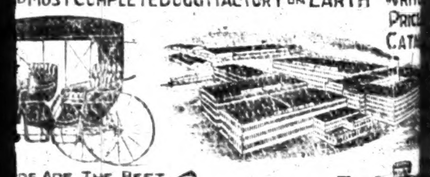

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H. M. HILL.

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Burwell, Ala., April 20, 1898
Editor BANNER. I know your columns will be crowded this week but I think one from this part of the county is entitled to a little space to speak a few words in behalf of our friend and neighbor Mr. E. L. Manning, who is running for the Clerk's office. Knowing Mr. Manning as we do we think the people will make a great mistake if they do not vote for and elect him.
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Two lumber kilns belonging to F. Pletcher were destroyed by fire the first of last week. Business along the line of the new railroad seems to have begun, several cars of lumber passed over the road last week for the Birmingham market.

The Union Sunday-school enrolled ten new members last Sunday, total membership 62. Reports from Pilgrim show a large attendance. The weekly prayer meeting is progressing nicely, meetings are held in the school building every Saturday night. The subject of a Teachers Institute being held at Pilgrim, the first of July was discussed at a meeting a few days ago and received the hearty approbation of the people. Now Prof. somebody, we must have that Institute. Every inducement is offered. The best of accommodations for all visitors is assured. How can we be denied when we will do anything required of us.

The Byrum school enrolled several new pupils of this week.

Prof. Gibbon of the Briarfield school was a visitor among us for a few days. He is thinking of locating a summer school at this place.

Miss Clara Mills, recently of Montevallo, is teaching at Propst.

Work on the new depot will commence in a few days.

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A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can," the druggist recognized a household name for "DeWitt's Little Early Risers," and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

Lily Lyrics.

Farmers are about done planting in this section.

Mrs. Seborn Jones has been very sick but we are glad to say is much better now.

Misses Lizzie Jones and Annie Cochran visited friends at Clanton last Saturday.

The candidates don't show themselves in these parts much, so politics are at a low ebb in this vicinity.
X. Y. Z.

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Billingsley.

Our city is on a boom.

Mr. Will Carter has a new storehouse going up, we hope to see it completed soon.

Dr. A. J. Marlar from Stanton has moved his family here and will make his home with us. We welcome him; may he live long and prosper.

The new depot is near completion it helps the looks of the town greatly.
MAY.

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"A word to the wise is sufficient" and a word from the wise should be sufficient, but you ask, who are the wise? Those who know. The oft repeated experience of trustworthy persons may be taken for knowledge. Mr. W. M. Terry says Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other in the market. He has been in the drug business at Elkton, Ky., for twelve years; has sold hundreds of bottles of this remedy and nearly all other cough medicines manufactured, which shows conclusively that Chamberlain's is the most satisfactory to the people, and is the best. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Verbena

Mr. Harrison Kendrick was born in Wilkes county, Georgia, on the 9th day of May, 1832, and died near Verbena on the 14th day of April, 1898. He was married three times. His last wife survives him. He leaves nine children. His father, Jacob Kendrick, of Georgia, was a very wealthy man before the war. He owned a great many negroes. After the war Harrison Kendrick came to Alabama; he first settled in Montgomery and then moved to Chilton county.

Chilton county has lost a good citizen. He was a good neighbor and a kind friend, generous and free-hearted. I don't think he ever turned anyone in want from his door. He was a typical Georgia gentleman of the old school.

I might write pages about Mr. Kendrick's life and not do justice to him. I thought it best to condense his obituary as much as I could, because people do not read long obituaries these days. He had many friends here and they deeply sympathize with his family in their great loss.
H. B. NORTHINGTON.

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Mountain Creek

A number of our young people spent an enjoyable day at the government farm Sunday.

Bulas Parish is going around with a big smile. He says it's a girl.

The Sabbath school organized at this place the 1st Sunday in April is progressing finely.

Mr. Loney Dawson spent Sunday near Coosa river church.

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Wedding at Mountain Creek

On Wednesday, April 20, one of our fairest young maidens became a happy bride, and while we regret her departure from her childhood's home our best wishes for her future happiness go with her. Mr. J. H. McClure, of Hartselle, Ala., is the luckiest man in the State, and he evidently thought so when Rev. J. R. Carwell, of Deatsville, united him in the holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Fanny L. Faulkner, the accomplished and charming daughter of W. A. B. Faulkner. The ceremony took place at the hospitable home of the bride's parents, only members of the family and a few intimate friends being present. After the ceremony the happy couple left for the home of the groom's parents at Hartselle where they will spend the honeymoon, and then will make their home at Decatur, Ala., where we wish them all possible happiness and prosperity.

Subscribe for The Banner.

Stanton.

Dr. A. H. Parnell left last Monday for Woodlawn where he will practice dentistry. His friends regret his absence but wish him success.

Messrs. J. P. VanDerveer and Sheriff Cooley passed through this place Monday on an electioneering tour.

Mr. W. H. Martin was in the city Wednesday on business.

Dr. Marlar moved to Billingsley this week where he will practice medicine. We wish him all success possible and hope he will like his new home.

Mrs. Macon spent the day at Selma Tuesday.

Mr. H. H. Lassiter was in Selma Tuesday.

Mr. Sam Griffin is very busy with his bees and seems to be succesful at the business. Several swarms came out last week.

A number of the little folks gathered at the Weatherburn hill near the Episcopal church Saturday morning with confectionary for a picnic. All enjoyed it fine.

Mr. John Marlar was here among friends Sunday. Come again John we are always glad to see you.

Mrs. Bowdoin has fifty-four pupils; the school is progressing nicely.

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Thirty five years make a generation. Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Lomax.

There will be an all day singing in Lomax at the Methodist church the second Sunday in May conducted by Mr. Joe Littleton. Everybody is invited to come and bring their books and a little bite for refreshment at noon.
Miss ISABELLA GRACE.

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Rockymount

Rev. J. S Williams will hold his second quarterly meeting here the first Sunday in May and Saturday before.

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How to Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver be inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach be disordered, you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys be affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys. Purifieis the blood cures pimples, blotches and boils and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at all Drug Stores

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Candidates at Clanton

Yesterday there was a gathering of candidates who addressed a large meeting of voters at the Courthouse. The audience listened attentively to the speakers and went home fully satisfied with the days proceedings. S. M. Adams, J. W. Moore and J. P. VanDerveer were on hand as candidates for the Probate office. E. L. Manning, E. B. Deason and J. M. Burnett exhibited to the voters three good-looking candidates for Clerk of the Circuit Court. L. H. Reynolds played a lone hand for Representative, and R. J. Eiland yesterday had it all his own way. J. M. Dykes filled the chair.

There was a good deal of talk on the streets as to the probable outcome of the primary, but as it is now so close at hand we think it is hardly worth while to mention the winners. One thing worth mentioning is that there seemed to be a feeling of good temper pervading the meeting, and the candidates were hail-fellow-well-met with everyone.

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M. L. Yocum, Cameron, Pa., says "I was a sufferer for ten years, trying most all kinds of pile remedies, but without success. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was recommended to me. I used one box. It has effected a permanent cure." As a permanent cure for piles DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has no equal. Stanfield & Matthews.

Clanton Locals.

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Miss Celestia Dunlap returned to her home at Randolph yesterday.

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Messrs. Will Johnson, Newt Wilson, Clint Mahan, R. K. Blackshear and Ed Sims have sent in their applications to join the army.

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PROGRAM OF S. S. CONVENTION

of the Mulberry Association, held with New Salem church, two miles south-east of Strasburg, May 28 and 29, 1898.

Saturday, 9: a m Devotional exercises by pastor. 9:30. The church and Sunday-school, their relation to each other. S. M Adams, T. R. Jackson and W. H. Shaw. 10:30. The study of God's Word as a means of spiritual development. L. B. Pounds, D. W. Langston and J. Hicks. 12 m Adjourn for dinner.

2 p.m. Devotional exercises R. H. Long.

2:30 what relation does the pastor sustain to the missionary department of the Sunday-school? S. Smitherman, Z. J. Jones and A Glasscock.

4. The happy results of efficient Sunday-school work to church and community. Dr. H. W. Cuffee, R. M. Heavercutt and J. P. Gentry.

Sunday 9:30 a m. Sunday-school mass-meeting conducted by R. H. Long.

11. Convention sermon by Sutton Smitherman.

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The Cruel Man.
Miss Antique (at the church fair)—Kisses! Fifty cents for a kiss.
Crusty (after a long survey)—I'll go you. I need the money.—New York Journal.

My Pretty Typewriter.
Tippy, tappy, tippy, tappy,
All the livelong day,
Mabel at her keyboard sits
Thumping the hours away.
Oh, she is fair—so fair it seems
Almost a burning shame
Such beauty there should languish quite
Unknown to fame.

Tippy, tappy, tippy, tappy,
How her fingers fly!
Though now and then she finds the time
For just an eye glance sly.
And now and then a smile illumes
The bleak and desert air,
And business isn't half the grind
With such a mascot there.

Tippy, tappy, tippy, tappy,
Oh, you little blessing!
If you up and married now,
That would be distressing.
And so I think I'll ask you first
In self defense, you see.
Tippy, tappy, tippy, tappy,
Will you marry me?
—New York Journal.

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CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

The search for whiskey in the hull of the Arabia, sunk in the Missouri river, near Parkville, over forty years ago, has been abandoned, with complete loss of capital invested in the venture. This is not the first failure that whiskey can be credited with.

The aggregate bonded debt of the cities of the United States is over $800,000,000; that of the cities of England, $1,025,000, and that of the cities of France, $640,000,000. In the last seventeen years the increase in the debt of American cities was $116,000,000, and of those of England $565,000,000.

A gang of thieves organized to prey upon thieves has been discovered in Paris. Their plan was to watch for shoplifters in the department stores like the Louvre and the Bon Marche, to follow them home, and then enter under pretence of being police inspectors to search the apartments for stolen goods, which they carried off, with no fear of complaint being made.

It will require from $50,000,000 to $100,000,000 from the Klondike regions this year to return to the prospectors who go there this spring and summer as much money as they will require to go there and maintain them a year. This thought may give a pause to some who are now enthusiastic for going in search of gold. Only in rare instances does gold seeking prove a success.

The advantage of drawing boards of health to the service of the public schools has been abundantly proved by results in Boston and New York, where competent medical inspection of schools has been secured through the combination. The health commissioner of St. Louis, authorized to report on the sanitary condition of the schools of that city, has disclosed an alarming array of unsanitary and even pestilential evils. It seems almost incredible that a city whose schools were but a few years ago the pride of the West, should suffer the neglect indicated by this report.

The parliament of the United Kingdom is the largest representative body in the world. In the House of Lords there are 553 persons entitled to vote, and in the House of Commons there are 670 members. France in its Corps Legislatif has 300 senators and 584 deputies. Italy has a varying number of senators and 508 deputies. Japan has 500 peers and 300 representatives. Germany, in its Bundesrath, or Senate, has fifty-eight members, but its Reichstag has 397 members. Spain's Cortes has 431 members. Canada has a Senate of eighty members and a House of Commons of 215 members.

A writer in the New York Independent discusses at some length why the United States is so unpopular with Europeans. Beginning with France, the writer says: "For years there has been a large American colony in Paris, but its members find it difficult to get any entree into French society. French ideals differ from ours as much as they do from the English. Besides, the natural sympathy of France is with its neighbor, Spain, which has a large colony in Paris; and Spanish bonds are held in France which would be almost worthless if Cuba were to secure independence. The French believe what the Spaniards tell them, that the United States is lingering to annex Cuba. We need not argue the ill-will of Germany; it is too plain to be missed. It is caused partly by the operation of our tariff and partly by the loss to the United States of so many German citizens and possible soldiers. But still more the cause is in that which is seen all through Europe, the growth and prosperity of this country, the development of its manufactures and commerce, which excite general apprehension. What Germany feels is what the Austrian premier, Gelchowski, startled us by proclaiming that the twentieth century must see the union of Europe against America to shut out American products and influence. The yellow peril, from China, is not so much feared as the American peril. This apprehension affects all Europe, though just now more clearly expressed in Germany and Austria. But Italy feels it as well, although she has her special grievance in the New Orleans lynching case. Of the great powers there remain Russia, which has no public opinion and Great Britain, the mother country, remains our friend."

HAVANA WILL BE BOMBARDED.

British Consul Gullon Has Notified the City Officials of the Attack.

INHABITANTS OF HAVANA TERROR STRICKEN

Blanco is Marshaling His Land Forces to Repel the American Invaders—General Pando to be Placed in Charge of Spanish Army—Rebels Active.

A special to Monday morning's Age-Herald from Havana says:

Havana knows it is to be bombarded, and is on the verge of a panic in consequence.

The news came in a notification to British Consul Gullon by his government that warning of the bombardment had been given by the United States.

The news spread over the city like

fire through dry grass. The newspapers all prepared extras, but the censor at the palace crossed out every line of the news. They appealed to Blanco, but he told the editors he did not want the city alarmed, and would not permit the fact that the bombardment was imminent to be made public. But the news spread from lip to lip. It is pitiful to watch the women of Havana; the streets are full of them, and nearly one looks on the verge of hysteries. The government is doing all it can to keep the excitement down.

The new sand batteries and several thousand troops are waiting to repulse the landing party of the United States.

General Pando will be placed in charge of the Spanish troops. He is expected in Havana, and will probably be placed in direct charge of the Spanish army massed for the defense of the city. Mor troops are arriving from the interior of the island.

Rebels have blown up a troop train ten miles from the city. The train was ditched and ten men were injured. The engineer and firemen were killed.

Srturday night the city was tremendously excited by cannon firing from Moro Castle. About a dozen discharges convinced everybody that the bombardment had begun. The newspapers telephoned to Moro Castle and received a message that the American cruiser New York ard steamed into within three miles and had been fired upon.

MORO CASTLE OPENED FIRE.

For the Second Time She Turned Loose Her Batteries on U. S. Fleet.

During the early hours of Sunday morning the Moro Castle batteries at Havana again opened fire on the fleet, but without the slightest effect. There have been no casualties among our forces up to Sunday morning and not a single shot has been fired against the batteries.

At 3 o'clock Sunday morning the Detroit made a rich haul, capturing the large Spanish merchant steamer Catalina, bound from New Orleans for Cadiz with cotton, oil and staves. She also captured a large quantity of provisions which she intended to land in Havana.

Ensign Christy from the Detroit, naval Cadet Jones, from the New York and four marines and sixteen blue jackets were placed on board of her and she steamed off for Key West.

Call for 125,000 Volunteers.

The president Saturday issued proclamation, calling for 125,000 troops, the same to be proportioned as far as practicable, among the several states and territories and of the District of Columbia according to the population, and to serve two years, unless sooner discharged. The details for this object will be immediately communicated to the proper authorities through the war department.

EASTERN FLEET WILL SAIL.

The American Squadron at Hong Kong Will Attack Manila.

The American squadron at Hong Kong, according to a special dispatch from Shanghai, has sailed for Manila, which it will attack. The dispatch says: Three steamers recently purchased by the United States government will follow the fleet with coal. The approaches to Manila are mined. It is reported that the priests and the commercial classes in the Philippines are in favor of a peaceful surrender rather than to suffer a bombardment, but that the military are determined to resist.

Annulled by Gen. Miles.

A battalion of the Nineteenth infantry, Capt. Vernon, commanding, from Fort Brady, Mich., passed Birmingham en route to Mobile. The troops were proceeding via the Mobile & Ohio railroad, but at Corinth, Miss., received a telegram from Gen. Brooke ordered them to Chickamauga. The train started to Chattanooga over the Memphis & Charleston railroad, but at Tuscumbia a telegram was received from Gen. Miles annuling Gen. Brooke's orders. The train then proceeded to Mobile via Decatur.

SPANISH STRENGTH.

Has Now Fifty-Eight Ships in Cuba and Porto Rican Waters.

A special from Washington says: Resistance attempted by the Spanish vessels now in Cuban and Porto Rican waters to the blockade instituted by the North Atlantic squadron will be followed by their destruction.

Although Spain has a total of fifty-eight ships distributed in Cuban and Porto Rican waters, no doubt exists in official circles of the ability of the North Atlantic squadron to easily destroy those which it will meet in the vicinity of Cuba.

Of the Spanish force the largest cruiser, the Alfonso XII. 3,900 tons displacement, lies in a disabled condition in Havana harbor and it is expected that it will remain there until the American flag displaces that of Spain.

Spain's next largest ship in Cuban waters is the cruiser Reina Mercedes, of 3,090 tons, built in 1887, which is regarded as a very good vessel of her type. The only other ship which American men-of-war have to fear are seven torpedo vessels: The Filipinas, of 750 tons and twenty knots; the Jorge Juan, of 935 tons and thirteen knots; the Nueva Espana, of 630 tons and 18.6 knots, and the Galacia, the Marquese de Molins, the Martin Alonzo and the Vincente Yanez, each of 571 tons and 18.6 knots.

Four cruisers of between 1,100 and 1,200 tons are distributed around the island. In addition to this force, Spain has stationed in Cuban waters a large number of gunboats, ranging in displacement from 500 to 20 tons.

TO INVADE CUBA.

More Than One Hundred Thousand Men Will be Landed on the Island.

Four army corps are to invade Cuba. This will place a force of 120,000 American soldiers in the island. The

MAJ. GEN. MILES.

volunteer army called into existence will be merged with the regulars. To command this army it will be necessary to have ten major-generals and thirty brigadier-generals. The president will appoint these general officers as well as the staff. Major-General Miles will remain in command, and will go to Cuba with the army of occupation. The amalgamated armies will be divided into corps, divisions and brigades.

WOODFORD IN PARIS.

The Minister Had an Exciting Ride Through Spain.

Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, United States minister to Spain, accompanied by the party with which he left Madrid, arrived in Paris Friday morning, after some exciting experiences. The Spanish police attempted to capture a member of the legation and at Valladolid the train was attacked. Mr. Moreno was the member of the United States legation singled out by the Spanish police for capture on the ground that he is a subject of Spain, but the attempt was frustrated owing to the presence of mind of the minister. At Valladolid the Unitd States minister's train was attacked and stoned. Windows were broken and the civil guards compelled to protect his carriage with drawn swords. The Spanish police made a determined effort to get Mr. Moreno, but Gen. Woodford stood in the doorway of the carriage, declaring he should only be removed by force. A detachment of police accompanied the train from Toloso to San Sebastian, where the police officials left, on seeing that the general was determined to maintain his rights.

GENERAL GARY RESIGNS.

Charles Emory Smith, Editor Philadelphia Press, is His Successor.

Postmaster-General Gary has resigned, and Charles Emory Smith, of Pennsylvania, has been named as his successor. In his letter to the president Mr. Gary stated that his only reason for leaving the cabinet was the serious condition of his health.

Charles Emory Smith, the new postmaster-general, is at present editor of the Philadelphia Press. He has been minister to Russia, is an earnest, active republican, and known to public men throughout the United States.

Gigantic Mail Robbery.

A mail bag consigned to J. M Hammill, attorney for the Louisville & Nashville road at Belleville, Ill., was stolen from an express wagon in Belleville, Ill. The bag is said to have contained letters, official documents and a registered letter, in which were several drafts for almost $30,000.

Right of Privateering.

The conservative organ, El Epoca, at Madrid, says that Spain will not renounce the right of privateering.

NEARING THE CLASH.

The North Atlantic Squadron Preparing to Shell Moro Castle.

A special from Washington to the Age-Herald Tuesday says: Tomorrow the Spanish ships must leave the Cape Verde Islands or defy Portugal. All neutral nations would be antagonized by such a defiance, for a defiance of Portugal might be followed by similar action at other ports. As soon as it is positively known that the bulk of the Spanish navy is rendezvoused at Porto Rico, Schley's squadron and Sampson's fleet will form a junction, sail to Porto Rico and engage the enemy. It is either this or before forty-eight hours the guns of the North Atlantic squadron will belch forth death against Moro castle. The government, before midnight tomorrow, is almost certain to be informed by its secret agents abroad that the Spanish fleet has left the Cape Verde Islands. If the prows of the flotilla point to the west a sea fight may be expected in nine days, for in that time the distance between Cape Verde and Porto Rico, 2,400 miles, may be sailed.

POWDER PLANT BLOWN UP.

Explosion in California Works Causes Loss of Many Lives.

Three explosions Tuesday evening at the California Powder works at Santa Cruz caused a greater loss of life than any of the previous accidents in the history of these works. The wildest rumors are current regarding the number of killed and wounded, the exact number not having yet been ascertained. It is known that seven were killed and four injured.

The primary cause of the disaster was the explosion of the gun cotton plant. The igniting of this plant caused a fire which communicated to the powder mill flat, which are located the houses of the employes of the works. The plants manufacturing powder for the government were uninjured.

The belief is current that the plant was blown up by the agents of Spain.

A VALUABLE PRIZE.

The Big Spanish Steamer Panama Captured by the Little Mangrove.

The big Spanish steamship Panama, of the Ceballos Line, which left New York on April 20 for Havana, with a number of Spanish refugees on board, and a very valuable cargo, including, it is understood, stores for the Spanish, was captured Monday about twenty miles from Havana by the lighthouse tender Mangrove, now belonging to the Mosquito fleet. The Mangrove mounts two six-pounders and thirty-eight revolvers. She is commanded by Lieutenant Commander W. H. Everett, and has a crew of fifteen men. The Panama is of about 2,800 tons and a very valuable prize.

Three shots were fired across the Panama, with a threat that if he did not heave to a shot would be sent through his vessel.

Two More Captured.

The United States gunboat Newport has brought to Key West the Spanish sloop Paquette and the Spanish schooner Pireneo, Cuban coasting vessels, which she captured off Havana Tuesday morning.

NATIONS NOTIFIED.

That the United States Has Officially Declared War.

The state department has conveyed notice to all of the powers and nations with which the United States holds friendly relations of the official declaration of war by the government of the United States. This is a necessary formality in order to set in motion the neutrality laws in many countries, and stop claims for damages on the part of neutrals for vessels detained and turned back at blockades without due notice. The instructions which were sent to all the United States locations directed attention to the fact that the war has existed since April 21, when the Spanish government broke off diplomatic relations in order to avoid accepting the ultimatum at the hands of Minister Woodford.

Italy Defies the Dons.

Italy has asked Spain to revoke the declaration that sulphur is contraband of war, and threatens retaliation in event of Spain's refusal.

ARMY OFFICER LANDS IN CUBA.

He Goes to the Island to Arrange for Cooperation With General Garcia.

First Lieutenant Andrew S. Rowan, of the Nineteenth infantry, under orders from the war department, was landed on the Cuban coast somewhere west of Santiago, probably before dawn on Monday. His Cuban guides and an open sail boat were used. The guides have not returned. Lieutenant Rowan is on his way to the camp of General Calixto Garcia. He will represent the war department in arranging for the cooperation of the insurgents in the invasion of eastern Cuba by the forces of the United States.

Contraband of War.

A special dispatch from Madrid says the Spanish government has been officially notified that Great Britain will regard coal as contraband of war.

Texas Tornado.

A destructive tornado passed about four miles southwest of Atlanta, Tex., tearing its way as it went. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson were killed outright. A man named McDuffie died from his injuries and several others were seriously injured.

AGAIN APPEALS TO POWERS.

Spain Tells Them That She Is Compelled to Resort to Force

TO REPEL THE "SCANDALOUS AGGRESSION"

Of the United States Charge Americans With Disloyalty and Impulse of Unbridled Ambition—Grave Trouble in the Philippine Islands.

MADRID, Special.—The Spanish government Tuesday sent a circular note to the powers, supplementing the circular of April 18, and expressing regret at the "hard necessity of being compelled to appeal to force in order to repel the scandalous aggression of the United States and defend the national dignity and historical integrity of the fatherland."

Continuing, the circular note says: "History presents few instances wherein the reason is so evident on one part and the outrage so undisguised on the other. Spain has on her side right, correct procedure and prudence, while the United States has on her side only disloyalty and the impulse of unbridled ambitions."

After a reference "to the execrable conduct" of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, the note reproduces the text of the resolutions of congress, underlining the last words "as intended to deceive the Cubans."

It is then predicted that the island of Cuba will not be declared pacified until it is ready for annexation.

Further on the note gives the details of the rupture of the negotiations between Spain and the United States, concluding with the following declaration: "The Spanish people await the attack with tranquil serenity, determined to sell their lives dear and to defend energetically their right to remain in America, confident that in this work they will have the assistance of the Cubans, who are Spaniards like themselves."

Revolt Around Manila.

HONG KONG, Mail advices which reached here Tuesday from Manila, dated Saturday last, say the insurgents were then gathered in masses around Manila, and that the massacre of the Spaniards at that port was apprehended. It is also announced in the dispatches that the Spaniards have laid mines about Manila. The United States squadron leaves Mirs Bay to watch the Philippine ports. The insurgent leader Aguinaldoh is on board the United States cruiser Olympia.

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION.

Alabama Troops Receive Call For Two Regiments and a Battallion of Infantry.

The governor Tuesday afternoon issued a proclamation as follows:

"Whereas, The president has, under the authority conferred upon him by the constitution and the laws of the United States, called upon this state for two regiments and one battalion of infantry to serve in the war against Spain; now, therefore, I, Joseph F. Johnston, governor of Alabama, hereby notify the people of Alabama that such call has been made, and that I will receive for such service companies of infantry to the number of twenty-eight, each company containing not less than eighty men. Complying with the request of the president, preference will be given to the companies composing the Alabama National Guard, but the infantry of the said guard not being sufficiently numerous to supply the troops called for, tender of volunteer companies will be received. Commanding officers of the infantry companies of the National Guard and of the volunteer companies desiring to serve will report tomorrow by wire to the adjutant-general at Montgomery, Ala., stating number of men enlisted, and ready to move, at once."

Spanish Fleet Still at Cape Verde.

A special from St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands, Tuesday, says: The Spanish fleet is still here and there is no sign of its intention to put to sea today. Ammunition and projectiles are placed ready on deck for each gun and on board the warships the men appear to be anxious to fight. The squadron is still busy coaling and taking stores on board.

American Squadron to Attack Manilla.

HONG-KONG (Special).—Orders have been received by the American squadron to attack Manilla. The ships are getting ready for action. Notwithstanding the report that the American fleet had sailed to attack Manila, the ships are still in their waters. A dispatch from Manila says the Spanish squadron will resist any American attempt to blockade.

Army Bill Signed by the President.

Both the house and senate agreed Tuesday to the conference report on the army reorganization bill, and it left the capitol at 2:05 o'clock for the president's signature. The president signed it as soon as he received it.

Roosevelt to Command Cavalry.

The president has decided to appoint Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, at present assistant secretary of the navy, to be a lieutenant-colonel of United States volunteers, to serve in a regiment of cowboys and mounted riflemen, to be raised by Mr. Roosevelt and Dr. Wood, the president's family physician, who is now in the medical department of the regular army. Dr. Wood will be colonel of the regiment.

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Volunteers Must Resign.

WASHINGTON.—The state organizations which respond to the president's call sign their places on the rolls and officers and men enlisted under the president's recruits will be held in concentration camps and organized into regiments, troops of cavalry and batteries when completed. The governors will be permitted to appoint the officers, not to exceed one-half a company, regiment or battalion.

ORDERED TO GIBRALTAR

Spanish Torpedo Boat Captured Out of Queenstown.

The British admiral at Queenstown station, Admiral Claude E. Buckle, ordered a British torpedo boat, Andax, undergoing extensive repairs to damage which she sustained on her way to Spain, to leave before 9 a. m. Monday, owing to proclamation of neutrality by the British government.

CONGRESS DECLARES WAR

Response to a Message from President Asking Its Prompt

BILL PASSED IN DOUBLE

House Resolution That War Has Existed Since April 21 Between the United States and the Kingdom of Spain

The preamble was adopted Monday as a message was received from the president transmitting correspondence relative to the United States already acted in the matter. Then the house began to act. Under the rules of the house a bill introduced on one day must lie over one day before it can be passed. But the rules were suspended by a vote of 310 to 6 and the following bill was introduced by Mr. Adams, of Pennsylvania, and passed in less than two minutes:

"A bill declaring that war be and exists between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain.

"Be it enacted, etc.

"First—That war be and the same is hereby declared to exist, and that it has existed since the 21st day of April, A. D. 1898, including said day, between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain.

"Second—That the president of the United States be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the service of the United States the militia of the several states to such extent as may be necessary to carry this act into effect."

The bill passed the house without a dissenting vote in just one minute and 30 seconds after it had been introduced. Its passage was greeted by prolonged applause.

A majority of the senate committee on foreign relations has agreed upon a war declaration as follows: Senators Morgan and Turpie, committee, reserve the right to offer amendments in the senate. They want a declaration of the belligerent rights of Spain.

HONOR OF FIRST TARGET

Falls Taking Soundings at Night Torpedo Boat Foote Was Fired

The United States torpedo boat Foote, Lieutenant W. Rodman Reading, has the honor of having been the first to get for first shots fired by the navy in this war. Shots at the American flag were just begun. The firing between 5 and 6 o'clock afternoon while the torpedo boat was making soundings in the harbor of Cardenas. She was within a few yards of the shore. Suddenly a masked battery on the east side of the harbor and not very far from the Foote, fired three shots. The torpedo boat. They all struck their mark and the Foote turned and steamed away to the Cincinnati, which supported the result of her shots and then announced she had been fired on. The Cincinnati was ordered to silence them instantly and reduce the batteries, but she was not able to do so.

NO CALL FOR STATE TROOPS

Has Been Received by Governor Johnston—Statement From the Executive

Governor Johnston, of Alabama, has received no information as to the number or character of troops that will be required from Alabama. The following statement explaining the situation was issued from his office Monday: The governor has not to this time received any communication from the president or the war department in regard to any call for troops. Should the governor has had any communication, except in the way of general rumors, tending to prepare him in a general way for such appeals, he is still without any communication with the adjutant general's department or other official information as to the number of troops that can volunteer.

A BRITISH WARNING

Warships of Spain and United States to Leave the British Ports

The officers of the British navy expect that the London Gazette, the official organ of the government, will publish Tuesday evening a notice that the warships of the United States, Spain and the United States must leave British ports within twenty-four hours. The document, it is said, is long and complicated, the clauses covering the case in which are unable to leave being related time, owing to defects in the machinery of the British warships already been notified that they must not be published.

Schooner Mathilde Captured

The Associated Press dispatches arrived in this city from West Sunday, having in tow as a sailing prize of the Spanish schooner Mathilde, of Havana, loaded with rum.

Communication With Havana Cut Off

The government has taken control of the telegraph wires and all press matter will be subject to the decision of the censor. Telegraphic communication with Havana has been abandoned.

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...hen That She Is Compelled to Resort to Force.

...SCANDALOUS AGGRESSION"

[illegible]

...PROCLAMATION.

[illegible]

HAVANA PREPARING TO S...

A View at the Squadron—Yellow ... Increasing in the City.

HAVANA, (Special.)—Havana ... preparing a blow at the blockading ... It is planned to fit out ... boats and sea-going tugs ... torpedo boats ... to destroy one or more ... ship at night. The ... has seized the big tug ... belonging to Ramon Herrera ... as the Susie, Gonzales and ... and is preparing ... the venture.

Yellow fever is increasing ... In order to avoid panic ... the department no longer gives ... statistics, but the physicians ... are alarmed, exhausted by ... efforts. Besides yellow fever, ... has made its appearance ... city.

There are 50,000 Spanish soldiers in and about Havana, most of them ... by service in the field ... of the commonest ... precautions. Better material ... could not be found. ... are crowded. The American fleet is still visible from the high ... about the city. Havana is ... than it has been since the blockade began.

ANARCHY REIGNS

In Many of the Larger Towns of ... Revolutionists Active.

Madrid and more than twenty ... largest towns of Spain are in the ... of the mob several hours every ... The government has permitted ... triotic" demonstrations as the ... means of giving vent ... popular excitement. All was well ... long ... were expressions of animosity ... America. But now the demonstrations are getting beyond control. The government is anxious and the ... classes are alarmed. The police ... silently in the throngs many socialists, anarchists and republicans. ... revolutions have begun in ... outbreaks of a spirit of lawlessness. The revolutionary parties are active. They are almost ... threatening to take matters ... own hands if the government does not succeed in promptly overcoming the United States. Matters are ... politically and even worse financially.

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It is feared by the administration that Spanish spies may hatch schemes to cripple our war ships or destroy fortifications. And it is even feared that Spain may attempt to infect Southern ports with yellow fever.

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Secretary Sherman's resignation was handed to the president at 12.15 Monday afternoon. The message was brought to the white house by the secretary's messenger. It was accepted at once. Assistant Secretary Day will succeed Mr. Sherman as secretary of state.

The reason for the resignation is the condition of the secretary's health, which is now impaired as the result of years of devotion to the public service and the arduous labors of state, added to age, the venerable statesman being now within a few days of ... years of age.

Spain's Squadron Sailed Tuesday.

ST. VINCENT, CAPE VERDE ISLANDS.—The combined Spanish squadron, which expected to sail from here Tuesday on orders from Madrid, has postponed their departure for some unnamed reason. They will sail ... soon, it is said, but where they ... is kept a secret.

Volunteers Must Resign From ...

WASHINGTON.—The volunteer ... organizations who desire to respond to the president's call ... national guard ... officers and men must ... army. ... be taken to a ... state ... batteries ... regiment ... of ... officers ... regiment ... completed.

... TO LEAVE

... Compelled ... Queenstown, England.

... in ... Rear ... ordered the ... Andaz, which ... extensive repairs ... damage which she sustained on her way to Spain, to leave ... Monday, owing to the proclamation of neutrality by the British government.

CONGRESS DECLARES WAR

...Response to a Message From the President Asking Its Promulgation.

...PASSED IN DOUBLE QUICK TIME.

...Declares That War Exists and Has Existed Since April 21, 1898, Between the United States and the Kingdom of Spain.

The ... Monday sent to congress ... a declaration ... Spain. The ... by copies ... had with ... Spain and the ... that Spain ... the existence ... intended ... order that ... United ... may be ... asserted.

In the ... was reported ... foreign ... went to ... Both ... the senate ... had the matter under consideration ... the day.

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The bill passed the house by a unanimous vote in just one minute and forty-... seconds after it had been reported. Its passage was greeted by a round of applause.

A majority of the senate foreign relations committee has agreed to the house war declaration as passed, but senators Morgan and Turpie, of the committee, reserve the right to amend in the senate. They want the recognition of the belligerent rights of Cuba.

HONOR OF FIRST TARGET.

While Taking Soundings at Matanzas the Torpedo Boat Foote Was Fired Upon.

The United States torpedo boat Foote, Lieutenant W. Rodgers commanding, has the honor of being the target for first shots fired by the Spaniards at the American flag during the war just begun. The firing occurred between 5 and 6 o'clock on Saturday afternoon while the torpedo boat was taking soundings in the harbor off Matanzas. She was within 200 or 300 yards of the shore. Suddenly a Spanish masked battery on the east side of the harbor and not very far distant from the Foote, fired three shots at the torpedo boat. They all went wild of their mark and the Foote returned ... to the Cincinnati, where she reported the result of her soundings and then announced she had been fired upon. The Cincinnati was anxious to ... introduce the Spanish ... but she was not permitted to do so.

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"The governor has not to this time received any communication from the ... department in regard to ... troops. Up to this ... he had no official ... inquiry about ... to show that ... of war ... [illegible]

BRITISH WARNING.

...Warns Spain and the United States to Leave Their Ports.

... the British foreign ... the London Gazette, ... of the government, ... Tuesday evening a formal ... warships of the belligerents, Spain and the United States, ... leave British ports within twenty-... The document, it is admitted, ... complicated. It contains ... covering the case of vessels which are unable to leave in the ... time owing to defects. The ... British ports have ... notified that the order is ... enforced.

...Captured.

[illegible]

...Havana Abandoned.

[illegible] ... at Key West ... be handled ... of the censor ... with Havana ... continued.

THE SQUADRON'S DEPARTURE.

At the Break of Day the Destroyers Left Key West for Havana.

The North Atlantic squadron, except for the monitors Terror and Puritan and the smaller cruisers, sailed from Key West at 5:45 o'clock Friday morning headed for the Florida straits. The skies were growing grey with the coming dawn when the formidable family of ... quietly and unostentatiously steamed away, presumably for the shores of Cuba. Besides the two monitors the ships left behind are the gunboat Helena, cruisers Marblehead, Detroit, Dispatch boat Dolphin and the torpedo boats Cushing, Dupont and Porter.

The departure of the fleet was not so imposing as had been anticipated. On the contrary, there was something of ... in getting away. When all was ready the flagship swung around and came well into the harbor, signaling to the other ships about to sail. After receiving responses, she turned and headed for the open sea, with the Iowa and Indiana closely in her rear. The gunboat Machias lay nearest to three big warships, and was first to swing her bulk into line. She was followed by the Newport, which lay outside. Of the fleet lying close to shore, the Amphitrite was the leader. She was lumbering along after the Machias, her immense guns stretching above her low free board. She was the first of the monitors to join the warlike procession.

The ships that followed the three leaders—the New York, Iowa and Indiana—were the cruisers Cincinnati, Detroit, Nashville, the gunboats Wilmington, Castine, Machias, Newport, Monitor, Amphitrite, the Mangrove, Mayflower and torpedo boat Foote.

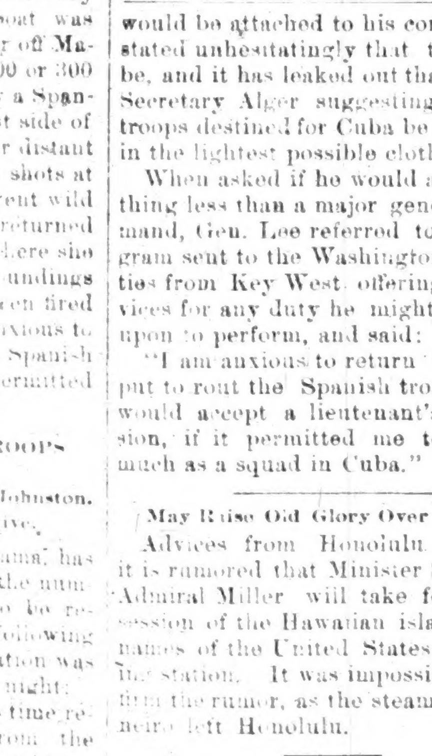
Why the powerful monitors Puritan and Terror did not accompany the fleet could not be learned.

LEE WILL ENTER THE FIGHT.

Thought That He Will be a General in the Volunteer Service.

It is understood that Gen. Lee will unquestionably be made a major general in the United States volunteer army and will lead a division or corps in Cuba.

When asked if the Virginia troops



FITZHUGH LEE.

would be attached to his command, he stated unhesitatingly that they would be, and it has leaked out that he wired Secretary Alger suggesting that the troops destined for Cuba be uniformed in the lightest possible clothing.

When asked if he would accept anything less than a major general's command, Gen. Lee referred to his telegram sent to the Washington authorities from Key West offering his services for any duty he might be called upon to perform, and said:

"I am anxious to return to Cuba to put to rout the Spanish troops, and I would accept a lieutenant's commission, if it permitted me to lead as much as a squad in Cuba."

May Raise Old Glory Over Hawaii.

Advices from Honolulu state that it is rumored that Minister Sewall and Admiral Miller will take formal possession of the Hawaiian islands in the names of the United States as a coaling station. It was impossible to confirm the rumor, as the steamer Rio Janeiro left Honolulu.

President Confers With Senators.

It was learned at the capitol that the president, in conversation with senators, asked them what they thought of the proposition to take the Hawaiian islands as well as the Philippines as a war measure. Those in favor of annexation of Hawaii express the hope that the San Francisco's report is true.

SPAIN CALLS OUT RESERVES.

Patriotic Enthusiasm Reigns Throughout Spanish Provinces.

MADRID (Special).—A royal decree has been gazetted calling out 30,000 men of the reserves of 1897. All the persons who have been consulted by the queen regent have advised a continuance of the Sagasta cabinet. It is probable, however, that the minister of marine, Admiral Bemujo, will insist upon resigning in order to take command of a squadron. Patriotic enthusiasm reigns throughout Madrid and the Spanish provinces.

Blanco Says He Needs No Help.

Captain General Blanco has cabled the government at Madrid to the effect that the Spanish squadron of warships may be utilized elsewhere, as he can account for the defense of Havana without the assistance of the fleet.

Domestic Troubles End Two Lives.

Mrs. Mollie Plummer, wife of H. M. Plummer, cashier of the Scranton, Miss., state bank, took morphine Tuesday. A few hours later he husband shot himself through the head and died instantly. His wife will not live.

CUBAN PORTS BLOCKADED.

The President Issues Proclamation to the World That the United States

INSTITUTES AND WILL MAINTAIN BLOCKADE

Of the North Coast of Cuba, Including Ports Between Cardenas and Bahai and Honda, and the Port of Cienfuegos on the South Coast of the Island.

The following proclamation announcing a blockade of Cuban ports was issued Friday:

"By the president of the United States:

A Proclamation.

"Whereas, by joint resolution passed by the congress and approved April 20, 1898, and communicated to the government of Spain, it was demanded that said government at once relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba and withdraw its land and naval from Cuba and Cuban waters, and the president of the United States was directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States and to call into actual service the militia of the several states to such extent as may be necessary to carry said resolution into effect; and

"Whereas, In carrying into effect said resolution the president of the United States deems it necessary to set on foot and maintain a blockade of the north coast of Cuba, including all ports on said coast between Cardenas and Bahia Honda, and the port of Cienfuegos on the south coast of Cuba;

"Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, president of the United States, in order to enforce the said resolution, do hereby declare and proclaim that the United States of America have instituted and will maintain a blockade of the north coast of Cuba, including ports on said coast between Cardenas and Bahai and Honda, and the port of

SUNKEN MORTAR PROTECTING NEW YORK

Cienfuegos on the south coast of Cuba, aforesaid, in pursuance of the laws of the United States and the laws of nations applicable to such cases. An efficient force will be posted so as to prevent the entrance and exit of vessels from the ports aforesaid. Any neutral vessel approaching any of said ports, or attempting to leave the same, without notice or knowing of the establishment of such blockade, will be duly warned by the commander of the blockading forces, who will endorse on her the fact and the date of such warning, and where such endorsement was made; and if the same vessel shall again attempt to enter any blockaded port she will be captured and sent to the nearest convenient port for such proceedings against her and cargo as may be deemed advisable.

"Neutral vessels lying in any of said ports at the time of the establishment of such blockade will be allowed thirty days to issue therefrom.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington, this 22d day of April, A. D. 1898, and of the independence of the United States the one hundredth and twenty-second.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

"By the President: John Sherman, Secretary of State."

To Pass Declaration of War.

A resolution formally declaring war against Spain will be introduced in the congress of the United States Monday. The decision to do so has been reached after mature deliberation in order to safeguard the interests of the United States.

The New York Captures the Pedro.

The Spanish tramp steamer Pedro, from Antwerp for Santa Cruz and Pensacola, which was captured by the United States flagship New York, was brought to Key West Saturday under her own steam, but in charge of a prize crew under Lieutenant Capehart. She is owned by the Navigation Company of Bilboa, is of 1,628 tons net register, and has on board a crew of thirty-six men.

The report that Spain had captured the steamer City of Paris on her way from Southampton to the United States is denied.

Porto Ricans Will Fight for America.

SAN DOMINGO—Four hundred and fifty Porto Ricans have offered their services to American Consul Reed, being willing and eager to serve either in the army or navy of the United States or in any capacity in which they can be most useful.

The First State to Mobilize Troops.

Over 4,000 of Michigan's state troops were promptly mobilized at Island Lake, the state camp ground, Tuesday. Stirring scenes were enacted in all cities which have military companies.

FEARED TO CROSS THE OCEAN.

Spaniards Disabled Their Own Boat—Treacherous Plot by Engineers.

The British steamer Asloun arrived at Galveston, Tex., Friday from Las Palmas, Grand Canary, one of the Canary Islands group. The commander of the vessel is Capt. P. H. Barnett. Captain Barnett arrived at Las Palmas March 31, two days after the Spanish torpedo flotilla left that port. The ma-

QUEEN REGENT OF SPAIN.

chinery of the several torpedo-boats and torpedo-boat-destroyers was purposely disabled by the engineers of the various crafts. Captain Barnett says he received this information from absolutely reliable sources. A plot was entered into by the several engineers to do the work, and successfully it was done. The engineers, crew, and many of the officers did not relish the trip across the ocean in torpedo-boats, and finding the Spanish government determined to make them go, as a last resort crippled the machinery. In proof that the machinery was purposely disabled, none of the engineers of the torpedo flotilla were allowed to repair it, the work being done by a local machine shop at Las Palmas.

Captain Barnett says he obtained it from an unquestioned source that the torpedo flotilla did not want to encounter a United States fleet if it could be avoided. They will likely keep out of the track of our vessels, and may content themselves with picking up an occasional prize.

The torpedo flotilla left Las Palmas March 29, and its destination was unknown.

PROTEST AGAINST INTERVENTION

Cuban "Colonial" Government Says We Intervened on the Eve of New Regime.

HAVANA.—The colonial government has published a manifesto "protesting against the intervention of the United States at the moment of the establishment of the new regime and political liberty, and when Cuba, for the first time, was going to elect a colonial parliament, replacing Spain's sovereignty in Cuba with autonomy."

The manifesto also intimates that it is the intention of the United States to annex Cuba, and adds: "It is the duty of all inhabitants to repel the invaders. Remember the heroic conduct of the

DISAPPEARING GUN AT NEW YORK.

defenders off Havana over a century ago against the invaders of Albemarle" (referring to the British invasion).

The manifesto concludes with acclaiming Spain, Spanish Cuba, the king and queen regent.

Blanco's Sweeping Decree.

Captain-General Blanco has published a decree confirming his previous decrees and declaring the island to be in a state of war. He also annuls his former similar decrees granting pardon to insurgents and places under martial law all those who are guilty of treason, espionage, crimes against peace or against the independence of the nation, seditious revolts, attacks against the form of government or against the authorities and against those who disturb public order, though only by means of printed matter.

Sampson for Rear Admiral.

Captain Sampson will be nominated a rear admiral. After the war closes he will drop back to his old rank. This step is taken to insure Sampson's command as ranking officer.

Carmack Retains His Seat.

The Patterson-Carmack contested election case from West Tennessee was disposed of in the house Friday, the sitting member, Mr. Carmack, being given the seat by a vote of 136 to 118. Several republicans voted with the democrats, and many declined to vote. Both the contestant and contestee addressed the house in their own behalf.

A Forlorn Hope.

A special dispatch received at Paris Monday from Madrid says that the queen regent of Spain still hopes that foreign intervention will peacefully and honorably prevent a conflict between the United States and Spain.

On to Cuba!

It is learned from a reliable source that 4,000 infantry troops of the United States army stationed at Chicamauga will be landed in Cuba at once. The troops will move perhaps within the next two days.

CURRENT NEWS IN ALABAMA

State Democratic Convention Pledges Its Support to Defend the Country.

PLATFORM AND RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Alabama Postmasters Appointed—Mobilizing at Mobile—Chicagoan Locating in Anniston—Play Results Fatally to a Girl in Birmingham.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

A slate roof fell in at Cole City, fatally crushing Joe Gray, a miner.

Dr. H. A. Moody, of Bailey Springs, was elected president of the State Medical Association which convened in Birmingham the past week.

Montgomery Buys a Park.

The city council of Montgomery has entered into a contract with the Highland Park Land company for the purchase from the latter of the oak grove at Highland Park for public purposes. The grove contains forty-five acres and the price paid was $25,000.

Play Results Fatally.

Miss Etta Fulmer, of Birmingham, a 16-year-old girl, died of concussion of the brain, caused from a blow on the head with a foot-rule, inflicted by a schoolmate, in a spirit of fun, while playfully struggling for possession of the rule.

About 2,500 Men at Mobile.

Twelve companies from the Third, Nineteenth and Tenth infantry joined the previous comers in camp at Mobile Friday, making about 2,500 men there. The Second battalion of the Tenth infantry, four companies, arrived Friday night.

Mobile and Ohio to Prattville.

The Mobile and Ohio railroad has been completed past Prattville and connected with the road already finished from Montgomery. There is a large force of help on the road, 150 laying the track and more than 200 surfacing up after the track crew.

Bibb County Populists Put Out a Ticket.

The populist county convention of Bibb county met at Centreville and made the following nominations: For representative, G. W. Hubbard; probate judge, W. L. Pratt; circuit clerk, W. E. Fancher; superintendent of education, J. M. Langston. Congress and the administration were endorsed for their course toward Spain.

Pipe Works Resume Operation.

The big Anniston pipe works, which were burned a year ago, have been rebuilt, and begun operations Monday morning. The plant is one of the largest in the country and has been rebuilt on a larger scale than ever. The work of rebuilding has been prosecuted for months. The works will give employment to nearly 500 men.

Chicagoans Will Locate at Anniston.

A large party of well-to-do Chicagoans will arrive in Anniston with their families this week, where they will locate. Three weeks ago several Chicago parties visited Anniston, were favorably impressed and bought homes. They told their Chicago friends of Alabama's wonderful climate and resources, and as a result several more are now coming.

Call for Vounteers.

The call for volunteers which was issued by the president on Saturday afternoon was officially communicated to the governors of the various states Monday morning. Governor Johnston will issue a proclamation calling for 2,500 volunteers. Recruiting stations will be established and the national guard will be inlisted, each company being recruited to the full maximum limit of 100.

Will Command Alabama National Guards.

Brigadier-General Louis V. Clark will command the Alabama National Guard in event of a call for volunteer troops. By reason of his ability as a military officer he was appointed to the office of brigadier general by Gov. Johnston two years ago, and his name will undoubtedly be presented to President McKinley, who will place him in command of the Alabama National Guard volunteers.

Alabama Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed for Alabama Friday: Wm. L. Jeffrey, Chance, Clarke county; William L. Cofield, Christiana, Randolph county; J. F. Barnett, Crump, Tuskaloosa county; Nobert H. Matthews, Debernier, Jefferson county; E. L. Humphreys, Elk, Winston county; H. R. Myers, Galloway, Walker county; Peter Grover, Garden City, Blount county; Mattie Nelson, Gill, Coosa county; John H. Glasgow, Glasgow, Butler county; Clara M. Overstreet, Hals Lake, Clarke county; Laura Baldwin, Herndon, Baldwin county; Mary R. Crawley, Indian, Bullock county; John B. Pond, Kinterbisn, Sumter county; James M. Morrow, Lamar, Randolph county; John E. Kirkland, Machine, Fayette county; J. R. Hawkins, Molder, Madison county; Curtis P. Moore, Nichola, Clarke county; S. M. Reynolds, Reddock Springs, Butler county; Andrew J. Kohen, Rescueville, Choctaw county; J. M. Wright, St. Elmo, Mobile county; D. Y. Wood, Sardis, Dallas county; S. V. Williams, Savoy, Marion county; Wilson Hayes, Six Mile, Bibb county; George W. Stout, Stout, Franklin county; Norburn P. Moore, Whitehall, Lowndes county.

PLATFORM AND RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the State Democratic Convention at Montgomery.

The following are the platform and resolutions as reported by Hon. Tennent Lomax, of Montgomery, chairman of the committee on platform and resolutions, and adopted by the Democratic State convention at Montgomery last week:

The Platform.

We, the democrats of Alabama, in convention assembled, do reaffirm our unalterable faith in the principles declared in our platform adopted in 1896, ... and especially in the platform adopted at Chicago in July of the same year, not so much because those platforms were declarations of our party, but for the much higher reason that the principles therein announced are the principles upon which the democratic party and the ... government are founded and ... principles are eternally true.

We favor the improvement of our public common schools, and demand that appropriations for their support be gradually increased as our people are able to bear the additional burden.

We declare that ... principles of the democratic government imperatively require that no person or class of persons shall be privileged from bearing their just share of all the burdens of government, and we therefore commend the action of the present administration in forcing lawfully, all persons to pay their due proportion of taxes for the support of the state government, and we favor the amendment of our laws whenever necessary, so as to attain this wise and just end.

Resolutions.

Resolved, That, standing "to arms" as we do today, we pledge our lives and honor to the cause of our country—for its defense, for the maintenance of its honor and prestige, and for its support in any conflict with a foreign foe.

Resolved, That we especially commend the able, dignified and brilliant manner in which our great leader, W. J. Bryan, has conducted and is now conducting the great contest for the recognition of the essential principles of the democratic faith as exemplified in the Chicago platform.

Resolved, That, recognizing the high character, the distinguished ability and patriotic services of our countryman, General Fitzhugh Lee, we commend him for his wise discharge of his delicate duties as the consul-general at Havana.

Resolved, That we cordially endorse the wise, honest, economical and democratic administration of Gov. Joseph F. Johnston, and especially his firm and just course in requiring all persons handling public funds to honestly account for and promptly pay into the public treasuries all moneys coming into their hands.

SENATOR WALTHALL DEAD.

The Distinguished Mississippian Passes Away.

Senator Edward C. Walthall, of Mississippi, died in Washington last Thursday. His death was not unexpected, the end having been foreseen for several days.

Senator Walthall's illness dated from January last, when he contracted a cold, from the effects of which he never recovered. His last address in the senate was made on April 7, when he delivered an eulogy on his colleague Senator George, in spite of the protests of his physicians. The following Saturday he was confined to his bed with a severe attack of typhoid pneumonia, which resulted fatally. The funeral services provide for services in the senate on Saturday. The remains, accompanied by a congressional committee, left Washington Saturday night for Holly Springs, Miss., where he will be buried.

Edward C. Walthall was born in Richmond, Va., in 1831. He served in the Confederate army during the civil war, rising to the rank of Major General. His profession was the law. With the exception of fourteen months from January, 1894, to March, 1895, Mr. Walthall sat continuously in the senate since the 12th of March, 1885.

Lee to be Made Major-General.

A dispatch from Richmond, Va., says that General Fitzhugh Lee has been called to Washington by the president to be made major general of volunteers.

The Paris May Be Intercepted.

The steamer Paris, of the American Line, chartered by the United States government, sailed from Southampton Friday for New York. She had on board 150 passengers, and her cargo included a quantity of guns and ammunition. There was great enthusiasm among the crowds on the dock at Southampton and the bands of the steamer played "Yankee Doodle" as the Paris steamed seaward.

The Spanish embassy in London notified Madrid of the departure of the City of Paris. It is probable that fast cruisers from Cadiz will try to intercept her.

The Jacobinos With Us.

The Brazilian Jacobinos favor the United States in the coming war between this country and Spain. The Paiz, the Jacobino organ, says: "We are with the United States, which is giving Europe a daring example of making sacrifices for a people's liberty."

Believing that the common use of one cup in communion services is a menace to health, the Indiana State Board of Health recommends the use of individual cups.

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THE Populists of Shelby last Saturday nominated A. P. Longshore for Judge of Probate.

TO-MORROW should see every Populist at the polls voting for the man he thinks will best fill the office.

THE Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company will reinstate employees who enlist in the army, after the Spanish have been settled with.

THE Executive Committee will meet at Clanton on Saturday the 30th inst. to announce the result of the primary election, instead of Monday 2d prox., as previoulsy arranged. This will enable the delegates to the State conventions to have a little more time to arrange matters.

THE State convention of the People's Party will meet next Wednesday at Montgomery and will put out a full ticket. The Chilton delegation will go uninstructed but can be relied upon to exercise their best judgment for the good of the cause. Some interesting developments may be looked for in the convention. It looks very much as if the offices would have to seek the men this time, as there are no strong candidates out for any of the offices.

THE war is progressing quietly. So far all is preparation and getting ready for an invasion of Cuba. The fleet is blockading Havana, and up to the present there has been no collision between the ships of the two nations. Our war vessels have captured several Spanish ships, and on the other hand the Spaniards have captured one American vessel. An American squadron has sailed from Hong Kong to engage a Spanish fleet at the Phillipine Islands in the Pacific, and it is expected that news of an engagement will be received from there in the next two or three days.

At Washington yesterday it was decided to raise American flag over the island of Cuba as a protectorate after the invasion takes place. The Spanish representatives are a party to the agreement and it is understood that the proposition came from Gomez, who realizing that it would give more guarantee to property and safety to residents on the island, advised it. There is no doubt that joint invasion is being planned and may be carried out within a month.

Colonel Hood, a son of General Hood, notified the department of war today, that he had raised a regiment of immunes, men who have all had yellow fever, and who, Colonel Hood said, were ready to take the field in Cuba at once. This was cheering news to the department and the recruiting officers of course will be advised to get as many immunes as possible among the volunteers.

It is a suit settled that General Fitzhugh Lee and General Joseph Wheeler, of Alabama, will both be commissioned as Major-Generals in the army. These appointments will meet with general approbation throughout the country.

It is important that you vote to-morrow.

The fight for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Fourth district has already become interesting. Captain T. S. Plowman, of Talladega, who was ousted from his seat in Congress by W. F. Aldrich, will go into the convention, it is thought, with 17 votes, 10 from Talladega and 7 from Shelby. Some say that Plowman is entitled to an unanimous nomination in order to vindicate himself in regard to his lost seat in Congress. But the supporters of former Representative Robbins, of Selma, claim that he too was kicked out of Congress by the Republicans, and is as much entitled to a vindication as Plowman. He will go into the convention with 21 delegates. R. P. Thomason of Oxford has his home county, Calhoun, solid behind him with 11 votes, and should Colonel Merrill of Cleburn, the fourth candidate, drop out of the race, it is thought that his 4 votes from that county will go to Thomason. Chilton is now the only doubtful county, and Plowman and Robbins stand about equal chances of getting its delegates. Each of these four candidates have some of the strongest politicians in the state as their friends, and the fight in the convention promises to be a lively one. W. F. Aldrich has already been renominated to make the race against the Democratic nominee.—Age-Herald.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. Stanfield & Matthews.

America's Latent Power.

The quickness and inventiveness of American mechanics, engineers, and manufactures have no parallel in Europe. On a year's notice the United States might undertake to cope even-handed with either the Dual or the Triple Alliance—although we have now only the nucleus of an army and the beginning of a navy, while the European powers have made war preparation their principle business for a whole generation. It is to be suspected that one reason why the American people have bought the newspapers so eagerly during the past weeks is to be found in the satisfaction they have taken in learning how a strictly peaceful nation like ours could if necessary reverse the process of beating swords in plowshares. It is true, for example, that we have built only a few torpedo boats and only a few vessels of the type known as destroyers; but we have discovered that about a hundred very rich Americans had been amusing themselves the past few years by building or buying splendid ocean going, steel-built steam yachts of high speed and stanch qualities, capable of being quickly transformed into naval dispatch-boats or armored and fitted with torpedo-tubes. Probably not a single private Spanish citizen could turn over to his government such a vessel as the magnificent Goelet yacht, the Mayflower, which was secured by our Navy Department on March 16; not to mention scores of other private steam yachts of great size and strength that wealthy American citizens are ready to offer if needed.—From "The Progress of the World," in American Monthly Review of Reviews for April.

Make the Best of It.

We may if we choose make the worst of it. Every one has his weak point; every one has his faults. We may make the worst of these. We may fix our attention constantly upon these. But we may also make the best of one another. We may forgive even as we hope to be forgiven. We may put ourselves in the place of others and ask what we should wish to be done to us and thought of us were—we in their place. By loving whatever is lovable in those around us love will flow back from them to us, and life will become a pleasure instead of a pain, and earth will become like heaven, and we shall become not unworthy followers of his whose name is love.—Exchange.

The Pipe's Antiquity.

In Asia and Africa, beside America, the pipe dates from prehistoric times, and in Europe generally it has been in use since and during the Roman period, if not before. One of the most learned antiquarians—Dr. Petrie—says that smoking pipes of bronze are frequently found in Irish tumuli, or sepulchral mounds, of the most remote antiquity.

A Wonderful Discovery.

The last quarter of a century records many wonderful discoveries in medicine, but none that have accomplished more for humanity than that sterling old household remedy, Browns' Iron Bitters. It seems to contain the very elements of good health, and neither man, woman or child can take it without deriving the greatest benefit. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., April 27, 1898

The G. O. P., which is now in control of all war preparations has again shown its fondness for the negroes. Troops of these, generally kept at the most undesirable western posts have been ordered south and will be shipped to Cuba first if war be declared.

No item of news connected with the war flurry has created as much scornful merriment as the announcement of the formation of a Wall Street regiment. One hundred thousand dollars was subscribed within a few hours and placed in the hands of one Conner, who is known as "the Gould's watch dog." He will expend the money in securing substitutes, drilling and equipping the same.

Labor Commissioner Johnson, Populist of Kansas, makes a specialty of the inequalities of taxation in his last report.

Jerry Simpson's remark on President McKinley's war message has been widely quoted and much approved. The witty Kansan said, "He started out like a Napoleon and ended up like a blind horse in a ditch."

Congressman M. W. Howard of Alabama voted "aye," with the Hanna Republicans on the resolution to cut out the words "are and ought to be free," in the Cuban resolution. Such an omission was a rank administration endorsement.

All readers of his works on socialistic and economic lines will deplore Edward Bellamy's serious illness. The attendant physicians have no hope of his recovery.

Ignatius Donnelly, writer and "Roader," dropped off at Philadelphia, during his recent bridal tour. On his return he wrote a flowery account of his visit to the home of Wharton Barker and incidentally boomed that gentleman for the Presidential position on the Populist ticket.

"Wars and rumors of wars" do not interfere with the working of Hanna's literary bureau. The western and southern mails are loaded with matter bearing the frank of the Ohio Senator.

Dingley, the tariff crank, has long given indisputable evidence of "having wheels," but he is now trying to have such possessions of others taxed. His last suggestion for raising war funds is a levy of $2.00 on every bicycle owned by an individual not manufacturer or dealer.

The Populist State convention of North Carolina will be held at Raleigh May 17th.

The fusion and anti-fusion melee in Minnesota is further complicated by the Democrats and Silver Republicans having selected the same day and place for their state convention.

Congressman R. P. Bland, of Missouri, has introduced a bill providing for the immediate coinage of the seigniorage of the silver bullion purchased in pursuance of the Sherman act and the issue of silver certificates thereon in advance of the coinage of the bullion. This would make immediately available over $42,000,000 for war purposes.

The Canadian government is giving serious consideration to a proposition to own and operate such portions of the Klondike gold fields as are on the Canada side. The contention is that as the mines belong to the whole people they should be operated for their benefit.

The investigation of the city officers of Philadelphia is showing that municipal ownership of the water plan failed there because a private corporation paid the officers to so manage it that it would fail.

Gov. Holcomb of Nebraska has declined to accept the nomination for a third term.

The American Nonconformist, which had been published from Indianapolis, Ind., for several years is now located at Omaha.

An official summary of the stealings of Republican officials in Nebraska puts the figure at $1,323,000—and the party has the gall to want to be placed in control again.

The first move of the American Wire Trust, after getting possession of all the factories, was to post a 30 days notice of a reduction in wages of from 6 to 30 per cent. A. R.

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His French.

"You know," said the man in the elevated train, "that I am studying French, and I believed, at my first lesson, that I had thought up a good way of remembering it. I was to have, among other things, the numeral adjectives. It is hard to remember them when they haven't the slightest resemblance to the other English numerals, so I tried to keep them in mind by comparison. For instance, five I was sure of—'Cinq, Sank, Sankey.' You see how simple that is."

"Y-es," said the second man hesitatingly.

"Quite simple," the first went on. "So I set myself to remember Sankey."

"And did you do it?"

"No," answered the French student disgustedly; "of course when I came to five I said 'Moody.'"

And the woman sitting near who had overheard the conversation so far forgot herself as to laugh aloud. —New York Times.

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Dr. W. E. Stewart went to Birmingham Monday.

The war is going on and Owen is getting the best pictures you have ever seen. Call and see him in tent back of Court House, before he will be for a short time.

Mr. T. J. Henderson of Mountain Creek, was a visitor here Monday.

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Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house there on.

Therefore, according to said command I will expose for sale, at public auction, to the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Fischer in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

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J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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GRAND JURY.

W. F. Armstrong, E. L. Manning, R. P. Barnes, J. C. Gardner, W. M. Watson, John Giles, Monroe Ramsey, T. L. Viles, Elijah Hershey, J. B. Davis, A. L. Joshee Sr., Jack Williams, John Patterson, James Popwell, W. Hill, J. D. Holcombeck, T. J. McDonald, Sam Driver, W. F. Littlejohn, E. L. Edwards, Robt Sims.

PETIT JURY—First Week.

Beat 1—D. H. Mullins.
Beat 2—J. E. Champion, Sam Curry, Elijah Thomas, A. J. Glasscock, J. A. Lowery, P. L. Vaughn, W. M. Adkerson.
Beat 3—J. F. Baker, Ira Headley, J. W. Vardon, W. M. Oliver, Martin Franklin, Dock Brightwell, B. F. Reynolds, J. L. Wilkerson jr.
Beat 4—J. E. Littlejohn, J. J. Gallman, J. W. Goodgame, J. S. Aldridge.
Beat 5—E. Driver, J. W. Moody, A. M. Bolling, E. G. Rollins, Joseph Mitchell, J. W. E. Gudridge.
Beat 7—W. A. Green, J. P. McCord.
Beat 8—J. L. O'Neale, M. H. Barnes, E. W. Headley.
Beat 9—D. N. Riggins, B. N. Martin.

PETIT JURY—Second Week

Beat 1—E. W. Hockenhull, T. J. Dorminey.
Beat 2—W. A. Sims, Robert Martin, J. P. Gentry.
Beat 3—John F. Fleming, Z. J. Jones, Dock Jones, S. G. Glasscock, B. F. Risberry.
Beat 4—P. D. Wilson, E. G. Mims, James Satterwhite, E. M. Pinckard, G. L. Foshee, W. H. Sartor, N. A. Kicker.
Beat 5—F. T. Travwick, T. S. Jones sr, D. F. Jacks, W. W. Robinson, John Oakes.
Beat 6—W. C. Dickerson, G. H. Pierce.
Beat 7—B. O. Glover, Buck Bowline, J. F. Hays, Doby Atkinson.
Beat 8—W. I. Loveladay, R. H. Gandy.
Beat 9—S. R. Cleckler, G. W. Serrell, James Barnett.

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THE Populists of Shelby last Saturday nominated A. P. Longshore for Judge of Probate.

TO-MORROW should see every Populist at the polls voting for the man he thinks will best fill the office.

THE Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company will reinstate employees who enlist in the army, after the Spanish have been settled with.

THE Executive Committee will meet at Clanton on Saturday the 30th inst. to announce the result of the primary election, instead of Monday 2d prox., as previoulsy arranged. This will enable the delegates to the State conventions to have a little more time to arrange matters.

THE State convention of the People's Party will meet next Wednesday at Montgomery and will put out a full ticket. The Chilton delegation will go uninstructed but can be relied upon to exercise their best judgment for the good of the cause. Some interesting developments may be looked for in the convention. It looks very much as if the offices would have to seek the men this time, as there are no strong candidates out for any of the offices.

THE war is progressing quietly. So far all is preparation and getting ready for an invasion of Cuba. The fleet is blockading Havana, and up to the present there has been no collision between the ships of the two nations. Our war vessels have captured several Spanish ships, and on the other hand the Spaniards have captured one American vessel. An American squadron has sailed from Hong Kong to engage a Spanish fleet at the Phillipine Islands in the Pacific, and it is expected that news of an engagement will be received from there in the next two or three days.

At Washington yesterday it was decided to raise American flag over the island of Cuba as a protectorate after the invasion takes place. The Spanish representatives are a party to the agreement and it is understood that the proposition came from Gomez, who realizing that it would give more guarantee to property and safety to residents on the island, advised it. There is no doubt that joint invasion is being planned and may be carried out within a month.

Colonel Hood, a son of General Hood, notified the department of war today, that he had raised a regiment of immunes, men who have all had yellow fever, and who, Colonel Hood said, were ready to take the field in Cuba at once. This was cheering news to the department and the recruiting officers of course will be advised to get as many immunes as possible among the volunteers.

It is a cut settled that General Fitzhugh Lee and General Joseph Wheeler, of Alabama, will both be commissioned as Major-Generals in the army. These appointments will meet with general approbation throughout the country.

IT is important that you vote tomorrow.

The fight for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Fourth district has already become interesting. Captain T. S. Plowman, of Talladega, who was ousted from his seat in Congress by W. F. Aldrich, will go into the convention, it is thought, with 17 votes, 10 from Talladega and 7 from Shelby. Some say that Plowman is entitled to an unaninous nomination in order to vindicate himself in regard to his lost seat in Congress. But the supporters of former Representative Robbins, of Selma, claim that he too was kicked out of Congress by the Republicans, and is as much entitled to a vindication as Plowman. He will go into the convention with 21 delegates. R. P. Thomason of Oxford has his home county, Calhoun, solid behind him with 11 votes, and should Colonel Merrill, of Cleburn, the fourth candidate, drop out of the race, it is thought that his 4 votes from that county will go to Thomason. Chilton is now the only doubtful county, and Plowman and Robbins stand about equal chances of getting its delegates. Each of these four candidates have some of the strongest politicians in the state as their friends, and the fight in the convention promises to be a lively one. W. F. Aldrich has already been renominated to make the race against the Democratic nominee.—Age-Herald.

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The quickness and inventiveness of American mechanics, engineers, and manufactures have no parallel in Europe. On a year's notice the United States might undertake to cope even-handed with either the Dual or the Triple Alliance—although we have now only the nucleus of an army and the beginning of a navy, while the European powers have made war preparation their principle business for a whole generation. It is to be suspected that one reason why the American people have bought the newspapers so eagerly during the past weeks is to be found in the satisfaction they have taken in learning how a strictly peaceful nation like ours could if necessary reverse the process of beating swords in plowshares. It is true, for example, that we have built only a few torpedo boats and only a few vessels of the type known as destroyers; but we have discovered that about a hundred very rich Americans had been amusing themselves the past few years by building or buying splendid ocean going, steel-built steam yachts of high speed and stanch qualities, capable of being quickly transformed into naval dispatch-boats or armored and fitted with torpedo-tubes. Probably not a single private Spanish citizen could turn over to his government such a vessel as the magnificent Goelet yacht, the Mayflower, which was secured by our Navy Department on March 16; not to mention scores of other private steam yachts of great size and strength that wealthy American citizens are ready to offer if needed.—From "The Progress of the World," in American Monthly Review of Reviews for April.

Make the Best of It.

We may if we choose make the worst of it. Every one has his weak point; every one has his faults. We may make the worst of these. We may fix our attention constantly upon these. But we may also make the best of one another. We may forgive even as we hope to be forgiven. We may put ourselves in the place of others and ask what we should wish to be done to us and thought of us were we in their place. By loving whatever is lovable in those around us love will flow back from them to us, and life will become a pleasure instead of a pain, and earth will become like heaven, and we shall become not unworthy followers of his whose name is love.—Exchange.

The Pipe's Antiquity.

In Asia and Africa, beside America, the pipe dates from prehistoric times, and in Europe generally it has been in use since and during the Roman period, if not before. One of the most learned antiquarians—Dr. Petrie—says that smoking pipes of bronze are frequently found in Irish tumuli, or sepulchral mounds, of the most remote antiquity.

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Peoples Party Press Bureau
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The G. O. P., which is now in control of all war preparations has again shown its fondness for the negroes. Troops of these, generally kept at the most undesirable western posts, have been ordered south and will be shipped to Cuba first if war be declared.

No item of news connected with the war flurry has created as much scornful merriment as the announcement of the formation of a Wall Street regiment. One hundred thousand dollars was subscribed within a few hours and placed in the hands of one Conner, who is known as "the Gould's watch dog." He will expend the money in securing substitutes, drilling and equipping the same.

Labor Commissioner Johnson, Populist of Kansas, makes a specialty of the inequalities of taxation in his last report.

Jerry Simpson's remark on President McKinley's war message has been widely quoted and much approved. The witty Kansan said, "He started out like a Napoleon and ended up like a blind horse in a ditch."

Congressman M. W. Howard of Alabama voted "aye," with the Hanna Republicans on the resolution to cut out the words "are and ought to be free," in the Cuban resolution. Such an omission was a rank administration endorsement.

All readers of his works on socialistic and economic lines will deplore Edward Bellamy's serious illness. The attendant physicians have no hope of his recovery.

Ignatius Donnelly, writer and "Roader," dropped off at Philadelphia, during his recent bridal tour. On his return he wrote a flowery account of his visit to the home of Wharton Barker and incidentally boomed that gentleman for the Presidential position on the Populist ticket.

"Wars and rumors of wars" do not interfere with the working of Hanna's literary bureau. The western and southern mails are loaded with matter bearing the frank of the Ohio Senator.

Dingley, the tariff crank, has long given indisputable evidence of "having wheels," but he is now trying to have such possessions of others taxed. His last suggestion for raising war funds is a levy of $2.00 on every bicycle owned by an individual not manufacturer or dealer.

The Populist State convention of North Carolina will be held at Raleigh May 17th.

The fusion and anti-fusion melee in Minnesota is further complicated by the Democrats and Silver Republicans having selected the same day and place for their state convention.

Congressman R. P. Bland, of Missouri, has introduced a bill providing for the immediate coinage of the seigniorage of the silver bullion purchased in pursuance of the Sherman act and the issue of silver certificates thereon in advance of the coinage of the bullion. This would make immediately available over $42,000,000 for war purposes.

The Canadian government is giving serious consideration to a proposition to own and operate such portions of the Klondike gold fields as are on the Canada side. The contention is that as the mines belong to the whole people they should be operated for their benefit.

The investigation of the city officers of Philadelphia is showing that municipal ownership of the water plan failed there because a private corporation paid the officers to so manage it that it would fail.

Gov. Holcomb of Nebraska has declined to accept the nomination for a third term.

The American Nonconformist, which had been published from Indianapolis, Ind., for several years is now located at Omaha.

An official summary of the stealings of Republican officialls in Nebraska puts the figure at $1,323,000—and the party has the gall to want to be placed in control again.

The first move of the American Wire Trust, after getting possession of all the factories, was to post a 30 days notice of a reduction in wages of from 6 to 30 per cent. A. R.

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"Y-es," said the second man hesitatingly.

"Quite simple," the first went on. "So I set myself to remember Sankey."

"And did you do it?"

"No," answered the French student disgustedly; "of course when I came to five I said 'Moody.'"

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Dr. W. E. Stewart went to Birmingham Monday.

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Miss Velma White visited Clanton Thursday.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, at the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.
J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

The above sale is continued to Monday March 28, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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JURY LIST.

The following jurors have been drawn for the Spring Term of Circuit court which convenes Monday May 16, 1898.

GRAND JURY.

W F Armstrong, E L Manning, R P Barnes, J C Gavlin, W M Wilson, John Giles, Monroe Ramsey, I L Vines, Elijah Hembree, J B Dewes, A L Foshee Sr, Jack Williams, John Patterson, James Popwell, G W Hill, J D Holsomback, T J McDonald, Sam Driver, W F Littlejohn, E E Edwards, Robt Sims.

PETIT JURY—First Week.

Beat 1—D H Mullins
Beat 2—J E Champion, Sam Curry, Elijah Thomas, A J Grasscock, J A Flowers, P L Vardeman, W M Aldridge
Beat 3—J F Baker, Ira Headley, J W Vardeman, W M Odom, Martin Hankins, Dock Brodhead, B F Reynolds, J L Waldrop jr
Beat 4—J E Littlejohn, L J Gallman, J W Goodgame, J S Aldridge
Beat 5—E Driver, J W Moodie, A M Rollins, E G Rollins, Joseph Mitchell, J W E Gulledge
Beat 7—W A Green, J P Mitford
Beat 8—J L O'Neale, M H Barnes, E W Pilley
Beat 9—D N Riggins, B N Martin

PETIT JURY—Second Week

Beat 1—E W Honeycutt, T J Dorminy
Beat 2—W A Sims, Robert Martin, J P Gentry
Beat 3—John F Fleming, Z J Jones, Dock Jones, S G Glasscock, B F Risberry
Beat 4—P D Wilson, E G Mims, James Satterwhite, E M Pinckard, G L Foshee, W H Sartor, N A Kicker
Beat 5—P J Traywick, T S Jones, sr, D F Jacks, W W Robinson, John Oakes
Beat 6—W C Dickerson, G H Pierce
Beat 7—B O Glover, Buck Bowline, J F Hays, Dooby Atkinson
Beat 8—W I Lovelady, R H Gandy
Beat 9—S R Cleckler, G W Serrell, James Barnett

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When life seemed formed of sunny years,
And all the heart then knew of pain,
Was wept away in transient tears,
When every hope whispered then,
All fancy decked was only truth,
Oh, would that I could know again,
The happy visions of my youth.

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Frances E. Willard An Official Opinion.

From the Union Signal.—No one loved home better than Frances Willard. But few in her rank had less of it. The author of "Home, Sweet Home" never had a home. With her, as with him, it was all through life and always "the song of the dying swan."

Next to her mother and her nest at Evanston Frances Willard had her home on earth in the hearts of white-ribboners. They were to her always, in her own language, "our folks," and her home festivals were mostly where they gathered together. So it came about that all of our meetings, including our great conventions when women came together from the ends of the earth, have always been homelike; and the sweetest and most touching things ever said by Miss Willard were her quaint and pathetic utterances at such meetings about home and mother and father and little ones. They were the charm of our gatherings. She threw in so many appreciative sayings about people and things on the inspiration of the moment, that they came to be called Miss Willard's embroidery. Happy are we if we, too, embroider life's pathway with sweet and lovely flowers, rather than wound the weary feet with thorns and nettles.

Frances Willard's life work was preeminently for the home, and it was consistent throughout. The loving care she gave her mother, and the words of almost excruciating tenderness the daughter penned of the last days of St. Courageous, as Madam Willard came to be called, have molded many a life for good.

Women have been accused of being severe and unforgiving and critical toward each other, but the life of our gentle Frances forever denies the charge for one at least, and marks a new era in the centuries, when it is written, "Women demand a white life for two, and extend an equally helping hand to both—equal pity and equal love to fallen women and fallen men."

One of the great elements of Frances Willard's success was her power over women. It was only necessary for gay young girls or society women to come within the pervasive atmosphere of love which enveloped her like the nimbus of the ancient saints, from head to foot, to become her devotees, for the time being at least, and to desire nothing more than to serve her and her cause—for the two were inseparable. Their devotion was given in response to the appreciation she gave of the good in them, for she was a seer who discerned the possibilities in others' lives, and she breathed upon latent good, that it might become instinct with life. She was all this to her white-ribbon constituency and far more. Her head was set upon her shoulders like a rose upon its stem, and it turned or lifted or drooped with the sentiment that scintillated through her great brain like a flower moved by the gentle wind. In our conventions, when at the last moment of the last evening session, the sisterhood forms, as is their custom, a chain of clasped hands from the vast platform down into the auditorium and around the great audience of five or six thousand people and sing our parting song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," a deaf-mute might follow the sentiment and the rhythm of the song simply by the central figure of Frances leading them by the bend of her head and the swaying of her form—but she was far more than graceful. Her aesthetic taste was cultivated in many directions, by her college education, by books, travel, museums of art, and contact with cultivated people in many lands. These opportunities given to a naturally bright, sensitive and strongly intellectual nature produced an elegant woman who could not do an ungenteel act—but she was far more than elegant. She might have been, to the world at least, simply an educated woman, classical and cold, had it not been for the great cause which developed her emotional nature, and brought her into close touch with all humanity and made her great-hearted. But informed in mind and heart and then touched with a live coal from off the altar with love for humanity, she could adapt herself to the lowliest and the most ignorant. Through all her work love pulsated, and by her kindly spirit women were incited to their best and brought nearer to the full stature of womanhood. She was a great educator of her followers.

The destruction of the base and ignoble possessed her. The building anew and the polishing and perfecting consumed her. Her desire for progress toward the good was insatiable. She was infinitely painstaking and conscientious, and never satisfied with present attainments. One height reached and she caught glimpses of peaks beyond, and thus she inspired all her followers. Her resources were practically limitless. She rarely failed to settle differences amicably. She was never partisan. Her mental poise seemed perfect and that of her heart as well. She never forgot the supreme aim of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in the do-everything policy as some have thought, but made all things contribute to the one great object, the final overthrow of the liquor curse. She had one single purpose with many ideas, and because of this she became a leader in the temperance revolution which Lincoln prophesied in 1842 would follow that against slavery. She was a great general and gave her life as really to the revolution which she led as Lincoln gave his to the cause of the lowliest and most despised, though in a different way, and because of this she will live in the hearts of the people and her cause "will go marching on." To the great organization which belts the globe with its symbolic bands of white, which owes its power and prestige so largely to her tireless brain and consecrated heart, her death means that her cause is immortal.

Serpent in the Glass.

Many of the famous advocates of temperance are dying off, but there is one trumpet-tongued orator who continues to sound his tocsin in every house that contains a Bible. It is the divinely-inspired preacher who utters this tremendous warning—"Look not on the wine when it is ruddy, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it goeth down smoothly; for at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder!" Young man, listen to that loud and loving voice before you touch the glass of champagne; good woman, stop and think what you are about before you mix that big bowl of punch for your party; father, be careful how you put that sly serpent on your table, for some of your boys may get stung to death!

The serpent quality of all intoxicants lies in their deceptiveness. "Wine is a mocker; whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." The drinker fancies that his glass is doing him good and promoting his health. Instead of adding to his strength it excites him for a time and the reaction leaves him the weaker.

Thousands of people call for liquors at the restaurants, or set them on their tables to promote digestion; and I have known persons to cling to this fallacy after alcohol had poisoned their stomachs. The heroic Dr. Livingstone of Africa—a physician himself—asserted that he "could stand any and every hardship best by using water and water only." I had a conversation this week with Nansen, and thanked him for his published testimony that during his exploration of Greenland, he found alcohol of no benefit to himself or his men.

Another deceptive quality in intoxicants is that they steal a march on those who use them, and an appetite for them is formed before one suspects it. The reason is that every glass of liquor increases the desire for another glass. A tumbler of water or milk satisfies thirst; a draught of liquor increases thirst. This fact makes it so difficult to tamper with wine or brandy without becoming addicted to it—and in too many cases enslaved by it. An eminent minister of my acquaintance began to use port wine as a tonic; it woke up—a terrible appetite and not long ago he had to resign his charge under a cloud of disgrace! Women in poor health often resort to alcoholic "medicines," or sly "stiffeners," and become victims of the serpent before they are aware. I could startle my readers if I dared to mention some of the deplorable cases.

To break the terrible habit and to shake off the serpent requires such effort that few are permanently reformed. Some surrender to the inevitable and go over the cataract with eyes open to their doom. A young man said to a friend of mine: "This awful drink has used up my money, ruined my health, and almost killed my parents. It will soon kill me, and send me to hell! I know it, and yet the habit is so strong that I cannot stop." And he did not stop; yet when he began to sip his wine, he never dreamed that he would die a wretched sot. Of all the deceivers that betray body and soul to damnation, none is so alluring an ensnaring as the glass.

It is strange that parents—many Christian parents—will allow it to come into their homes, and will provide it for guests. It is strange that, in spite of all the miseries suffered by the wives of drunkards, so many women are willing to marry young men who are in the habit of taking a social glass; they are playing with a viper; if their hearts are stung with agony it is their own fault. No young woman should ever accept the hand of any young man if that hand ever touches an intoxicant. This stand resolutely taken by our women would increase the number of teetotallers immensely. If the above-mentioned things are strange, it is stranger still that churches, Sunday schools and pulpits do not ring out oftener and more vehemently this heaven-sent tocsin—"Look not on the wine! Look not on the wine! It stingeth like a serpent, and biteth like an adder!"—Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler.

A bill has been introduced into the Kentucky legislature, now in session, by Senator Thomas of Bourbon to decrease the penalty for selling liquor in local option counties from one hundred to twenty-five dollars.

If coffee is colored with burnt sugar or caramel it may be detected by sprinkling the coffee on water, which will be rapidly darkened if either adulterant be present.

NOT TWELVE DOLLARS

PER CAPITA VOLUME OF CURRENCY.

The Fictions of the Treasury Department—Twelve Dollars Per Capita an Excessive Estimate. While Mr. Gage Claims $23.62.

The efforts of the treasury department to make it appear that the volume of circulation is large and increasing requires much cooking of figures. For example, in its statement, it says that there are $346,681,016 of United States notes. No deduction is made for loss and destruction of greenbacks, although they have been used since 1862. No one supposes that the existing greenbacks exceed three hundred millions, and those best acquainted with the subject put the amount now in existence at two hundred and seventy-five millions. The statement as to all other outstanding money is based upon the original issue, the same as in the case of greenbacks, says the Silver Knight-Watchman. No allowance is made in any of the calculations of the treasury department for wear, loss and destruction of money in circulation, which is always very great.

The treasury statement shows that there was on the 1st of April, 1898, $582,129,742 of gold coin in circulation after deducting $147,256,076 of gold reserve in the treasury. The reserves in the banks are no more in circulation than the reserves in the treasury. The last comptroller's report states that the reserves in the banks at the end of the last fiscal year were $242,353,002. This vast sum is treated as money in circulation, but so far as the people are concerned it might as well be circulating in Germany or Russia as lying idle in the banks. It is not in circulation; it is held as reserve. The entire reserve in the banks, according to the same report, at the end of the last fiscal year was $628,200,529. This should be subtracted from $1,758,058,645, represented to be in circulation by the treasury statement, leaving $1,127,858,116 in circulation, provided the treasury is correct as to the amount of gold in the United States and is also correct in its assumption that none of the currency which has been in circulation has been lost, but that it is all intact and still in circulation.

First, let us see as to the amount of gold in circulation. Subtract the amount of gold held as reserves in the banks, to wit, $242,353,002, from the $582,129,742 represented as being in circulation, and we have $339,776,738. Does anybody believe that there is that amount of gold in actual circulation among the people outside of the banks? There are only $387,770,898 outstanding of silver certificates. According to the secretary of the treasury there is almost as much gold outside of the treasury and outside of the banks, in actual circulation among the people as there is of silver certificates. We ask our readers how much gold circulates in their particular neighborhood, and how does the amount of gold coin in circulation compare with the amount of silver certificates in circulation as far as their experience goes. The secretary has nothing to show but a guess as to the amount of gold outside of the reserves in the banks, and we do not believe there is $339,776,738 of gold in actual circulation among the people, and nobody believes it. A hundred millions, in our judgment, would be an excessive circulation. A hundred millions subtracted from the pretended $339,776,738 leaves $239,776,738, which we do not believe exists in the country. Subtracting $239,776,738 from the $1,127,858,116 which remained after the bank reserves were deducted, leaves $988,081,378. At least another hundred millions should be subtracted for wear and loss of greenbacks and other moneys in circulation, which would leave $888,081,378. Divide this amount by our population, estimated to be 74,122,000, and we have less than twelve dollars per capita.

It is unnecessary to become involved in figures to ascertain how much money there is in circulation per capita, because everybody knows that the volume of money is too small, which is shown by falling prices. We ascertain whether there is sufficient volume of money to do the business of the country by knowing whether general prices are stable. If they are rising the volume of money is increasing. If they are falling, the volume of money is inadequate. Our main object, however, in calling attention to the matter is to show the desperate straits to which the treasury department is driven to make a false showing to the people.

Small Bonds in Favor.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: The popular loan idea grows. The government will have to borrow large sums of money if war takes place. Large loans will have to be made, and some of the bonds which the government will issue should be in small denominations and be sold in postoffices and national banks. This will give the people a chance to aid the government financially, and to get the best sort of a security which can be had in any market.

A System of Misrepresentation.

The system of government by "representation," as practiced here, is about the worst kind of government in the world. It is emphatically a system of misrepresentation.—Danbury American Freeman.

The Cause of Poverty.

"It is because of monopolies which we permit and create, and advantages which we give to one man over another, that some are tramps and some are millionaires."—Henry George.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

The foreign policy of the administration appears to be quite foreign to the sentiment of the American people.—Santa Cruz Penny Press.

The masses will not get justice until the people make the laws. Direct legislation is the solution of the social problem.—Wyoming Freeman.

The profits of the cotton mills that have recently cut wages and profits, a dumb protest in the shape of strikes from the workers has been enormous. The $10,000 a year superintendents and other like employes did not join in the strike. Sensible.—Appeal to Reason.

The government officials report that there are large quantities of counterfeit silver dollars afloat. They are made out of silver and the only difference between them and the government dollar is that they don't have government fiat in them. The men who make them are evidently get-rich-quick gold bugs who don't believe in that money.—American.

Nebraska has a state law which declares that all obligations made payable in gold coin are null and void, contending that silver and gold are both legal tenders, and either can be used in debt-paying, no matter what the amount. Kentucky sees how well it works in Nebraska—for no state is more prosperous—and recently a law similar in every respect passed her assembly. By the way, why would not this be good policy, as well as honest principle, for every state in the Union?—Carson Appeal.

Every interest-bearing bond planted in one generation bears fruit of slavery for that generation in which it matures.—Santa Barbara Equity.

The money of the nation is rapidly congesting in New York city. The banks there now hold over $100,000,000 legal tender money more than they held sixteen months ago. The legal tender cash holdings of the New York banks have doubled since October, 1896. If other eastern cities show a corresponding increase in cash, there certainly must be very little money left in the west and south or in the hands of the masses of people in the east.—Missouri World.

Invention and injustice are pushing the people out into the field where they must fight for progress or turn back to worse conditions. The old system is outworn—the new is not yet sufficiently understood by the people to be immediately made available. And between this casting off of the old and the putting on of the new—during this transition period there will be suffering for the millions.—Coming Nation.

Week before last McKinley planted his presidential tree. He selected an oak. It would have better represented his administration had it been a quaking asp.—Phoenix Gazette.

America's Lost Estate.

Our carpenters build magnificent mansions, with pillared walls, and mosaic floor, and as soon as their work is done they pick up their tools and leave, and never go there any more.

Our mechanics make electric lights and use dangerous kerosene at home; they build carriages and go afoot; they manufacture pianos and do not own a tin whistle.

Our miners dig up gold and die poor; they live in treacherous coal mines, and lack fuel in December.

Our farmers raise grain and lack food; export wool and cotton and lack overcoats in winter; sell cattle to pay off the mortgage and lack meat.

Hundreds of the men who helped to build our railways are now counting the ties from San Francisco to New York.

Hundreds of young men, whose parents were those hardy western parents who transformed a wilderness into a civilization, are today without a foot of land and without hope.

Our marvelous inventions have been monopolized, so that, in spite of the daily miracles of our machinery, the hungry still lack food and the homeless wander through the streets.

Every recent change in legislation has been made to protect property and to disfranchise men.—Herbert N. Casson.

Profit in Lower Fares.

Milwaukee Sentinel: The proposition that a reduction in passenger transportation is good business policy for railway companies in general is not merely a theory, but is borne out by actual experience. It applies both to street railways and to steam railways. The street railway companies of Detroit and Washington, for instance, are firmly convinced of the advantage derived from lower fares in swelling their receipts, as is proved by the statements of their managers. So far as long distance railroads are concerned the movement for a reduction in fares finds one of its strongest arguments in the established fact that lower rates increase traffic.

Bostonian Official Populism.

Boston has a city printing office which employs only union men at union rates and makes nearly $6,000 profits yearly, but we are not informed how the profits are computed. A department of carpentering, plumbing, painting, and glazing is said to have been constructed by Mayor Quincy, which does away with all contract work in those lines.

The god of science never hears or answers prayers.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

Gov. Johnston Nominated by Acclamation—Thos. J. McClellan for Chief Justice.

The following nominations for [illegible] officers were made by the democratic convention which met in Montgomery Wednesday:

For governor, Joseph F. Johnston.

For chief justice, Thomas J. McClellan.

For associate justices, H. A. Sharpe of Jefferson, Jerome Hall of Dallas, John R. [illegible] of Perry, James R. Doster [illegible] of Madison, W. H. McDavid of Marengo.

For secretary of state, Robert P. McDavid.

For auditor, Wm. Brown, of Jefferson.

For treasurer, Wm. Wood of Colbert.

For attorney general, Geo. W. Taylor.

The [illegible] nominated by acclamation, [illegible] state convention. [illegible] Jefferson county, [illegible] Democratic [illegible] Representative John H. Bankhead, acting as chairman of the committee on resolutions, brought about a most enthusiastic organization of the convention. He declared it was war by McClellan strength [illegible] Coleman's 184. That settled it to such an extent that when [illegible] were called for Mr. Bankhead moved to make the nominations of Judge McClellan and the four candidates for associate justices mentioned above unanimous.

For secretary of state, Robert P. McDavid had four opponents and it took three ballots to nominate him. His strength increased with each ballot. But for trades he would have won easily on the first.

Charles G. Brown, of Birmingham, was nominated for attorney general on the first ballot.

Governor Johnston was nominated by acclamation amid unbounded enthusiasm. He was escorted to the hall and made a speech, every sentence of which was received with enthusiastic and ringing applause.

W. S. White, for auditor, and G. W. Ellis, for treasurer, were renominated by acclamation, having no opposition.

Mr. Robert J. Lowe, of Birmingham, was made chairman of the state democratic executive committee, Mr. John B. Knox retiring.

A feature of the convention was the unanimous sentiment in favor of upholding the national government in the contemplated war with Spain.

AN HYPOCRITICAL ACCOMPLICE.

A Parisian Paper Attacks the Position of Great Britain.

PARIS (Special).—The Libre Parole publishes a violent article attacking Great Britain's attitude toward Spain and characterizing Great Britain as the "hypocritical accomplice of the United States."

It says: "Their alliance is ignominy, but perhaps it is just as well that they should work together, for there will be a day when they will be called to account by international justice, and that day the British leech will be forced to disgorge, and Europe will no longer tolerate the disgrace of allowing the law to be laid down by such assassins and malefactors as John Bull and Bro. Jonathon. That day Europe will have reason for congratulation that they will be unable to invoke any excuse for mercy. They have been brothers in infamy, and history will sooner or later chastise them together."

TO INCREASE THE ARMY.

A Bill Passed the House Saturday Making Standing Army 61,000 Men.

A bill to increase the standing army of the United States to 61,000 men passed the house Saturday. The bill reorganizes the army into the three-battalion formation and authorizes the twenty-five regiments of the infantry arm of the service to be recruited up to a total of 31,800 enlisted men. It gives 340 instead of 100 privates to each infantry company. It authorizes the recruiting of the ten regiments of the cavalry arm of the service to a total of 12,000 enlisted men, the seven regiments of the artillery arm of the service to be 10,457 men, and the engineer battalion of five companies up to 752 enlisted men, including two non-commissioned officers, which makes a total for these four arms of the service, when at a maximum strength, 61,000.

WISE WORDS.

The nobleness of life depends on its consistency, clearness of purpose, quiet and ceaseless energy.

The secret of life is not to do what one likes, but to try to like that which one has to do; and one does come to like it—in time.

When our children go astray, the cause is outside of them, when the children of others go wrong, the cause is inside of them.

Every day is a little life, and our whole life is but a day repeated. Those therefore that dare lose a day are dangerously prodigal.

Work touches the keys of endless activities, opens the infinite, and stands awe-struck before the immensity of what there is to do.

Inquisitive people are the funnels of conversation; they do not take anything for their own use, but merely to pass it on to others.

"REMEMBER THE M[illegible]"

A Stirring Ballad by Robert Burns Wilson, [illegible] When [illegible]

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POLICY OF OUR GOVERNMENT.

The World Is Notified That We Will Treat Pirates.

Following up the formal [illegible] ning with the blockade p[illegible] the state department Friday addressed an identical [illegible] the representatives of foreign [illegible] accredited to Washington, informing them of the policy to be pursued by this government in the matter of privateering and neutrality. The note, which was followed by the sending of [illegible] sages to all American embassies and legations abroad, contains the following information, for presentation to the governments to which they are accredited. In brief, the statement is made that our government will not issue letters of privateering; that the enemy's property in neutral bottoms, save contraband of war, are exempt from seizure; that neutral goods not contraband of war, even if the enemy's flag are safe from seizure; that blockades to be binding must be effective. In substance, the declaration of principles laid down in the treaty of Paris of 1856.

The officials are not [illegible] semi official notice from Madrid that Spain will refuse to be bound by the same principles and forbid privateering, for they are satisfied that the great commercial powers will not tolerate the practice of privateering under the Spanish flag.

Challenge to Lee and [illegible]

Lieutenant Ramon [illegible] the Spanish royal navy, [illegible] naval attache of the Spanish legation at Washington, has challenged Generals Fitzhugh Lee and [illegible] the Maine, to fight a duel. [illegible] letters were issued from the Spanish minister's office in Washington, Lieutenant Ramon [illegible] had determined upon this course of action immediately after the destruction of the Maine and Captain Sigsbee [illegible] gressional committees [illegible] that Spanish naval officers were responsible for the blowing up of the Maine.

Dedication of the [illegible]

The Alabama Press Association will be present at Newport News on May [illegible] dedication of the new battleship Alabama takes place on that day. According to the present plans the association will make a special excursion of [illegible] and will reach Washington on the [illegible] and from there it will be taken down to Newport News.

An Ultimatum to Portugal.

The state department has sent a note to Portugal declaring that [illegible] vessels must leave the port of Cape Verde Island or assume the character of an ally of Spain.

LOCATING HARBOR [illegible]

Various Ports Are Being [illegible] From Hostile Fleets.

Orders were issued from the engineer bureau at Washington Saturday for the placing of submarine mines in a number of the harbors of the United States. Naturally the department declined to make public the exact points at which the mines are to be located.

Orders were also given for the construction of barracks at Tampa, Fla., for 1,300 men.

"Better than Sheep [illegible]
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[illegible] opinion, to protect[illegible]
[illegible]a.—Boston Herald.

Getting Off the Earth.
"It seems," said the meek [illegible]
"that there is nothing [illegible]
[illegible]latsome in this life."
"True," replied his jovial [illegible]
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[illegible] Miss Kidd is always [illegible]
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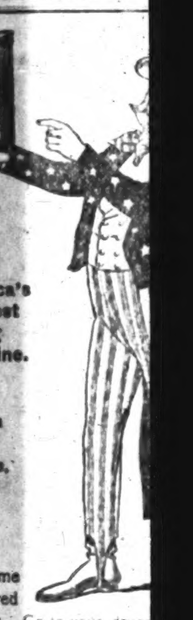

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More Deer than Sheep in Maine.

[illegible] five years ago there were [illegible] deer in Maine, especially [illegible] and Oxford Counties. They [illegible] unknown. In fact, I never [illegible] track in the State till about [illegible] that time they have an [illegible]. I have no fear for [illegible]. They are to-day in [illegible] of the State. Indeed, I [illegible] I am sure that there [illegible] than sheep in the State [illegible] so is due, in [illegible] protection afforded [illegible] Herald.

Betting Off the Earth.

[illegible] said the melancholy man, [illegible] there is nothing but trials and [illegible] in this life."

[illegible] replied his jovial friend, "but [illegible] you going to do about it?"

[illegible]," said the gloomy individual, "I'm tired of it all, and having [illegible] my affairs satisfactorily, I [illegible] propose to quit the earth."

"What," exclaimed his horrified friend, "do you mean to say that you [illegible] suicide?"

"Oh, no," was the reply; "I'm merely [illegible] on a protracted sea voyage for [illegible] benefit of my health."

[illegible] that the milk men give [illegible] should be called "Chalk [illegible]."

[illegible] recently. This piece [illegible] worth $325. His [illegible] you never gave [illegible] Truth.

[illegible] how it happens [illegible] always out when I [illegible] her luck, I guess. [illegible] & Co's Monthly.

[illegible] Do you know, Miss [illegible] believe I am [illegible] Miss Cutting. Indeed! [illegible] tell? Chicago [illegible]

[illegible] get rich?" "By [illegible] And how did [illegible] his property?" [illegible] in stocks."

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Martyrdom of Stephen the Theme For an Able Sermon — Glimpses of Heaven Through the Eyes of the Great Preacher — The Eternal Sleep.

TEXT: "Behold I see the heavens opened," etc. Acts vii., 56-60.

Stephen had been preaching a rousing sermon, and the people could not stand it. They resolved to do as men sometimes would like to do in this day, if they dared, with some plain preacher of righteousness —kill him. The only way to silence this man was to knock the breath out of him, so they rushed Stephen out of the gates of the city, and with curse and whoop and bellow they brought him to the cliff, as was the custom when they wanted to take away life by stoning. Having brought him to the edge of the cliff, they pushed him off. After he had fallen they came and looked down, and seeing that he was not yet dead they began to drop stones upon him, stone after stone. Amid this horrible rain of missiles Stephen clambers up on his knees and folds his hands, while the blood drips from his temples to his cheeks, from his cheeks to his garments, from his garments to the ground, and then, looking up, he makes two prayers—one for himself and one for his murderers. "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit;" that was for himself. "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge;" that was for his assailants. Then from pain and loss of blood he swooned away and fell asleep.

I want to show you to-day five pictures—Stephen gazing into heaven, Stephen looking at Christ, Stephen stoned, Stephen in his dying prayer and Stephen asleep.

First look at Stephen gazing into heaven. Before you take a leap you want to know where you are going to land. Before you climb a ladder you want to know to what point the ladder reaches. And it was right that Stephen, within a few moments of heaven, should be gazing into it. We would all do well to be found in the same posture. There is enough in heaven to keep us gazing. A man of large wealth may have statuary in the hall and paintings in the sitting room and works of art in all parts of the house, but he has the chief pictures in the art gallery, and there hour after hour you walk with catalogue and glass and ever increasing admiration. Well heaven is the gallery where God has gathered the chief treasures of his realm. The whole universe is his palace. In this lower room where we stop there are many adornments, tessellated floor of amethyst, and on the winding cloud stairs are stretched out canvases on which commingle azure and purple and saffron and gold. But heaven is the gallery in which the chief glories are gathered. There are the brightest robes. There are the richest crowns. There are the highest exaltations. John says of it, "The kings of the earth shall bring their honor and glory into it." And I see the procession forming, and in the line come all empires, and the stars spring up into an arch for the hosts to march under. The hosts keep step to the sound of earthquake and the pitch of avalanche from the mountains, and the flag they bear is the flame of a consuming world, and all heaven turns out with harps and trumpets and myriad voiced acclamation of angelic dominion to welcome them in, and so the kings of the earth bring their honor and glory into it. Do you wonder that good people often stand, like Stephen, looking into heaven? We have many friends there.

There is not a man in this house today so isolated in life but there is some one in heaven with whom he once shook hands. As a man gets older the number of his celestial acquaintances very rapidly multiplies. We have not had one glimpse of them since the night we kissed them goodby, and they went away, but still we stand gazing at heaven. And when some of our friends go across the sea, we stand on the dock or on the steam tug and watch them, and after awhile the hulk of the vessel disappears, and then there is only a patch of sail on the sky, and soon that is gone, and they are all out of sight, and yet we stand looking in the same direction, so when our friends go away from us into the future world we keep looking down through the narrows, and gazing and gazing, as though we expected that they would come out and stand on some cloud and give us one glimpse of their blissful and transfigured faces.

Pass on now and see Stephen looking upon Christ. My text says he saw the Son of Man at the right hand of God. Just how Christ looked in this world, just how He looks in heaven, we cannot say. A writer in the time of Christ says, describing the Saviour's personal appearance, that He had blue eyes and light complexion, and a very graceful structure, but I suppose it was all guesswork. The painters of the different ages have tried to imagine the features of Christ and put them upon canvas, but we will have to wait until with our own eyes we see Him and with our own ears we can hear Him. And yet there is a way of seeing and hearing Him now. I have to tell you that unless you see and hear Christ on earth you will never see and hear Him in heaven. Look! There He is! Behold the Lamb of God! Can you not see Him? Then pray to God to take the scales off your eyes. Look that way—try to look that way. His voice comes down to you this day—comes down to the blindest, to the deafest soul, saying, "Look unto Me, all ye ends of the earth, and be ye saved, for I am God, and there is none else." Proclamation of universal emancipation for all slaves! Proclamation of universal amnesty for all rebels! Belshazzar gathered the Babylonish nobles to his table; George I. entertained the lords of England at a banquet; Napoleon III. welcomed the Czar of Russia and the Sultan of Turkey to his feast; the Emperor of Germany was glad to have our minister, George Bancroft, sit down with him at his table, but tell me, ye who know most of the world's history, what other king ever asked the abandoned and the forlorn and the wretched and outcast to come and sit beside him? Oh, wonderful invitation! You can take it to-day and stand at the head of the darkest alley in any city and say: "Come! Clothes for your rags, salve for your sores, a throne for your eternal reigning." A Christ that talks like that and acts like that and pardons like that—do you wonder that Stephen stood looking at Him? I hope to spend eternity doing the same thing. I must see Him.

I pass on now and look at Stephen stoned. The world has always wanted to [illegible]. Their very life is an [illegible] Out with [illegible] the gates of the city [illegible] a stone upon [illegible] so much [illegible] themselves [illegible] upon them. While [illegible] translated by the [illegible] lives in the [illegible] was with [illegible] for persecuting [illegible] to say that [illegible] the anguish [illegible] estate or church [illegible] show you men who utter [illegible]

[illegible] of you, it is because [illegible] a laggard or a dolt. If a [illegible] across the ugly [illegible] Brave soldiers of Jesus Christ will hear the carbines click. When I see a man with [illegible] money and influence [illegible] and some caricature [illegible] at him, and some denounce him, and men who pretend to be actuated by right motives conspire to cripple him, to cast him out, to destroy him, I say, "Stephen stoned."

Pass on now and see Stephen in his dying prayer. His first thought was not how the stones hurt his head nor what would become of his body. His first thought was about his spirit. "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." The murderer standing on the trap door, the black cap being drawn over his head before the execution, may grimace about the future, but you and I have no shame in confessing some anxiety about where we are going to come out. You are not all body. There is within you a soul. I see it gleam from your eyes, and I see it irradiating your countenance. Sometimes I am abashed before an audience, not because I come under their physical eyesight, but because I realize the truth that I stand before so many immortal spirits. The probability is that your body will at last find a sepulcher in some of the cemeteries that surround your town or city. There is no doubt that your obsequies will be decent and respectful, and you will be able to pillow your head under the maple or the Norway spruce or the cypress or the blooming fir. But this spirit about which Stephen prayed—what direction will that take? What guide will escort it? What gate will open to receive it? What cloud will be cleft for its pathway? After it has got beyond the light of our sun will there be torches lighted for it the rest of the way? Will the soul have to travel through long deserts before it reaches the good land? If we should lose our pathway, will there be a castle at whose gate we may ask the way to the city? Oh, this mysterious spirit within us! It has two wings, but it is in a cage now. It is locked fast to keep it, but let the door of this cage open the least and that soul is off. Eagle's wing could not catch it. The lightnings are not swift enough to take up with it. When the soul leaves the body, it takes fifty worlds at a bound. And have I no anxiety about it? Have you no anxiety about it?

I do not care what you do with my body when my soul is gone, or whether you believe in cremation or inhumation. I shall sleep just as well in a wrapping of sackcloth as in satin lined with eagle's down. But my soul, before this day passes I will find out where it will land. Thank God for the intimation of my text, that when we die Jesus takes us. That answers all questions for me. What though there were massive bars between here and the city of light, Jesus could remove them. What though there were great Saharas of darkness, Jesus could illume them. What though I get weary on the way, Christ could lift me on His omnipotent shoulder. What though there were chasms to cross, His hand could transport me. Then let Stephen's prayer be my dying litany, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

We may be too feeble to employ either of these familiar forms, but this prayer of Stephen is so short, is so concise, is so earnest, is so comprehensive, we surely will be able to say that—"Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Oh, if that prayer is answered, how sweet it will be to die! This world is clever enough to us. Perhaps it has treated us a great deal better than we deserve to be treated, but if on the dying pillow there should break the light of that better world we shall have no more regret about leaving a small, dark, damp house for one large, beautiful and capacious. That dying minister in Philadelphia, some years ago, beautifully depicted it when in the last moment he threw up his hands and cried out, "I move into the light."

Pass on now, and I will show you one more picture, and that is Stephen asleep. With a pathos and simplicity peculiar to the Scriptures the text says of Stephen, "He fell asleep." "Oh!" you say, "what a place that was to sleep! A hard rock under him, stones falling down upon him, the blood streaming, the mob howling. What a place it was to sleep!" And yet my text takes that symbol of slumber to describe his departure, so sweet was it, so contented was it, so peaceful was it. Stephen had lived a very laborious life. His chief work had been to care for the poor. How many loaves of bread he distributed, how many bare feet he had sandaled, how many cots of sickness and distress he blessed with ministries of kindness and love, I do not know, but from the way he lived, and the way he preached, and the way he died I know he was a laborious Christian. But that is all over now. He has pressed the cup to the last fainting lip. He has taken the last insult from his enemies. The last stone to whose crushing weight he is susceptible has been hurled. Stephen is dead. The disciples come. They take him up. They wash away the blood from the wounds. They straighten out the bruised limbs. They brush back the tangled hair from the brow, and then they pass around to look upon the calm countenance of him who had lived for the poor and died for the truth.

Stephen asleep! I saw such a one. He fought all his days against poverty and against abuse. They traduced his name. They rattled at the doorknob while he was dying with duns for debts he could not pay, yet the peace of God brooded over his pillow, and while the world faded heaven dawned, and the deepening twilight of earth's night was only the opening twilight of heaven's morn. Not a sigh, not a tear; not a struggle. Hush! Stephen asleep!

I have not the faculty to tell the weather. I can never tell by the setting sun whether there will be a drought or not. I cannot tell by the blowing of the wind whether it will be fair weather or foul on the morrow. But I can prophesy, and I will prophesy, what weather it will be when you, the Christian, come to die. You may have it very rough now. It may be this week one annoyance, the next another annoyance. It may be this year one bereavement, the next another bereavement. Before this year has passed you may have to beg for bread or ask for a scuttle of coal or a pair of shoes, but at the last Christ will come in, and darkness will go out, and though there may be no hand to close your eyes, and no breast on which to rest your dying head, and no candle to lift the night, the odors of God's hanging garden will regale your soul, and at your bedside will halt the chariots of the King. No more rents to pay, no more agony because flour has gone up, no more struggle with "the world, the flesh and the devil," but peace—long, deep, everlasting peace. Stephen asleep!

You have seen enough for one morning. No one can successfully examine more than five pictures in a day. Therefore we stop, having seen this cluster of divine Raphaels—Stephen gazing into heaven, Stephen looking at Christ, Stephen stoned, Stephen in his dying prayer, Stephen asleep!

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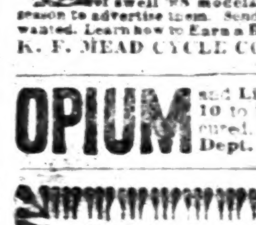

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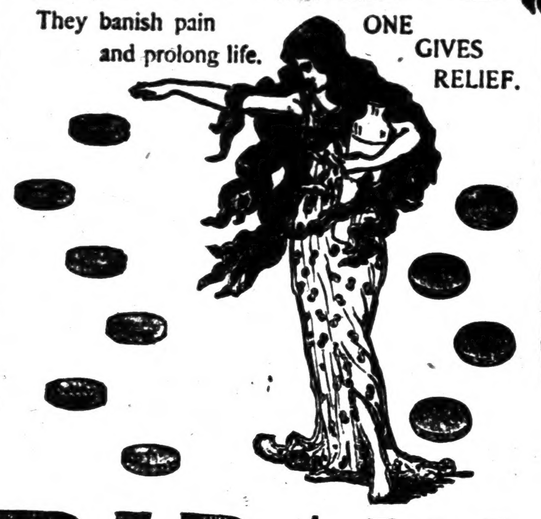

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The Persimmon After It Has Been Perfected by the Early Frost.

Two years ago I went forth one fine January morning to search the surrounding country for some plants I needed for the plantations in town. In due time I found what I wanted, but instead of being contented with my easy success I went farther on and soon came into trouble—that is, I lost my way, and dinner hour came before I knew "where I was at." I did not need to starve, however, and it was then and there that the resources of this seemingly so desolate country became apparent to me, and, though no hospitable shanty was visible, the woods laid the table, and a dainty one in the bargain, for I could feast on persimmons, drink my own and the rest of mankind's health in clear, ice cold spring water and finish up by finding my dessert in prickly pears. It may not be quite devoid of interest that I discovered soon after that I had not been far from Pinehurst at all, only had circled around the town instead of cutting through. Since that day I have preserved a deep gratitude toward our native fruits, and I always try to cultivate the taste of our guests from the north so that they may share my liking.

For those who like to know a little more of the whereabouts of the persimmons I write the following notes: The persimmon (Diospyros virginiana) grows nearly everywhere in North Carolina and is found as far north as New York state and Rhode Island, but commonly it is not hardy beyond Philadelphia. It will be easily recognized in our woods by its perfectly symmetrical growth and its grayish, somewhat rough bark, and, last but not least, by its fruits. Though usually not higher than 15 to 20 feet with us, there are specimens in this vicinity over 40 feet tall and of a trunk diameter of about 15 inches (McKenzie's farm). The foliage is bright green and glossy, appears early and changes to purple before dropping.

The rather insignificant whitish blossoms open in June, are fragrant and much relished by bees. They are followed by the quickly developing fruit, which attains its full size and color by August. But woe to the investigating stranger who might be tempted to try these inviting looking plumlike fruits. Holy horror will soon depict itself upon his face, and his mouth will at once take all kinds of forms from whistling to a broad grin. He will swear off the use of persimmons for all time to come, and—will like them the more later on. For, mind ye, at that time the fruits are puckering and astringent above all things and want to be left quite alone.

Everything, however, cometh unto him who waits, and the first early frost will accomplish quite a marvelous metamorphosis. Instead of looking smooth and plump any more, they will then be somewhat withered, and, best of all, the despicable astringent taste will have made way to a delicious sweetness resembling somewhat that of dates. Now the time has come for man and possum to revel in 'simmons. The gourmet will fare even better yet by following the old druggist's adage, "Shaken before taken," and accordingly he shakes the tree and does not mind to pick up the juicy fruit from the ground. The ripe fruits are sometimes used in the making of a beer—'simmon beer—which is said to be "not bad," while the fermented fruit furnishes a brandy that improves with age. The wood is found very useful for shoe lasts, mallets and violins and is regarded as an equal to ash or beech and nearly coming up to hickory. A decoction of the astringent inner bark is supposed to be salubrious against intermittent fevers.

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CLYDE N. HEADLEY.

Clanton.

Dr. Stewart made a trip to the capital city Tuesday.

Mr. T. M. Dunlap brought Lessanthia negro, to town Tuesday morning, charged with grand larceny. Smith secreted himself in Chapman's store the night before and detached pairs of shoes, pocket knives and some lead pencils. He broke out of the store and was discovered in possession of the goods. He was brought before Judge Brock and after pleading guilty was committed to jail to await the action of the grand jury.

A little boy asked for a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral up in the morning as fast as he could run, the druggist recognizing a household name for "Dr. Ayer's Little Early Risers," and handing a bottle of those famous pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. Stanfield & Matthews.

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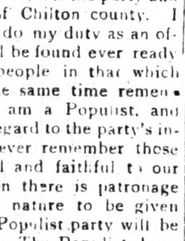

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J. M. Burnett	3	2	34	1	3	6	5	4	2	1	1	1	4	68	135
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Turn-Round Topics.

The Turn-Round is quite an ideal place for fun, pastime, picnics and enjoyments of almost any kind as it proved to be last Saturday, when a delightful band spent a most pleasant day taking wild flower strolls over the hills of Turn-Round.

Mr. Walter Johnson, wife and two sons, Clay and Willie, arrived here Sunday afternoon from Birmingham to spend a few days with Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hanes.

Walter Kendrick, Will Manning, Dock, Will and Henry Pyron, Hal Faulkner and Misses Vena Fyron and Beulah Johnson attended the all-day singing Sunday at Pine Flat church,

F. M. Connell jr, of Cross Roads paid us a flying afternoon visit Sunday.

I am requested to announce through the BANNER that the annual May singing as usual will convene with Canaan church the 5 Sunday inst., and all lovers of music and those who are not lovers that will behave themselves are cordially and especially invited to come and be with us that day and bring note books and baskets too if possible. Canaan is on the Mountain Creek road half way between Mountain Creek and the Turn Round. Come one, come all, and be with us on Sunday, May 29.

SAME AS BEFORE.

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Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, of Rossville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles." Mr Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame back, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Stanton.

Mrs. I. B. Bowdoin has gone to Clanton for a week's rest.

Mrs. Gant has moved into the Baptist parsonage.

A few days sunshine has had good effect on crops in this vicinity

Mr. R. H. Nelson was taken violently ill last night with hemorage of the bowels April 30. Dr. Parnell will not allow but two or three in the room at one time, so his many friends wait anxiously to hear from the doctor of his imptovement.

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Maplesville.

Dr. James DuBose is home and we hope may soon succeed in his profession.

Mrs. Glover has had the pleasure of entertaining C. H. Dansby of Verbena and Mr. and Mrs. Paisley of Selma.

Mrs. Perry McGee and her daughter Miss Jessie have been visiting their daughter and sister Mrs. Perry at this place.

Mrs. Foshee has lately visited her daughter Mrs. Parnell at Stanton.

Planting is fairly under headway much cotton is up and corn is looking fine. Strawberries are plentiful.

Mrs. Glover was treated to a visit from Mr. Green Gilliam of Camden.

We are glad to state that Mrs. N. A. Goodwin has returned from Selma in improved health.

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Jumbo.

The general health is very good around here.

People are generally late farming but are nearly through planting. There is a good prospect for a large harvest this year. There will not be by a great amount as much cotton planted in this community this year as was last.

The rumor of war has curtailed the acreage of cotton and increased that of grain. Of course it's bad to have war, but I think the rumor up to date has already shown a future benefit to the farmers by causing them to look after bread and meat at home.

The Coosa river is on a swell. We have been having good rains so the river is just right for fish-nics. Yes, and its banks are crowded now-a-days with fishermen. The writer caught a five pound catfish to-day.

Mr. C. A. Williamson was hunting squirrel last November and accidentaly shot himself in the leg and ever since has been confined to his room until last week when he walked about a quarter of a mile to his brother's. Glad to see you out. Charley, hope you will soon be able to go out again. But when you start out don't make the dogs think you are a candidate for the dogs around here are all already looking puny from barking at candidates and agents. SIME SUGGS.

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Saturday, 9 a m Devotional exercises by pastor. 9:30. The church and Sunday-school, their relation to each other. S. M. Adams, T. R. Jackson and W. H. Shaw. 10:30. The study of God's Word as a means of spiritual development L. B. Pounds, D. W. Langston and J. J. Hicks. 12 m Adjourn for dinner.

2 p.m. Devotional exercises. R. H. Long.

2:30 what relation does the pastor sustain to the missionary department of the Sunday-school? S Smitherman, Z. J. Jones and A Glasscock.

3. The happy results of efficient Sunday-school work to church and community. Dr. H. W. Caffee, R. M. Honeycutt and J. P. Gentry.

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday-school mass-meeting conducted by R. H. Long.

11. Convention sermon by Sutton Smitherman.

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PROGRAM.

9 a.m. Address of welcome and object of the decoration by Rev. E. W. Lawley and Rev N. A. Dobbs.

9:30 Preparation necessary for death, by Rev. W. B. Dennis.

10 On the resurrection, by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

10:30 On the judgment, by Rev. T. J. Ledbetter.

11 Decoration conducted by Rev. E. W. Lawley and Rev. W. G. Riggins.

12 Refreshments.

1:30 p.m. out home beyond the grave, by Rev. F. A. Gidson.

3 Sermon from the stand by Rev. W. G. Fraser, of Robinson Springs.

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CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

During the debate on the Good Roads bill, in the Senate at Albany, N. Y., Senator Wray said in reply to a question about the cost: "Every cent spent will be an interest-bearing investment." That is not imagination, but fact, demonstrated by universal experience, maintains the New York Tribune.

The six causes of poverty, as defined in a recent lecture by Professor Franklin H. Giddings, of Columbia University, are refusal to work, lack of employment, struggle to rise, unequal distribution of accident, wrong public policy, and sentimental charity. Any reader whose income is inadequate is invited by Harper's Weekly to consider this list and determine which cause fits his own case.

Fifty years London was five times larger than New York. At the present time it is barely more than two-thirds larger, and if the two cities continue to grow in the same proportion it will not be long before the metropolis of the Western hemisphere displaces London and becomes itself the metropolis of the globe. Some enterprising statistician on the New York Herald has reduced the statement contained in the foregoing paragraph to actual figures, with this result:

	New York.	London.
1840	373,000	1,950,000
1850	696,000	2,600,000
1860	1,175,000	3,200,000
1870	1,440,000	3,600,000
1880	2,000,000	4,000,000
1890	2,650,000	4,500,000
1898	3,400,000	5,600,000
1945	16,000,000	16,000,000

From 1840 to 1850 London's population increased 31 per cent. and New York's 75 per cent. Since that time the percentages of increase have been as follows: From 1850 to 1860, London's 23 per cent., and New York's 79 per cent.; from 1860 to 1870, London's 13 per cent., and New York's 21 per cent.; from 1870 to 1880, London's 12 per cent., and New York's 43 per cent.; from 1880 to 1890, London's 13 per cent., and New York's 31 per cent.; from 1890 to the present time, London's 24 per cent., and New York's 60 per cent. In the calculations which the foregoing table makes with respect to New York's future population, it is extremely conservative; for in all probability New York will eclipse London in population long before the approaching century reaches its meridian.

From the military viewpoint the most interesting story of the Cuban war is told by Frederick Funston, late chief of the insurgent artillery, in Harper's Weekly. It is the tale of the first, and probably the last, charge of cavalry on an infantry square armed with magazine guns—Mauser six-shooters. The insurgents were, of course, the attacking party, and Colonel Funston is quite within his rights in calling Desmayo, the name of the action, the Cuban Balaklava. The charge cannot be said to have succeeded, since the Spanish troops did not withdraw until attacked on the flank by Cuban infantry. Moreover, Gomez lost fifty-two per cent. of his mounted force of 479 men, and this chronicler admits that if the infantry had not arrived he might have lost all. Nevertheless the charge was a military marvel. It is not too much to say that the magazine gun was expected to do away with cavalry as a force to be fought in mass or used for other purposes than scouting, foraging and raiding. In fact, it has done away with the old close-order infantry charge, substituting for it the "rushes" in loose formation which so disappointed the war correspondents who followed Edhem Pasha's headquarters with expectations formed by traditions of Gravelotte and recollections of Kinglake and Napier. Hence the fact that the Cuban horse were able to cross a space of 400 yards and reach their foes in fighting condition, so that they disordered their fire and suffered comparatively little after the magazines were emptied with the first six volleys, must be a matter of surprise to military theorists generally. The incident shows that even this age cannot produce military contrivances the deadly efficiency of which brave men are not able to overcome with stout hearts and primitive arms. We may probably call this, as we have said, the last cavalry charge. Certainly Murat himself, with the pick of his cuirassiers, could not have made a better ending for the knightly arm of war than did Gomez, the bush-fighter, with his ragged rough riders

TROOPS FOR PHILIPPINES.

The Cabinet Has Decided to Send 5,000 Men to Dewey's Assistance.

SUPPLIES TO BE SENT TO FLEET AT ONCE.

The Government is Determined to Hold the Island, Pending a Final Settlement With Spain, as Collateral for a War Indemnity.

WASHINGTON.—The cabinet meeting Tuesday resulted in a decision to await a report from Commodore Dewey and then to send him the number of troops he deems necessary to enforce our control of the Philippines.

The whole session was consumed in a general discussion of past events. The administration has practically decided to occupy the Philippine Islands with a strong military force as soon as possible after Commodore Dewey's report, which is expected Wednesday, has been received. For this purpose Pacific slope troops will be used, and it is expected that at least 5,000 will be en route within the next ten days.

There does not seem to be any doubt as to the government's purpose to hold these islands pending a final settlement with Spain, when they will be used as a collateral to secure the payment to the United States of a war indemnity.

High officials are of the opinion that none of the powers will seriously dispute our right to make such final disposition of the islands as suits our purpose in the enforcement of war claims against Spain.

As indicated in Secretary Long's request for an emergency appropriation, the government will take steps at once to supply Commodore Dewey's fleet with provisions and other supplies, including ammunition and coal, and to this end will dispatch at the earliest possible moment a sufficient number of ships to supply all possible needs of the Asiatic squadron.

These supplies will be forwarded at once without waiting a decision of the question as to whether or not troops shall be sent out to relieve the Commodore of the necessity of policing Manila with men from his fleet.

One ship has been secured already as a collier. It is said to be a much fleeter vessel than those usually so employed, but it will take her about three weeks to reach Manila and she may stop en route at Honolulu to replenish her own coal supply from the large accumulation held there by Admiral Miller, in order that the ship shall arrive in the Philippines with a full cargo.

Although without confirmation from any official source, the naval officials are forced to credit some reports coming from Paris that at last accounts the United States fleet was firing upon Corrigodor Island.

This island lies on the outer entrance to the harbor of Manila and is about twenty-five miles below the city. It is crowned by a lighthouse and has several modern guns.

MORE PRIZES CAPTURED.

The Argonauta is Regarded as One of the Most Important Made.

The United States gunboat Castine, Commander R. M. Berry, brought to Key West Tuesday morning a small prize, the two-masted fishing schooner Antonio Y Paco, having on board a cargo of fish. The Paco was captured off Mariel Monday while bound for Havana. Only one blank shot was necessary to cause the little craft to heave to and she was towed in to Key West.

The Spanish mail steamer Argonauta, captured by the Nashville and having on board, besides some Spanish army officers and forty-eight passengers, a large amount of mail matter from the Spanish government intended for Captain-General Blanco and other Spanish officials in Cuba, is regarded as being one of the most important captures since the outbreak of hostilities. The mail matter especially is considered likely to prove valuable to the United States government. She also had on board a large cargo of arms and ammunition, intended for the Spanish troops.

BRAZILIAN CONGRESS.

Government Refuses to Renew Reciprocity Treaty With United States.

RIO DE JANEIRO.—Congress was opened Tuesday with the reading of the message of the president, General Campos Salles, in which he expressed the hope that the British Guiana boundary question would be settled without arbitration.

Continuing, the message said the president had refused to renew the reciprocity treaty with the United States, though the government of the United States had asked for its renewal on account of the great loss in receipts which were recorded during the year 1897.

Greeks Volunteering for American Navy.

The porte has notified United States Minister Angell that Turkey will maintain strict neutrality in the war between Spain and the United States.

The American legation has received more than 2,000 offers of volunteers for the American navy, chiefly Greeks, many of whom declare they will pay their passage to America in remembrance of the assistance rendered them by the United States in the Greek war for independence.

SPANISH FLEET IS COMING.

Four Cruisers and Three Torpedo Boa Are Headed for Cuba.

A dispatch from St. Vincent, Cape de Verde Islands, says the Spanish cruisers Marie Teresa, Almirante Oquendo, Viscaya and Cristobal Colon, accompanied by the Spanish torpedo destroyers Plunton, Terror and Furor, sailed in a westerly direction Friday morning, presumably going to Cuba.

The dispatch adds that the Spanish torpedo boats Azor, Rayo and Ariete, and the Spanish transports San Francisco and Ciudad de Cadiz, sailed at the same time in a northerly direction, probably going to the Canary Islands.

Commenting on the dispatch from St. Vincent, the London Evening News says:

"The import of the cablegram is that the whole effective fighting force of the squadron has been dispatched west, while the non-effectives and the non-combatants are proceeding to another anchorage.

"Well informed naval authorities are aware that the torpedo boats could not travel the Atlantic at the present time, as they have not sufficient coal capacity to go to Cuba, and the risk of coaling in mid-ocean is too great."

This long delayed move is most significant. Its significance is in the fact, which can hardly be emphasized, that it is practically Spain's first real move since the outbreak of hostilities.

ANGLO-AMERICAN AGREEMENT.

The English Ministers Are Very Anxious for Developments.

The New Evening Post's London correspondent cables as follows; "It would be quite a mistake to assume that Lord Salisbury, Mr. Balfour and the ministry generally are unsympathetic toward the movement of Anglo-American accord of which evidences are not less abundant here than in the states. I have the best reason to know that ministers here await with the keenest interest the development on the line of Anglo-American co-operation they suggested some time back to President McKinley. The British proposal was for joint Anglo-American action in defense of the policy of an open trade door in China alone, as against expected Russian-German exclusiveness. I am assured that the British government realizes the far wider scope for Anglo-American co-operation to which the American intervention in Cuba may now open the way."

NO INFORMATION TO THE PRESS

On Subjects Connected With the War Will Be Given.

The war department is very seriously concerned over the publications in some of the morning papers of its intention to select General Shafter to command the first detachment of troops to be sent to Cuba. To prevent any further disclosures of the plans of campaign of the department, Secretary Alger has issued a most sweeping order, directed to all bureau chiefs of the war department and all officers on special duty, from the highest to the lowest, instructing them under no circumstances to give any information to the press on any subject connected with the war.

Naval and Military Activity in France.

PARIS (Special.)—The Aurore announces that extraordinary activity prevails in naval and military circles throughout France. Large orders for war materials of all sorts have been placed, and all the coast batteries have been supplied with provisions and munitions for several months. It is also announced that fresh batteries have been erected at Ushant; that all the French warships recently mobilized are kept in fighting trim and ready for sea at a moment's notice, and that the reserves have been notified to expect a call for active service.

Bismarck's Opinion.

The Berlin correspondent of the London Standard says: "Prince Bismark thinks that Germany must abstain from interference in the conflict of the United States with Spain as long as possible, but that she must interfere instantly and most energetically the moment her interests demand it. Therefore, he thinks Germany ought not to bind her hands by neutrality declarations."

CONFERENCE ON THE FLAGSHIP.

A Concerted Movement of Sampson's Fleet Seems Imminent.

It is understood that a movement has been planned by Sampson's fleet off the coast of Cuba Monday. There was a long conference on board the flagship between Rear Admiral Sampson, Captain Evans, of the Iowa; Captain Taylor, of the Indiana; and Captain Chadwick, of the New York, the purpose of which could not be ascertained. It is believed that a concerted movement on Matanzas is imminent.

A Lieutenant Kills Himself.

First Lieutenant Rowland G. Hill, of Company G, Twentieth infantry committed suicide at Spring Hill Camp Mobile, Monday. He had been standing in front of his tent talking to other officers, and having his revolver in hand. As he turned away he raised the revolver to his head with his left hand and shot himself through the head, back of the left ear. He died instantly. Deceased had been acting queerly for several days.

THE QUEEN REGENT TALKS.

"God Knows We Did Not Desire War and Did Everything to Prevent It."

SHE TRUSTS IN SPAIN'S PATRIOTISM,

In God and the Possible Intervention of the European Powers to Save the Tottering Throne of the Spanish Dynasty.

A commissioner of the New York Journal has obtained an interview with the queen regent of Spain, in which she is quoted as saying:

"Yes, we have almost all Europe with us, and in the painful moments we are now passing through that is a great consolation, and, at the same time, an encouragement. Not that we shall ask anything from the powers, which are expressing their sympathies for us, but from the point of view of the strict right of their attitude touches us profoundly. Not a day passes without bringing to the king and to myself warm letters from abroad, some even came from the United States. These documents go straight to our hearts.

"Everybody here is ready to shed the last drop of his blood to defend his country. Everybody is ready to do his duty, to fight like a hero on the battlefield. The Spaniards are fighting for their country. The Americans are fighting each for himself. That is why we are proud of Europe's encouragement. We have firm hope in the future. God knows that we did not desire war; and did everything to avoid it. I can say that every kind of humiliation was heaped upon us by the United States. But everything has an end.

"The United States government said to itself: 'We can demand everything we choose from Spain, and, after some recrimination, we will obtain satisfaction, because Spain is poor and will never dare to face war.' Reasoning thus, they pushed us till we could go no further. Finally the rupture took place, to the great astonishment of the Americans themselves, who had fallen into their own snare. They were so sure of holding us in their power, through what they consider our great poverty, that they were not ready to go to war. They are not ready now."

"The American government," continued the queen, "gave way before the pressure of public opinion. That is the explanation of an otherwise inexplicable situation, because we had agreed to everything which we could.

"They know that on the day the Spanish government granted autonomy to Cuba it was practically abandoning its very rights over the island. But now it is too late to argue. The time has come for acts, not words.

"Let us have confidence in God, confidence in the future. Who can say that Europe will not intervene after the first serious battle?"

GENEROUS MILLIONAIRES.

John Jacob Astor Places His Road at the Disposal of the Government.

It is said that Mrs. John Jacob Astor, Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., have offered their tiaras for the purchase of a new warship, if the government should need an extra one.

The famous millionaire, John Jacob Astor, has gone them one step further and placed his immense railroad interests at the disposal of the government. Mr. Astor is president of the Findley, Fort Wayne & Western Railroad company. He has also other railroad stock.

To transport soldiers and ammunition from the interior to the coast is an expensive matter, as the department of war found out. On learning of the money difficulty, John Jacob Astor sent the following letter to the state department:

"If occasion should arise, I beg to place our road and rolling stock at the free disposal of the state government for the movement of troops and supplies, or for other public service in which they may be required."

John Jacob Astor is 33 years old.

Mississippi Troops to Mobilize.

Governor McLaurin has issued an order for the state volunteers to rendezvous at Jackson on Tuesday next. Eighteen companies have so far volunteered.

Cyclone in Texas.

The town of Mobeeti, Tex., has been almost totally destroyed by a cyclone. John Stockers, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Rufus Kitchen and baby were killed; Mrs. Exum and baby and Mrs. Anderson were fatally injured; fifteen were painfully injured. All the county buildings were wrecked. The loss is $35,000.

Postal Service in the First Port.

The postmaster-general has issued an order to establish postal service in the Cuban port first occupied by the United States. The service will cover not only the army mail for troops, but business mail.

Killed With a Rock.

Bob McKennie, a young white man, killed a negro named Jack Pitts, 67 years of age, with a rock at Opelika Tuesday. A dispute arose about a negro boy who was chopping cotton for McKennie, and the negro Pitts started at him with a plow stock, whereupon McKennie threw a rock at him, striking him on the head, producing almost instant death.

It is rumored that British ambassador at Washington, Sir Julian Pauncefort, will be succeeded by Sir Thomas Sanderson.

ACKNOWLEDGE DEFEAT.

Admiral Montejo Says That the Spanish Fleet Was Completely Demolished.

MADRID.—(Special.)—A dispatch to the Liberal from Manila says: Admiral Montejo, the Spanish commander, acknowledges that the Spanish fleet has been completely demolished. He adds that the crew of the Spanish warship Mindano has been saved.

The British Consul at Manila, E. P. Rawson-Walker, has conferred with Commodore Dewey. The object of their conference is not known.

Further advices from Manila to the Liberal say that the United States fleet has taken up a position in front of Manila and has established a blockade of the port.

The population of Manila is fleeing from the city. A bombardment of the city is expected to take place Monday.

The publication of the Liberal's dispatch from Manila removed the last hope of the Spaniard's, and it is now admitted on all sides that the Spanish fleet had been completely destroyed and that it is probably only a question of hours as to when the Americans will occupy Manila.

The fact that the Liberal, which is Premier Sagasta's organ, admitted the complete defeat of the Spaniards gives additional significance to the frank announcement.

NASHVILLE ENGAGES THE ENEMY.

Capturing the Argonauta—Two Spanish Gunboats Turned Tail and Fled.

Key West.—While the cruiser Nashville was cruising off Cienfuegos Monday the Spanish mail steamer Argonauta attempted to enter that port. The Nashville fired a shot at her and she hove to and hauled down her colors. While the Nashville was taking possession two Spanish gunboats darted out of the harbor and opened fire on the Nashville. The American warship swung broadside on and let go her whole port battery at the Spaniards. The attacking boats turned tail at the roar of the Nashville's guns and fled. With the prize the Nashville took twenty-nine prisoners and the Spanish mail. Among the prisoners taken are Colonel Vicente de Cortijo and his staff, of the Third cavalry, who were on their way to join the army in Cuba.

VICTORY AT MANILA

Will Be Followed by Aggressive Action by Cuba.

At the foreign embassies and legations at Washington intense interest is shown in the news of the decisive victory of the American fleet at Manila. It was stated by a high diplomatic official that another such victory would end the cause of Spain and would force her to seek an armistice and peace. The universal belief in diplomatic quarters is that this stroke in the Philippines will be followed immediately by aggressive action in Cuba.

Aside from the immediate effects of the Manila engagement foreign representatives here say it is likely to precipitate an internal convulsion in Spain. This has been apprehended by the powers and has been the chief cause of their activity, as it threatens to bring the war to the continent of Europe.

$36,000,000 APPROPRIATED

By Congress to Support the Army and Navy—Rushed Through Both Houses.

Washington, D. C.—Chairman Cannon, of the appropriations committee, Monday reported and the house passed an urgency deficiency bill appropriating about $36,000,000 for war expenses. Similar action was taken in the senate.

Representative Livingstone, of Georgia, has introduced this resolution in the house: Resolved, That the thanks of congress be, and they are, hereby tendered to Commodore George Dewey, commanding the Asiatic squadron, for the eminent skill and valor exhibited by him and his squadron in the recent engagement resulting in his glorious victory over and destruction of the Spanish fleet at Manila.

The Dons' Fleet Annihilated.

LONDON.—A cable message has been received at the foreign office from the British consul at Manila announcing that the battle of Sunday lasted an hour and a half and that the Spanish fleet was practically annihilated by the fleet of the United States.

The Irish Jubilant.

The Parnellite members of parliament have sent the following dispatch from London to President McKinley: "In the name of millions of Irishmen, the Parnellite members of the house of commons send you their congratulations on the victory of the American fleet."

Will Join Their Command.

The Huntsville and Florence companies of the Third Alabama regiment went to Mobile Tuesday to join Colonel Higdon's command. Both companies carry the maximum number of men.

New Squadron to Guard Our Coast Cities.

Secretary Long has formed a new squadron which will be known as the "Patrol Squadron." The new fleet will include the cruiser San Francisco and the auxiliary cruisers Yosemite, Prairie, Yankee and Dixie, and will be used for the patrol of our coast and the protection of our coast cities. It will be more for the defensive than the offensive. But should it be necessary, these five vessels can put up a very nice fight against any fleet that Spain can send over.

ALABAMA GLEAN

Pertinent Paragraphs of ... News of the State.

Suicide at Anniston.

Sam McClellan ... at Anniston last week. ... died for several years ... sale grocery, and had ... the police force.

Deadlock Convention.

The tenth judicial ... cratic convention at ... to meet at Birmingham ... after having failed to ... tion. Nearly 400 ballots ...

Howard Not a Candidate.

Dr. G. B. Crowe ... statement that Representative ... of the Seventeenth district ... tively refuse to allow ... before the populist state ... a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination. It is said that Howard will stand for re-election to congress unopposed.

J. A. Shannon, a white man, was crushed to death in a fall at the Palos' mines in Jefferson county.

Willis Cobb, colored, ... have been hanged in Birmingham ... day for the murder of ... has had his sentence commuted to life imprisonment.

Will Present Colors to Third.

The ladies of Birmingham have resolved to present the Third regiment with a stand of colors. ... two flags, one regulation flag and a regimental flag. ... will be of blue, and will bear ... of arms of the state of Alabama, ... American eagle and the number of the regiment.

Another Railroad to Be Built.

It is announced that a railroad is to be built from Jacksonville to Montgomery. The name of the road will be the "Atlantic, Valley & Western Railroad." The object is to open up and develop some of the richest territory in Southeast Alabama and Georgia that has ever been opened by a railroad. A corps of engineers are now in the field locating the line between Valdosta and Montgomery.

Looking for Spies.

Rumors are current in Birmingham to the effect that Spanish spies have been seen in Birmingham. It is rumored that they are in the city watching the movements of troops ... leave from Chickamauga. ... of the rumor could not be ... Another story current was to the effect that the spies had their eyes on the powder factory located near Birmingham.

Heavy Coal Shipments to Tampa.

The demand for coal on the ... companies in the Birmingham district is daily growing heavier. ... cars per day are being shipped to Tampa and other Florida points. While this coal is not sold to the government contract, it is being sold to private parties who expect to sell to the government. The notice ... given out several days ago that a coaling station would be established at Pensacola points conclusively to the fact that the navy department intends to use Alabama coal.

Mobile & Ohio Extension Completed.

The last spike has been driven which connects Montgomery with the M. & O. at Columbus, Miss., by the Montgomery & Tuskaloosa extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad. Trains can now run over the whole 182 miles between Montgomery and Columbus. There will be no regular passenger and freight schedules until about June 1, when the road will be formally opened for regular line. The construction of the line took exactly one year and two weeks. The five big iron bridges are completed.

Third Regiment in Camp at Mobile.

The Third regiment arrived in Mobile Sunday night at ... o'clock and is now encamped at Camp Gen. John B. Clark, about two miles from the city. The volunteer forces were not ordered into the United States regulars ... there, but they are stationed on the old Brigade camp ground.

Governor Johnston has issued an order to Colonel Higdon ... that hereafter the Third Infantry, Alabama National Guard, shall be known as the First regiment, Alabama Volunteers, according to the call of President of the United States of ... 1898. The order also stated that further orders Colonel Higdon will be in command of all volunteer troops of Alabama that were to ... Mobile, whether they were of the Third or not. Lieut. John ... ald, of the Tenth United States cavalry, was appointed lieutenant ... on Colonel Higdon's staff, in place of Orr, of Anniston. The ... firmed the recommendations of Colonel Higdon for positions on ... Lieut. L. C. Brown, of the Birmingham Rifles, is acting ... is very probable that this appointment will be made permanent.

Another Capture.

A small Spanish sloop, the ... was captured by a United States gunboat off Cardenas and ... West. Only one blank shot was necessary to bring her to. She had on board a crew of seven men and a load of fish.

Will Put Troops in Canary Islands.

The plan of the Spaniards ... be to concentrate 40,000 in the Canary islands, of which 8,000 will be in the Grand Canary.

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APPROPRIATED

...upport the Army and ...hrough Both Houses.

...C. Chairman Can... ...priations committee, ...and the house passed ...ency bill appropriat... ...00,000 for war ex... ...n was taken in ...

...Livingstone, of Geor... ...f this resolution in ...ved, That the thanks ...and they are, hereby ...dore George Dewey, ...Asiatic squadron, for... ...and valor exhibited ...adron in the recent ...ting in his glorious ...destruction of the ...anila.

...ect Annihilated.

...he message has been ...ign office from the ...Manila announcing ...Sunday lasted an... ...d that the Spanish ...y annihilated by the ...d States.

...Jubilant.

...nembers of parlia... ...following dispatch ...President McKinley: ...illions of Irishmen, ...bers of the house of ...their congratulations ...ory of the American ...

...ir Command.

...and Florence com... ...Alabama regiment ...ady to go to Cuba ...Both companies ...ready to go.

...ght Our Coast Cities.

...has formed a new ...to be known as the ...The new fleet ...ises San Francisco, ...cruiser Yosemite, ...of Detroit and will be ...d of our coast and ...r coast cities will ...defensive than they ...uld it be necessary, ...can put up a very ...any fleet that Spain ...

ALABAMA GLEANINGS.

Pertinent Paragraphs of the News of the State.

Suicide at Anniston.

Sam McClellan committed ... at Anniston last week. He h... ...oled for several years for a loca... ...ale grocery, and had also ... ...he police force.

Deadlock Convention Adjourns.

The tenth judicial circuit ...ratic convention at Jasper ad... ...to meet at Birmingham on ... ...after having failed to make a n... ...tion. Nearly 400 ballots were ...

Heward Not a Candidate for Congress.

Dr. G. B. Crowe is authority ... statement that Representative H... of the Seventeenth district, wi... ...tively refuse to allow his nam... before the populist state conven... a candidate for the gubernatorial ...nation. It is said that How... stand for re-election in the ... congressional contest.

J. A. Shannon, a white miner ... crushed to death in a fall of ... Palos' mines in Jefferson county.

Willis Cobb, colored, who ... have been hanged in Birmingham ... day for the murder of another ... has had his sentence commuted ... imprisonment.

Will Present Colors to Third Regiment.

The ladies of Birmingham ha... solved to present the Third reg... with a stand of colors. It is ... two flags, one regulation ...ited ... flag and a regimental flag. The ... will be of blue, and will bear th... of arms of the state of Alabam... American eagle and the numb... the regiment.

Another Railroad to Be Built.

It is announced that a railroad ... be built from Jacksonville, F... Montgomery. The name of th... will be the "Atlantic, Valdosta & Western Railroad." The road ... open up and develop some of the ...est territory in Southeast Alabam... Georgia that has ever been tapp... a railroad. A corps of engineers ... now in the field locating a rou... ...tween Valdosta and Montgomery.

Looking for Spies.

Rumors are current in Birmin... to the effect that Spanish spies ... been seen in Birmingham. It ... noted that they are in this ... watching the movements of troo... leave from Chickamauga. The ... ...ed the rumor could not be ver... Another story current was to the ... that the spies had their eyes ... powder factory located near East ...mingham.

Heavy Coal Shipments to Tampa.

The demand for coal on the s... ...ompanies in the Birmingham di... is daily growing heavier. About ... cars per day are being shipp... ...Tampa and other Florida coast ... ...Since this coal is not sold u... government contract, it is being s... ...private parties who export to ... ...government. The inform... ...given out several days ago that a ...coaling station would be establis... ...Pensacola points conclusively t... ...ing that the navy department e... to use Alabama coal.

Mobile & Ohio Extension Completed.

The last spike has been driven ... ...connects Montgomery with the ... Columbus, Miss., by the Montg... & Tuscaloosa extension of the M... & Ohio railroad. Trains can n... the whole 182 miles between ... ...tgomery and Columbus. There ... ...no regular passenger and fr... ...schedules until about June 1, ... the road will be formally opened ... regular line. The construction ... ...me took exactly one year and ... ...weeks. The five big iron bridg... ...completed.

Third Regiment in Camp at Mobile.

The Third regiment arriv... Mobile Sunday night at 8 o'clock ... is now encamped at Camp Lo... Clark, about two miles from th... The volunteer forces were not pu... the United States regulars sta... there, but they are stationed d... the old Brigade camp ground.

Governor Johnston has issue... order to Colonel Higdon to the ... that hereafter the Third infantry ...bama National Guard, shall be ... the First regiment, Alabama V... teers, according to the call of the ...ident of the United States of Ap... 1898. The order also stated that ... further orders Colonel Higdon ... be in command of all volunteer ... of Alabama that were to arri... Mobile, whether they were of ... Third or not. Lieut. John B. M... ...ald, of the Tenth United State... ...alry, was appointed lieutenant-c... on Colonel Higdon's staff, in p... Orr, of Anniston. The governo... ...firmed the recommendations of C... Higdon for positions on his ... Lieut. L. C. Brown, of the Bir... ham Rifles, is acting adjutant, ...is very probable that this appoin... will be made permanent.

Another Capture.

A small Spanish sloop, the En... was captured by a United States ... boat off Gardenas and brought ... West. On it the blank shot w... necessary to bring her to. She h... board a crew of seven men and ... of fish.

Will Put Troops in Canary Islands.

The plan of the Spaniards is ... be to concentrate 40,000 in the C... islands, of which 8,000 will go ... Grand Canary.

SPANISH FLEET ANNIHILATED IN THE HARBOR AT MANILA.

Great Naval Battle a Brilliant Victory for United States.

FOUR SPANISH WARSHIPS GO DOWN IN THE FIGHT.

Coming of the Dawning of Sunday Morning the Fleet of Admiral Dewey Enters Manila Harbor and the Marine Duel Begins—Ships Sunk to Prevent Capture. The Fall of Manila Only a Question of Time.

Washington, May 1 [1898] a. m.—Advices ... Manila say that the American ... Commodore Dewey, ... Manila at 5 ... ...ning and opened a ... the Spanish ... ...ing the har... ...ral class cruiser ... was severely ... ...commander killed. ... ...other Spanish vessel was burned. ... American squadron retired, hav... ...also sustained severe damage.

...second engagement followed, in ... the American squadron again ... ...ered considerable loss and the ...panish warships Mindano and Ulloa ... slightly damaged.

Complete Victory for Our Fleet.

...From the returns received to date of ... engagement between Admiral ...wey's vessels and the Spanish fleet ...d forts at Manila, there was a com... ...ete victory for our our fleet. Several ...panish vessels were sunk and all the ...thers disabled, while two of the forts ...commanding Manila were silenced. ...Practically there was loss on the Ameri... ...side, but the full details are not ... at hand. Manila has practically ...en taken and in a few days the work ...ill be actual...

...It must be remembered that all the ...ews available is from Spanish sources. ...The Spaniards are notable for exagger... ...ing in favor themselves. The ...governor general of Manila cabled the ...Madrid dispatches announcing the sinking and ...burning of nearly all the Spanish vessels. He adds there were heavy losses ...on the American side. That remains ...to be proved. The correct news from ...our side can only come from Hong ...Kong, two days sail from Manila, or ...on the latest boat after our forces ...have landed and taken possession.

Spanish Story of the Battle.

Madrid, May 1.—Fuller details are ... ...recommendons com... ...indicate that the ... the harbor, but ... what remains of the ... ...ping up a resist... ...hours have attacked ... the city, but ... The ministry ... ...hours in the ... ...ort to victory, as ... ...does not capitulate. ... Americans were ... ...ge in the foreign ... ...accounts for the ...

...Christina, Captain ... ...evening ... ...that the ... ...ctory in ... ...the ... ...Spanish ... ...Christina by ... ...saying he trans... ...ferred his flag to the transport Isla de ...Cuba, which was then ordered to the assistance of the Maria Christina and the forts of ...Manila. The Spanish admiral, as he ...left the flagship, was the last commander of Spanish ...vessels in Manila waters.

...The American squadron ...Sunday evening. ...commander expected ...the Spanish fleet there, but ...Montejo had retired to Mani...

Vessels Which Participated in the Battle.

Following are the two fleets engaged in the naval battle before Manila:

Olympia, first class protected cruiser, 5,800 tons, speed 21 knots; Baltimore, second rate, 4,600 tons, speed 20.6 knots; Boston, second rate, 3,189 tons, speed 15 knots; Raleigh, second class, speed 19 knots; Concord, third rate, 1,700 tons, speed 17 knots; Petrel, fourth rate, 890 tons, speed 13 knots.

THE SPANISH SHIPS.—Reina Maria Christina, 3,520 tons; Castilla, 3,342 tons; Don Antonio de Ulloa and Don Juan de Austria, each 1,130 tons speed 14 knots; General Lezo and El Cano, gun vessels, 524 tons; speed 11.5 knots; Marques del Duero, dispatch boat, 500 tons; Isla de Cuba and the Isla de Luzon are both small gunboats. They are of 1,030 tons displacement. Isla de Mindaros, Compania Transatlantica of Cadiz, armored as a cruiser; length 376.5; beam 42.3; gross tons 4,195; speed 13.5.

Aguinaldo Advancing to Attack Manila.

A dispatch from Madrid to the London Daily Mail dated Monday morning says: The Americans are now attacking Manila, but there has as yet been no capitulation. The Reina Maria Christiana and Castilla were totally burned, and one vessel was purposely sunk and the rest of the fleet was badly damaged. The American fleet is believed to be seriously injured."

War Revenue Bill Passes the House.

The house Friday passed the war revenue bill with only the amendments agreed upon by the republican members of the ways and means committee attached. The vote was 181 to 131.

Robbers Get Twenty Thousand.

A Southern Pacific passenger train was taken in charge by four masked ... Converse, Tex., Friday night. ... ...of the station the ex... ...were detached ... ...ce. The robb... ...through safe and ... ...money contents, ... The express ... ...ed by the explo... ...was injured.

Gov. Taylor Will Go to the Front.

Governor Taylor has announced that he will take the field in the operations against Spain. Telegrams have been sent the president urging his appointment as general commanding the state troops. The governor says he is going whether he is commissioned general or not.

Spanish Officers Captured.

Blanco cables his government that American warships off Cienfuegos captured Spanish merchant steamer. A colonel, a sergent and six non commissioned officers were held as prisoners. Civilian passengers liberated.

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The Argentine Republic will make a declaration of neutrality, but may not make coal contraband of war.

THE MAN OF THE HOUR.

Sketch of the Life of Commodore Dewey, the Hero of the Philippines.

Commodore George Dewey is a native of Vermont. He was appointed to the naval academy from that state September 23, 1854, and took the usual four years' course. After graduation he was assigned to the steam frigate Wabash, of the Mediterranean squadron, remaining on that vessel one year. During the eventful years of 1861-'62 he was transferred to the steam sloop Mississippi, of the west gulf squadron, and participated in the capture of New Orleans in April, 1862.

COMMODORE DEWEY.

He was present at the capitulation of Port Hudson in March, 1863. He was also foremost in the fighting below Donaldsonville in July of the same year.

He had been commissioned as lieutenant April 19, 1861, and the years 1864-65 he spent on board the steam gunboat Agawam, of the North Atlantic blockading squadron, occupying this command during the two attacks on Fort Fisher, December, 1864, and January, 1865. March 3, 1865, he was commissioned lieutenant commander.

In 1366 he was on the Kearsarge, of the European squadron, and the flagship Colorado, of the same squadron, in 1867. He returned to the United States and spent the years 1868-69 at the Naval Academy, but during 1870-71 he was given command of the Narragansett, a fourth-rate vessel in special service.

Part of the following year he spent at a torpedo station, and in April of 1872, having been commissioned as commander, resumed command of the Narragansett, and retained this vessel on duty with the Pacific survey until 1875. In 1883 he returned to sea service in the Asiatic squadron, commanding the Juniata. He was promoted to a captaincy in 1884, and as such commanded the Dolphin, the next year succeeding to the flagship Pensacola at the European station, holding this command until 1888. He was given the rank of commodore, and acted as chief of the bureau of equipment and recruiting from 1889 to 1890. Since that time he has steadily risen until attaining his present rank, and is reckoned one of the most valuable and best equipped officers in the service.

MASSING TROOPS AT TAMPA.

Seven Thousand Men Are Now Concentrated at That Point.

Eleven regiments of infantry, one of cavalry and ten light batteries of artillery are now concentrated at Tampa and Port Tampa, making a force of about 7,000 men. All the troops recently ordered there from Mobile, New Orleans and Chickamauga have now arrived. It is generally believed in Tampa that this force will be augmented in the near future by at least two regiments of cavalry from Chickamauga, besides the artillery.

Two recruiting offices have been opened in Tampa for enlistments of Cubans for Gomez's army. It is believed at least 700 will respond to the call.

About fifteen car loads of rifles and ammunitions from various military schools throughout the country have arrived. The guns are mostly of the Springfield pattern and for the equipment of Gomez's soldiers.

GEN. ALGER'S ESTIMATES.

Items for Which Increased Appropriations Will Be Asked.

The secretary of the treasury has received from the secretary of war estimates of deficiencies in appropriations required for the use of the war department for the remaining two months of the present fiscal year, aggregating $34,019,997.

This estimate is entirely independent of the allotments made by the president to the war department from the $50,000,000 defense appropriation. This will indicate that up to July 1 next (two months) the increased expenditures on account of the war will be approximately $90,000,000.

BRUNSWICK, GA.—Because she neglected to fly the American flag at sea when called upon to do so, the schooner Addie M. Anderson, Captain Taylor, was fired upon off Hatteras by the United States transport Panther.

MADRID.—General Weyler, in the Spanish senate, urged the government to take the offensive against America. He justified his administration in Cuba. He declared that had he been allowed six months longer he would have entirely crushed the insurrection.

MANILA HAS CAPITULATED.

The Great Naval Battle Was Followed by Bombardment of the City.

THE AMERICAN VICTORY IS COMPLETE.

Admiral Dewey Demanded the Surrender the of City, the Control of the Cable and Mastership of the Forts and Harbor Mines.

A special to the London Evening News says that the demolition of the Spanish fleet at Manila was followed by the bombardment of that city by Admiral Dewey's fleet, and that the city had surrendered after a fearful loss of life among the Spaniards.

Demand for Capitulation.

LONDON.—A special dispatch from Madrid says Commodore Dewey gave Governor-General Augusti, of Manila, twenty-four hours to comply with ultimatum demanding all stores and coal. It is believed the government has cabled Augusti to comply.

Manila in American Hands.

LONDON.—The American victory is complete.

That is the substance of the news received through the British consul at Manila, Mr. E. H. Rawson-Walker, after an interview with victorial Admiral Dewey.

The real fighting lasted only an hour and a half. In that time the Spanish fleet was stricken from the sea and the batteries silenced. The rest was merely a matter of diplomacy.

Admiral Dewey demanded the capitulation of the city, the control of the cable and the mastership of the forts and harbor mines. His demand was made through Consul Walker, and by England's representative conveyed to the governor-general and Admiral Montejo. The Spaniards were loth to comply, but their disabled guns and destroyed fleet left them little alternative.

The news of the surrender is not yet as explicit as that of the great naval combat that preceded it. The capitulation is to be a matter of a few words. The battle was full of heroic deeds.

London Amazed at American Intrepidity.

London stands amazed at the intrepidity of the Americans, and everywhere are heard such expressions as: "They're the fighting stuff!" "Give us an alliance with the Americans and we'll defy the world!" "Those chaps are of our blood, you know!" "That's the way! Sit tight and give it to 'em!"

It was supposed that the mines at the mouth of Manila Bay would deter Admiral Dewey. At most, it was expected that he would stand off, establishing a "peaceful blockade," such as Admiral Sampson has fiddled with off Havana.

Four Hundred Spanish Killed.

A special from Paris says: A dispatch from Madrid to the Temps says that according to the latest dispatches the British consul at Manila in his visit to Commodore Dewey made representations in behalf of the consular corps against the bombardment of the town. French, British and German war vessels are in the roads at Manila. No Spanish warships surrendered, and the majority perished. Two Spanish commanders were killed while resisting to the last moment. The Spanish losses are estimated at 400 men killed, including many natives.

The American squadron attacked furiously both the Spanish squadron and Cavite, where it caused great damage.

Commenting editorially on the battle, the Temps says: "The United States put into the balance a too crushing superiority of resources and forces to leave a doubt as to the result."

Later the Temps says: "Directly Castilian honor has received the satisfaction it demands. Will not the moment have come for Europe to say its word, and take as a basis for its mediatory action the wise advice of the Duke of Devonshire in his speech of Saturday evening."

Brief War News.

MOSCOW.—Public opinion in Russia, so far as it is expressed, sympathizes with Spain.

JACKSON, MISS.—Governor McLaurin has just issued a proclamation calling for volunteers.

AUSTIN, TEX.—Texas troops received orders to move, and 42,000 men, infantry and cavalry, are now encamped here.

WASHINGTON.—Ex-Congressman C. H. Allen, of Massachusetts, a personal friend of Secretary Long, is slated to succeed Assistant Secretary Roosevelt, resigned.

WASHINGTON.—The banks of the United States are said at the treasury department to be preparing to subscribe largely to the expected issue of government 3 per cent. bonds.

LONDON.—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily News says that Aguinaldo, the insurgent chief, and his colleagues, are embarking a plan to make a descent in force near Manila.

A dispatch from Hawarden, England, says that Mr. Gladstone is rapidly nearing his end.

CABLE TO MANILA CUT.

Latest News That Came Was That Bombardment Was On.

LONDON.—(Special.)—Inquiries made at the offices of the Eastern Telegraph Company show that it has been impossible for any word to have come from Manila since 10 o'clock Monday morning, London time, when the cable was cut. The officials of the company say that according to their test from Hong Kong, the cable was cut fifty miles from Manila. They think a week or even a fortnight may elapse before it can be repaired, as there are no facilities there to repair the cable, and in any event it will be a difficult task to pick up the cable in deep water.

A special dispatch from Madrid says the Spanish Colonial office had advices of the beginning of the bombardment of Manila before the cable was cut, which says "thus far American shells have not reached the town proper, which is strongly protected."

Continuing, the advices to the Colonial office at Madrid are said to have read:

"Only the outlying native quarters have suffered. They are now in flames. Occasionally a shell fell in the European town, where a few houses were struck.

"The batteries of the citadel, especially the six large guns, are vigorously replying to the Americans and have inflicted considerable damage on the fleet."

Want American Protection.

The insurgent leaders at Hong Kong are hoping to administer the Philippine Islands provisionally under American protection, but there are endless dissensions among the insurgents at Hong Kong.

A Wall Street Report.

A Wall Street news agency sends out the following:

"HONG KONG—Manilla has fallen. The Stars and Stripes wave over the Phillippines."

BAYAMO EVACUATED.

Gen. Pando Has Withdrawn From the City and Gen. Garcia is in Possession.

General Pando, the commander of the Spanish forces in Cuba, has withdrawn the Spanish garrison from Bayamo, one of the important towns of the province of Santiago de Cuba, and refugees who have arrived at Kingston, Jamaica, from Manzanilla, the port of Bayamo, say that Gen. Calixito Garcia, the insurgent commander, occupied the town the next day.

Bayamo, or San Salvador, is situated about sixty miles northwest of the city of Santiago de Cuba. It has a population of about 7,000.

The Spanish merchant said residents of Bayamo, it appears, were in great fear of plunder and massacre, but Gen. Garcia issued a proclamation declaring that the property of Spaniards and their civil rights would be respected.

A VOLUNTEER KILLED.

Sergeant Collins, of the Birmingham Rifles, Meets a Terrible Fate.

Fourth Sergeant Hugh Collins, Company K, the Birmingham Rifles, was shot and killed in Camp Clark of the State Volunteers, Mobile, Tuesday by a negro named Reese. The negro was captured shortly afterwards and barely escaped lynching by the infuriated soldiers. The negro Reese is a kind of peddler who hangs around the camp, selling fish and soda water. The boys in camp are in the habit of "bumping" negroes, as well as members of their own companies, against trees. Reese was "bumped" several times, and this led to the killing of Collins.

FITZHUGH LEE LISTED

For a Major-Generalship in the Army. Other Nominations.

WASHINGTON.—The war department officials have prepared a list of persons whose nominations are to be sent to the senate as major-generals and brigadier-generals. The list included the name of Hon. Fitzhugh Lee, formerly consul-general at Havana, as a major-general; and it is believed also those of W. F. Shafter, commanding the brigade at New Orleans, and J. F. Wade, commanding the regiments at Tampa, both of whom are now brigadier-generals, to be major-generals.

The Pope is Prostrated.

ROME.—His Holiness is quite prostrated by the news from Manila. He has expressed his horror at the terrible loss of life and repeatedly said that he could wish to have died before seeing such a war. Both the pope and Cardinal Rampolla, papal secretary of state, have refused to consider any interference, declaring that the attitude of the vatican is one of strict neutrality.

According to a dispatch from Cadiz to the London Chronicle it is believed there that orders have been given for a fleet of five vessels to start for Cuba on May 15.

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PREPARING FOR INVASION.

The Landing of an American Force in Cuba Will Take Place This Week.

CUBANS FORMING A CAVALRY REGIMENT

Who Will Embark With the American Troops. A Fleet of Vessels Assembling at Tampa to Transport Troops to the Island.

TAMPA, FLA.—Two hundred native Cubans, who have been quietly enlisted in New York by General Julio Sanguilly, arrived in Tampa Monday. They will be formed into a cavalry regiment, and under the leadership of the famous Cuban who enlisted them, will probably embark for Cuba with the American troops. The rest of the regiment will be made of Cubans from Tampa and vicinity.

Slowly but surely arrangements are being made for the landing of an American force in Cuba. By Friday the following fleet of vessels is expected to be in waiting at the wharves at Tampa for the reception of the United States troops. The Florida, Olivette and Mascotte, of the Plant line; the Alamo and Comal, of the Mallory line; the Aransas, and possibly the Lampasas, of the Morgan line, and the Allegheny and Berkshire, of the Merchants' and Miners' line. These boats have a carrying capacity of about 6,000 troops. It is not believed, however, that the actual embarkation will take place before Sunday. Much remains to be done in the way of gathering ammunition and supplies and several days must elapse before all is in readiness. It is believed that the force will be made of 3,000 infantry, 1,000 cavalry and ten batteries of artillery, in all close to 5,000 men. Only one regiment of cavalry; the Ninth, is now in camp at Tampa, but the Tenth, now at Chicamauga, will, it is believed, be brought down here to fill out the quota.

The fortifications commanding the south channel of Tampa bay are now practically complete. Bids for the purchase of about $2,000,000 worth of coal for the use of the government were opened Monday.

TO AVENGE THE DEFEAT.

Great Discontent at Madrid and Martial Law May be Proclaimed.

MADRID.—(Special.)—The newspapers express a determination to avenge the defeat of the Spanish fleet. The conduct of the Spanish admiral in sinking the remnant of his ships to prevent capture is highly extolled by the press. The impartial advises the government to arm all the available shipping and convert the vessels into an auxiliary fleet for the purpose of capturing and destroying American merchant vessels.

Great Discontent at Madrid.

The Madrid authorities have adopted the most extreme military precautions to check the increasing public indignation at the disaster to the Spanish fleet off Manila. Martial law will be proclaimed if the government "is provoked over hostile demonstrations" in the streets.

The feeling of discontent prevails everywhere. The military feel equally with the civil elements the effect of the disaster, in which, according to one announcement, "our inferior war craft, although they fought pluckily, perished through lack of foresight in responsible quarters."

MADRID UNDER MILITARY RULE.

Outbreaks Only Averted by a Proclamation Declaring Military Protection.

London.—The Madrid correspondent of the Standard, telegraphing Tuesday morning, says: Senor Aguitera, the civil governor of Madrid, has just posted on the walls of the home office the customary proclamation intimating that the civil authorities consider the circumstances justify the handing over to the military authorities the mission of keeping order.

Lieutenant General DeBan, captain general of Madrid, has assumed charge and military patrols have appeared in the Puerto del Sol. The measure has been taken in consequence of the attitude of certain political parties since Monday. The whole garrison is ready in the barracks.

Portugal Issues Order of Neutrality.

The neutrality decree of Portugal in the war between Spain and the United States has been published, and contains six articles: Forbids the equipment of privateers in Portuguese waters; forbids the entry of privateers into Portuguese waters; permits belligerents to make a short stay at Portuguese ports; defines legitimate trade as regards belligerents, and forbids trading in goods which may be considered contraband of war; warns Portuguese and foreigners in Portugal against actions contrary to the security of the state; refuses protection to any infringers of the decree.

Wolseley Predicts American Victory.

During a recent dinner party General Lord Wolseley drew a parallel between Cuba and Crete, saying: "While England interfered in Crete on moral grounds, the United States has both moral and material justification for intervention. I believe the quality of the American army and navy is so much superior to Spain's that the Americans will have no difficulty in defeating Spain's ship and land forces which are their equals or superiors on paper only."

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THE glorious victory of Admiral Dewey over the Spanish at the Phillippines, when he practically annihilated the Spanish fleet, is cause of great rejoicing throughout the country. It will undoubtedly have the effect of shortening the war and it is quite possible that it may be the only battle which will be fought. The Spanish government has enough trouble at home to make it almost impossible for them to be able to carry on a foreign war. It would seem to be wisdom on the part of our government to retain the Phillippines; the islands are valuaple anp would always be useful as a naval depot.

THE primary is over, the Populist Party has nominated its candidates, and nothing remains to be done but quiet, persistent work to carry the party to victory in August. The ticket nominated is a good one in every respect and entirely satisfactory to the county. The dire predictions of fraud proved to have had no foundation, and the candidates who were not fortunate enough to secure sufficient votes to nominate them have all gracefully accepted result and will do all in their power to see the nominees elected in August. When all the adverse influences which were brought to bear to keep votes from the polls are taken into consideration, the vote is astonishingly large. At this time of the year it is asking farmers a great deal to lose a day's work, and it proves the determination of Populists to stand by their party when so large a proportion of the voters turn out to a primary.

THE State convention of the Populists of Alabama was held yesterday at Montgomery. The attendance was good, not only in point of numbers, but in the quality of the members. Chairman G. B. Deans opened the proceedings by naming A. T. Goodwyn as temporary chairman and Messrs. Powell and Woodruff secretaries. After the committee on credentials had reported, the temporary organization was made permanent. The nomination for State offices were made and in every instance unanimously adopted.

Chilton county is proud of being represented on the ticket by Alex G. Dake, our county treasurer, who was unanimously nominated for the office of State Auditor. When Bro. Dake is elected in August, it will be necessary for the Populists of Chilton to elect another treasurer.

The delegates from Chilton were S. M. Adams, E. G. Rollins, E. B. Deason, Fayette Popwell and L. H. Reynolds.

CALEB N. HEADLEY.

This gentleman announces himself an independent candidate for the office of Representative in the General Assembly. Mr. Headley is a man of mature age, who has lived the greater part of his life in this county in Beat 1. He owns allegiance to no party and describes himself as a non-political man working only for principle. If elected he promises to study the best interests of all the people all the time.

CONDENSED BY FREEZING.

A Process by Which Milk May Be Preserved Indefinitely.

Considering the wide and extended use of condensed milk products, the method of manufacturing it by a freezing instead of a heating process, as carried out at Cattaraugus, N. Y., is important and interesting. The first treatment consists in placing the milk in a vacuum chamber to rid it of animal gases and atmospheric air dissolved in the milk, which appear at the surface in bubbles, and thus escape. This reduces the volume of the milk about one-tenth. The milk leaves this chamber at the proper temperature for the removal of the fatty contents by means of a cream separator which is set to run heavy cream. During this process any foreign matter, such as solid particles, which are always in evidence, is removed, and the cream is added subsequently to the finished product.

From the separator the fat free milk is run over a bank of copper pipes, through which ice water circulates, reducing the temperature of the milk from 80 degrees. After passing over these cooling coils it is placed in refrigerating chambers and constantly stirred. In about nine hours the whole bulk of milk is converted into a mass of icy crystals and milk sufficiently thick to form into hummocks. This is again placed in a centrifugal and the milk reduced in volume about one-half. An average sample of the ice, which looks very much like snow, gives on analysis only about two-tenths of 1 per cent of solid matter. The now thick milk is returned to the freezing closet, and in about seven hours more it is reduced to a dense mass of crystals, which, after centrifugal treatment, measures only one-quarter of the original bulk. A third freezing of 4½ hours and a centrifugal extraction reduces the bulk of the milk to about 13 per cent of its original volume.

The final step of the process is the admixture of the heavy cream in proper proportions to the fat free milk. This final product, or condensed milk, is a fair representation of milk minus the bulk of its water. Moreover, it is free from foreign flavors and has an aroma which is true to the milk from which it is prepared. It mixes readily with water, forming milk from which cream will separate as from untreated milk. To show the great concentration of the milk, it may be stated that, taking 100 gallons of milk as a unit quantity, this would reduce to 13 gallons in the end. In other words, the 87 gallons of water in the milk are formed into ice, leaving an unfrozen balance of very thick milk, which represents in milk sugar, casein and inorganic salts fully nine gallons of solids. The fat equivalent added by the heavy cream removed in the first operation is adjusted in the final treatment to represent a dilution with water three parts and condensed milk one part, a proportion of 3 6-10 per cent of milk fat, which is the normal proportion in the average milk. It is stated that condensed milk prepared in this manner will keep indefinitely, as the micro organisms producing fermentation are destroyed.—Philadelphia Record.

Robbed The Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, Eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides. No appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

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Etiquette In the Queen's Presence.

Nobody can sit down in the queen's presence without being requested to do so by her, and in the open air men must not come nearer than three paces to her person. The queen must not be addressed unless she speaks first, and people may not speak to each other in her presence.

A Boston Suggestion.

A Turkish woman is not permitted to speak above a whisper in the presence of her husband's relatives. Just a little Turkish sauce might not be altogether amiss among some American wives.—Boston Globe.

An Old Idea.

Every day strengthens the belief of eminent physicians that impure blood is the cause of the majority of our diseases. Twenty-five years ago this theory was used as a basis for the formula of Browns' Iron Bitters. The many remarkable cures effected by this famous old household remedy are sufficient to prove that the theory is correct. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., May 4, 1893

The Populist and Democratic conference committees of Oklahoma Territory will meet at Oklahoma City, May 6, for the purpose of harmonizing the silver forces of the territory in order that a silver representative may be returned to congress. The people are said to favor a union of the reform forces, but personal and political ambition supplemented by Republican chicanery may prevent the object sought.

John Sherman, the most servile tool of the money power in this country, retired from the office of Secretary of State, "unwept, unhonored and unsung." This is the fitting finale to his career—just retribution for political infamy. His successor Judge Day was promptly confirmed by the Senate.

The Populist state convention of Pennsylvania was held at Williamsport on April 28, and the following nominations were made: For Governor, Dr. Silas Swallow; for secretary of internal affairs, T. R. Ryder; for congressman-at-large, W. H. Berry. There was a clash over the permanent organization, and, after W. M. Deisher of Reading defeated Wharton Barker of Philadelphia for permanent chairman by a vote of 28 to 27 some of the delegates refused to further participate in the proceedings and left the hall.

Only a small paragraph has been given in the daily papers to the indictment of Mark Hanna. No further developments are expected and many are wondering how even this much justice was ever secured.

The open bid of the Republican party for the votes of the South by fulsome praise of Fitzhugh Lee is disgusting McKinley and Lee as the next G. O. P. presidential ticket is endorsed by leading Republicans. All reformers would rejoice to see the lines between Republicans and gold Democrats erased, as it would admonish the opposition to get together quickly and firmly.

Mr. Butler of North Carolina has introduced the following resolution in the Senate as a substitute for the Republican plan of raising revenue: "That the bonded indebtedness of the United States should not be increased, but that the necessary means to carry on the war against Spain should be raised by increasing the revenues of the government, including a tax on incomes and by issuing silver certificates against the seigniorage now in the treasury, and by such additional issues of United States legal tender notes as may be necessary.

The Populist and silver members of the House and Senate are earning the everlasting gratitude of their constituents by opposing any further issue of bonds at this time, while the Republicans receive the plaudits of the plutocrats, by favoring the issue of $500,000,000 of interest bearing gold obligations.

Positive proof of collusion between the so-called middle-of the road Populists and Republicans in Missouri has been obtained. Documentary evidence of a well matured plan of co-operation between these two forces is in existance and will soon be made public. Several middle-of-the readers are now organizing the state and drawing pay from the Republicans. In every close county the Republicans are giving aid and comfort to these allies.

Middle of the Roadism, as expressed in its chief organs, keeps up the talk of a national nominating convention to be held the 4th of July. It is claimed that the State of Mississippi is solidly for such a move.

The print, paper and tone of the articles in advance sheets sent out by the reputed "Populist" from Baltimore, are almost identical with those furnished by the "sound money" League of New York. No further evidence is necessary to prove that the gold-bugs are furnishing the sinews of war for middle-of-the road campaigners.

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Rumors in regard to enlistment in the militia of W. J. Bryan have been widely circulated. At this writing it is impossible to give the truth in the matter. Mr. Bryan has gone on with his lecture work and thereby called forth scathing rebukes from gold bugs who expressed the hope that the war scare would give the country a rest on the money question. There are many however who regard the present as the most appropriate time for calling the attention of the people to the dangers and falacies of the single standard. With an unheard of issue of "coin" bonds imminent, financial reformers can do better work than going to Cuba, where the gold bugs would doubtless like to see all such troublesome folk. None but the most ignorant tyro doubts that a decision from any of our incorruptible (?) courts would make "coin" mean gold when the time for interest bayment came.

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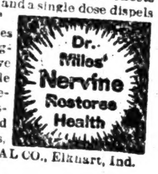

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Lot Number 17 in the town of Manlesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore, according to said command I will expose for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Feshee in and to the above described property on

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"What did you do with the sixth card?" queried an attentive listener.

"I ordered a ham sandwich," was the reply, "and, concealing the card between the bread and meat, ate the whole outfit."

When the laugh over this story was ended, another member of the party told of a jack pot which was opened on a pair of nines. In the draw the holder of this pair took in another nine spot and cleaned up the table pretty thoroughly with three nines. When it came to a show down, the query was made, "What did you open with?"

Innocently enough the holder of the big hand acknowledged a pair of nines. His hand was claimed to be a foul one, and the pot was divided among the players according to their bets. This procedure did not suit the jack pot opener, and he left the table, denouncing all present as sharpers and swindlers.—New York Dispatch.

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GRAND JURY.

W. F. Armstrong, E. J. Mayson, John Giles, Monroe Reese, L. Vines, Elijah Hendley, J. S. Dowery, P. L. Varden, W. M. Aldridge.

Beat 1—D. H. Mullins.

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PETIT JURY—Second Week.

Beat 1—E. W. Honeycutt, T. J. Dorminy.

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Beat 3—John F. Fleming, Z. J. Jones, Dock Jones, S. G. Glasscock, B. F. Rasberry.

Beat 4—P. D. Wilson, E. G. Mims, James Satterwhite, E. M. Pinckard, G. L. Foshee, W. H. Sartor, N. A. Kicker.

Beat 5—F. J. Traywick, T. S. Jones sr., D. F. Jacks, W. W. Robinson, John Oakes.

Beat 6—W. C. Dickerson, G. H. Pierce, J. F. Hays, Dooby Atkinson.

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Beat 8—W. I. Lovelady, R. H. Gandy.

Beat 9—S. R. Cleckler, G. W. Serrell.

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PRETTY NECKWEAR.

A plain, black gown that is worn with the prim linen collars and cuffs for morning can be made to look like festive attire for evening by adding a becoming chiffon stock, finished with a jabot of lace. The long lace scarfs of white or black are very popular. They are put about the neck twice and tied almost at the side. A natural flower pinned in the lace is an added charm.

BOY'S BLOUSE.

The blouse is a thoroughly comfortable and satisfactory garment for a growing boy to wear on warm days in the gymnasium or on the playground, flannels or wash goods being equally fitted for its development.

The fitting is very simple, being accomplished by shoulder and under arm seams only and the closing is effected by buttons and button holes, made through a boxplait on the left side. The sleeves are loose, one seam gathered at the arm's eye and wrist which is finished with a straight cuff. The neck is finished with a simple sailor collar, which with the box plait and stitched on pocket may or may not be made of a contrasting color. The lower edge of the waist is finished with a casing through which an elastic ribbon may run.

ARE YOU JUST MARRIED?

Try to be satisfied to commence on a small scale.

Try to avoid the too common mistake of making an effort to begin "where the parents ended."

Try not to look at richer homes and covet their costly furniture.

Try going a step further, and visit the homes of the poor when secret dissatisfaction is liable to spring up.

Try buying all that is necessary to work with skillfully, while adorning the house at first with simply what will render it comfortable.

Try being perfectly independent from the first, and shun debt in all its forms.

GEORGEOUS HATPINS.

Hatpins are so gorgeous that they out do the gorgeous hats. The newest are set with very large jadestones, which, by the way, are having a great run, being considered as having the properties of a talisman. It's all very well for young women away over in China to think that an evil fate will overtake them if they leave off their jadestones once, but it seems odd that American women should feel the same way about China's sacred stone. This doesn't appear quite fair to that left hind foot of our Southern graveyard rabbit. But to get back to hatpins. The size of the beautiful bits of glass that do duty as opals, amethysts, rubies, emeralds, and so on, declares that they are impostures. So it is just as easy for the maid to skewer her hat on with four or five of these brilliant baubles as it is for the mistress. The prettiest of these pins and the most dainty looking is one set with a large American pearl, incrusted with brilliants.

DON'T LIKE TO BE SERVANTS.

In Manchester, England, recently Mrs. Esdaile read for the Manchester Ladies' Literary Club a most interesting paper on "The Domestic Problem." She said that it was as difficult to get girls of the wage earning class to recognize that domestic work is best for them as it is to get the workingman to return to the soil. Eventually she expects the national character of well appointed homes for separate families will be altered because of the scarcity of good servants.

She thinks a servants' bureau would be better than the usual registry offices, and would have it in charge of an officer appointed by some guild. Lack of personal freedom seems to be the great grievance of the servant.

NEW FAD IN BELTS.

There is something distinctly new in the belt line for the college girl, or rather the girl who has a fondness for college students. It is a belt made of the flags of the leading universities and colleges in this part of the world. These flags are linked together by silver chains, gilded, and the effect is as gay as a happy college boy's heart. The blue emblem of Yale waves side by side with the crimson of Harvard and Columbia, Cornell, the University of Pennsylvania, Princeton, Rutgers and all the others are represented.

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for belt buckles. Some of these old
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pearls and others by the whitest of
white diamonds.

MARY ANDERSON ON THE VOICE.

It is said that the American voice is the least musical known to civilization. Americans themselves notice it on returning home after a three months' sojourn in Europe, where a coarse, harsh voice is almost unknown among refined people. Mrs. Louise Chandler Moulton, who spends half of every year in England, once said: "It takes fully a month to become accustomed to the nasal, harsh American voice when I come home. There are two young women among my friends whose coming I should greet with raptures if only for their sweet, low, musical voices, full of modulation and varied intonations." And, as every one knows, Mrs. Moulton's social circle contains all that is most highly cultivated in Boston life.

Surely we are clever enough to change all that, if we try. Let mothers think of their own voices and cultivate them into low, soft tones in speaking, and see to it that the children's voices are not rendered raucous and nasal by screaming, and let teachers drop their pernicious habit of forcing little pupils to read and recite at the utmost capacity of their lungs, and in a generation the "American voice" will have become civilized.

Apropos of which topic an interesting little story is told by a young woman who, as a school girl, lavished boundless adoration upon beautiful Mary Anderson, and one day ventured to call upon the famous actress, with another girl adorer.

Miss Anderson was lovely to them and they had an "interview" that would have enraptured the soul of a journalist. She told them about her favorite books when a child, her dolls' theatricals, in which she played the entire cast, and the more ambitious plays shared by her schoolmates. "One day my dolls were doing 'Romeo and Juliet,'" she said, "when my mother brought a visitor into the room. I went on with my play in a whisper, and the visitor laughed and said: 'What tiny voices your actors have, little Mary.' I replied with much dignity: 'Well, their lungs aren't developed yet, and if they made their voices loud they'd spoil them.'" Possibly the very early perception of that truth explains her wonderful rich and musical voice, a voice of rare charm.

GIRLS' JACKET.

For spring and fall wear, there is no more comfortable and convenient garment than the one we illustrate, a jacket of the reefer style. It is so simple as to be easily made by the home dressmaker. The material is a novelty in blue cloth with raised knots of a darker shade on its rough surface. The loose graceful fronts laps well over upon the other, and buttons to the shoulder, the standing collar closing on the side, the deep sailor collar may be

sewed on with the collar or made separate. The back is seamed in the center and joined to the fronts by means of under arm pieces, the seams being left open for a little distance. The sleeves are two seamed and gathered at the shoulder, the pockets are inserted at each side and the conventional pocket lid over them.

The garment is trimmed with three rows of narrow braid on the pocket lids, sailor collar and at the wrists, the standing collar being covered with the same braid with narrow interceses between. This jaunty style is popularly developed in bright red and trimmed with braid.

GIRLS' COATS AND JACKETS.

A very smart style of coat is worn by the little girls this season—that is, the girl's under ten years of age. It is of rough gray cloth, and with it is worn a white leather belt and a broad sailor collar of white silk edged with a double ruffle of white ribbon. In front the collar forms revers which reach to the belt. This is sometimes made up in gray or tan corduroy, and is always a very smart little garment. The reefer and the covert coat are
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ers are in fashion. The coloring on
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black hats are the finest, softest straw,
are almost flat in shape, and the crown
is completely covered with the flowers
Wild flowers, poppies, and corn-flow
ers are all greatly in use; while for the
Leghorns and white straws the rose
and the daisies are preferred. All the
hats are a good size, and there is not
so much eccentricity displayed in the
shapes as was the case last year. In-
deed, it would seem as though a great
effort were made to have the girls look
as youthful and girlish in their dress
as possible.—Harper's Bazar.

FASHION NOTES.

This season's hat are veritable gardens, violets, lilies of the valley, morning glories, acacia and roses being used in profusion.

Taffeta waists, covered with heavy cream and black net, either put on as applique or in accordion pleats, are much worn this season.

The most beautiful hats have for trimmings abundance of tulle, flowers and spangled net, the popular flowers being those of the old English garden kind.

The pointed shawl cape is the ultra-fashionable one of the season. For carriage wear the materials used most are black chantilly lace, with burnt orange liberty silk.

Silk waists this season are keeping the designers busy, and the result of their labor is seen on all sides. Among the pretty conceits are those with many tucks and finished with a short skirt, which shows a little below the belt.

A pretty effect in hats is of black fancy braid, with double brim and soft crown, overlaid with sequins. At the side are white plumes held with shirred rosettes of three tones of watermelon pink, and fastened with a jewelled buckle.

One neat design in lawn is a gray ground, with three diagonal white stripes, about a quarter of an inch wide, spaced so as to give a checkerboard effect. These unite to form diamond checks, and on the surface are sprinkled carelessly tiny designs of flower springs of conventional figures.

The visiting and reception gowns this season are gentle reminders of ages gone by, the demure quaker colors and lavenders so much worn in the old days being once more in vogue. A pretty gown is of lavender colored crepe de chine, with a trimming of point applique lace and net.

The demand for fancy silk skirts increases, and on all the counters they are displayed in varied styles and colors. One that is worthy of notice is of white taffeta, trimmed with many rows of insertion, and edged with small white chiffon ruffles, the bottom being filled in with flounces of narrow point applique lace.

Antics of Electricity.

The mention of electricity of a frisky behavior will suggest to most people some of its actions on the trolley, or about the street cars, or in connection with electric light wires, when it breaks loose—which are all of too dangerous a character to be amusing; not-ing not at all its pranks on their own desks, though no "live" wire be within a mile of them.

It does not always occur to our minds that electricity is playing a little trick when we take a sheet of writing paper from a pile and find it does not come alone, but drags along another sheet or more, "sticking closer than a brother."

Similar action of the immense sheets of book paper on a printing press in certain states of the atmosphere—when one is slid on to the form of type and has one or more others partially adhering to it for a moment, then taking flight away from the press to some dingy resting place—frequently keeps the pressmen in an uncomfortable state of fidgets.

Such action results from the attraction and repulsion of frictional electricity—the same kind that is produced by the chafing of the silk flaps against the rotating glass disk in the so-called "electrical machine."

An experiment with the same kind of electricity, which can easily be tried, is to apply gentle friction to a thin piece of cloth or paper; when, on bringing it near the wall of the apartment, it will be attracted thereby, and adhere to the surface—be it wood, plaster or paper—for a brief time.—Lippincott's.

The Deadly Lamp.

Of the 3,500 fires to which the London Fire Brigade was called last year, no fewer than 335 were caused by petroleum lamps. This is an increase of 8 per cent. since 1870.

Retribution, that inevitable thought often slow-coming grist of the Divine mills, seems now to be face to face with the people of the kingdom of Spain.

There is a burglar in Chicago who plays the piano while he burgles. Lucky is the Chicago family that can't afford a piano.

A LITTLE DOG'S TALE.

CIVILIZATION AMONG THE PRAIRIE DOGS.

The Way to Live Without Labor Is to Place Others in Such a Situation That They Must Work for You. John S. Crosby's Advice.

I belong to the race of prairie dogs and was born on Flat Island, in Lake Michigan. Dogs are the sole inhabitants of the island, and now number many thousands. Still there is ample room for thousands more, and efforts are being made to induce dogs from other places to come and make the island their home.

The Flat islands are, perhaps, the only community of dogs making a just claim to civilization. The older inhabitants can remember when they all lived in the state of nature, little or no advancement having been made in the art of government.

In those days each dog was at liberty to dig his hole wherever he could without disturbing any other dog, but he had to dig his own hole and hustle to get food for himself and his little dogs.

Later on some of the more enterprising, progressive and influential dogs conceived the idea of appropriating all the unoccupied land and exacting certain artificial conditions upon which it should be used by those desiring to dig holes. It is not known whether the idea was original with them or borrowed from man, who, I observe, have adopted the same idea. Certain it is that its adoption wrought a great change in the condition of the inhabitants of Flat island.

Now there is no free land. The entire island has now become the property of a few enterprising dogs, some of the more wealthy controlling whole acres, partly occupied and partly unoccupied.

When a landless dog now wishes to dig a hole he must first get permission from some land holding dog, which is generally granted upon condition that he shall dig a certain number of holes, or gather a certain amount of food for the land-holding dog. Some of the more enterprising and public spirited have holes dug upon their land, which they rent out to landless dogs for a stipulated annual service of some kind or other. As those acquainted with the habits of our race are aware, we like to live in villages, perhaps from a sense of greater security, or the desire for social advantages. The result is a greater demand for village holes than for others, and correspondingly harder conditions for their acquirement. In some populous villages many families will be found crowded into a single hole, where they suffer from lack of room and air, the little dogs often dying from suffocation. There is really no necessity for this, however, since there is always a plenty of unoccupied land in such villages, but the dogs that control it prefer to hold it vacant until they can realize a greater return for its use than any dog is yet willing or able to pay.

The chief benefit arising from this improved and civilized system of land-holding is that it enables the land-holding dogs, those that hold more than they need for their own personal use, to live without the labor of digging holes and seeking food, as their uncivilized ancestors were obliged to do, and also gives leisure in which to devise plans for the further civilizing of their fellow dogs. It is to that system and the leisure it affords some dogs that I am indebted for the opportunity I now enjoy of going abroad and comparing the civilization of dogs with that of men.

To be sure, the great majority of dogs, the landless, and those holding only as much land as they use, have to hustle somewhat harder for holes and food than was necessary before the introduction of the new system, but they have become used to it, and some of them would hardly listen if you should tell them that one dog has as much right to dig a hole as another, so long, at least, as there are unoccupied hole sites enough to accommodate whole sights of dogs.

JOHN S. CROSBY.

Those Masses.

The cultured person sighed.
"The masses!" he exclaimed.
The esthete sighed.
"They're so vulgar!" he cried.
The exclusive individual sighed.
"They're so coarse!" he said.
The agreement was beautiful to see.
"The worst of it is," remarked the cultured person, "that we of the upper classes are so few."
"True," murmured the esthete, "the masses are able to overcome us by their numbers."
"The masses are certainly numerous," admitted the exclusive individual.
"It makes me shudder," declared the cultured person, "to think that those unclean and impolite people are to be counted in such immense numbers."
"At the same time," said the exclusive individual, "I must say I'm glad the masses are here."
"Dear me!" exclaimed the esthete. "Why?"
"I read in the papers this morning that there is war with Spain."
And when they thought about it, they did not so much regret the existence of the masses.—Twentieth Century.

Mr. Loud has finally got a postal bill through the house. It provides that private postal cards may be transmitted through the mail with a one-cent stamp affixed. That is all right, but it has not a great deal of bearing on the fact that we pay the railroad companies about seven times as much for carrying the mail as the express companies pay for like service.—Fresno Expositor.

A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING

A certain very rich man said unto himself "I have many interests and I will turn over the most important of them to a body of men whom I'll elect for a year or two years, and I'll call them a legislature." And he did it and went on his way. And the body of men met and they made money with the rich man's scrip and sold some and mortgaged others. And the sellers and others flocked around as vultures around carrion and the rich man's scrip sold and held mass meetings at which he himself spoke. And the people looked at him admiringly and said to themselves: "Surely we never had such men as these others and they are ours and [illegible] are bound to them and they [illegible] laughed in their sleeves at the rich man. And the rich man and the men of the same stripe got more trammeled power. And many moons waxed and waned and the rich man fell [illegible] [illegible] and said: "I will choose seven others, but we shall do things my way and ye shall do my things as I wish, and I'll veto any acts of yours that I do not like or the people will [illegible] and if ye will not join the [illegible] I myself will start them by the [illegible] tive." And the latter end of that man was better than the former.

Pingree is a bully boy with a glass eye. He's the nightmare of the Republican party. They don't know what to do with him. He's the bull in the China shop of corporation privileges. A combination forms to raise the price of asphalt for paving the streets of Detroit. He slips off to Trinidad or some other place and brings back a company ready to furnish asphalt at one-third o f the price asked by the trust. It grits its teeth and swears, but can do nothing. The legislature passes a law about the sale of mileage books at two cents a mile. The Michigan Central refuses to obey it and says, "What are you going to do about it?" Pingree as a private citizen offers them money for such a ticket and brings suit because they refuse, and, unlike most suitors, instead of getting on his knees, he brings them to theirs. And now, worst of all, he's actually called the legislature together to remedy the inequality of taxation, and he says:

"In violation of the spirit if not the letter of these provisions of the constitution, laws have been passed from time to time by which railroad companies, express companies, telegraph and telephone companies, now owning, according to their sworn returns, at least one-third of the property of this state, are required to pay only about one-twe[illegible]xth of the taxes levied for state, county, and municipal purposes, leaving their just proportion of public expenses to fall upon the farmers, laborers and manufacturers and other property owners of the state."

Now this is rank confiscation. It's opposition to special privileges, and everyone knows our civilization is built upon special privileges. The Republican machine has tried to down him, but he's bigger than the machine. He don't talk much, but he acts. It's well to keep your eye on Pingree. He's a bad, bad man and the people love him.

Yes, prosperity is on us. It's coming in great big chunks. The newspapers recently had a flamboyant paragraph about the starting up of glass factories at Stoneyville, O., and how they were working night and day. I was there recently and made some inquiries. The factories have started up. One at least is working night and day, and Sundays, too. It works the men and women in two shifts, no eight-hour day for them, but twelve and fourteen hours. And what does it pay? Abbreviated men's size get 50 cents a day for twelve to fourteen hours exhaustive work. The highest-paid get $1.20 a day. But they don't employ many men, women and children. They pay them an $1.00 a week for six days' work. And then they fine them for tardiness, insubordination and all sorts of things. One lady, who informant said, received no pay for seven days' work. The rest in the factories are constantly changing. I was told they made almost a clean sweep every three weeks. And, the sad part of it is, they can always get new hands at these rates. The dawn of prosperity has produced so many unemployed that such an employer can draw on the great reservoir of the unemployed almost indefinitely. Alas!

Some half-baked reformers are talking about a settlement of the money question by having free coinage at a changed ratio. Senator Wolcott has proposed 20 to 1. Now, if we're going to change the ratio let us have it at 16 to 3-4ths. There's a profound difference between the two. We changed the ratio in 1837, but we kept the same number of grains in the silver dollar and changed the weight of the gold dollar. Let us do the same thing now, and have the ratio 16 to 3-4ths, if that will suit them, and not 20 to 1.

ELTWEED POMEROY.

A London Confession.

The continuance of the present gold standard in the United States is necessary to the supremacy of England's commercial dominion over the world. An offensive and defensive alliance will settle the question for all time. A good time to encourage an alliance is during the present trouble between the United States and Spain. If we do not succeed in forcing it now, then farewell to our primacy as the financial ruler of the world.—London Times.

"The Old Oaken Bucket" is a drinking song that has hung on well

SUNDAY SCHO

INTERNATIONAL LESSON FOR MAY 8.

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The Subject of the Address "The Sword: Its Mission and Its Doom"—Mighty When Wielded in a Righteous Cause—Great Achievements Wrought by Arms.

TEXT: "My sword shall be bathed in heaven."—Isaiah, xxxiv., 5.

It has come at last—the war that we have prayed Almighty God might be averted. The prows of the battle-ships are cutting the seas, and troops from all the states of the American Union are on the way to the front. All the arts of diplomacy have failed, and momentous questions are to be decided in battle on sea and land. Three results will be demonstrated—the independence of Cuba, the rebuke of Spanish cruelty, and the triumph of the United states army and navy.

"Three hundred and fifty-one times does the Bible speak of that sharp, keen, curved, inexorable weapon, which flashes upon us from the text—the sword. Sometimes the mention is applaudatory, and sometimes damnatory, sometimes as drawn, sometimes as sheathed. In the Bible, and in much secular literature, the sword represents all javelins, all muskets all carbines, all guns, all police clubs, all battle-axes, all weaponry for physical defense or attack. It would be an interesting thing to give the history of the plow, and follow its furrow all down through the ages, from the first crop in Chaldea to the last crop in Minnesota. It would be interesting to follow the pen as it has tracked its way on down through the literature of nations, from its first word in the first book to the last word which some author last night wrote as he closed his manuscript. It would be an interesting thing to count the echoes of the hammer from the first nail driven down through all the mechanism of centuries to the last stroke in the carpenter's shop of yesterday. I propose to-day speaking of a weapon that has done a work that neither plow nor pen nor hammer ever accomplished. My theme is the sword, its mission, and its doom.

"The sword of the text was bathed in heaven; that is it was a sword of righteousness, as another sword may be bathed in hell, and the sword of cruelty and wrong. There is a great difference between the word of Winkleried and the sword of Catiline, between the sword of Leonidas and the sword of Benedict Arnold. In our effort to hasten the end of war we have hung the swords with abuses and execrations, when it has had a divine mission, as when in many crises of the world's history it has swung for liberty and justice, civilization and righteousness and God. At the very opening of the Bible and on the east side of the Garden of Eden God placed a flaming sword to defend the tree of life. One of the officers of the law, St. Paul declares: He beareth not the sword in vain." Through Moses God commanded: "Every man his sword by his side." David, in his prayer says: 'Gird Thy sword upon Thy thigh, O most mighty.' One of the battle-shouts of the Old Testament was: 'The sword of the Lord and Gideon.' Christ, in a great exigency, said that such a sword is worth more important than a coat. He declared: 'He that hath no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one.' Again he declared: 'I come not to send peace, but a sword.' Out of His mouth went a sharp, two-edged sword. This, sometimes figuratively, but often literally, the divine mission of the sword is announced.

"What more consecrated thing in the world than Joshua's sword, or Caleb's sword, or Gideon's sword, or David's sword, or Washington's sword, or Marion's sword, or Lafayette's sword, or Wellington's sword, or Garibaldi's sword, or hundreds of thousands of American swords that have again and again been bathed in heaven. Swords of that kind have been the best friends of the human race. They have slain tyrannies, pried open dungeons, and cleared the way for nations in their onward march. It was better for them to take the sword and be free, than lie under the oppressor's heel and suffer.

"There is something worse than death, and that is life if it is mistering and crouch before the wrong. Turn over the leaves of the world's history, and find that there has never been a tyranny stopped or a nation liberated except by the sword. I am not talking to you about the way things ought to be, but about the way they have been. What force drove back the Saracens at Tours, and kept Europe from being overwhelmed by Mohammedanism, and, subsequently, all America given over to Mohammedanism? The sword of Charles Martell and his men. Whoever died enough definitions to tell what was accomplished for the world's good by the sword of Joan of Arc? Years ago I looked off and saw in the distance the battle-field of Marathon, and I asked myself what was it that on that most tremendous day in history stopped the Persian hosts, representing not only Persia, but Egypt, and Tripoli, and Afghanistan, and Beloochistan, and Armenia, a host that had Asia under foot and proposed to put Europe under foot? And, if successful in that battle, would have submerged by Asiatic barbarism, European civilization, and, as a consequence, after time, American civilization? The swords of Miltiades, and Themistocles, and Aristides. At the waving of the swords the eleven thousand lancers of Athens, on the run, dashed against the one hundred thousand insolent Persians and trampled them down or pushed them back into the sea. The swords of that day saved the best part of the hemispheres, a trinity of keen steel flashing in the two lights, the light of the setting sun of barbarism, the light of the rising sun of civilization. Hail to these three great swords bathed in heaven!

"What put an end to infamous Louis XVI.'s plan of universal conquest, by which England would have been made to kneel on the steps of the Tuileries, and the Anglo-Saxon race would have been halted and all Europe paralyzed? The sword of Marlborough, at Blenheim. Time came when the Roman war eagles, whose beaks had been punched into the heart of nations, must be brought down from their eyries. All other attempts had disgracefully failed, but the Germans, the mightiest nation for brawn and brain, undertook the work, and, under God, succeeded. What drove back the Roman cavalry till the horses wounded, ding their riders and the last rider perished and the Hercynian forest became the wood of Roncesvalles annihilation? The sword of the triumphant sword of Arminius. In bypassing the high Frankonia nerves [illegible] and with [illegible] and I rose in the [illegible] to see the battlefield of [illegible] the mounds and breastworks still [illegible] hundred years [illegible] Attila, [illegible] himself the [illegible] punishment of [illegible] nations, [illegible] into [illegible] the saddles of [illegible] on top [illegible] devastating [illegible] marching [illegible] the [illegible] just to the plow. What power arrested that sword and stayed that red deluge of cruelty that was rolling over Europe? The sword of Theodoric and Aetius.

"Coming down to later ages, all intelligent Englishmen unite with all intelligent Americans in saying that it was the best thing that [illegible] American colonies [illegible] government of Great Britain. It would have been the worst [illegible] for [illegible] if this continent were [illegible] in loyalty to the throne on the other side of the sea. No one would propose a Governor General for the United States as there is a Governor General for Canada. We have had splendid Queens in our American Capital, but we could hardly be brought to support a Queen on the other side of the Atlantic lovely and good as Victoria is. The only use we have for Earls and Lords and Dukes in this country is to treat them well when they pass through to their hunting grounds in the far West, or when their fortunes have failed, re-enforce them by wealthy matrimonial alliance. Imagine this nation yet a part of English possessions! The trouble the mother country has with Ireland would be a paradisiac condition compared with the trouble she would have with us. England and the United States make excellent neighbors, but the two families are too large to live in the same house. What a godsend that we should have parted, and parted long ago!

"But I can think of no other way in which we could possibly have achieved American Independence. George the Third, the half-crazy King, would not have let us go. Lord North, his Prime Minister, would not have let us go. General Lord Cornwallis would not have let us go, although after Yorktown he was glad enough to have us let him go. The battlefields of the American Revolution were proof positive that they were not willing to let us go. Any committee of Americans going across the ocean to see what could have been done would have found no better accommodations than London Tower. The only way it could have been done was by the sword. your great-grandfather's sword, Jefferson's pen could write the Declaration of Independence, but only Washington's sword could have achieved it, and the other swords bathed in heaven.

"Arbitrament will take the place of war between nation and nation, and national armies will disband as a consequence, and the time will come—God hasten it!—when there will be no need of an American army or navy, or a Russian army or navy. But some time after that cities will have to keep their armories and arsenals and well-drilled militia, because until the millennial day there will be populations with whom arbitrament will be as impossible as treaty with a cavern of hyenas or a jungle of snakes. These men who rob stores and give garroter's hug, and prowl about the wharves at midnight, and rattle the dice in gambling hells and go armed with pistol or dirk, will refrain from disturbances of the public peace just in proportion as they realize that the militia of a city, instead of being an awkward squad, and in danger of shooting each other by mistake, or losing their own life by looking down into the gun barrel to see if it is loaded, or getting the ramrod fast in their boot leg, are prompt as the sunrise, keen as the north wind, potent as a thunderbolt, and accurate and regular and disciplined in their movements as the planetary system. Well done, then, I say to the Legislatures and Governors and Mayors, and all officials who decide upon larger armories and better places for drill and more generous equipment for the militia. The sooner the sword can safely go back to the scabbard to stay there, the better; but until the hilt clangs against the case in that final lodgment, let the sword be kept free from rust; sharp all along the edge and its point like a needle and the bandit polished, not only by the chamois of the regimental servant, but by the hand of brave and patriotic officers, always ready to do their full duty. Such swords are not bathed in impetuosity, or bathed in cruelty or bathed in oppression, or bathed in outrage; but bathed in heaven.

"Before I speak of the doom of the sword, let me also say that it has developed the grandest natures that the world ever saw. It has developed courage that sublime energy of the soul which defies the universe when it feels itself to be in the right. It has developed a self-sacrifice which repudiates the idea that our life is worth more than anything else, when for a principle it throws that life away, as much as to say: 'It is not necessary that I live, but it is necessary that righteousness triumph.' There are tens of thousands among the Northern and Southern veterans of our Civil War who are ninety-five per cent. larger and mightier in soul than they would have been had they not, during the four years of national agony, turned their back on home and fortune, and 'at the front sacrificed all for a principle.

"But the sword is doomed. There is one word that will yet be written in every throne-room, in every war office, in every navy yard, in every national council. That word is Disarmament. But no government can afford to throw its sword away until all the great governments have agreed to do the same—until disarmament and consequent arbitration shall be agreed to by all the great governments, any single government that dismantles its fortresses, and spikes its guns, and breaks its sword, would simply invite its own destruction. Suppose, before such general agreement England should throw away her sword; think you France has forgotten Waterloo? Suppose, before such general agreement Germany should throw her sword away; how long would Alsace and Lorraine stay as they are? Suppose the Czar of Russia before such general agreement should throw away his sword, all the eagles and vultures and lions of European power would gather for a piece of the Russian bear. Suppose in some future time the United States, without any such general agreement of disarmament, should throw away her sword, it would not be long before the our great harbors would be ablaze with the bunting of foreign navies coming here to show the folly of the "Monroe doctrine."

"What a horror is war and its cruelties was well illustrated when the Tartars, after sweeping through Russia and Poland, displayed with pride nine great sacks filled with the right ears of the fallen, and when a correspondent of the London Times, writing of the wounded after the battle of Sedan, said: 'Every moan that the human voice can utter rose from that heap of agony, and cries of water! For the love of God, water! A doctor! A doctor! never ceased. After war has wrought such cruelties, how glad we will be to have the old monster himself die. Let his dying couch be spread in some dismantled fortress, through which the stormy winds howl. Give him for a pillow a battered shield, and let his bed be hard with the rusted bayonets of the slain. Cover him with the coarsest blanket that picket ever wore, and let his only cup be the bleached bone of one of his war-chargers, and the last taper by his bedside expire as the midnight blast sighs into his ears. The candle of the wicked shall be put out.

"In this time of our national trial let us dedicate ourselves anew to God and our country. In the English conflict, called the War of the Roses, a white rose was the badge of the House of York, and the red rose the badge of the House of Lancaster, and with these two colors they opposed each other in battle. To enlist you in the holy war for all that is good against all that is wrong I put over your heart two badges, the one suggestive of the blood shed for our redemption, and the other symbolic of a soul made white and clean, the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley.

"And as for our beloved country in this crisis, there are three reasons why we should do our best for that. Three reasons: Our fathers' graves, our own cradles, our children's birthright. When I say your fathers' graves, your pulses run quicker. Whether they sleep in city cemetery or in village graveyard, their ashes are precious to you. They lived well and they died right. You will not submit to have their tombs dishonored by the foot of any foreign foe. Then this land has been our cradles. It may have rocked us roughly, but it was a good cradle to be rocked in. Oh, how much we owe it. Dear land of our childhood days! And it is to be our children's birthright. We will after a while be through with it; we will see on a few more blossoms of the spring, we will gather only a few more of the harvests of the summer; we will pluck only a little more of the fruits of the autumn, but our children, they must get it through us, as we got it from our fathers—a free land, a happy land, a Christian land.

Since B. C. 4,000,000,000 men have been slain in battle.

A Woman's Burden.

From the Evening News, Detroit, Mich.

The women of to-day are not as strong as their grandmothers. They are bearing a burden in silence that grows heavier day by day; that is sapping their vitality and clouding their happiness.

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"For five years I suffered with ovarian trouble," is Mrs. Clark's own version of the story. "I was not free one single day from headache and intense twitching pains in my neck and shoulders. For months at a time I would be confined to my bed. At times black spots would appear before my eyes and I would become blind. My nerves were in such a state that a step on the floor unsettled me.

"Eminent doctors, skilful nurses, the best food and medicine all failed. Then I consented to an operation. That, too, failed, and they said another was necessary. After the second I was worse than ever and the world was darker than before.

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"They cured me! They brought sunshine to my life and filled my cup with happiness. The headache is gone; the twitching is gone; the nervousness is gone; the trembling has ceased, and I have gained twenty-six pounds. Health and strength is mine and I am thankful to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People for the blessing.

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The ancient Egyptians made artificial flowers of horn shavings, stained in various colors, and leaves of painted linen have been found in tombs at Thebes. From a remote period the Chinese have used the pith of a certain kind of bamboo for making flowers. Crassus, one of the Roman triumvirs, was the first in Rome to have them made of gold and silver.

During the middle ages flowers made of metal, satin, silk, wax and paper were used in the Roman Catholic Church with symbolical significations; on festal occasions they were merely worn for ornament.

In 1728 Sekuin, a botanist and chemist, began the manufacture of flowers in Paris, employing parchment for the flowers and bristles for the stems. His work was so perfect and artistic that the jealousy of some of the leading painters was aroused. From that time the manufacture of artificial flowers steadily grew and developed in France, and to-day the French excel in this work.

The art was introduced into England during the French revolution by refugees who made use of it as a means of subsistence. It has been successfully naturalized in the United States. Knives of various sizes and shapes, stamps, goffering irons of different kinds, molds called velners, and agate or glass burnishers, are the chief tools made use of in the manufacture.

The leaves and the petals are usually made of silk or cambric; the material to be shaped is folded several times, laid upon a leaden table and a stamp is driven through it. Goffering irons are made use of to hollow the petals; velners, as the name implies, are used to vein the leaves, and the burnishers are employed to give the petals a polished appearance. The stamens and pistils are formed of wire, covered with silk; the stalk is made of wire coated with a green material and is fixed to the stamens and pistils, around which are attached the petals and, lastly, the calyx. Buds are made of cotton or glass balls covered with silk or cambric.

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This from the young man. The answer of his companion was lost in a lurch of the car, which landed a woman and a baby in his lap. They paused politely to accept her apologies and frown at the baby. The second capitalist continued the conversation.

"The deal is good for over $30,000,000 in three years, and"—

A second interruption occurred, more ominous than the first. The conductor had forced himself through the throng.

"Fares, please."

The woman with the baby paid.

"Fares, please."

This time to the five and thirty million dollarites, whose imposing figures had evidently not reached the ears of the conductor. He held out his hand. His two passengers kept both theirs running from one pocket to another, without result. The gentleman next to them in the corner reached out and paid his fare.

"Fares," repeated the conductor.

The dyspeptic clutched 4 cents nervously. He had got that for a newsboy, after spending $20 worth of time, at $1 a second, waiting on the corner. The other 6 cents was forthcoming. The passengers stopped growling. Those who had attempted it stopped reading their papers. Even the baby snickered, but the mother accidentally knocked it against the conductor, and, as it partly in sympathy with the plight of its late enemies, it began to howl.

"Hurry up, gentlemen."

There was very little patience left in the conductor's voice.

"That's all right," said the young man. "We haven't got any change."

Possibly the millionaires were short of Metropolitan and didn't want to take any chances of increasing its dividends.

"You'll have to get off," said the conductor.

"Wait a minute," said the dyspeptic. He had struck something in the depths of his overcoat pocket. His anxieties had fallen from $30,000,000 to 6 cents in two minutes, and no wonder he was excited. The young man's countenance was as undisturbed as the car window itself, though he moved to get out. But his cocapitalist had at last extricated one lone coin from his overcoat. It was a nickel, and their total available assets had now risen to 9 cents. The conductor reached for the money. The car had been stopped.

"Never mind about the cent," he said, and the 9 cents was passed in to his hand.

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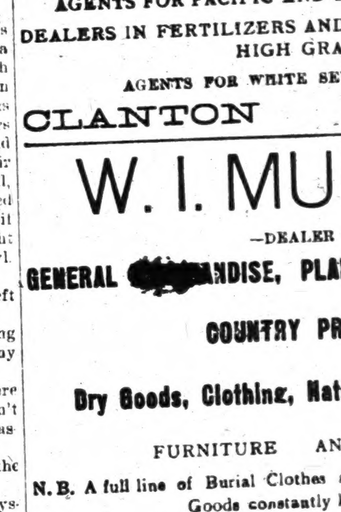

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I congratula e those that supported my opponents, for it is our privilege and duty to support the man of our choice.

In canvassing the county, I asked the people everywhere to act as their judgments dictated.

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SEAGOING COAST DEFENSE MONITORS.

Monterey	Steel	4,084	4
Puritan	Iron	6,060	10
Amphitrite	Iron	3,990	6
Miantonomoh	Iron	3,990	4
Monadnock	Iron	3,990	4
Terror	Iron	3,990	4

FIRST RATE ARMORED CRUISERS.

Brooklyn	Steel	9,215	20
New York	Steel	8,200	18

FIRST RATE PROTECTED CRUISERS.

Minneapolis	Steel	7,375	11
Columbia	Steel	7,375	11
Olympia	Steel	5,870	14

SECOND RATE PROTECTED CRUISERS.

Philadelphia	Steel	4,324	12
Chicago	Steel	4,500	18
Newark	Steel	4,098	12
San Francisco	Steel	4,098	12
Baltimore	Steel	4,413	10
Cincinnati	Steel	3,213	11
Raleigh	Steel	3,213	8
Charleston	Steel	8,730	8
Atlanta	Steel	3,000	8
Boston	Steel	3,000	6
New Orleans	Steel	3,430	8

NON-SEAGOING COAST DEFENSE MONITORS.

Ajax	Iron	2,100	2
Canonicus	Iron	2,100	2
Mahopac	Iron	2,100	2
Manhattan	Iron	2,100	2
Wyandotte	Iron	2,100	2
Catskill	Iron	1,875	2
Comanche	Iron	1,875	2
Jason	Iron	1,875	2
Lehigh	Iron	1,875	2
Montauk	Iron	1,875	2
Nahant	Iron	1,875	2
Nantucket	Iron	1,875	2
Passaic	Iron	1,875	2

RAM.

Katahdin	Steel	2,188	4

THIRD RATE CRUISERS (MODERN).

Marblehead	Steel	2,098	10
Detroit	Steel	2,089	10
Montgomery	Steel	2,089	10
Topeka	Steel	1,800	5

THIRD RATE GUNBOATS (MODERN).

Bennington	Steel	1,710	6
Concord	Steel	1,710	6
Yorktown	Steel	1,710	6
Suwanee	Steel	1,710	6
Wilmington	Steel	1,709	6
Helena	Steel	1,392	8
Nashville	Steel	1,371	8
Castine	Steel	1,177	8
Machias	Steel	1,777	6
Annapolis	Composite	1,227	6
Vicksburg	Composite	1,113	6
Wheeling	Composite	1,021	6
Marietta	Composite	1,054	6
Newport	Composite	1,008	6
Princeton	Composite	1,000	6

DISPATCH BOATS.

Dolphin	Steel	1,485	4
Fern	Wood	840	2

FOURTH RATE GUNBOATS (MODERN).

Vesuvius	Steel	929	3
Petrel	Steel	892	4
Bancroft	Steel	890	4

TORPEDO BOATS.

Cushing (No. 1)	Steel	105	—
Ericsson (No. 2)	Steel	120	—
Foote (No. 3)	Steel	142	—
Rodgers (No. 4)	Steel	142	—
Winslow (No. 5)	Steel	142	—
Porter (No. 6)	Steel	150	—
Dupont (No. 7)	Steel	150	—
Rowan (No. 8)	Steel	182	—
Dahlgren (No. 9)	Steel	146	—
T. A. M. Craven (No. 10)	Steel	146	—
Farragut (No. 11)	Steel	273	—
Davis (No. 12)	Steel	152	—
Fox (No. 13)	Steel	192	—
Morris (No. 14)	Steel	168	—
Talbot (No. 15)	Steel	464½	—
Gwin (No. 16)	Steel	454½	—
Mackenzie (No. 17)	Steel	65	—
McKee (No. 18)	Steel	65	—
Stringham (No. 19)	Steel	840	—
Goldsborough (No. 20)	Steel	247½	—
Bailey (No. 21)	Steel	226	—
Stiletto	Wood	61	—
Somers	Steel	75	—
Plunger (submarine)	Steel	168	—

BATTLESHIPS UNDER CONSTRUCTION (FIRST RATE).

Kearsarge	Steel	11,525	23
Kentucky	Steel	11,525	22
Illinois	Steel	11,525	18
Alabama	Steel	11,525	18
Wisconsin	Steel	11,525	18

OLD STYLE WOODEN CRUISERS.

Lancaster	Wood	3,250	12
Hartford	Wood	2,700	13
Alert	Iron	1,020	3
Adams	Wood	1,375	6
Alliance	Wood	1,375	6
Enterprise	Wood	1,375	4
Essex	Wood	1,375	6
Marion	Wood	1,000	8
Mohican	Wood	1,400	10
Ranger	Iron	1,020	6
Thetis	Wood	1,250	1
Monocacy	Iron	1,370	6

AUXILIARY FLEET.

CRUISERS.

Yankee (30).	Harvard.
Dixie (51).	Resolute.
Prairie (52).	Jamestown.
Yosemite (53).	Badger.
St. Paul.	Panther.
St. Louis.	Shawmut.
Yale.	Nietheroy.

REVENUE CUTTERS.

Hamilton (2).	McCulloch (7).
Hudson (2).	Grant (8).
Manning (3).	Corwin (9).
Morrill (4).	Rush (10).
Windom (5).	Perry (19).
Woodbury (6).	

LIGHTHOUSE TENDERS.

Armeria (11).	Maple (13).
Mangrove (12).	Suwanee (14).

YACHTS.

Eagle (39).	Restless.
Hawk (21).	Illawari.
Hornet (27).	Viking.
Wasp (28).	Au Revoir.
Vigen (24).	Corsair.
Scorpion (25).	Penelope.
Thespia.	

TUGS.

Algonquin (30).	Potomac (38).
Alice (31).	Cherokee (39).
Nezinscot (32).	Pocahontas (40).
Osceola (33).	Fearless (57).
Sioux (34).	Vigilant (60).
Tecumseh (36).	Active (61).
Unceas (35).	Vigilant (No. 2).
Wompatuck (37).	Philadelphia.

HOSPITAL STEAMER.

Solace (17).

SUPPLY STEAMER.

Zafiro (18).

REPAIR STEAMER.

Juniata.

COLLIERS.

Meyrimac (65).	Niagara (63).
Lebanon (66).	Sterling (64).
Nanshan (67).	Irawaddy.
Saturn (68).	

SPAIN.

FIRST CLASS BATTLESHIPS.

Names.	Material	Tons.	Guns.
Pelayo	Steel	9,900	35

THIRD CLASS BATTLESHIPS.

Numancia	Iron	7,305	27
Vitoria	Iron	7,250	28

FIRST CLASS ARMORED CRUISERS.

Emperado Carlos V	Steel	9,235	20
Cardenal Cisneros	Steel	7,000	24
Catalina	Steel	7,000	24
Princesa de Asturias	Steel	7,000	24
Almirante Oquendo	Steel	7,000	30
Vizcaya	Steel	7,000	30
Infanta Maria Teresa	Steel	7,000	30
Cristobal Colon	Steel	6,840	40

SECOND CLASS PROTECTED CRUISERS.

Alfonso XIII	Steel	5,000	25
Lepanto	Steel	4,826	25

THIRD CLASS PROTECTED CRUISERS.

Marques de Ensenada	Steel	1,060	18
Isla de Cuba	Steel	1,060	12
Isla de Luzon	Steel	1,060	12

SECOND CLASS PARTLY PROTECTED CRUISERS.

Alfonso XII	Steel	3,090	29
Reina Cristina	Steel	3,090	21
Reina Mercedes	Steel	3,090	21
Castilla	Wood	3,342	22
Navarra	Wood	3,342	16
Aragon	Wood	3,342	14

THIRD CLASS UNPROTECTED CRUISERS.

Conde de Venadito	Iron	1,130	12
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Iron	1,130	11
Don Juan de Austria	Iron	1,130	14
Infanta Isabel	Iron	1,130	12
Isabel II	Iron	1,130	12

CRUISERS (UNCLASSIFIED IN PUBLISHED LIST).

Quiros	Steel	315	4
Velasco	Iron	1,152	7
Villalobos	Steel	315	4

DISPATCH VESSELS.

Fernando El Catolico	Iron	990	6
Marques del Duero	Iron	800	4

SLOOP OF WAR.

Jorge Juan	Wood	953	7

TORPEDO GUNBOATS.

Don Alvaro de Bazan	Steel	630	8
Dona Maria de Molina	Steel	630	8
Destructor	Steel	420	6
Filipinas	Steel	420	6
Marques de la Vitoria	Steel	750	6
Marques de Molins	Steel	630	8
Galicia	Steel	671	6
Martin Alonzo Pinzon	Steel	671	6
Nueve Espana	Steel	671	6
Rapido	Steel	630	6
Temerario	Steel	570	6
Vincente Yanez Pinzon	Steel	690	6
	Steel	671	6

TORPEDO BOAT DESTROYERS.

Audaz	Steel	400	6
Furor	Steel	380	6
Terror	Steel	380	6
Osado	Steel	380	6
Pluton	Steel	380	6
Proserpina	Steel	380	6

TORPEDO BOATS.

		Knots.
Ariete	Steel	26.1
Rayo	Steel	25.5
Azor	Steel	24
Halcon	Steel	24
Habana	Steel	24
Barcelo	Steel	21.8
Orion	Steel	19.5
Retamosa	Steel	21.5
Julio Ordonez	Steel	20.5
Ejercito	Steel	20.1
Rigel	Steel	25
Pollux	Steel	19
Castor	Steel	19.5
Aire	Steel	19
	Steel	8

Besides these there is a fleet of 13 vessels of the Compania Trasatlantica of Cadiz available for arming as cruisers; 4 iron gunboats mounting 3 heavy guns and a machine gun each, of 500 tons displacement, but suitable only for coast defense; 4 iron and 7 steel gunboats, slow and suitable chiefly for police duty, with displacement ranging from 100 to 525 tons; 2 composite gunboats of a light class; 18 small steel gunboats for service in Cuba, carrying 2 small guns each.—New York Post.

The Law of Blockade.

There are complexities in the law of blockade, but its essentials are simple enough.

A blockade must be proclaimed so that ships of all nationalities may be notified of its existence.

Ships already at sea when proclamation is made must upon arrest be notified and permitted to depart for some other than the blockaded port. Until such notice the ship is not liable to capture.

Ships so notified and all ships sailing after proclamation of blockade has been made are liable to capture upon attempting to pass the blockade.

In case of capture they and their cargoes are confiscate, but neither their officers nor seamen, if the ship carries a neutral flag, are subject to any other penalty. They are guilty of no crime.

No neutral nation is bound to respect any blockade till it has been made effective. If it is not so, neutrals resent and resist the seizure of their ships attempting to trade with "paper" blockaded ports.

Ships of the enemy are subject to capture anywhere at sea, without reference to the ports from or to which they are going. Neutral ships are subject to capture only when trying to break the blockade.

This for information.—New York World.

Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. Stanfield & Matthews.

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PROGRAM OF S. S. CONVENTION

of the Multberry Association, held with New Salem church, two miles south-east of Strasburg, May 28 and 29, 1898.

Saturday, 9:a m. Devotional exercises by pastor. 9:30. The church and Sunday-school, their relation to each other. S. M. Adams, T. R. Jackson and W. H. Shaw. 10:30. The study of God's Word as a means of spiritual development. L. B. Pounds, D. W. Langston and J. J. Hicks. 12 m Adjourn for dinner.

2 p.m. Devotional exercises. R. H. Long.

2:30 what relation does the pastor sustain to the missionary department of the Sunday-school? S. Smitherman, Z. J. Jones and A Glasscock.

4. The happy results of efficient Sunday-school work to church and community. Dr. H. W. Caffee, R. M. Honeycutt and J. P. Gentry.

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday-school mass-meeting conducted by R. H. Long.

11. Convention sermon by Sutton Smitherman.

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Those who attend the convention by railroad and wanting conveyance to the church will notify T. G. Williams or Felix Filand, Thorshy, who will meet them at Strasburg.

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Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, of Roseville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles." Mr Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame back, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Billingsley.

Decoration Day at Pleasant Grove.

Saturday, May 28, is the time set apart to decorate the graves of our beloved dead. The public is invited, especially those who feel interested in the cemetery at Pleasant Grove church. Come with your flowers and baskets and let us spend the day.

PROGRAM.

9 a.m. Address of welcome and object of the decoration by Rev. E. W. Lawley and Rev N. A. Dobbs.

9:30 Preparation necessary for death, by Rev. W. B. Dennis.

10 On the resurection, by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

10:30 On the judgment, by Rev. T. J. Ledbetter.

11 Decoration conducted by Rev. E. W. Lawley and Rev. W. G. Riggins.

12 Refreshments.

1:30 p.m. out home beyond the grave, by Rev. F. A. Gidson.

3 Sermon from the stand by Rev. W. G. Fraser, of Robinson Springs.

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BONDS AND BONDAGE

OR GREENBACKS AND INDUSTRIAL FREEDOM.

A Vital Issue Revived by the War with Spain — The Free Silver Alliance Should be Cemented in Opposition to Bonds.

Secretary Gage has been in Wall street begging the bankocracy to accept a 3 per cent mortgage upon the industries of this and future generations to the extent of a $500,000,000 war loan, with more to follow when the contractors have eaten up that vast sum. And of course the bankers of Wall street are willing to buy the bonds, since under their manipulation of the finance the three dollars which they will receive as annual interest upon each hundred dollar bond will buy more labor and labor products than ten dollars did thirty years ago.

The people must try to establish a blockade against the scheme, and they can succeed if they will show enough energy in upholding the allied free silver senators and representatives who are fighting it, and retiring those who have connived at it. As long as the war lasts this bond proposition will come up again and again, and organization in opposition to it should be kept up by the Populists and their free silver allies.

The alternative propositions, an income tax, the free coinage of silver, and the issuance of greenbacks, will certainly rally a majority at the polls next November. "We propose," says Mr. Bailey, "to tax the rich men now rather than mortgage the energies of poor men for future generations." That is very well put. "Interest bearing bonds," said Thomas Jefferson, "are a robbery of posterity." They rob the present generation, also, to the extent that interest payments fall due, and as the war can easily be conducted without the payment of a dollar in interest it is a crime to saddle an interest burden upon the people.

The Cleveland Recorder says:

"The proper way for the government of the United States to raise money is to issue greenbacks. There has never been a better plan than that which was invented by Secretary Chase in the last war. It is a crime for the United States government to pay interest on its loans from the people. It is little less than criminal for citizens to accept interest from the government in times of its necessity. The trouble with the whole money problem in these latter days comes from the bond business in the time of the slaveholders' war. The bonds were bought at 40 cents on the dollar and were bought with greenbacks. Now it is insisted that they shall be paid at par and with gold. Silver is not good enough for your shark. He must buy with the poorest money and must have his Shylock's pound of flesh back in the best money. If the government needs money, let the printing presses be started. Let the expenses be paid in greenbacks."

Following are some reflections by "Holt" on the workings of the war bond system:

"The debts of nations are about thirty-five billion dollars. They are all payable in gold alone. Their interest also is payable in gold alone.

"The gold stock of the world is about four billion dollars. Notwithstanding the increased product of gold it is unlikely the stock will ever increase very much above five billions, if so much, as it is a perishable metal, easily wasted in the handling and has to be carefully hoarded to prevent this waste. Yearly the arts demand more of the product in wasteful ways. The debts of the world, especially national debts, are increasing as never before, and without some fearful revolution, under present methods of administration, they must continue to increase. If banks or individuals had their own obligations out in the same proposition, all payable in gold only, and it was known that they had but one-ninth of their promised sum in gold, and that it would be impossible to procure enough gold to pay them, what would that condition be called? Bankruptcy, total and irretrievable.

"But here is something worse. Certainly some of these national bonds must be good for their entire principal in the very nature of things. Some of them like mortgages, are older than others. Some are even older than are several of the most recklessly indebted governments. When the first bonds were issued, the gold was delivered for them, and that gold has all been returned as interest. The owners of some of these oldest bonds hold all the gold stock of the world. They have the bonds, and have delivered back to them, in interest, the gold also. They demand that the gold shall be in the possession of them in the next few millions or so [illegible] impossible. Gold bonds would be worthless."

The Outcome of the Golden Basis System.

The outcome of the golden basis system by which all the real money of the nations, the paper and silver, is declared no money and gold is made the sole legal tender—gold that never does any work as money, but effects it through its so-called representatives—all of which are in reality made bankrupt and worthless by that law of legal tender. Positively, if people would study this subject in the light of common sense, the system could not exist one day longer. It is robbery, piracy, fraud and the sum of all the villainies enthroned by law and compelling the admiration, wonder, worship and tribute of the whole world at the beck of a few supernaturally avaricious men."

PROSPERITY NOTES.

Between 300 and 400 employes of the Beckman Woolen Mills, in Cleveland, Ohio, who went on strike recently for an advance in wages, have nearly all returned to work without gaining the increase demanded.

A daily paper gives a description of the jewels of twelve women of our uncrowned nobility "which would equip 52 regiments." Mrs. George Gould's dog collar represents $27,000 in jewels. Mrs. Belmont has the jewels of Marie Antoinette.

Workers in the American silk weaving industry have had their wages reduced severely within the last few years. Broad silk weavers in Paterson, N. J., the center of the industry, formerly received from $20 to $22 a week. They now get $10 to $15 a week. Ribbon weavers who work by the piece, made $25 to $40 a week a few years ago, now the most expert earn but $15 to $20.

The trust-forming business is still booming. New arrivals are the Bessemer iron trust, which includes all the Bessemer iron manufacturing plants of the Cleveland, Mahoning valley and Shenango iron districts with the exception of the Cleveland Rolling Mill company; bridge builders of all parts of the country formed a bridge trust at Cleveland; and furthermore, in Toledo a hay trust has been organized under the name of American Hay company; all the middle states are represented in it.

The Corporations Control.

The railroads are making a great deal of trouble over the bill now before the senate increasing the powers of the interstate commerce commission. The railway lobbyists oppose giving the commission more power on general principles. It is now under the absolute control of the corporations, so that if the bill became a law the immediate effects would not be very embarrassing to the railways. But the dread of the corporations is that their present control will slip away from them, in which event it would be very inconvenient to have such a law as the one proposed on the statute books. One of the provisions is to do away with the long and short haul clause and give the commission power to establish arbitrarily such regulations as it may deem fit in the adjustment of rates to existing circumstances and distances. However, as we have said, the corporations are opposed to giving the commission any more power, so that, unless this attitude is changed, the bill will be defeated. This is to be regretted, because the only prospect we have of government ownership of railways is through the enlargement of the powers and functions of the interstate commerce commission. — Twentieth Century.

J. Pierpont and Uncle Sam.

J. Pierpont Morgan now has control of nearly all the leading railroads, the latest report giving him 20,000 miles. He will soon have all the principal roads under his control, says the Tacoma Sun. We used to hear people remark that government ownership was an impossibility, for the reason that there was too much money invested in railroads for the government to afford to buy them and that it would take the combined capital of thousands of the very wealthy to own them. How do these people take to the prospect of this one man controlling and owning our railroad system? Are they willing to admit that Morgan is greater than the government?

Debt Feeds Upon Production.

"Our money rests on gold," says the Portland Oregonian. Yes; why does it? Simply to perpetuate a paternal debt system which feeds upon production like a weir-wolf. Our money will likely continue to rest on gold so long as the people support the idea that the government should encourage debt making, protect debt owners and otherwise meddle in business affairs. But the money of no people capable of real self-government would have to rest on gold or any other product. In short, under the form of government which would best serve the whole people money would be simply a representative of value.—East Oregonian.

Bonds Versus Greenbacks.

Greenbacks would bear no interest, and hence would put no money into the pockets of the robbers of Wall street. And you will see the administration turning the nation's pockets over to the gang to be picked.—Uncle L. Traubel.

Both Liberty and Bread.

Once we have developed the people to whom liberty is more than bread, we shall have liberty and plenty of bread also.

FOR CHEAPER MONEY.

THE REASONS FOR THIS POPULAR DEMAND.

What the People Need Is a Dollar That Carries with It a Just Proportion of Labor and No More—D. O. McCarthy Gives His Views.

Senator Sherman once said in a speech that "those who wanted more money wanted cheap money in order to pay debts with a currency of less value." Senator Blair added "or with less days' work." These statements were made as an argument against free silver and casually suggest the idea of repudiation. Such assertions in the past have closed the mouths of many good men, but failed to convince their judgment. That, however, was during the flood tide of national bank rule, when to doubt was to be destroyed. The ideas of the people have changed somewhat since that time, and the infallibility of past and present legislation is being challenged throughout the entire country. The condition to which these senators referred in derision the people are demanding in earnest. It is a cheaper dollar and a dearer day's work that they must have or become enslaved. It is not a cheap dollar in the offensive sense in which it is used by plutocracy, but a cheaper dollar as compared with all honorable ideas of fairness and right. Which is nearer the line of justice, a cheap dollar worth 54 cents, or a dear dollar worth 200 cents, and which carries with it the greater power to oppress? Money is bought with the products of labor; consequently, the dearer this money is the more labor is required to purchase it. It is the few who own the money, and the many who must work to earn it; therefore, cheaper money benefits the majority, and is in strict accord with the teachings of the constitution. What the people need is a dollar that carries with it a just proportion of labor and no more. The present dollar distributes the products of labor unjustly; it is to neutralize this unfairness that a cheaper dollar is demanded. It is claimed by the advocates of a dear dollar that a cheaper dollar has and always will be the workingman's abiding curse; that the purchasing power of this dollar would be less, and therefore operate against labor in production. The first and last propositions are absolutely untenable, and cannot be sustained either by precedent or argument. But the proposition that the purchasing power of the cheaper dollar would be less is true, and it is primarily upon this fact that labor is demanding a less costly dollar. Labor in production never prospered as during the period of cheap money from 1863 to 1867. All labor was employed at remunerative wages, tramps were unknown, and failures in business the exception and not the rule, as at present. Even Senator McCulloch was enabled to state that the people were comparatively out of debt, and not obliged to labor incessantly for a living. To confound cheap money with worthless money is unfair, and discloses a want of better arguments. It will hardly frighten the people as it once did. Cheaper money than the country now has is a necessity, and is sure to come in the near future. Cheaper money means more money, and that in turn means higher commercial values and better times. It means that the farmer can pay off the mortgage with less days' work; that the mechanic can finish paying for his little home with less hours of labor, and that labor, wherever it may be and of whatever kind, will be enabled to pay less tribute to those who own or control the money. Labor demands a cheap, flexible volume of currency, that will eliminate the speculator and the usurer by establishing a price that is reasonable and will not fluctuate.

D. O. M'CARTHY.

No Longer a Theory.

Direct legislation is no longer a theory to be considered at some future time, but has come up before the people to be settled. Shall we have a government by the people and for the people, or a government by and for the money changers? Delegated government has proven a failure, and we should assert our right to have a voice in the management of the government. Under the present system we elect a man to a legislative office, and then he will not do a thing that he is instructed by his constituency to do, and the bigger rascal he is the more chance he stands for re-election. Under the initiative and referendum the people could have just such laws as they wanted. There would be no power above the people. You will not have to give up your other ideas for this one. If you are a free silver Democrat you can continue so to be. If you are a gold standard advocate and believe that a majority of the people want monometallism, you cannot object to this principle.—Legal Tender.

Scratch a Goldbug and See.

Scratch an energetic goldbug and you uncover an apologist for trusts and every other sort of thieving rascality by which the many may be robbed by the few in such a manner as to escape the penitentiary. If you do not think so, just mention the iron trust, or the Standard Oil octopus to one of them and see how quick he will begin to talk of the benefits derived by the people from such great concerns, in the reduced (?) price at which we get their products.—The Advance.

A set of the works of Aristotle, the Greek philosopher, printed on vellum and of the date 1483, brought £800 at the Ashburnham sale.

PROSPERITY BOOMERS.

A Labor Paper Strongly Objects to Their Methods.

Our attention has been called to some figures printed in the Pioneer Press and alleged to have emanated from officials of the state federation of labor, which form the basis for an argument on the improved conditions prevailing among the organized trades in this state. It is claimed that the reports show that the members of those trades are "more generally employed now than at any time for several years." Further along it is asserted that 88 per cent of the union men in Minnesota are at work.

Whether or not the officials of the state federation have made the reports as alleged, Labor World does not know. But no union man or any other man with his eyes open is deceived by such allegations. That the public may know just how much truth there is in the report it is only necessary to state that not one union in ten ever makes such a thing as an official report on the matter in question. Unions have to report their membership to their national officers because their dues are determined by the numbers of members; but as a rule they never go farther. It is customary for central bodies to have a statistician whose duties it is to gather statistics regarding wages, men out of employment, etc., but so far as experience goes the mission of the office is an entire failure because the affiliated organizations will not report. Hence, the officials of the state federation have no data on which to figure, and the assumption that they have, to every intelligent union man, is a dead give away on the "prosperity boomers."

This boom business does the cause a positive injury. It misleads the public as to actual economic conditions, and justifies the perpetuation of influences that are sapping the strength of the social foundation. The first essential to a scientific understanding of the social problem is a correct knowledge of actual facts and the cause can have no greater enemy anywhere than those who, from over enthusiasm or other motives, deliberately misrepresent conditions.—Duluth Labor World

PROSPERITY NOTES.

In Wilmington, Del., this happy, prosperous winter, a mother of a large family earned in a week of sixty-nine hours exactly $1.77, at shirtmaking.

A lockout and strike of stonecutters is on in fifty-two establishments of Greater New York. Bosses attempted to annul the eight-hour workday, which the stonecutters enjoyed for several years, and which the men have struggled hard to attain.

An unhappy young woman starved to death in a lonely house near New York the other day. She had been reared in every luxury. She was a graduate of a convent in Paris and in her father's will she had been bequeathed $200,000. But the father's fortune had been swept away very shortly before he died, leaving this girl quite unprovided for. She had no friends, and family dissensions made it too humiliating for her to seek aid from her relatives. So she drifted about, pawning her clothing and her jewelry, vainly trying to get pupils in music, French, painting and the like. The poor thing was, like so many other poor things, unable to get a start in life. At last she had to give up, and take refuge in an old house in the country that once belonged to her father. Here she sickened and died, literally, of hunger. And there are many children of the well-to-do who will die deaths as dreadful and even more dreadful. Such is civilization.

Failures Increase.

Though no mention is made in the leading dailies about the alarming increase in failures since the inauguration of McKinley, the fact still exists that we are in the midst of a cyclone of financial and business destruction. Bradstreet and Dun both are keeping tab on the conditions, and their reports show that during the past week there were forty-six more failures than were reported for the same week last year. Not a paper comes from the press but shows a general crash in business houses all over the country. Their frequency has, to a large extent, allayed alarm, and vampire-like, lulled the people into quiet, while the work of destruction is augmented with each succeeding day.—Dallas Mercury.

Discouraging Improvements.

Assessors generally have got into the habit of assessing improvements at not less than 60 per cent of their actual cost, and land unused or partially used land at 30 to 40 per cent of what the proprietor holds it up for sale at, thus encouraging the speculator in keeping from using the bounties of the Creator. Assessors generally are imbued with conscientious motives, still that does not alter the fact that taxing or fining one for having made an improvement is enough to keep people idle when they might as well be working.—Schenectady (N. Y.) Journal.

Results of Class Legislation.

Is it not strange that a free country like the United States has more tenant farmers than England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales? Texas alone has 80,245, while the remainder of the states combined have 6,929,755. Class legislation and the rule of the money power have produced these results in the past 100 years. How long will it be till the people will all be slaves?—Southern Mercury.

Farming For the Present, or Farming For the Future.

With as fine a climate as the world produces, and a naturally good soil, the South ought to produce fifty per cent. more than she does, and would do under a proper system of cultivation and management. But the false economy of continually taking out and not giving back anything, which has been so long practised in the South, has naturally reduced the lands to a worn-out condition. Now, how are we to reclaim them, and bring them up to a high state of fertility? That it can be done I know from my own experience.

Conditions have changed since the war, and we must adapt ourselves and our methods to the changed conditions. We must take more pride in our business, and conduct all our farming operations on business principles. The farms of the future are going to be smaller than in the past, the term "planter" and "plantation" is fast dying out, and the time has come when the farmers of the South must get into line on this idea, and plan for the future generations by improving their farms, and have a general clean up all around by improvement of farm buildings and surroundings. There is a lack of the thrift here that is so characteristic of the North and which is so apparent in the well kept grounds and the air of neatness of home environments.

With the advantage of climate which we possess, we can raise two crops in a season, and in gardening sometimes three or four. I have raised a fine crop of corn after a crop of oats. I am now arranging and maturing plans to raise four crops from three acres that lie in a section of bottom land. I shall plant it first with Irish potatoes, with irrigation when in bloom, followed by corn which I shall sell for roasting ears, cutting the stalks for fodder. I shall then let the land grow up with our annual grass, cutting that in September, and then plow and sow with white globe turnips for the winter market. This will need heavy manuring. I shall do it all with commercial manures, using one-half ton to the acre of a special potato fertilizer, and shall use for the corn crop two hundred pounds per acre of nitrate of soda. That will leave the land in fine condition for the grass and possibly for the turnips.

My observation, from twenty years' experience at the South, is that Southern farmers do not take the pains in the preparation of their lands for the different crops that they ought to. There is a scarcity of improved agricultural implements, but sub-soil plows don't cost much, and sub-soiling is what our lands need. The farmers of the South don't plow deep enough; there is a great amount of fertility locked up in the sub-soil, and you must go down to get it. Lands that have been plowed deep will stand the drouth better and are less liable to wash. The amount of commercial manures to be used per acre depends on whether we are farming for the present or the future. We should use all the stable manure that can be made on the farm, supplementing it with such commercial manures as our lands need the most and the plowing under of pea vines. We need no analysis of our soils if we experiment with the different fertilizers. I have contended that the majority of fertilizers sold in Georgia do not contain potash enough to carry the crops through to maturity. The average of the different brands sold here at Macon contain from one to two per cent., whereas they should contain from four to six per cent., and for some crops not less than eight to twelve.

The average application of fertilizers in this section of Georgia runs from seventy-five to two hundred pounds per acre. I claim that this is not enough. While it might produce a medium crop, yet the addition of say one hundred pounds more might produce a full crop. It does not pay to use cheap grade fertilizers, and all should be bought on their analysis. Farmers should study the fertilizer question more than they do, as it is a vital question that concerns the agricultural prosperity of this country.

Plant that portion of your farms that you can manure and cultivate properly; then your lands will be gaining every year in fertility and value.—C. W. Morrill.

Anti-English Feeling in Cuba.

Since the American consular affairs were placed in the hands of the British consuls the anti-English feeling has developed in the cities of Cuba held by the Spaniards. This has been increased by the friendly English comments reproduced in the Spanish and Cuban press.

England Urges We Hold Philippines.

The London Spectator urges America to raise a colored army of 20,000 men and hold the Philippines, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

Dewey Will Also Sink These.

MADRID, VIA PARIS.—It is alleged that two iron-clads, two cruisers and three transports are about to leave Cadiz to drive the Americans from Manila and then bombard California ports. Cuban and Porto Rican authorities have cabled that there is no need to fear the landing of American troops.

Waiting for the Oregon.

Four Spanish warships are reported to be off Barbadoes, prepared to intercept the battleship Oregon. A naval battle is expected.

Punishment for the Ungodly.

The American Bible Society has received from Peru the cheering information that four of the men who have been most active in obstructing evangelical work have died

A SPECIAL COMMISSION

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A dispatch to the New York World from Hong Kong says:

Dispatches signed by Commodore Dewey have just been sent to Washington recommending that the leader of Manila be demanded head provisional government for the islands be established pending settlement of the war with Spain. The proposal is for a commission to consist of the government. He suggests he be named as one of the commissioners. The government would then set up much the same exists now. He asks that troops be sent immediately, as the situation is a good deal to him.

Some such solution, if applied here and in Cuba, would be a boon to humanity. The people in Manila have long since learned that the town has [illegible] Commodore Dewey has completely invested by water and the insurgents on the land approaches. It is for purposes to hold to secure what Dewey has won at the Admiral's mercy. He is absolutely

The forts at Manila are [illegible] enough to cope with his entire fleet would have no trouble in the city's defenses and in [illegible] destroying the residences and [illegible] quarters. Not only the governor-general, but the people as well, know that if Dewey demands a surrender and shells sufficient to wipe out the [illegible] can back up his demands with [illegible] and shell sufficient to wipe out the [illegible] If the demand is made upon the governor-general, the people will rise and demand that the surrender be made.

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By a unanimous vote the house passed the bill creating an additional admiralship for the hero of Manila.

ARMING THE [illegible]

The Steamer Gussie Leaves Tampa With Reinforcements For Insurgents.

TAMPA.—The steamer Gussie of the Mallory line of boats chartered by the government for use as a transport sailed from Tampa for Cuba this morning loaded with arms, ammunition and supplies furnished by the United States government for the use of the Cuban insurgents. She has on board one hundred United States soldiers from the First regiment engineers, who accompanied the expedition for the purpose of assisting in guarding the landing of the cargo on the coast of Cuba, and if necessary, penetrate the country far enough to place the supplies in the hands of the insurgents. The expedition is in charge of Colonel [illegible].

The Gussie has on board 6,000 and 7,000 Springfield rifles, about 200,000 rounds of ammunition and several hundred horses, consisting principally of mules and hard tack.

Wheeler Will Resign.

Congressman Joe Wheeler is expected to offer his resignation in the next few days and it will be accepted, the chairman of the district congressional committee will call an election to nominate a successor. It is conceded that Congressman Richardson, of Nashville, will be elected to represent the district in congress.

An Alabamian Was Wounded.

Dr. Reginald Smith, who for a number of years was assistant physician to convicts at Slope 2, Pratt mines, and on the Baltimore under Dewey in the late naval battle at Manila, was appointed surgeon in the navy about five years ago. He is from Jefferson county.

Fishing Smack Captured.

The Spanish fishing smack Apostal was captured by the cruiser Mayflower off Havana and was brought in by a prize crew to the West. She was bound from Spain for Havana with a cargo of wine and a crew of ten men.

Rioting at Milan.

According to the latest advices from Milan, Italy, the [illegible] people there appears to be mastered. Sunday a [illegible] occurred in the Via Corso. Thousands of tiles and [illegible] were hurled from the roofs upon the troops who were compelled to fire. A similar fight took place in the Via Torino and it is believed that [illegible] 300 were killed and 1,000

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An Alabamian Was With Dewey.

Dr. Reginald Smith, who left Montgomery, Ala., a few years ago was assistant physician to the Asylum for the Insane at Stockton, Cal. Dr. Smith was appointed surgeon in the navy about two years ago. He is from Alabama originally.

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Exciting at Milan, Italy.

According to the latest news from Milan, Italy, the riots the people there appears to be mastered. Sunday a very serious affair occurred in the Via Comtrada and a number of tiles and chimney pots blown from the roofs upon the heads of the people compelled them to retire. A fierce fight took place in the Piazza Duomo and it is believed that many persons were killed and 1,000 wounded. Three hundred were killed and 1,000 wounded.

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GOOD ROADS NOTES.

A System of Military Highways.

An elaborate system of good highways for Pennsylvania is proposed by Arthur Kirk, of Sharpsburg, Penn. As the constitution of that State says "there shall be no State debt created except for military purposes," he proposes that the State create a complete system of military roads, which shall traverse the State from east to west in parallel lines forty miles apart, and in like manner from north to south. These military highways are not to utilize old roads, but are to be laid out new under the most expert supervision; be constructed in the best manner; have no grade greater than three per cent., no matter what grading may be required, and to be from forty to sixty feet wide.

The whole charge of building and maintaining these military highways is to be in the hands of the Secretary of Internal Affairs, who is to have three competent civil engineers as his counsellors. All applicants for positions of engineers in charge of the construction of these roads are to be rigidly examined before they can be appointed. The Secretary is to appoint a court to hear all claims and award damages for property taken for the construction of the roads. Before each section of road is completed, the Secretary is to sell at public auction the right to lay and use a double track street railway on it for transporting freight and passengers, for a period of twenty years, and money received from this source is to become part of the road-building fund.

Before the end of November in each year, the Secretary is to notify the State Treasurer how much will be required for the following year, which sum shall not exceed $12,000,000. On the first Tuesday of each month, the Treasurer shall sell at public auction twenty-year, three per cent. State bonds, to an amount not exceeding $1,000,000 per month, until the sum required by the Secretary is obtained.

Such highways are expected to benefit the people so greatly that they will demand that they be built but twenty miles apart, and then ten, and then five. Mr. Kirk has given the road question much attention both here and abroad. His proposed Military Road Law has been printed with full explanations.

Statistics Regarding Good Roads.

This is the time of the year when the average cyclist begins to look around to find out the condition of the roads. It is only the enthusiast who has done more or less regular riding during the winter, but this class is increasing every year. Frederick J. H. Merrill has issued a good-road bulletin for the New York State Museum of the University of the State of New York, which shows that he has made a close study of the good-roads problem. The bulletin treats of road-building and good road material, and it also includes maps and illustrations of stretches of good roads. The writer shows that this country is in the same condition in regard to roads that Great Britain was at the beginning of the present century, or, in other words, that we are a hundred years behind England in road-building. Mr. Merrill says that the Romans showed a better knowledge of road-building three hundred B. C., than the officials of this State do to-day. He gives the mileage of the important roads of this State at 123,000 miles. Much money, he says, is spent in repairing roads improperly, leaving the highways in worse condition than they were in before the improvements were made. The maps show the quarries in the State and the kind of stone to be secured in each. The ideal stone for road-building can be had around the Palisades on the Hudson. Mr. Merrill argues that it is not necessary to destroy the Palisades or blast for this stone, for, he says, there is enough loose material at the foot of the Palisades to last for road-building in this district for some time to come. The writer argues that all that would be necessary would be for the road-builders to get barges, pick it up and bring it over. This particular stone is known as "trap-rock," and it can be found in quantities in no other part of the State.

New Road Law Already Popular.

Before Governor Black had attached his signature to the Higbee-Armstrong State roads bill, the property owners along two important highways in Monroe County had taken steps to secure the benefits of that bill when it shall become a law. The movement was first started on the road between Rochester and Brighton, and the property owners on the Ridge road, between Hoosic Hill and Lake avenue, are a good second. Both of the thoroughfares mentioned are important ones leading into this city. The Ridge road, for example, is a splendid natural highway leading westward from the Genesee River to the Niagara. Its greatest breadth makes it appear like a superb boulevard, and along its entire length, country cross-roads from the north and south run into it, many of them from important villages. But as it is a great natural ridge of sand, the wagon tracks along this road are, during most of the year, very heavy. An improvement which would give teams and wagons a good, solid driveway would immensely expedite and relieve the large traffic over the road.

The evidence thus promptly furnished of the prospective popularity of the proposed law is specially gratifying to its friends. Something was needed to stimulate property owners on country highways to adopt measures for securing good roads. This something is furnished in the State and county aid secured under the bill. Under the new system there will be a fair prospect that the money will be intelligently and scientifically applied instead of being practically wasted, as the money and labor in the existing system of working out the tax are. After two or three conspicuous object lessons, such as the Brighton and Ridge road improvements will be, have been furnished, there will be a rush of applications from rural property owners for road improvements under the new law.—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

Maryland and Good Roads.

There is simple common sense for the good roads question, says the Baltimore American. Get good men, and make the money reach the roads. As things are at present organized—or disorganized—in Maryland, not one dollar in four or five appropriated for roads reaches the work on the roads. This fact is known. It is admitted. It is one of the chief scandals of the State.

Now the time has come for the money to be honestly used. There should be new laws, new regulations, new men and new methods. The lack of good roads is keeping down the price of every farm in the State, costing every farmer more to get his products to market, keeping back that progress which would come if we had better highways.

It is a simple matter, but we hope the Legislature will study it and begin by wise laws that progress toward better things, which will lead Maryland to the destiny that belongs to it by right of position and by the exhaustless value of its resources.

Working of Permissive Laws.

Permissive road laws will not bring the millennium of good roads upon us with a rush. There is still much opposition to road improvement, and it will take a good while, and much hard work, to overcome it. If county supervisors are simply given permission to indicate what roads they want improved, and their constituents don't want any done, they will not call for any road building in their districts. Under such laws, the only inducement for a county to build roads that it does not want, is the State's promise to bear half the expense. As some one remarked, "this is a good deal like asking a man, into whose intellect no ray of spiritual light had pierced, if he wouldn't like to be taxed for his salvation."—Good Roads Bulletin.

Preserving Good Roads.

The effect of wide tires on roads has been shown clearly on a street in Springfield, Mass., over which heavy quarry wagons are driven. The road was formerly badly cut up, but a number of years ago it was given a heavy surface coat of gravel with the understanding that wide tires should be put on the wagons carrying the quarry stone. This was done, the tires being four to five inches wide, and since that time the street has been in good condition, although little has been done on it.

In the Wrong Place.

It is said that 27,000 tons of water fall every year on each mile of road. This water does its best to run off and join some watercourse, but is generally so hampered in its efforts that much of it soaks directly into the surface, so that dirt roads become mud, and stone roads are ruined. Proper drainage alone would go far toward improving all our highways.

Oldest Wooden Building in the World.

In St. Nicholas, Miss Ida Tigner Hodnett writes of "The Little Japanese at Home." Miss Hodnett says:

The old castles which were the homes of the daimio princes were built of stone; but these, too, were constructed so as to offer as little resistance as possible to earthquake shocks. The walls slant from the base to the roof, and are supported within by immense timbers, the inward slope itself being a safeguard against danger from earthquakes. Buildings erected according to the Japanese idea of what is necessary to give security against earthquakes have stood for centuries. Some wooden pagodas of great height are known to have been in existence for seven hundred years; and the old wooden museum at Nara, in which are preserved the Mikado's rare treasures of ages, is fully twelve hundred years old. This is a large, oblong building made of logs of keaki (kee-ah-kee), a reddish-brown wood, put together in the log-cabin style, and it is supported merely on wooden legs resting upon loose stones, as in the case of the ordinary house described above. No part of the building has been renewed except the roof, and this has been put on only three times. The present roof is made of tiles, and is about one hundred and fifty years old. This is, in all probability, the oldest wooden building in the world, and it is certainly a notable example of the almost imperishable nature of some Japanese woods.

Odd Place to Grow Mushrooms.

A tunnel sixty feet below the level of the streets of Edinburgh, constructed for the use of the North British Railway some fifty years ago, has been used for the past ten years as a place for the cultivation of mushrooms. It furnishes a constant temperature and an absence of light, both of which conditions are favorable for the growth of the mushrooms, and so successful has the propagation been that the Scottish Mushroom Company is said to be in control of the British market for cultivated mushrooms. It uses 800 mushroom beds, twelve by three feet, and the output at times amounts to 5000 pounds of mushrooms per month. The effect has been to diminish the amount furnished by the French growers, who formerly controlled the English market almost absolutely.

A Cheerful Woman.

From the Democrat, Brant, Ind.

Every woman cannot be beautiful, but a cheerful face often supplies the deficiency. But no one can be cheerful and bring joy to others unless they have perfect health. Fortunately, science has placed this priceless boon within the reach of every woman as the following incident proves.

Mrs. Amanda Robinson, wife of William Robinson, farmer and stockman, near Howesville, Clay County, Ind., is thirty-two years old and had for several years been in declining health and despondent. For three months she was not only unable to attend to her domestic duties but too feeble to be up and about. To-day she is in good health and able to attend to her household affairs. She relates her experience as follows:

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The various uses of the word lady illustrate the elasticity of the English language. Thus a London newspaper has this self-explanatory but somewhat startling advertisement: "Wanted, in Jan., an experienced Working Matron (not a lady), for a boys' school."

Maybe this discussion of promiscuous kissing in the South is only another shrewd desire to influence emigration to and settlement in those favored latitudes.

The announcement that Prof. Elisha Gray discovered the theory of the telephone while experimenting with the bathtub is another great boom for cleanliness.

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It is a delight to read the New Time. This magazine is waging splendid warfare against plutocracy and is entitled to the hearty support of the people. Forward us $1 and we will send in your subscription. Better yet, send $1.50 and receive The New Time and the Banner for one year.

The Alabama Press Association met at Tuskaloosa yesterday, and after the business is got through with, brobably to-day, the members will go on an excursion to Washington D. C., and next Wednesday will be present at the launching of the battleship "Alabama."

The President has asked Gen. Wheeler of Alabama to accept a commission as Major General in the volunteer army now forming. He could not have done anything more sure to attract the young men of the South and Southwest to the colors, for there is no surviving commander of the Confederate armies, not even excepting Fitzhugh Lee, who enjoys the confidence and affection of so large a part of the Southern people.

Nor is the President likely to be disappointed in any estimate he has formed of Gen. Wheeler's efficiency in actual service. He is sixty-five years of age, which is about as young as a man can be with experience of four years in the civil war and two years (he was graduated from West Point in 1859) in the United States Army, and he is sound in health and strength. All things considered, his career was perhaps the most distinguished in the cavalry arm in the Confederate service. After the battle of Shiloh he was placed in command of the cavalry of the West and performed constant, laborious, and brilliant service. His work was especially appreciated by Gen. Sherman, to whom he was opposed during the campain that ended in the capture of Atlanta. Gen. Sherman is reported to have said after the close of the war that if we ever had to fight a foreign foe Gen. Wheeler and Gen. Forrest should have commands.—N.Y. Times.

The European powers, though jealous of the rapid progress and great prosperity of the United States are also aware of the thoroughly peaceful character of our people and our government. Their jealousy of us is a trifling matter when compared with thair jealousy of one another. All that is necessary to save us from European interference is to know our own mind, to be less boisterous in talk, and to be more prompt and decisive in action. The discussions of the Cuba question in the messages of President Cleveland and President McKinley have been of a nature which in any European country would have been promptly followed by the mobilization of troops and a declaration of war. From the moment when Mr. Cleveland made his famous intimation that we would have to interfere on high grounds of humanity if the Cuban war ware not soon ended, war betwen this country and Spain has been practically inevitable.—From Review of Reviews for May.

MARK TWAIN'S ADVICE.

When Taken, It Always Landed a Man In a Comfortable Berth.

Mark Twain has found situations for many a man in a unique way. When any one asked him for help along that line, he would write the delighted applicant a cordial affirmative, asking him to pick out any position he preferred and to aim high. The desired position being selected, Mark would simply fire back at the applicant the following instructions. In every case, where they were carried out in good faith, they landed the worker at the top of the ladder. Here they are:

Formula:

First.—By a beneficent law of our human nature every man is ready and willing to employ any young fellow who is honestly anxious to work—for nothing.

Second.—A man once wonted to an employee and satisfied with him is loath to part with him and give himself the trouble of breaking in a new man.

Let us practice upon these foibles.

Instructions:

First.—You are to apply for work at the office of your choice.

Second.—You are to go without recommendations. You are not to mention my name, nor any one's but your own.

Third.—You are to say that you want no pay; that all you want is work—any kind of work. You make no stipulation. You are ready to sweep out, point the pencils, replenish the inkstands, hold copy, tidy up, keep the place in order, run errands—anything and everything. You are not particular. You are so tired of being idle that life is a burden to you. All you want is work and plenty of it. You do not want a pennyworth of remuneration. N. B.—You will get the place, whether the man be a generous one or a selfish one.

Fourth.—You must not sit around and wait for the staff to find work for you to do. You must keep watch and find it for yourself. When you can't find it, invent it. You will be popular there pretty soon, and the boys will do you a good turn whenever they can. When you are on the street and see a thing that is worth reporting, go to the office and tell about it. By and by you will be allowed to put such things on paper yourself. In the morning you will notice that they have been edited and a good many of your words left out—the very strongest and best ones too. That will teach you to modify yourself. In due course you will drift by natural and sure degrees into daily and regular reporting and will find yourself on the city editor's staff without any one's quite knowing how or when you got there.

Fifth.—By this time you have become necessary, possibly even indispensable. Still you are never to mention wages. That is a matter which will take care of itself. You must wait. By and by there will be a vacancy on a neighboring paper. You will know all the reporters in town by this time, and one or another of them will speak of you, and you will be offered the place at current wages. You will report this good fortune to your city editor, and he will offer you the same wages, and you will stay where you are.

Sixth. — Subsequently, whenever higher pay is offered you on another paper, you are not to take the place if your original employer is willing to keep you at a like price.—McClure's Magazine.

One Exception.

It is very funny to watch a man with a toothache, unless you watch him in a mirror.—Somerville (Mass.) Journal.

Think Success.

The oftener one gives exercise to any faculty—uses, not abuses, it—the stronger and more flexible it becomes. A Frenchman said once on a time that whenever he wanted a book on a certain subject and could not find it he wrote one.

There is a tremendous lesson in that; it means that each one of us can find out as much about anything we wish to be informed upon as any other human being in the world if we will only determine to do so. We can achieve and conquer anything another can if we make up our minds to the performance of it and make the determination the law of our life. Success has its laws, the basic principle of which is, "Give your best to get the best." A writer on mental forces says, "Think success and you win success."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Erudition on the Force.

A big gray coated police officer walked into the sergeant's room at the arsenal the other day and placed on the desk a woolly toy lamb that he had picked up in the park.

"What on earth is that?" asked the sergeant.

"The effigy of a sheep, sir," said the gray coated one seriously.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

DISTRICT MEETING

of the second district of the Unity association to convene with Chestnut creek church, May 27, 28 and 29, 1898.

Friday 10 a.m. Devotional exercises conducted by Jos. Moore.

11 Does a call to the ministry obligate any one to become a pastor without reasonable remuneration, by Thos. J. Henderson, J. L. Harris.

2 p.m. The duties of church members to the pastor, by Jos. H. Thomas, E. L. Manning.

3:30 What is the mission of the church? by H. W. Caffee, Judson Strock.

Saturday 9 a.m. What is the Bible plan of missions? by Hardy Jones, L. L. Deason.

10:30 Does the Bible tolerate the ordination of single men to the ministry or deacon's office? J. L. Long, E. H. Parrish.

2 p.m. How ought a church to proceed in dealing with members who are guilty of public offences? W. J. Bone, Jno. R. Vinson.

3:30 What is the best method of developing and utelizing young members? Davsd Moore, Jno. Colwell L. B. Pounds.

Sunday 9 a.m. Sabbath school lecture. H. M. Caffee, W. I. Mullins.

11 Summons to the young, Hardy Jones, L. B. Pounds, alternate.

Singing to be conducted by R. T. Grant, J. S. Jones and T. J. Pyron. Everybody is invited.

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Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Clanton Drug Co. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

Stanton.

The public roads are being put in good condition.

Mr. Thomas H. Curry was in town Saturday on business.

Mr. McKee of Selma, was with his family Sunday.

Mr. C. W. Plant had a fine mare killed by the train Friday.

The saw mill at Dixie lately destroyed by fire is again in operation.

Mr. George Huston and mother of New Orleans, are visiting Major McCarthy's family of this city.

Dr. Parnell lost one of his match horses Tuesday.

Mrs. Stewart has been ill for several days and is no better. We trust she will soon recover. Stan.

Incomes of the rich are too sacred to be taxed.

By all means defeat the bond provision in the war measure. There is no need for bonds to fight Spain.

The bombardment of Matarizas by the American fleet showed Spain what she might expect if we are compelled to take a few shots at the kingdom.—Silver Knight.

Miss Florence Headley visited Clanton this week.

Miss Katie Thompson was in Clanton Saturday.

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University School Picnic.

The ladies of Clanton will have the University School a picnic on the campus Friday, May 20, to which everybody has a most cordial invitation to come, bridg a basket, and spend the day socially with us. The annual oration will be delivered by that matchless young orater of Alabama, Hon. Jno. W. A. Sanford Jr. of Montgomery. There will also be music, and doubtless some after-dinner speeches. It is to be an educational rally, and not a political gathering.

☞ A committee of ladies will receive baskets at the school building.

E. Y. McMorries, Principal.

A Quiet Wedding

Tuesday morning, at 5:30 o'clock at home of the bride's parents, Capt. and Mrs. C. T. Hardman, 1630 Third avenue, Miss Minnie Hardman and Mr. Rudolph Ehrman were married by Rev. L. S. Handley. The marriage was a quiet one, and was only witnessed by the immediate families of the bride and groom. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Ehrman came down to Clanton, where Mr. Ehrman has extensive lumber interests. They will soon return to Birmingham, and will occupy the handsome Ehrman residence on the South Highlands. The Banner extends congratulations to Mr. Ehrman, and welcomes Mrs. Ehrman in our midst.

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Clanton Locals.

Mr. F. O. Dudley spent last week in Montgomery.

Marshal Dudley went to the capital city Monday.

Rev. J. F. Smith held services at the Episcopal church last Friday night.

Prof. E. Y. McMorries is building a fence around the campus of the university school.

Mr. W. H. Merritt was in Montgomery Tuesday.

S. C. P. Jones, Milesburg, Pa., writes:—"I have used DeWitt's Little Early Risers ever since they were introduced here and must say I have never used any pills in my family during forty years of house keeping that gave such satisfactory results as a laxative or cathartic." Stanfield & Matthews.

Dr. W. E. Stewart returned from Birmingham Monday evening, accompanied by his mother, who has been quite ill for the past several months. Her many friends will be glad to see her at her old home again, improved in health.

Mr. W. W. Dunkin was on the streets a few days since, shaking hands with his numerous friends.

Mrs. VanDerveer and Miss Will Phillips are visiting in Montevallo this week.

Mrs. Crasswell, of Verbena, accompanied by Miss Mary Louise visited relatives here this week.

Master Duke Logan has returned from a visit to Verbena.

Mrs Dunkin of Prattville, visited here fater's family this week.

We are glad to say Mrs. Matthews is much better.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

The above sale is continued to Monday March 28, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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JURY LIST.

The following jurors have been drawn for the Spring Term of Circuit court which convenes Monday May 16, 1898.

GRAND JURY.

W F Armstrong, E L Manning, R P Barnes, J C Gaylor, W M Wilson, John Giles, Monrow Ramsey, J L Vines, Elijah Headley, J B Downs, A L Foshee Sr, Jack Williams, John Patterson, James Popwell, G W Hill, J D Holsombeck, T J McDonald, Samp Driver, W F Littlejohn, E E Edwards, Robt Sims.

PETIT JURY—First Week.

Beat 1—D H Mullins
Beat 2—J E Champion, Sam Curry, Elijah Thomas, A J Glasscock, J A Lowery, P L Varden, W M Aldridge
Beat 3—J T Baker, Ira Headley, J W Varden, W M Odom, Martin Franklin, Dock Broadhead, B F Reynolds, J L Waldrup jr
Beat 4—J E Littlejohn, J J Gallman, J W Goodgame, J S Aldridge
Beat 5—E Driver, J W Moody, A M Rollins, E G Rollins, Joseph Mitchell, J W E Guiledge
Beat 7—W A Green, J P Milford
Beat 8—J L O'Neale, M H Barnes, E W Hailey
Beat 9—D N Riggins, B N Martin

PETIT JURY—Second Week

Beat 1—E W Honeycutt, T J Dorminy
Beat 2—W A Sims, Robert Martin, J P Gentry
Beat 3—John F Fleming, Z J Jones, Dock Jones, S G Glasscock, B F Rasberry
Beat 4—P D Wilson, E G Mims, James Satterwhite, E M Pinckard, G L Foshee, W H Sartor, N A Kicker
Beat 5—F J Traywick, J S Jones sr, D F Jacks, W W Robinson, John Oakes
Beat 6—W C Dickerson, G H Pierce
Beat 7—B O Glover, Buck Bowline, J F Hays, Dolby Atkinson
Beat 8—W I Lovelady, R H Gandy
Beat 9—S R Cleckler, G W Serrell, James Barnett

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Etiquette in the Queen's Presence.

Nobody can sit down in the queen's presence without being requested to do so by her, and in the open air men must not come nearer than three paces to her person. The queen must not be addressed unless she speaks first, and people may not speak to each other in her presence.

A Boston Suggestion.

A Turkish woman is not permitted to speak above a whisper in the presence of her husband's relatives. Just a little Turkish sauce might not be altogether amiss among some American wives.—Boston Globe.

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TAX SALE.

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Chilton County }

By virtue of a decree of sale granted by the Probate Court of Chilton county, Alabama, I will, as Tax Collector of said county, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, before the Court House door of said county, at Clanton, on

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 1898,

the following lands for taxes due thereon for the year 1897, to wit:

BEAT No. 2.

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 23 tp 21 r 13 tax and costs $4.85

BEAT No. 4.

C P Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $4.92

BEAT No. 5

Mrs. Sallie Hanlin, 16 acres in the se ¼ of sw ¼, 22 acres in sw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16; tax and costs $7.16

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 4 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15. Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $5.12.30

BEAT No. 8.

W E Wailes nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ & s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $14.73

Mrs. M. R. Osborne, sw ¼ of se ¼ sec 6 tp 20 r 13; tax and costs $3.05

OWNER UNKNOWN.

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $5.57

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.55

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $4.67

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $5.04

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $4.45

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $4.45

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.98

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $6.11

T. J. HUBBARD, Tax Collector

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Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19,687.
Land Office at Montgomery Ala.,
May 5, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Clanton Ala., on June 22, 1898, viz.: William Harkins, Homestead entry, No 24,945, for the se ¼ of sw ¼, Section 32, Tp. 20 n of R 11 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Nolan Reardin, Thomas Peeples, M. C. Rush, J. N. Bailey, all of Plantersville, Ala.

ROBERT BARBEE, Register.

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BLACK SAILOR HATS—Latest styles and shapes, worth 50 cents, now go for only 16 cents.

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Large receipts of Ducking, in bundles. All colors. This is our specialty. Still selling at same price, 90 cents per bundle. This is the cheapest lot of goods ever brought to Chilton county.

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HATS—Having bought at forced sale from L. & N. R. R. Co. a lot of fine hats at a great sacrifice, I offer this lot at 50 cents on the dollar of cost price. We are still selling brass pins at 1 cent per paper.

We are daily receiving new goods from the Eastern markets and it will give us great pleasure to show them. Everybody is invited to call and examine these goods. Thanking the public for past favors.

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CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

A Boston man who refuses to accept the modern process of photography as an improvement is still taking daguerreotypes, as he has been doing for the last fifty years. He says that they remain the most correct likenesses yet produced, and he does business of sufficient volume to warrant his sticking to his hobby.

A short time ago the British government wanted four locomotives in a big hurry, but the British manufacturers to whom they applied declared that they could not furnish them inside of four and one-half months. The government applied to American manufacturers, who completed the four locomotives in exactly thirty-one days.

The national advantage derived from technical training in the public schools is well shown, maintains the New York Mail and Express, by the commercial prosperity of Switzerland, nearly all of whose exports represent the skilled labor of the people, and not any natural resource of the country itself. The Hamburg edgings, so-called, come from that country, and have brought millions of dollars back to it, while this year the new Swiss laces promise to make a greater impression upon the woman's world.

The late Spanish minister, Senor de Lome, unwittingly paid a compliment to American women when his idea was to depreciate them. He said that they were the only women who had not yet succumbed to the fascination of the cigarette. Spanish, Portuguese and Italian women fuse the Havana article; Greek, Turkish, Russian and Austrian women the famous Turkish tobacco; French women revel in the caporal, and many English women have taken up the practice; but in this country the habit is as rare among the sex as it was a hundred years ago.

The report of the commissioner of internal revenue for the year 1897, shows the total receipts from all sources to have been $146,619,593—a decrease, as compared with the fiscal year 1896, of $211,022. The important changes in consumption are an increase of $1,338,472 in the receipts from distilled spirits as compared with 1896, and a decrease of practically the same amount in the receipts from fermented liquors. The quantity of distilled spirits guaged was 246,036,921 gallons, a decrease of 23,237,841 gallons. There was also a decrease of 3029 in the number of distilleries operated. Also a notable decrease in the number of barrels of beer produced. The total number of barrels produced, as reported, was 34,462,822, which is a decrease of 1,396,428 barrels as compared with the product of 1896.

Our American exports are still mainly agricultural, notes the Atlanta Constitution. This is evident from the fact that 67.63 per cent. of our entire exports to foreign countries last year consisted of agricultural products. In the aggregate our exports for 1897 amounted to $1,039,000,000. Of this sum not less than $730,323,514 is credited to agricultural products. Our exports of manufactured products are gradually increasing from year to year, but it will be some time yet before they catch up with our exports of agricultural products. In the following table our exports for 1897 are classified under six heads, with the aggregate amounts and percentages in each case:

	Value.	Per cent. of whole.
Products of agriculture	$730,323,514	67.63
Manufactures	279,616,898	25.89
Mining	19,792,796	1.83
Forest	40,834,864	3.78
Fisheries	5,649,945	.52
Miscellaneous	3,654,001	.35

On account of the vast extent of fertile territory comprised within our national limits we may confidently expect to remain the world's great agricultural market, but while we have this assurance, there is at the same time nothing to prevent us from becoming eventually the foremost industrial and commercial power on the globe.

Spectacles for Horses.

Spectacles for horses have been patented by an inventor and are being used with considerable success. Their object is not so much to magnify objects as to make the ground in front of the horse appear nearer to his head than it really is. The result is continual high stepping, which, after a while, becomes natural and gives to a horse an aristocratic gait, which he will retain for many years.

One of the inventions which will be exhibited at the Paris Exposition of 1900 is a machine for seeing round a corner.

DEWEY'S VICTORY COMPLETE.

Spanish Fleet of Eleven Vessels at Manila Utterly Destroyed, With Loss of 300 Killed and 400 Wounded.

NO AMERICANS KILLED.

Brigadier-General Shafter's Forces Mobilized at Tampa in Readiness to Follow Sampson's Fleet.

Sampson Sails With Chip on Shoulder, Ready to Battle—His Instructions to Get Into Action With the Cape Verde Fleet, Using Every Means to Locate the Elusive Spaniards—If Necessary He Can Seize a Coaling Station, Which Means San Juan, Porto Rico, Near Which His Fleet Will Rendezvous and Where Scouts Will Report.

HONG KONG, (By Cable.)—The United States revenue cutter Hugh McCulloch arrived here with dispatches giving first official news of Admiral Dewey's triumph over the Spanish flag at Manila.

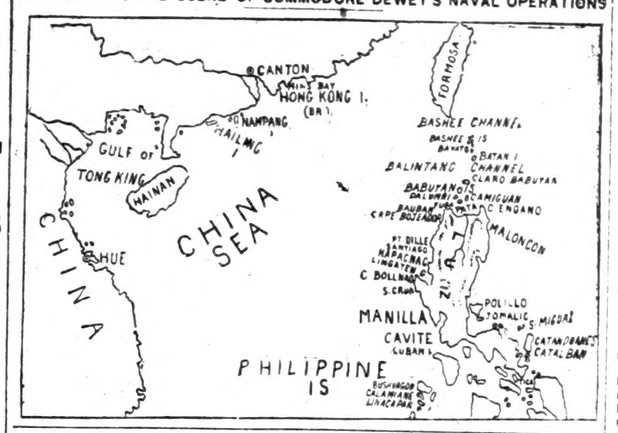
The victory of the American fleet will ring in history as the most remarkable achievement in naval warfare.

Spain's fleet of eleven men-of-war was completely destroyed.

The defences of Manila, the shore batteries there and at Cavite were silenced and razed.

Over Manila the American flag waves today in place of the red and yellow bars of Spain.

MAP SHOWING THE SCENE OF COMMODORE DEWEY'S NAVAL OPERATIONS



And during all the hours of engagement the American fleet, although shelled by ships and shore batteries, did not lose a single man.

Six sailors were slightly wounded. This represented the sum of casualties to the fleet of Admiral Dewey, as none of his ships was injured.

The Spanish loss was 300 killed and 400 wounded. Admiral Montijo's ships caught fire one by one and either sank in their positions or were run ashore to save the lives of their remaining men.

The battle of Manila began at daybreak, the Spanish fleet firing the first shot. During the preceding night Admiral Dewey had taken his ships past Corregidor Island and through the mine fields without disaster.

The challenge to battle was flung by the Reina Christina. The Olympia replied, and immediately afterward the entire American fleet was in action.

The Spanish ships did not hesitate in their fire and the batteries at Cavite loosened their heavy guns.

Soon after the opening of the engagement the Spanish flagship took fire and Admiral Montijo had to transfer his flag to the Isla de Cuba.

The cruiser Castilla also burst in flames under the remarkable gunnery of the American sailors.

Besides engaging the Spanish ships, Admiral Dewey directed a hot fire against the batteries. This made it imperative that every shot should tell.

This was a surprise to the fleet of Admiral Montijo, the Spanish Commander-in-Chief, who thought himself secure under the guns of Manila and Cavite.

Admiral Dewey's battle line was led by the flagship Olympia and the cruiser Raleigh, the Baltimore, Boston, Concord and Petrel, and the revenue cutter McCulloch following at a cable length.

Under easy manœuvring speed the American fleet approached the Spanish ships, which were drawn out in two lines, flanking the Reina Christina, the flagship. During the entire action the American ships were kept under way to manœuvre about the enemy. One by one the Spanish ships caught fire or were driven to grounding to save their crews.

The eleven Spanish ships engaged by Admiral Dewey were: Reina Christina, steel cruiser; Castilla, wood cruiser; Velasco, iron cruiser; Don Antonio de Ulloa, iron cruiser; Don Juan de Austria, iron cruiser; Isla de Cuba, steel protected cruiser; Isla de Luzon, steel protected cruiser; Quiros, steel gunboat; Vellalobos, steel gunboat; El Cano, steel gunboat, and Manileno, steel gunboat.

Admiral Dewey continued his fighting until the eleventh Spanish vessel had been destroyed. By that time the shore batteries were reduced, and the American fleet had won its most remarkable victory, a victory that lost no man, and resulted in the wounding of but six on one side, while on the other three hundred Spaniards were killed and four hundred wounded in the complete destruction of eleven ships of war.

SAMPSON'S ORDERS.

Sailed From Key West With Final Instruction About Porto Rico.

KEY WEST, Fla. (Special).—Admiral Sampson sailed from Key West, coaled and victualled for an unprecedentedly long voyage, incidentally with the receipt of news about the four Spaniards at Barbadoes.

His flagship, the cruiser New York, was followed out of port by the first-class battleships Iowa and Indiana, the monitor Puritan, the cruisers Cincinnati, Detroit and Marblehead, and the torpedo gunboat Mayflower.

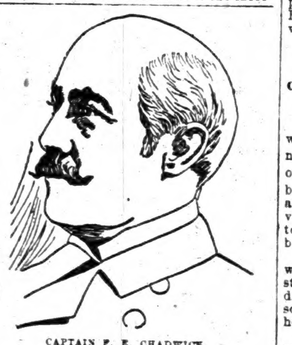
"Locate Cape Verde fleet and destroy it. It is supposed to be about 900 miles out, headed for southwesterly coast. Probably looking for Oregon, but most likely making for San Juan, Porto Rico. Don't allow it to enter. Look out for Oregon. If you can't locate the fleet and need coal, use your own discretion about seizing Porto Rico coaling station."

These were, in substance, the orders with which Rear-Admiral Sampson, in command of the North Atlantic fleet, sailed from Key West.

The instructions were voluminous. They informed the fleet commander of the information the department had of Spain's plans; how many ships and torpedo-boats are supposed to be in the Cape Verde fleet; what orders have been given the battleship Oregon and her convoys, and where they would put in for coal and what course they will take.

The Administration did not want to seize Porto Rico unless it became necessary for use as a base of supplies in the event that the fleet could not be located. In that case the island would be held to cut off Spain's only harbor of succor this side of the Atlantic.

BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF TAMPA, FLORIDA, AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY ENCAMPED UNDER BRIGADIER-GENERAL SHAFTER, PREPARATORY TO EMBARKING FOR CUBA.



CAPTAIN F. E. CHADWICK.
(In command of Rear Admiral Sampson's flagship, the New York.)

Spain's Cadiz Fleet.

CADIZ, Spain (By Cable).—Spain's fleet of five powerful modern warships at Cadiz—the battleships Pelayo and Vitoria, the armored cruisers Emperador Carlos V. and Cardenal Cisneros and the protected cruiser Alfonso XIII.—may sail for America at once.

Thirty Thousand For Washington.

The plans of the War Department contemplate the mobilization of about 30,000 volunteer soldiers in the vicinity of Washington. These men will comprise one corps of the army, to be known most likely as the Army of the Potomac.

General Stockton Dead.

General Robert F. Stockton died a few days ago at his home in Trenton, N. J. He had been ill for several weeks, but his condition was not regarded as serious. General Stockton was born at Princeton on January 22, 1832. His father was Robert F. Stockton, Commodore in the United States Navy.

Warship For Navassa.

The President ordered a warship sent to Navassa Island, the inhabitants being reported in danger of starvation, as well as attack by Spanish vessels.

PREDICTED SEIZURE OF PORTO RICO

What Senator Burrows Said After an Interview With the President.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—There have been many conferences between the President and Senators and Representatives. A frequent caller is Senator Bur

SENATOR BURROWS, OF MICHIGAN.
(After leaving the White House he predicted the seizure of Porto Rico.)

row, of Michigan. As he left the White House Saturday he said:

"Everything is moving along smoothly and well. What we want now is Porto Rico. We ought to have that."

"Will it be soon, senator?"

"Yes," was the reply, "probably in a day or two."

While refraining from saying what occured at his brief interview with the President, his statement that the seizure of Porto Rico was expected to be made in a day or two was significant as showing how well he possessed the confidence of the Administration though he would not say that the President has given him any information.

PANDO CONCENTRATES HIS TROOPS.

All Spanish Forces Are Being Collected at the Chief Cuban Seaports.

KINGSTON, Jamaica (By Cable).—Direct Cuban advices report great activity by

GENERAL PANDO.

General Pando in the mobilization of the Spanish forces. The purpose is to endeavor to repel the American invasion.

The insurgents already occupy Bayamo, an important railroad town in Santiago de Cuba, Jiquani and Bafre. They have opened the seige of Manzanillo, an important seaport on the south coast near Bayamo. It must surrender within a week unless relieved.

A FRENCH STEAMER SEIZED.

Captured While Trying to Run the Havana Blockade, But Released.

KEY WEST, Fla. (Special),—The blockade watch of the United States gunboat Annapolis was made interesting by an attempt of the French Line steamer Lafayette, bound from Corunna, Spain, for Havana and Vera Cruz, to run the blockade at Havanna. The steamer was challenged and told that she could proceed to Vera Cruz, but not to Havana.

The Annapolis, supposing the Lafayette would give heed, fell astern, but the steamer ran full steam toward Havana, and did not stop at hearing blank shots. Two solid shot from the Annapolis brought her to.

A prize crew was put in charge, and, with the gunboat Wilmington as escort, the Lafayette was brought to Key West.

Later she was released on orders from Washington, because permission had been granted by the Government for her to touch at Havana before making her destination, Veru Cruz, and she was to be escorted to Havana by a man-of-war.

A despatch from Paris says the seizure of the steamer Lafayette has intensified the bitter feeling against the United States. The United States Embassy is under special police protection in view of a possible hostile demonstration.

Limiting City Postal Deliveries.

The United States Senate, by a decisive vote, adopted Senator Tillman's amendment to the Postal Appropriation bill limiting deliveries of mail in all cities to four a day. At present no section of the old city of New York receives less than three and some as many as nine.

Miss Brewster Adjudged Insane.

The jury at Montpelier, Vt., in the trial of Mildred Brewster for the murder of Anna Wheeler, on May 29, 1897, returned a verdict of "Not guilty by reason of insanity."

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DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY

An Appropriate Topic—The Great Need of Reform—Churches Must Change to Work For Good—Religion That Will Make a Revolution in the Family.

TEXT: "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also." Acts xvii. 6.

There is a wild, bellowing mob around the house of Jason, in Thessalonica. What has the man done so great to excite the people? He has been entertaining Paul and his companions. They storm the house and cry: "Bring out the setter-in of preachers! They are interfering with our business! They are ruining our religion! They are actually turning the world upside down!"

The charge was true for there is nothing that so interferes with sin the world as the man who so greatly exposes and overthrows iniquity, there is nothing that has such tendency to turn the world upside down as our glorious Christianity. The fact is, that the world now is wrong side up, and it needs to be turned upside down in order that it may be right side up. The time was when men wrote books on fortifying them "Apologies for Christianity." I hope that day has passed. We want no more apologies for Christianity. Let the apologies be on the part of those who do not believe in our religion. We do not mean to make any compromise in the matter. We do not wish to hide the fact that Christianity is revolutionary, and that its tendency is to turn the world upside down.

Our religion has often been misrepresented as a principle of tears, and muchness, and fastidiousness; afraid of crossing people's prejudices; afraid of making somebody mad; with silken gloves lifting the people up from the church pew into glory, as though they were Bohemian glass, so very delicate that with one touch it may be demolished forever. Men speak of religion as though it were a refined imbecility; as though it were a spiritual chloroform, that the people were to take until the sharp cutting of life were over. The Bible, so far from this, represents the religion of Christ as robust and brawny—ransacking and upsetting ten thousand things that now seem to be settled on firm foundations. I hear some man in the house say, "I thought religion was peace." That is the final result. A man's arm is out of place. Two men come, and with great effort put it back to the socket. It goes back with great pain. Then it gets well. Our world is horribly distorted and out of joint. It must come under an omnipotent surgery, beneath which there will be pain and anguish before there can come perfect health and quiet. I proclaim, therefore, in the name of my Lord Jesus Christ "revolution!"

The religion of the Bible will make a revolution in the family. Those things that are wrong in the family circle will be overthrown by it, while justice and harmony will take the place. The husband will be the head of the household only when he is fit to be. I know a man who spends all the money he makes in drink, as well as all the money that his wife makes, and sometimes sells the children's clothes for rum. Do you tell me that he is to be the head of that household? If the wife have more nobility, more courage, more consistency, more of all that is right, she shall have the supremacy. You say that the Bible says that the wife is to be subject to the husband. I know it. But that is a husband, not a masculine caricature. There is no human or divine law that makes a woman subordinate to a man unworthy of her. When Christianity comes into a domestic circle it will give the dominancy to that one who is the most worthy of it.

Again: Christianity will produce a revolution in commercial circles. Find me fifty merchants, and you find that they have fifty standards of what is right and wrong. You say to some one about a merchant, "Is he honest?" "Oh! yes," the man says, "he is honest; but he grinds the faces of his clerks. He is honest; but he exaggerates the value of his goods. He is honest; but he loans money on bond and mortgage, with the understanding that the mortgage can lie quiet for ten years, but as soon as he gets the mortgage, he records it and begins a foreclosure suit, and the sheriff's writ comes down, and the day of sale arrives, and away goes the homestead, and the creditor buys it in at half price. Honest? When he loaned the money he knew that he would get the homestead at half price. Honest? But he goes to the insurance office to get a policy on his life, and tells the doctor that he is well, when he knows that for ten years he has had but one lung. Honest? Though he sells property by the map, forgetting to tell the purchaser that the ground is all under water; but it is generous in him to do that, for he throws the water into the bargain.

The fraudulent man piles up his gains, bond above bond, United States security above United States security, emolument above emolument, until his property has become a great pyramid, and, as he stands looking at it, he thinks it can never be destroyed; but the Lord God comes, and with His little finger pushes it all over.

You build a house, and you put into it a rotten beam. A mechanic standing by says: "It will never do to put that beam in; it will ruin your whole building." But you put it in. The house is completed. Soon it begins to rock. You call in the mechanic and ask: "What is the matter with this door? What is the matter with this wall? Everything seems to be giving out." Says the mechanic: "You put a rotten beam into that structure, and the whole thing has got to come down." Here is an estate that seems to be all right now; it has been building a great many years. But fifteen years ago there was a dishonest transaction in that commercial house. That one dishonest transaction will keep on working ruin in the whole structure until down the estate will come in wreck and ruin about the possessor's ears—one dishonest dollar in the estate demolishing all his possession. I have seen it again and again; and so have you.

You have an old photograph of the signs on your street. Why have those signs nearly all changed within the last twenty years? Does the passing away of a generation account for it? Oh, no. Does the fact that there are hundreds of honest men who go down every year account for it? Oh, no. This is the secret: The Lord God has been walking through the commercial streets of our great cities, and he has been adjusting things according to the principles of eternal rectitude.

The time will come when, through the revolutionary power of the Gospel, a falsehood, instead of being called exaggeration, equivocation, or evasion, will be branded a lie! And stealings, that now sometimes go under the head of percentages and commissions, and bonuses, will be put into the catalogue of State-prison offenses. Society will be turned inside out and upside down, and ransacked of God's truth, until business dishonesties shall come to an end, and all double-dealing, and God will overturn, and overturn, and overturn, and commercial men in all cities will throw up their hands, crying out, "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither."

The religion of Jesus Christ will produce a revolution in our churches. The noncommittal, do-nothing policy of the Church of God will give way to a spirit of bravest conquest. Piety in this day seems to me to be salted down just so as to keep. It seems as if the church were chiefly anxious to take care of itself; and if we hear of want, and squalor, and heathenism outside we say: "What a pity!" and we put our hands in our pockets, and we feel around for a two-cent piece, and with a great flourish we put it upon the plate and are amazed that the world is not converted in six weeks. Suppose there were a great war and there were three hundred thou-

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The United States Supreme Court affirmed the constitutionality of the New York Legislature forbidding persons who have been convicted and punished for a crime from practicing medicine in the State.

The question arose in the case of Hawker vs. the State of New York. Hawker served ten years in the State prison for an offense committed in Ohio. He sued for his release set up as a defense that at the time the law in question was passed he was practicing that profession. The Court held that it was within the police power of the State to enact such a law.

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The wife of Maximo Gomez, the commander-in-chief of the insurgent forces in Cuba, is an American woman. Her maiden name was Pink Martin, and she was a daughter of Henry Martin, of Nail's Creek, East Tennessee.

She married a Georgia man named Gomez, and died she went to Havana as the wife of Gomez, whom she married in Savannah.

As the Martin family was one of wealth and influence, Mrs. Gomez had all the advantages, social and educational, of a refined and cultured American girl.

CUBA'S FUTURE

It Will be Under the Stars and Stripes Until Peace is Restored.

President McKinley has given assurances to be given that the rights will be respected, and that the people of Cuba establish a government. It will be under the control of the military authorities of the United States, and all qualified citizens, combatants or non-combatants, will be given an opportunity to participate in the formation of the constitution. The island of Cuba will be under the Stars and Stripes until peace is restored and such guarantee can be given that no outrages will be perpetrated.

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A Bullet Its Own Doctor.

In spite of the terrible ingenuity and destructiveness of modern warfare, the general tendency of the times is to make it as humane as practicable. For instance, the use of copper-covered bullets, which has been frowned upon, and a Philadelphia physician has a plan that he claims will greatly mitigate the suffering of a soldier whose body has been perforated by the small-caliber bullet. It is well known that the greatest objection to the use of modern rifles and the small-caliber bullets is that the velocity and penetrating power of these bullets are so great that the surgeon has little chance to strike a bone they will not entirely through a man's body without knowing it. The physician's theory is that such a small wad of antiseptic cotton as required the rear of the bullet. This would be entirely covered by the shell of the cartridge case, could not interfere with loading and firing, and would not affect the flight of the bullet. As the bullet passes through a man's body the wad will antisepticize the wound and prevent consequent suppuration. It is claimed that it is possible to so nicely adjust the weight of the wad to the bullet that as soon as the bullet passes out it will leave the wad in the wound hole and stop bleeding. Ultimately the whole system might do away with the present necessity of a large medical corps, as every soldier would carry medical treatment sufficient for his own wounded.—Philadelphia Record.

The Land of the Lazy.

"In a late sojourn in Honduras," says Mr. I. B. Givens, "I came to the conclusion that it was a paradise for lazy men. Everything grows luxuriantly with little or no labor on the part of the natives. The crops do not need replanting more than once in eight or ten years. The soil offers fine inducements to enterprising men, but it is hard on a white man. There are civilized ways to go down there, but as a rule among an ignorant lot of natives who are 100 years behind the times. A man will have no congenial society, and will be ill in exile. The natives live in bamboo houses, though in the better dwellings are of adobe. Children go barefooted for the first two or three years of their lives, and the attire of the adults is scanty. The Government is liberal with concessions to encourage development of the country's resources, but there is no general rule governing the granting of these privileges. It all depends on how good a man may be driven. The climate is unwholesome and laziness is about the only prevailing disease. Washington Star.

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Forts Opened Fire on Cruisers Chasing a Spanish Schooner

DEFENSES AT MATANZAS AGAIN BOMBARDED

Sampson's Fleet Will Act Before an Invasion of Cuba is Made—Battle Between the Fleet May Occur at Any Time—A Wild Rumor Afloat.

HAVANA.—At half past 3 Saturday afternoon three American cruisers which were pursuing the Spanish schooner Santiago, bound for Yucatan with salted fish, approached the Vedado batteries, which fired at them when about five miles off shore. Six shots were fired at the Americans. A local paper says that one of the projectiles carried off the smokestack and one of the masts of the American cruiser which was in the lead and that another projectile fell upon the deck of the other. The Americans replied with twelve shots, but the projectiles fell two miles off the batteries and the cruisers then retreated under a full head of steam. One of the shots from the batteries fell near one of the American vessels, covering her decks with water, and it asserted positively that a hole was made in her hull below the water line.

Matanzas Again Bombarded.

Matanzas has been bombarded by the torpedo boat Dupont and the auxiliary cruiser Hornet. It lasted from 4 o'clock to 5:30, Friday, and 11 to 11:30 Saturday. Twenty or thirty Spaniards were killed. The forts replied with vigor at first, but their fire soon dwindled down and finally died away altogether. The skill displayed by the American guns was extraordinary. In many instances the fortifications were torn down and disrupted.

Battle Expected Tuesday.

PORT AU PRINCE—The arrival is rumored late Sunday evening of seventeen war vessels, warships and others, at Porto Rico, and a battle is expected on Tuesday. It is also reported from Cape Haytien that Rear Admiral Sampson's squadron has been sighted to the north.

Sampson Will Act Before the Invasion.

TAMPA, (Special).—The work of preparing the transports has been delayed a good deal by the non-arrival of material, and it will be Wednesday, perhaps later in the week, before this work is accomplished. But outside of the delay in the preparations no American troops will be landed on Cuban soil until the question of superiority in the Atlantic is settled between Admiral Sampson's squadron and the Spanish fleet, and settled definitely. High army officials make this statement. They would be taking needless chances to send an army into Cuba before the Spanish fleet is disposed of and until the meeting of the American and Spanish fleets take place no one here believes that orders to move will be received.

Rumor That the Montgomery Was Sunk.

PORT AU PRINCE.—There is a wild and apparently unfounded rumor here that the Spanish first-class cruiser Vizcaya has sunk the United States cruiser Montgomery, with all on board. The rumor seems to have grown out of a story that the Montgomery left Cape Haytien Sunday afternoon. She was chased by a big Spanish cruiser, which had been lying in wait behind Tortuga Island, or La Tortu, as it is called by the French.

Volunteer Army to Consist of Seven Corps.

It was announced at the war department Friday that the volunteer army will consist of seven corps, each in command of a major-general, but that nothing had been settled as to their organization and place of rendezvous. It is generally understood, however, that Fort Meyer, Va., Atlanta, Ga., Chickamauga, Richmond, Va., and Long Island, N. Y., have been virtually selected as places of mobilization of the volunteer army.

Troops and Ships for the Philippines.

The war department is preparing orders to be rushed through to San Francisco ordering the troops and ships to start for the Philippines immediately.

QUEEN REGENT WILL LEAVE.

Apartments Have Already Been Secured for Her at Vienna.

LONDON—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"Apartments have been reserved at a hotel here for the Queen Regent of Spain in case she arrives before apartments are prepared for her in her brother's palace. Telegrams from the Austrian Ambassador at Madrid, Count Dubski, indicate that the Queen Regent is only waiting for a suitable moment to quit Spain without detriment to her son."

Fine Steel Yacht Bought.

The splendid steel steam yacht Comanche, which was built by the Globe Iron Works company at Cleveland, O., for M. H. Hanna in 1892 has been bought by the government. The vessel was examined by naval officers about ten days ago and the deal has just been closed. The Comanche is 185 feet over all, 165 feet on the water line, 25 feet beam and 11 feet deep. She can be made ready for sea in a short time and will not have to be altered to get through the canals to the coast.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS IMPROVED.

Large Military Orders Are Helping a Certain Line of Industries.

R. G. Dun & Co's. weekly review of trade says:

A state of war was so greatly dreaded by those who have seen nothing like it for thirty years, that its coming has hurt less than its apprehension. Especially since the victory at Manila, which indicated the superiority of the American navy gun for gun, expectations that the war will not last long has influenced the markets and stocks have advanced, the average of prices for railroads being $2.79 per share. The general condition of business has been materially improved. One day's work by the officers and men at Manila has given many days work to thousands of people at home of whom they knew nothing and has placed all American industries on a stronger footing for any conceivable future.

The fact that gold is now used almost exclusively between the treasury and the clearing house indicates the entire freedom from apprehension about the currency or public credit.

The most sensational of all changes and the most practically important has been the rise in wheat 13 cents during one day's session and 2¼ since Tuesday.

Industries have reached a wonderful stimulus, from the conviction that hostilities will not last long and from heavy government orders. Besides heavy demand for steel plates and iron products and ammunition the government has ordered 2,500,000 yards woolen cloths, 125,000 blankets, 3,000,000 yards cotton goods and great quantities of provisions and other supplies, and meanwhile reviving confidence has multiplied other demands.

Business in iron continues heavy.

Textile establishments have been receiving larger orders within the past few days. No decline will ever appear in the prices in staple cloths or dress goods. Wool has declined about half a cent in April. Print cloths have again made a new low record 1.4 cents, but a better market is seen for other cotton products. Failures in the United States were 238 against 231 last year.

ENGLAND AGAIN REFUSES

To Take Any Part in Intervention—May Seize Canary Islands.

LONDON.—Certain powers have again made overtures to Great Britain looking to intervention in the war between Spain and the United States, but Great Britain persisted in her refusal to take part in any such movement.

A story is published here to the effect that the British admiralty has been notified by the Washington Naval Strategic Board to remove the British subjects from the Canary Islands, and it is said that this accounts for the British second-class cruiser Charydis being ordered to Las Palmas, and leads to the conclusion that Rear Admiral Sampson may attack the Canary Islands, which would either draw the Spanish fleet out of Cadiz or give the United States a naval base from which to attack Spain.

TWO IMPORTANT MEASURES.

Bill Extending to Alaska Homestead Privileges Passed.

The house of representatives Friday disposed of two important measures. The Alaska land bill extending the homestead laws and providing for certain land railway rights-of-way in the district of Alaska, as amended by the senate and agreed upon in conference, was passed.

The labor arbitration measure, providing for the arbitration of labor disputes between employe and certain common carriers, which bill has received very wide indorsement by the labor organizations throughout the country, received the approval of the house. A number of minor bills were also passed.

Troops Moving on to Tampa.

The Twenty-fifth infantry left Chickamauga Park Friday for Tampa in command of Colonel Burt, who, though not officially notified of his appointment as a brigadier general in the volunteer army, was ordered to accompany his regiment south.

Other regiments now in camp have been ordered to rid themselves of all heavy equipments of every sort and hold themselves in light marching order. It is stated on good authority that all but two regiments will be sent south in the next week or ten days.

Hurrying Spain's Ships.

A dispatch to the London Daily Chronicle from Cadiz says: The Pelayo and the cruiser Alfonso XIII. have left their anchorage in the bay and gone to the dockyard. The cruisers Patriota and Madrida are preparing with all speed and are expected to sail together. Cadiz is overwhelmed with the news of the Manila disaster, the lost crews numbering many Cadizans.

Nicaragua Canal Bill Reintroduced.

Senator Morgan has reintroduced his Nicaragua canal bill. It is in the main framed on the same principles as former bills, but there are several new provisions.

Two Small Prizes Taken.

As soon as sunrise Friday morning lifted the regulations forbidding the entrance of vessels into Key West harbor during the dark hours, two little prizes were brought in. They were both Spanish schooners of no great value, the Oriente and the Antonio Suerez.

Spanish Spy Arrested.

A Spanish spy was arrested in Washington Sunday night and is now in confinement at the arsenal. Chief Wilkie, of the treasury secret service, believes the man guilty.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Death from a Fall.

Wm. P. Stradford, commissioner from the First district of Jefferson county, died Sunday from the effects of a fall from his horse received on Saturday.

Tragedy at the Army Camp.

A tragedy occurred at the regular army camp in Mobile Thursday night. Sergeant Crowley, of company A, Third infantry, was shot and killed by a private of the Nineteenth, whom he was trying to arrest for drunkenness.

Big Coal Shipment.

A tow of 10,000 tons of Walker county coal will be loaded within the next few days on the Southern Railway's coal barges at Greenville, Miss. As soon as the barges are loaded they will be sent down the Mississippi river. Superintendent A. J. Frazer, of the Southern Railway, stated that the coal was for use on plantations and not for war use.

Jackson's Volunteers Go to Mobile.

The Jackson county volunteers, eighty-six strong, left Friday for Mobile to join the Third Alabama infantry, to which organization they have been assigned, with the recruits that were to join the company at Larkinsville, Woodville and Paint Rock stations, and it is believed that they will go into camp 100 strong.

Surveying New Railroad.

Mr. J. L. Cowan, civil engineer is surveying the new railroad from West Point, Ga., to Opelika. It has already been completed from West Point to Lanett and River View, and will be built on to Opelika as rapidly as men and money can do the work. It will connect at Opelika with the Central of Georgia and give the great factories a cheap and quick outlet to the east.

A Million Dollar Steel Plant.

A special from New York says: Nat L. Baxter and A. M. Shook, of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railway Company, who have been in this city several days, are said to have about completed arrangements for floating $1,100,000 of bonds for the erection of a steel plant at Birmingham. Nothing official has yet been given out, but it is said that the issue will be placed through a prominent banking institution.

Petition for Dissolution.

A petition for the dissolution of the Corona Coal and Coke Company was filed in the city court of Birmingham by the Jasper Town and Land Company, limited, J. H. Bartlett, J. B. Shields, J. M. Crawford and R. M. Little, to which N. M. Davidson, the remaining stockholder, is made defendant. The petitioners pray that the corporation be dissolved and that a receiver be appointed to take charge of the property and affairs of the company.

Omaha Platform Reaffirmed by Populists.

The populist state convention, which met at Montgomery, in addition to nominating a state ticket, headed by G. B. Deans, former populist state chairman, for Governor, chose Dr. G. B. Crowe chairman of the state executive committee. The following members of the state committee were selected: G. B. Crowe, Frank Baltzell, I. L. Brock, J. H. Harris, S. M. Adams, Ed Spiers, L. L. Foster, Zell Gaston, L. F. Knight, W. C. Robinson, J. Merritt, J. W. Pitts, L. T. Harris, J. T. Lancaster, R. H. Ford, R. T. Williams, D. W. Hollis, J. W. Casper, T. W. Powell, T. F. George, T. W. Cooper, A. H. Spencer and N. J. Fuller.

The following delegates to the populist national convention were chosen: M. W. Howard, J. M. Whitehead, I. L. Foscue, W. T. Coggins, N. A. Spears, S. J. Petree, A. P. Longshore, J. T. Shugart, Frank Baltzell and I. H. Reynolds.

The platform was chiefly a reaffirmation of the Omaha platform, coupled with a demand for fair elections and better schools. Confidence was expressed in the national administration with regard to its war policy.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

A negro has developed a case of smallpox at Whistler.

Prolonged dry weather is reported in Southeast Alabama, and crops are suffering.

A report that Roland Hann was killed by his son at Wedowee has reached Anniston. The son gave up.

Republicans are talking of putting out a ticket in opposition to the regular democratic nominees in Autauga county.

A dispatch received at Huntsville from Denison, Tex., announced the death of Dr. A. C. Debow, formerly one of the most prominent physicians of North Alabama.

John Roberts, a prominent farmer living near Leesburg, accidentally cut his foot off with an ax while cutting wood.

At Mobile the jury in the case of the State vs. ex-Tax Collector Lott returned a verdict of $15,890. The amount sued for was $18,000.

The ladies of Birmingham raised a car load of provisions for the volunteer soldiers of the First Alabama, and forwarded it to them last Sunday.

Steve Hood and Gus Wise, two prominent farmers of Maple Grove, had a dispute over a cotton planter. Hood cut Wise in several places. Wise will die. Hood escaped.

A call has been issued for a state convention of the miners of Alabama, to be held in Birmingham on May 16. The purpose of this meeting is to organize the miners of Alabama into a district of the United Mine Workers of America.

MOBILIZING AT CHICKAMAUGA.

Fifty Thousand Volunteers Will be Concentrated at Chickamauga Park.

Preparations for the reception of the thousands of volunteers ordered to assemble at Chickamauga park in the near future are now being pushed rapidly. Additional wells are being dug, new switch tracks are being put in and camping sites are being selected. It is the desire of Gen. Brooke and Gen. Boynton, the latter chairman of the park commission, to have everything in such shape that the volunteers can go into camp upon arrival without trouble or delay.

Col. Sheridan, of Gen. Brooke's staff, speaking for the general, said that no additional information to the notice received Sunday that 50,000 volunteers would be sent to Chattanooga, had been received. Gen. Brooke thinks that some time will elapse before the entire 50,000 can be mobilized.

The complete list of brigadier-generals who will command the volunteer army at Chickamauga is as follows: Gens. Compton, Andrew G. Burt, Sumner, Snyder, Henry, Lawton, Chaffe and Davis. Of these Gens. Henry, Sumner and Chaffee are already at the park. Gen. Burt, whose regiment went to Tampa last week, will return. Major Generals Lee, Wilson and Wheeler will also come to Chickamauga. Gen. Brooke will continue in command as the ranking general.

GOMEZ HEARD FROM.

Sends His Thanks to This Country and is Ready to Co-operate.

A commissioner sent to Gomez's camp has returned to New York, bringing the Cuban leader's formal official thanks in behalf of Cuba to the United States, a letter to President McKinley and one each to General Miles and Admiral Sampson, also thanks to the American people, says a dispatch to the World from Key West.

GENERAL MAXIMO GOMEZ.

Gomez wants rifles, food, clothing and United States troops, in the order named. Armed and supplied he promises to drive the blockaded Spaniards out in six months.

Gomez formally declares his readiness to co-operate with Miles and Sampson. Hunger in the field almost equals Weyler's cemetery towns. Ten thousand Cuban revolutionists have died in the last four months. Gomez's own force in Santa Clara are now living vicariously on small game. Other portions are worse, and but 20,000 healthy soldiers remain. Exampled by a few regular troops the most moderate estimate is 4 0,000 resolute Cubans, of which at least half have heard bullets before. Conditions of the blockaded island beggars description.

INTERIOR OF PHILIPPINES

Must be Pacified to Insure the Security of Life and Property.

A dispatch to the New York World from Singapore says: There is general satisfaction here among all but the Spanish sympathizers at the American victory at Manila. But the reduction of that town and the capture of the strongholds will not complete the American work in the Philippines. In order to insure the peaceful occupation of the islands, security for life and property, the resumption of planting and commercial undertakings upon which private and public revenues depend—it will be necessary to effect the pacification of the interior. That is only possible through the aid of the supreme leader of the Philippines, Gen. Aguinaldo.

ENTHUSIASTIC CUBANS.

Eighteen Thousand Are at Sancti Spiritus Ready to Co-operate With Our Army.

An artist who has just arrived at Key West from Gomez's camp says that there are 18,000 Cubans in the neighborhood of Sancti Spiritus, but they are short of arms and ammunition. They also have difficulty in obtaining sufficient food, but are full of enthusiasm and desire to co-operate with our army.

The condition of the reconcentrados is described as pitiful in the extreme.

Spanish Cabinet Crisis On.

It is announced at Madrid that the cabinet ministers have placed their portfolios in the hands of Senor Sagasta, the premier, with the view of a probable reconstruction of the ministry.

Blanco's Stories Baseless.

Secretary Long says Blanco's report as to the foundering of the Cincinnati is baseless, as the ship is at Key West. He also denies that the Montgomery had an engagement.

Gen. Wheeler Given His Commission.

General Wheeler took the oath of office Friday, solemnly swearing to defend the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic. He was the first of the four major-generals to be mustered into the volunteer army, but he is the first ex-Confederate officer to receive a commission in the military service of the United States.

The Alabama Will Be Launched May 18.

The battleship Alabama will be launched at Philadelphia of the 18th of this month, and orders have been issued to the Cramp to hasten the work as rapidly as possible.

Two Officers Slain.

Corporal Anthony Cleary was shot and killed Friday in New Orleans by Dennis Burrell, a negro whom he had arrested for robbery. Tremendous excitement followed. The police and a mob chased the murderer and finally surrounded him. In the attempt to capture the negro he shot and killed Officer Trimp. The murderer was finally shot and his body riddled with bullets.

Gov. Budd, of California, has been warned of what is alleged to be a plot against his life by Spaniards.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR JUDGE OF PROBATE

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton county, subject to the votes of the people of the County at the general election in August, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the important office of Judge of Probate, as a free silver and reform Republican opposing conventions, and soliciting the votes of the people at the general election in August.

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PLANS OF CAMPAIGN.

EX-SECRETARY HERBERT TELLS WHICH SPAIN MAY FOLLOW.

Does Not Believe It Practicable For Spain to Bombard Our Cities—His Opinion Is That She Will Fight For Dominion In Cuban Waters.

What will be Spain's plan of campaign?

Will Sagasta send the Spanish ships to Cuban waters and endeavor to break the blockade and relieve the Spanish army?

If he does not do this, there are two other plans open to him. One is to retain the Spanish navy near home and wait until it is attacked. To do this would be not to fight at all. We will be contented, certainly for a time, if we can capture Cuba and relieve the situation there which has caused the war. Assuredly Spain will not consent that the navy shall be idle.

Another plan, and one which it is possible now that Spain will follow, is to make a diversion upon our Atlantic coast either by sending a large fleet to attack some of our seacoast cities or by scattering the Spanish fleet, or at least the swiftest vessels it has, to make a raid upon our commerce.

I cannot believe it is practicable for Spain to attempt to bombard any of our cities. Unarmored vessels cannot do it, because they couldn't withstand shots from the smallest of our coast defense guns, and Spain's armored vessels have not sufficient coal endurance to enable them to undertake such expeditions. They have no coaling stations convenient. Their vessels could not carry sufficient supplies to justify such an attempt. Any effort to bring us to terms by raiding our commerce would be fruitless. Perhaps no war was ever yet decided by commerce destroying.

Our transatlantic lines must no doubt cease to make their trips. We cannot spare men-of-war to convoy them. Our swift vessels are needed, part of them as scouts and part to hunt and destroy Spanish commerce destroyers and privateers. Nor will there be found, even in our coastwise commerce, any very tempting bait for privateers. Not many of these ships will be able to capture vessels on our Atlantic coast and get them safely into a Spanish port for condemnation as prizes. Certainly if we are left alone in Cuban waters no Spanish port will long be open in Puerto Rico or Cuba.

The only other plan open to Spain is to fight for dominion in Cuban waters. This I believe she will do. This opinion is ventured simply because you have asked for it. It may of course turn out that I am mistaken, as an enemy always undertakes to do just exactly what he is not expected to do, especially when he is inferior in strength, as Spain undoubtedly is to the United States. But Spanish sentiment at home has impelled Spain into this unequal contest, and it is not easy to see how that government, in the face of that sentiment, can refuse to fight for Cuba.

This is the subject matter of this war. There is the flower of the Spanish army. There are the brothers and the sons of these people in obedience to whose mandates Sagasta has taken up the gage of battle, and it is not believed that he can afford to leave that army to be captured and that island to be surrendered without at least one brave and determined effort to relieve it. Spanish honor, of which we have heard so much, will not submit to it.

Some time probably will be taken to collect the Spanish naval forces, and efforts will no doubt be made to scatter our fleet by diversions against our coast line and our commerce, but it seems probable that all these diversions will have the one end in view of finally getting relief to Cuba by means of Spanish fleets. There lies the heart of this contest. Spain might as well give up all thought of making war against us as to make no effort for relief on the island. —Ex-Secretary Herbert of the Navy in New York World.

AN "IGNORANCE CLUB."

A Rochester Society Where Members May Show Their Lack of Knowledge.

Mrs. Jane Marsh Parker has the distinction of being the founder of the only ignorance club in the United States. Instead of starting out with the assumption that the members have an abundance of knowledge upon every known subject the chief plank in its platform is, "We know nothing, but seek knowledge."

The Fortnightly Ignorance club is the title, Rochester is its home, and, starting with half a dozen members meeting in Judge Parker's office, it soon grew to several hundred members, with the chamber of commerce for its headquarters. Mrs. Parker is the secretary and Dr. Sarah R. A. Dolley, one of the first women in this country to study medicine, is the president. Miss Susan B. Anthony is an honorary member.

Each member of the ignorance club is privileged to display all the ignorance she can muster. A night is read apart for the meetings, and the subject selected for the next meeting is one of which it is known little but wishes to know more.—New York Sun.

TO SERVE AS SCOUTS.

PLAN TO SEND TWO THOUSAND SIOUX INDIANS TO CUBA.

The Braves Are Eager For Service—Their Qualifications as Fighters—Chiefs Who Would Make the Selections From 6,000 Warriors—Cheyennes Anxious to Go.

The Chicago Record published recently a dispatch from Omaha giving the details of the war department scheme for enlisting Sioux Indians to engage in the fight with Spain.

The department of the Missouri, with headquarters at Omaha, has been assigned the task of arranging the preliminary details of the new Indian arm of the service. General Coppinger, commanding the department, has completed arrangements for rushing the organization, so that it will be ready for service in less than 30 days after war shall begin.

The work of preparing the Indian command was assigned to this department because the officers here are more familiar with the characteristics of the Sioux, from which tribe the detail will be selected, than are other members of the army. Many men now connected with the department of the Missouri have spent the last 30 years in this section of the west and personally have defended the border in every Indian uprising during that period. In all the historic battles with the Indians during that time the warriors of the Sioux nation have been the leading spirits. As they were always the prime movers in starting hostilities, so they were always the most courageous. Other tribes were always anxious to begin fighting on the frontier, but they were mostly ready to surrender just when the daring Sioux were doing their most desperate work.

It is for these reasons that the war department has selected the Sioux as the tribe from which the Indian companies will be formed for the Cuban campaign. Four regiments will be organized, requiring 2,000 men. Several weeks ago a number of the young Sioux subchiefs at Pine Ridge agency notified the Indian agent that they were anxious to help in the war which the government was about to make on its enemies. Among the number who volunteered their services were Chief Spotted Elk and Chief Standing Bear. They are two of the most daring chiefs of the Sioux and have a strong following. Their bands number 300 each, but in actual hostilities they can count on twice that number of fighting men, because their well known fighting qualities assure the young bucks of plenty of excitement in their bands. The services of these two chiefs will be accepted. In fact, they have been so informed by the Indian agent at Pine Ridge.

The head chief of the Sioux, Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Horses, did not volunteer, but his services have been secured. The agent requested a personal interview with him, and he expressed a great willingness to show his loyalty to the government. Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Horses explained that he would have volunteered his services for the campaign, but feared that the army officers entertained a prejudice against him because he killed Lieutenant Casey during the Sioux campaign of 1890-91. When assured that the army officers had no such feeling, the young chief was pleased and said he would at once go among his young men and tell them to get ready for the war. Since then the chief has ridden all over the reservations of Pine Ridge and Rosebud and has stirred up much excitement among the Sioux warriors. There is much excitement among the bucks of the tribe. They are elated to think they have been selected for this fighting because of their prowess on the battle field. Indians are keenly sensitive to such flattery, and this recognition of the claims of the Sioux to the distinction of first class fighting men has done more than any thing could to raise the government in their estimation.

As the recruiting officers will make their selection from 6,000 of the finest specimens of Indian warriors in the world, the 2,000 Indians finally enlisted in the army ought to be splendid timber. The selections will be made in person by Chief Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Horses, assisted by Spotted Elk and Standing Bear. The chiefs will select each man on account of his well known fighting qualities, accuracy with the rifle, expertness as a horseman and general worth as a Sioux warrior. This examination is much more severe than that in force in the regular army of the United States. All of the chosen warriors will be veterans in a sense, as they have seen service on more than one battlefield. The Cheyennes are anxious to form one of the regiments, but the Sioux objected vociferously that the war department officials included to have the Indian scouts composed wholly of Sioux. These Indians will not require more than 48 hours notice to appear at the reservation for fighting.

Novel Bridge Used by Cossacks.

Cossack regiments are being drilled in crossing rivers on a novel sort of improvised bridge. Sheets of eight lances are passed between the handles and tops of a dozen cooking kettles and are held firmly in place by two ropes, besides being tied together with forage ropes. A dozen such bundles fastened together form one section of a raft or floating bridge and are capable of sustaining half a ton of weight. A section can be put together in 25 minutes.—New York Tribune.

Any Way to Get Out.

Nobody's particular about how Spain gets out of Cuba. Backing out early might be as wise as any method.—Philadelphia Times.

What the Chinese Call It.

The Chinese name for the new game which the European powers are playing in the east is "pluck pidgin."—New York Tribune.

The Reason.

"What a firm, manly tread that young Simmons has."

"Yes; he's commenced using a higher gear."—Cleveland Leader.

LIGHTHOUSES TO CLOSE UP.

Scheme For Wrecking Hostile Ships at the Entrance to Long Island Sound.

The possibility of a vessel of a hostile nation creeping into Long Island sound through the Race is attracting much attention in the cities along the north shore. It is held by some experts that a hostile vessel might in thick weather pass the fortifications now being prepared to guard the Race. To prevent this, it is said, the lighthouse board for the Watch Hill district has arranged for the extinguishing of all the lights in the different lighthouse stations in this section, a measure that would make it almost impossible for any strange craft to make her way into the waters of the sound.

It is said that a code of signals has been prepared by the board for the keepers of these lighthouses so that the lights in their towers can be extinguished in short order and their fog whistles and voices rendered voiceless. Few of the nerviest of the regular sound navigators today would care to undertake to bring a vessel of importance into this sheet of water through either the Race, Plum Gut or Fisher's Island sound in thick or dark weather without the guidance furnished by the lighthouses. The risk would be altogether too great, it is believed, for any foreign warship to undertake. The principal lights affected are understood to be Watch Hill, Race Rock, Montauk, Plum Island, Little Gull Island, Bartlett's Reef and Horton's Point.—New York Sun.

VALUABLE SOLUTION.

By Which Frederick Moss Believes He Can Make Wood Impenetrable.

Frederick R. Moss of Binghamton believes he has discovered a process that will practically supplant iron sheathing for war vessels. He is the possessor of a secret solution that will after a few hours' treatment turn timber as hard as a piece of iron—in fact, those who have witnessed tests say it will stand more than the best tempered steel. A piece of 2 by 4 pine, 3 feet long, soaked in the solution for six days, presents a grayish brown color and weighs 78 pounds to the foot. A board treated in this manner withstood the penetrating powers of a rifle bullet fired at a distance of six feet, the bullet leaving only a scratchlike mark.

Mr. Moss says the discovery was an accident, and that the solution can be cheaply made, pine proving the best wood to work with, but hemlock, cedar or any lumber with an absorbent grain can be used. Mr. Moss believes his discovery will revolutionize the construction of battleships, as impenetrable armor plate can be made at an almost trifling cost. He has submitted samples to the navy department and expects to give a test before a board in a short time. He is reticent regarding the composition of his solution, but his friends believe he has found a fortune.—New York Press.

MODERN BATTLESHIP.

Electrician Dahlman Says It Is a Regular Bundle of Electric Nerves.

"The modern battleship," said Mr. W. E. Dahlman, a well known New York electrician, in Washington the other day, "is a regular bundle of electric nerves, through which circulates the current performing various offices for the comfort, safety and convenience of the crew. It lights the ship in every part; it brings up ammunition from the magazines; it helps to load the guns, and when they are loaded it fires them. It aids in steering the ship; by its agency the officer on the bridge directs the engineers and the man at the wheel; it sends torpedoes on their deadly errands, and it furnishes the power for the great searchlights by which signals are sent at night and by which the sea is patrolled.

"Our war with Spain will be largely a war of electrical machinery, and one of our chief advantages lies in the fact that we are a nation of mechanists, our specialty being in the domain of electricity. In that we excel the rest of the world, and our mastery of the subtle force will be one of the greatest factors in the struggle that will end in the humiliating defeat of the Spanish nation."—Washington Post.

Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. Stanfield & Matthews.

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PROGRAM OF S S CONVENTION

of the Mulberry Association, held with New Salem church, two miles southeast of Strasburg, May 28 and 29, 1898.

Saturday, 9 a m. Devotional exercises by pastor. 9:30. The church and Sunday-school, their relation to each other. S. M. Adams, T. R. Jackson and W. H. Shaw. 10:30. The study of God's Word as a means of spiritual development. L. B. Pounds, D. W. Langston and J. J. Hicks. 12 m. Adjourn for dinner.

2 p.m. Devotional exercises. R. H. Long.

2:30 what relation does the pastor sustain to the missionary department of the Sunday-school? S. Smitherman, Z. J. Jones and A. Glasscock.

3. The happy results of efficient Sunday-school work to church and community. Dr. H. W. Caffee, R. M. Honeycutt and J. P. Gentry.

Sunday 9:30 a m. Sunday-school mass-meeting conducted by R. H. Long.

11. Convention sermon by Sutton Smitherman.

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Those who attend the convention by railroad and wanting conveyance to the church will notify T. G. Williams or Felix Eiland, Thorsby, who will meet them at Strasburg.

JNO. T. MARTIN Sec.

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Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, of Rossville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles." Mr Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame back, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Decoration Day at Pleasant Grove.

Saturday, May 28, is the time set apart to decorate the graves of our beloved dead. The public is invited, especially those who feel interested in the cemetery at Pleasant Grove church. Come with your flowers and baskets and let us spend the day.

PROGRAM.

9 a.m. Address of welcome and object of the decoration by Rev. E. W. Lawley and Rev N. A. Dobbs.

9:30 Preparation necessary for death, by Rev. W. B. Dennis.

10 On the resurrection, by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

10:30 On the judgment, by Rev. T. J. Ledbetter.

11 Decoration conducted by Rev. E. W. Lawley and Rev. W. G. Riggins.

12 Refreshments.

1:30 p.m. out home beyond the grave, by Rev. F. A. Gidson.

3 Sermon from the stand by Rev. W. G. Fraser, of Robinson Springs.

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CLANTON, ALABAMA.

So many bicycles made in the United States have been shipped across the seas and sold in Germany that, instead of trying to learn with all her skilled labor how to make them as well and as cheap as we do, her manufacturers in that line have raised their hands and cried aloud for mercy.

When the Philippine chiefs subsided so quietly there were not a few skeptical ones who declared that as soon as they had fairly got possession of the price of their submission they would appear again in hostility to Spain. Already there are reports of letters from Manila urging those at Hongkong to take the field again. Spanish suppression of revolution is seldom permanent.

The Chicago Record says: "The regulation of the railways presents a serious problem for this country and one that must be faced. The declaration of Mr. Adams of the interstate commerce commission that in the ten years of the operation of the interstate commerce law we have done little to settle the questions should serve to arouse practical students of public questions to a more serious consideration of the problems involved."

A prominent educator, talking to mothers, says that with all children there are nascent periods that is, there are certain times when a child can learn to do things easier and better than at others. The growth of the brain is not generally understood. There is, however, an ebb and flow of interest. The children apply themselves assiduously for a time, then comes arrest, and educators are now disputing whether to urge the child along or after the ebb wait for the certain return of interest in their work.

Statistics show that there are in the United States approximately 800,000 employes of railroads, and to be found among this number are: One hundred thousand station men, 35,000 locomotive engineers, 40,000 firemen and helpers, 25,000 conductors and despatchers, 65,000 trainmen, 30,000 machinists, 100,000 shopmen other than machinists, 20,000 telegraph operators and their helpers, 45,000 switchmen, flagmen and watchmen, and 175,000 trackmen. And is it not reasonably safe to suppose that this vast army represents, in those dependent upon each for support, at least three others, making the total number who have to look to the railroads of this country for a living 2,480,000 persons? And is the other fact comprehended, that the railways of the United States expend each year—not counting the interest paid upon its bonds, or the dividends paid upon its preferred and common stock—more than $100,000,000 in excess of the total expenditures of the United States government? Indeed, the railroads are the great disbursing agencies of the country.

Professor Henry C. Adams observes in the Atlantic: "The merchant, the manufacturer and the farmer, working under conditions of industrial liberty, do not seem to require any peculiar supervision on the part of the state, for competition is adequate to insure relative justice as between custom, as well as the sale of goods at a fair price. But in the railway industry, competition does not work so beneficent a result. On the contrary, such is its nature that it imposes on railway managers the necessity of disregarding equity between customers, and of fixing rates without considering their fairness, whether judged from the point of view of cost or of social results. Were this not true there would be no railway problem. The railway industry is an extensive and not an intensive industry. Ability to perform a unit of service cheaply depends more upon the quantity of business transacted than upon attention to minute details. The expenses incident to the operations of a railway do not increase in proportion to the increase in the volume of traffic. This does not pertain to the business of the manufacturer, the merchant or the farmer, but is peculiar to the business of transportation. It is adequate to explain why all advanced peoples have surrounded the administration of railways with peculiar legal restrictions. The necessity of some sort of government control lies in the nature of the business itself.

When the good man dies the tears are shed which he in life prevented from flowing.

BATTLE AT CIENFUEGOS.

United States Cruisers Went There Cut the Santiago Cable.

THE WORK DONE UNDER A HOT FIRE.

Thousands of Spanish There Who Poured in a Terrific Fusilade of Bullets. One Seaman Killed: Several Wounded. Spanish Loss said to be Heavy.

The United States cruiser Marblehead, the gunboat Nashville, and the auxiliary cruiser Windom steamed up to the harbor of Cienfuegos early Wednesday morning with orders to cut the cable connecting Havana with Santiago de Cuba. This task was accomplished, but only after a terrific fight between our warships and several thousand Spanish troops, which lined the shore and lay concealed behind improvised breastworks. One man, a seaman, named Reagan, of the Marblehead, was killed in one of the working small boats, and six men were severely wounded. In addition, a large number on board the ship received minor wounds.

Soon after the arrival of the warships off Cienfuegos four boats were launched and proceeded to shore for the purpose of grappling for the cable, in order to cut it. The warships lay to about 1,000 yards or more off the harbor. It was observed that the Spanish troops had assembled on shore, but it was not known that heavy guns had been placed in a masked battery, and that the old lighthouse, far out on a neck of land, had been transformed into a formidable fort.

When the commanders of the Marblehead and Nashville called for volunteers to man the boats and cut the cable, the men responded with a jump. Lieutenant C. M. Winslow, of the Nashville, took command of the Nashville's boats.

The shore surrounding the entrance of the harbor was first shelled, and then the boats proceeded in. Then the work of fishing for the cable was slowly and cautiously proceeded with.

One of the relays of the cable had been cut when the Spaniards opened fire. The marines in the boat replied at once, and a machine gun from the forward launch sent in a stream of bullets, while heavy shells from the warship drove the Spaniards from the rifle pits ashore, many of them seeking refuge in the lighthouse fort, which was afterwards torn to pieces by a shell from the Windom. As there were great numbers of Spaniards in and behind the fort at the time, there is no doubt that many of them were killed.

With desperate courage, the American sailors remained calm at their posts, and succeeded in dragging up the second relay of the cable and severing it.

The Marblehead was struck scores of times by bullets from machine guns, and the Nashville suffered to about the same extent. The Windom also had many marks of the fray. Her shell which blew up the lighthouse and scattered the Spaniards in all directions ended the battle.

FLYING SQUADRON ORDERED OUT.

The Fleet Moves Out to Sea With Sealed Orders—May Join Sampson.

Five vessels of the flying squadron, led by the flagship Brooklyn, steamed out of Hampton Roads Friday afternoon and after passing the Virginia capes took a southerly course, going, it is said, to augment Admiral Sampson's fleet now in the vicinity of Porto Rico.

The order directing the squadron to put to sea came at midnight Thursday night. A few minutes later the signal "be ready to put to sea at daybreak" was flashed from the flagship. However, the fleet did not get final orders to move until Friday afternoon, when the signal ordering the battleships Texas, Minneapolis, St. Paul, New Orleans, the dispatch boat Scorpion and collier Sterling to weigh anchor was run to the top of the of the Brooklyn's military mast. Thirty minutes later smoke was curling from the stacks on the ships and they were plowing the sea at a rate of 15 knots.

The fleet will join Admiral Sampson's squadron. This statement came from a reliable source

Letter Blamed for Bread Riots.

The London newspapers are publishing cartoons and articles holding Joseph Leiter, the Chicago grain manipulator, responsible for the situation in Italy. The Morning Leader says: "English corn is now higher than for many years. In France there have been threatening mutterings of trouble, in Spain there are bread riots and in Italy there are barricades, burning houses, fighting, revolution—in fact, on the part of the people, who are unable to get bread, and who think it better to die by the bullet than starve. The very throne seems to totter because bread is so dear. Other people pay for Leiter's experience."

Troops to Assemble at Chickamauga

The war department issued orders for the assembling of 29,087 volunteers at Chickamauga. This embraces twenty regiments and five batteries from the following states: Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Indiana, Illinois, Maine, Missouri, New Hampshire, New York, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont.

Eduard Remnyi, the Hungarian violinist, dropped dead at the Orpheum theatre, San Francisco, while performing Sunday.

THE CREAM OF WAR NEWS.

Unless all signs fail there will be a naval engagement between the Sampson squadron and the Spanish fleet within the next thirty six hours. The opposing forces are gradually getting nearer each other.

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The situation is growing exceedingly critical at Manila. The administration is being severely criticised for not having sent reinforcements there two weeks ago. A second call for volunteers will shortly be made by President McKinley, unless present indications are completely misleading. The matter was discussed at the white house Saturday night. Dewey's report from the Philippines, and his urgent request for a large army of occupation, had resulted in the determination to send thirty thousand troops to Manila. President McKinley, in announcing to the war board his approval of this proposition, said: "The United States will protect its interest and will send reinforcements to the necessary points, even if a second call for volunteers is necessary."

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The dissolution of the Madrid ministry has put Spain into a state of riot. The Carlists are active and persistent in demanding that either Weyler or Campos be made dictator. The Spanish throne is indeed tottering.

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The navy department fears the Harvard may be attacked by the Spanish ship Terror, which is lying in wait for her at Martinique. The cutting of the cable between St. Lucias and St. Vincent, in the Carribbean sea, is believed will be the first step in the attempt to destroy the Oregon, Mariotta and Buffalo, now off the eastern coast of Brazil, but steaming northward to join Sampson's fleet. These three vessels are now in great danger from attack before they can approach Cuban waters.

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At Curacoa, about 200 miles north of the Venezuelan coast, the Vizcaya and Maria Teresa spent Sunday taking on coal. The Cristobal Colon, Almirante Oquendo, Terror and Pluton spent the day outside scouting around and keeping a lookout for American vessels. Other Spanish vessels were reported in neighboring waters. Supplies were purchased. Sampson's fleet passed Porto Plata Saturday night, and was steaming west, destined, it is believed, for Cuban waters, where he will, if he can reach there before Spanish forces, wait the coming of the Spanish fleet, which, it is thought, is sailing now in the direction of Havana, or some other Cuban port. It is thought, also, the Spanish squadron is planning to make a sudden descent upon the small vessels now blockading Cuba and destroy them before Admiral Sampson can come to their rescue, or even Schley, with the flying squadron, will be able to arrive there.

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Philippine Island insurgent leader is at Hong Kong negotiating with McKinley by cable for the future government of the Philippines.

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A Cuban delegate at Key West, referring to the failure of the Gussie expedition, says it is foolish to try to land small bodies of troops until the Spaniards are driven away from the coast. The Gussie expedition was a mistake.

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The minister of foreign affairs at Rome says an Anglo-American alliance would hasten peace, and establish equilibrium in the far east and tend to preserve peace to Europe.

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Rear Admiral Irwin makes an exact comparison of strength of American and Spanish squadrons and a forecast of the result in case of an engagement and finds the American navy the superior.

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The new cabinet to be formed by Spain will be created with a view to establishing a more decided war policy, and to have it prosecuted with greater vigor. A general crisis is believed to be approaching in Madrid, and the queen regent may be forced to abdicate at any day. Spain has as much to fear from internal dissension as she has from American guns. It is probable that Alfonso, the boy king, will never ascend the throne. Spain may soon become a republic.

Spain's Loss at Manila.

Spain's loss in ships as the result of the battle of Manila, it is figured, aggregates $4,700,000. Estimated at their market value, which is much less than Spain paid for them, the figures in round numbers are: Don Juan de Austria, $1,000,000; Reina Christina, $1,000,000; Isle de Luzon, $200,000; Velasco, $600,000; Castilla, $500,000; Don Antonio de Ulloa, $1,000,000; Isla de Cuba, $200,000; Isla de Mindanao, $100,000 and others, $1,000,000. This loss, however, is small in comparison with the destruction of life and the loss of the islands and the rich revenue they have been paying to the Madrid government.

Grain Elevator Destroyed by Fire.

Grain elevator "D," belonging to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad at Chicago, was destroyed by fire. The loss on the building and contents will aggregate about $2,200,000. The elevator contained 1,115,000 bushels of grain, valued at $800,000, the property of P. D. Armour. The grain was fully insured.

Cape Verde Fleet Located.

A special from Madrid says Bermejo admitted Thursday evening that the Cape Verde squadron was at Fort De France, Martinique.

VOLUNTEERS ORDERED TO MARCH

Orders Issued at Washington That 65,000 Be Mustered In.

Sixty-five thousand troops have been mustered in. Orders were issued Sunday directing that fifty-three regiments of infantry, eleven light batteries of artillery, and thirty troops of volunteer cavalry go to Chickamauga, nine regiments and five battalions of infantry and four batteries of artillery to San Francisco, one regiment of infantry to Key West, four regiments of infantry to Mobile, thirteen regiments of infantry to Washington, thirteen regiments of infantry to Tampa.

In addition to the troops ordered to camps, a considerable number were ordered to report to department commanders.

Within forty eight hours from the time the order was issued for the mobilization of state troops already mustered into the regular service at Chickamauga, 8,600 men, representing six great states, have reported to Major General Brooke. These soldiers have been moved not only rapidly but without delay or accident of any kind.

PRESIDENT CHANGES POLICY.

All Forts to Be Attacked Where Resistance Is Offered.

WASHINGTON (Special).—President McKinley has abandoned his peaceful blockade idea. When our ships approach a Cuban harbor hereafter it will be with business intent. Orders were telegraphed Monday morning that will give Commodore Watson an opportunity to turn his ships loose on all fortifications where resistance is offered. Every Cuban port that is strongly protected will be attacked and the bombardment will be kept up until Spanish guns are silenced and gunboats sunk.

Secretary Long insists that in the future our light fighting crafts shall not be permitted to risk destruction by facing superior batteries.

Within a week the board of strategy will be a reminiscence, except as to name. A complete change of policy has been mapped out by the secretary of the navy. Instead of fighting sea battles here in the department on paper, they are hereafter to be fought by the officers at the scene of action.

It will be the plan of the secretary of the navy, after this week, to leave more to the discretion and tact of the officers in command, reserving to himself and his department advisers the right to counsel and veto anything which may be, in their judgment, entirely an error.

MAY ANNEX HAWAII.

A Number of Democrats in the House Now Favor the Measure.

The most notable event in the House proceedings of the present week will be the introduction of the resolutions providing for the annexation of Hawaii. The committee on foreign affairs has decided to report favorably the resolutions.

A very large majority of the republicans, and, it is claimed, fifteen democratic members, favor the proposition, and would like to have immediate action, consideration will be postponed likely until after this week. It is argued that the resolution will probably pass as a war exigency, naval experts having strongly urged the importance of having a base of supplies in the Pacific, especially now that Admiral Dewey is in practical possession of Manila.

APPROACHING CIENFUEGOS.

The Spanish Fleet Heading for the Southern Coast of Cuba.

The blockaders on the south coast of Cuba have been warned that the Spanish squadron is reported off Venezuela, bound northwest, and to double their vigilance. Powerful vessels, which it is not necessary to name, will be ready to aid the ships stationed there in resisting the progress of the enemy.

There is small chance that the Spanish will be able to enter Cienfuegos, a fortified fort, desirable to them on account of the large coaling facilities and machine shops as capable as any in Cuba. Both our squadrons are informed about the course of the Spanish flotilla.

An Alabama Authoress Dead.

Mrs. Adelaide DeV. Chandron, who from 1850 to 1870 enjoyed an extended reputation in the South for her literary productions, and notably for her translations of Hugo and Muhlback's works, which circulated in all the Southern armies, died at Mobile Saturday evening, aged 82 years.

No Peace Yet.

MADRID.—It is officially denied that the cabinet changes are connected with a peace movement. On the contrary, it is declared that Premier Sagasta's ministry, when the new cabinet is formed, will continue to prosecute the war with the full resources of the country.

Can Coal Only With Government's Will.

ST. THOMAS, DANISH WEST INDIES.—An official announcement just issued by the governor of the island of St. Thomas prohibited the delivery of coal to warships of the belligerent powers without the previous permission of the governor, who will determine the amount each vessel may receive, and who will supervise delivery.

Judge J. A. Bilbro was renominated at Fort Payne, Ala., by the democratic judicial convention to succeed himself as judge of the Seventh judicial circuit.

PREPARING FOR THE BATTLE.

Board of Strategy Meets and Maps Out Plan of Action.

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GERMANY SEEKING TERRITORY.

Emperor William Assumes to Express American Disposition of Philippines.

A special from London says [illegible] are maintained [illegible] that the continental powers [illegible] will take steps to share in the [illegible] the American victory at Manila. [illegible] intimated to the United States [illegible] hero, that she expects to have a voice in the disposition of the Philippine Islands, basing her claim on German interests in those islands. Diplomats who are in a position to know [illegible] in the case credit the report that Germany may demand exclusive control of Samoa and the price of her acquiescence to American sovereignty over the Philippine Islands. Or as an alternative, Germany may demand cession of more of the Philippine islands, including a harbor suitable for a coal depot in Hawaii, which promises to add to the complications.

SPANISH CABINET RESIGNS.

Senor Sagasta Entrusted With Formation of a New Council.

MADRID.—(Special.)—All the members of the Spanish cabinet have resigned. Senor Sagasta will communicate the situation to the Queen Regent, who will entrust him with the task of forming a new ministry.

The Spanish cabinet, which has just resigned, was composed as follows: President of the Council, Senor Sagasta; Minister of Foreign Affairs, Senor Gullon; Minister of Justice, Senor Groizard; Minister of Finance, Senor Puigcerver; Minister of the Interior, Senor Capdepon; Minister of War, General Correa; Minister of Marine, Admiral Bermejo; Minister of Agriculture and Commerce and Public Works, Count Xiquena; Minister of the Colonies, Senor Morot.

The Peabody Summer School of Pedagogy.

Organized and managed under the joint control of the Peabody Educational Fund, the State Superintendent of Education of Alabama and the State Normal College, at Troy, Ala., it has begun its "Annual Session" at Troy on June 1, and to continue four weeks. It is especially designed for teachers already in the work of teaching and who desire to acquire a professional knowledge of teaching with a view to higher work and increased pay. This Summer School is held in connection with the last months of the State Normal College, and all the classes of the college are open to the teachers attending the same. The work done in the Summer School of Pedagogy is credited in the State Normal College records and teachers finishing the College "Extension Work" connected with this Summer School of Pedagogy and the State Normal College are afforded graduation with State Certificate or Life Diploma, good in all parts of Alabama and recognized in every section of the Union as most valuable credentials as to "Professional Standing. Many hundreds of teachers have been upon this course in the past ten years, and a large number are now pursuing the work. Some school boards have required their entire corps of teachers to attend this Peabody Summer School of Pedagogy, and this grows more popular year by year. It is hoped that the usual reduction of railroad fares will be secured and low rates of board are assured. Teachers are admitted from every section and should write at once for particulars and make arrangements for room and boarding. A fine corps of instructors and lecturers will be found ready to serve the many classes that will be formed.

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POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

Representative Loud [illegible] he regrets war. He does not regret it half as [illegible] California [illegible] Loud.—[illegible]

The [illegible] assembled [illegible] In this [illegible] $1,000,000 and that [illegible] Sacramento Bee.

A [illegible] introduced in congress last week by Mr. Reeder of Kansas would grant [illegible] some of the [illegible] allowed by law to the [illegible] banks. It is very certain to [illegible] a few while congress is [illegible] of bankers and lawyers.—[illegible]

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The South has everything to be proud of as an agricultural center; as an industrial and manufacturing mart we have developed "the hog in man." We work white children longer hours than we did negroes before the war. The white wage slave in the cotton district of the South to-day is worked longer hours, has less comforts, fewer necessaries, inferior medical attention, and is compelled to work oftener under physical disability than the negro was before the war.—Augusta (Ga.) Round Table.

It costs $800,000 a year to run Kansas City. That is just about the profit of the Metropolitan Street railroad. If the city owned and operated the street car system as it should, the property of the city would be free of taxation, or the taxes could be reduced to one or two cents. But the very wise people up there prefer to elect servants of the Metropolitan and other corporations and pay extra for it.—Appeal to Reason.

Reader, have you ever stopped to consider the fact that, while it is daily becoming easier to produce the necessaries of life, it is becoming more and more difficult for the workingmen to [illegible] them? New York Commoner.

[illegible] Republicans in congress had better do all their talking now, as there will not be enough of them in the [illegible] congress to demand the aye and nay vote.—Phoenix Gazette.

Useless Loss to Labor.

[illegible] of labor in begging for work [illegible] to contemplate. With four men waiting and watching for one job [illegible] transient population [illegible] for odds and ends of [illegible] four days' [illegible] one day's work. Under the [illegible] system of exchange there would [illegible] population [illegible] ing about in search of bones and crusts thrown [illegible] tables of those who [illegible] to have anything [illegible] All would have homes and [illegible] the right of self-employment at fair rates of exchange. It is just as great an indignity for a man [illegible] to ask employment from a fellow being as it is to ask for [illegible]—The Commoner, Portland, Ore.

Horse Torture.

[illegible] idea of putting spectacles on a [illegible] make him lift his feet higher than he otherwise would, because the glasses make him think he is nearer the ground than he is, may be quite [illegible] to those who think that the Creator made a mistake in giving the horse a tail, but every person who possesses the humanity without which no one should be allowed to deal with animals and who has the common sense to see what is right will regard the proposition with disgust. If the man wants only a "high stepper" let him buy the coach horse, which is bred for the purpose, and not try to make a coacher out of a cart horse. Similarly, if he wants a horse that carries his head high, let him buy one of the breed that does so by nature, instead of one that has to be strapped up till his neck aches. But as to the tail, we believe that the law now recognizes the use of that appendage as the horse's only defense against the torture of flies, mosquitoes and gnats and makes "docking" a penal offense hereafter as it ought to be.—Brooklyn Citizen.

A Genuine Jingo.

"[illegible] did you get elected [illegible] Soldier?" "It was easy. I just took the stump, made [illegible] and that this country [illegible] under the [illegible] heaven. The other fellow [illegible] government and [illegible]"—Detroit Free Press.

Windstorms.

[illegible] in Kansas [illegible] "Well, we [illegible] of blowing out here [illegible] No, New [illegible]"—New York Herald.

SPANISH FLEET AT MARTINIQUE.

Instructed to Put to Sea Immediately—Destination Unknown.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary of the Navy Long Friday morning received official advices from Martinique, West Indies, that the Spanish squadron had been sighted to the westward of the island. Martinique is about [illegible] in a southerly direction from San Juan de Porto Rico, where the American squadron under Admiral Sampson was in action Thursday.

The Spanish vessels off Martinique compose the formidable squadron recently collected at the Cape Verde Islands and which sailed from there in a westwardly direction two weeks ago.

Upon receipt of this information Secretary Long ordered Commodore Schley, at Hampton Roads, to put to sea at once with the flying squadron, and he sailed Friday. While its destination is not known, it is believed that the squadron has been sent in pursuit of the Spanish squadron.

Will Leave Immediately.

MADRID.—There is great excitement here among public officials at the news of the arrival of the Spanish fleet at Martinique. It is now said the ships went there on purpose to coal and that two large trans-Atlantic steamers, loaded with coal, were awaiting them at Fort de France. Another object for the call of the Spanish fleet at Martinique was to communicate with the Spanish government and ascertain the whereabouts of the American fleet.

The fleet will leave Martinique immediately for an unknown destination, and, it is added, some days may elapse before the Spanish ships are again heard from.

CHAOS REIGNS AT CAMAGUEY.

Spaniards Joining the Insurgents—900 Die in Four Days.

A dispatch from Nuevitas, Cuba, by way of Nassau, N. P., says:

Chaos reigns at Camaguey and fear and famine at Nuevitas. Every boat in this harbor, steam and sail, has been jammed into the narrow channel, to be sunk at the first sign of an attack. Two thousand soldiers guard the entrance, twelve miles from the city, and four old cannon have been mounted on an island in the harbor.

People are starving. Salt pork costs $1.50 a pound, rice 50 cents and goats bring $100 each. The Spanish commander told the starving citizens to go into the country, as he could not feed them. Many soldiers are joining the insurgents to get food.

The conditions at Puerto Principe are still worse. The surrounding forts are almost abandoned. A column of 5,000 Spaniards started for Moron, carrying a flag of truce. When fired upon by the insurgents the commander sent word that he was no longer making war upon Cubans, but was going to the coast to fight Americans.

Gen. Lopez Recco replied: "Spain cannot fight the United States without fighting us. Their war is our war," and again opened fire.

The Spaniards lost 900 men in the four days' march to the sea. Pacificos, spongers and fishermen are being pressed into Spanish service. The Spanish columns on the way to the coast are burning all the country homes.

President Masso has ordered Gens. Gomez and Garcia to meet himself and cabinet at Moron trocha, where there will be a concentration of the Cuban forces.

DESPERATE CONDITION IN SPAIN.

Martial Law Has Been Proclaimed Throughout the Kingdom.

A dispatch from Madrid says: Spain's condition at home is desperate. Rioting everywhere aggravates the political crisis. Martial law has been proclaimed throughout the kingdom. The Military Governors of some provinces have summoned the editors of the newspapers and warned them to have a care about what they publish or soldiers will be sent to smash everything in their offices. Editors of obnoxious newspapers will be sent without trial to Fernando Po, a penal station on the coast of Equatorial West Africa.

In view of a probable revolution on the next news of disaster, the Liberals and Conservatives have promised the queen to support a Dictatorial Military cabinet under Marshal Campos, should events demand it.

Spain Files Protest Against France.

The Spanish government has filed a protest at the foreign office in Paris against the permission given by the French authorities at Martinique to the United States auxiliary cruiser Harvard to remain in the harbor of St. Pierre, Martinique, for seven days to make necessary repairs. The French government has taken speedy action on the protest, and insists that the United States cruiser, being disabled, has a full right to remain seven days or such time as may be necessary to complete her repairs, and that in the meantime no steps will be taken to have her leave the French port.

Indians Anxious to Fight.

Douglas Dorland of the Cheyenne agency, at Sioux Falls, S. D., has 500 Indians listed which he has offered to the war department. The Indians are anxious to fight against Spain and will furnish their own horses.

France Must Explain.

LONDON—Special dispatches from New York say the United States government threatens to cut the cable unless France explains within forty-eight hours why the dispatch from United States Consul Dart at Martinique was delayed.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

STEEL PLANT AT ENSLEY.

To Be Built by the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railway Company, Now Assured.

The new $1,100,000 steel plant to be constructed by the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railway Company, is practically a certainty. It will be built at Ensley City, adjoining the present [illegible] furnaces of the Tennessee Company, and it will be so constructed that the molten iron from the furnaces will be run through a sluice directly into the steel furnaces.

The new plant is to cost $1,100,000 or more, and there will be as many as a half dozen open-hearth furnaces. President Baxter and Mr. Shook, of the Tennessee Company, are in New York, and notwithstanding the war now existing, they have made splendid progress in placing the issue of $1,100,000 of bonds. J. T. Woodward, of New York, who has a large interest in several Birmingham concerns, is said to have subscribed to $50,000 of these bonds. Many other very large individual subscriptions have been made, and the new steel plant is now an absolute certainty.

Train on A. G. S. Held Up.

Alabama Great Southern passenger train No. 3, southbound, was held up by five masked men, one mile south of Cuba, Saturday night. The robbers boarded the train at Cuba, and as soon as a start was made they climbed over the tender and covered the engineer and firemen with pistols, ordering them to stop at the tank, where the robbers compelled the engineer and fireman to accompany them to the express car. Admittance was demanded, but Messenger Nicklin stood them off until he could hide all the paper money in his safe in the stove pipe. He then opened the door and three of the robbers entered, leaving two to guard the engineer and fireman. They secured several bags of silver. The officials of the company claim only $500 was taken. No attempt was made to molest the passengers, and as soon as the booty was secured the robbers made off.

A posse of officers from Meridian left immediately for the scene of the hold-up with bloodhounds.

Two Mobile Fakes.

A dispatch sent out from Mobile on May 7 telling that Sergeant Crowley, Company A, Third United States Infantry, had been shot and killed by a member of the Nineteenth Infantry, whom he was trying to arrest for drunkenness, was made out of the whole cloth. There was no shooting.

A dispatch from Mobile on May 10, telling of an attempt to poison the water of a stream running through the camp of the regulars, is wholly without any foundation in fact. Nothing of the sort occurred.

Gen. Wheeler Will Lead the Cavalry.

General Joseph Wheeler, the old Confederate leader, recently commissioned major-general of volunteers, will command the United States cavalry in the Cuban army of invasion.

General Wheeler reached Tampa, Fla., Friday night from Chickamauga under orders from General Miles and reported to General Wade. He will at once take command of the cavalry, which will be organized into a brigade.

New Railroad Formally Opened.

The first passenger train on the newly completed Mobile & Ohio railroad from Columbus, Miss., to Montgomery made the trip over the road Friday. It was a special with the private car of the road containing the officials who took part in the celebration of the joint M. & O. and newspaper men Wednesday at Tuskaloosa.

A Confederate Veteran Dead.

John G. Massey, a veteran of the late war, died at his home in Huntsville, aged 60 years. He was a member of Egbert Jones's Camp, U. C. V., of Huntsville. He was on the staff of General Edmund W. Pettus who commanded a brigade of Alabama troops.

Second Battalion Mustered In.

A second battalion of the First Regiment of Volunteers was mustered in at Mobile Friday, the companies being from Huntsville, Anniston, Gadsden and Decatur.

Postoffice Robbed and Burned.

The postoffice at Luverne, was robbed and burned at 1 o'clock Friday morning. All the stamps in the safe and $140 in the cash drawer were taken.

A Conductor Stabbed to Death.

John Blackman, a conductor on the Southern railroad, while attempting to capture a burglar in a store at Avondale Saturday night, was stabbed in the heart and instantly killed. Blood hounds were put on the fugitive's trail and the murderer was soon captured, who proved to be Frank Cook, a negro.

Responding to Call for Volunteers.

Colonel Higdon's call for additional volunteers from the northern part of the state for the First Alabama has not been in vain. Thirty-seven men went from Birmingham to Mobile and assigned immediately to duty.

War May Soon End.

LONDON.—The Paris correspondent of the Sunday Special says he learns from a trustworthy source that Great Britain and Germany have arrived at formal agreement with the United States to put a stop to the Hispano-American war within the next fortnight.

Gen. Henry R. Jackson, the famous Confederate major general and a veteran of the Mexican war and minister to Mexico during Cleveland's first [illegible] administration, was stricken with paralysis at Savannah, Ga., Saturday.

SUSPENDED CUBAN MOVEMENT.

Orders Issued to Gen. Miles to Hold the Invading Army Until Naval Battle Is Fought.

WASHINGTON.—Direct orders were given General Miles Friday morning suspending for the present the movement of the invading army upon Cuba. General Miles, therefore, has postponed his departure for the south, and it is announced authoritatively by war department officials that it cannot be stated with definiteness when General Miles will leave.

The suspension of the movement of the invading army upon Cuba was induced by the proximity of the Spanish Cape Verde squadron to Cuban waters. It is deemed by the department to be the part of wisdom not to risk the landing of troops on Cuban soil until the landing can be effected under the protection of a stronger fleet than is now available for the purpose of protection.

The fact that the army movement has been postponed is indirect evidence that a decisive naval battle is expected to occur within a few days. It is not doubted that the squadron under the command of Admiral Sampson will seek an engagement with the Spanish fleet at once, and it is with the idea of waiting the result of that contest that the orders for land forces are held in abeyance temporarily.

Orders to Merritt.

The United States will establish a military government over the Philippine Islands. Orders have been issued for Major-General Wesley Merritt, now commanding the Department of the East at New York, to proceed to Manila with the least possible delay for the purpose of assuming the office of military governor of the Philippines.

Major-General E. S. Otis will be second in command.

Orders were also issued for the organization of an army corps of about 12,000 men for immediate duty in the Philippine Islands. This corps will be made up of regulars and volunteer organizations stationed on the Pacific coast and in the far Western states.

BUSINESS SITUATION IMPROVES.

Confident Feeling Pervades the Iron Trade—Outlook Flattering.

Bradstreet's trade review says:

The business situation gains rather than loses in attractiveness as the spring season advances. While, of course, the very favorable situation in cereals is still the mainspring of the improvement manifesting itself in many sections of the country, there are other causes combining to make the outlook for business for the current year a flattering one.

A rather more confident feeling seems to pervade the iron trade, which is reflected in fractional advances for leading makes of iron and steel. Features of the week are very heavy sales of pig iron at many markets, but it is again claimed that stocks have begun to accumulate at some points as a result of the continued enormous production, which is placed at 1,000,000 tons per month.

The price situation is still one of great strength, but particularly so in food products, which are, with few exceptions, notably coffee and sugar, higher on the week.

Wheat exports were 3,682,513 bushels against 2,923,775 bushels last week and 2,183,000 bushels a year ago. Corn exports were 6,077,000 bushels, nearly twice that of a year ago. Failures in the United States were 250 against 251 a year ago.

AMERICANS REPULSED

At Cienfuegos With Heavy Loss, Says a Spanish Account of the Battle.

The following dispatch has been received from Havana via Madrid:

"Early Wednesday morning warships fired repeated cannon shots at Cienfuegos. In the meanwhile several steamboats, towing eight large boats loaded with arms and ammunition for the rebels, appeared off the shore. Several battalions of infantry drawn up on the seashore fired upon the boats, which speedily retreated. At the same time the batteries of the fort and others along the coast fired upon the Americans, who retreated, but again attempted to make a landing on the banks of the river Tremao. The Spaniards again repulsed them by hot volleys, inflicting heavy losses. Fourteen Spaniards were wounded."

MAINTAINING STRICT BLOCKADE.

Dewey Tells of Another Ship He Has Destroyed.

The navy department has received the following dispatch:

HONG KONG.—Secretary of the Navy: There is little change in the situation since my last telegram. I am transferring to the transport the steel breech-loading rifles from the sunken Spanish men-of-war. All stores from arsenal are in my possession. I am maintaing a strict blockade. Add Argos to list of destroyed vessels. The El Correo was probably the Elcano.

(Signed) DEWEY.

Expedition a Failure.

The steamer Gussie, which left Tampa, Fla., May 10, with two companies of the First infantry on board, in charge of 7,000 rifles and 200,00[illegible] rounds of ammunition intended for the insurgents in the province of Pinar del Rio, conveyed by the auxiliary gunboat Manning, in a vain attempt to land her cargo, has returned to Key West. Her commander, who appeared [illegible] much crestfallen, having failed to accomplish the mission entrusted to [illegible] refused to discuss the matter beyond admitting the failure.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY.

The Choice of a Wife—From a Rustic Bible Scene Is Drawn a Practical and Inspiring Lesson For All Classes of People—The Calling For Special Work.

[illegible]

[illegible] Moses [illegible] strated on one occasion when he saw an Egyptian oppressing an Israelite and gave the Egyptian a sudden clip and buried him in the sand, and as he showed afterward when he broke all the Ten Commandments at once by shattering the two granite slabs on which the law was written. But the injustice of this treatment of the seven girls sets him on fire with wrath, and he takes this shepherd by the throat and pushes back another shepherd till he falls over the trough, and aims a stunning blow between the eyes of another, as he cries, "Begone, you villains!" and he hoots and roars at the sheep and cattle and camels of these invaders and drives them back, and having cleared the place of the desperadoes, he told the seven girls of this Midianite sheik to gather their flocks together and bring them again to the watering.

The fact that it took the seven daughters to drive the flocks to the well implies that they were immense flocks, and that her father was a man of wealth. What was the use of Zipporah's demeaning herself with work when she might have reclined on the hillside near her father's tent, and plucked buttercups, and dreamed out romances, and sighed idly to the winds, and wept over imaginary songs to the brooks. No, she knew that work was honorable, and that every girl ought to have something to do, and so she starts with the bleating and lowing and bellowing and neighing droves to the well for the watering.

Around every home there are flocks and droves of cares and anxieties, and every daughter of the family, though there be seven, ought to be doing her part, to take care of the flocks. In many households, not only is Zipporah, but all her sisters, without practical and useful employments. Many of them are waiting for fortunate and prosperous matrimonial alliance, but some lounger like themselves will come along, and after counting the large number of father Jethro's sheep and camels will make proposal that will be accepted, and neither of them having done anything more practical than to chew chocolate caramels, the two nothings will start on the road of life together, every step more and more a failure. That daughter of the Midianitish sheik will never find her Moses.

There is a question that every father and mother ought to ask the daughter at breakfast or tea table, and that all the daughters of the wealthy sheik ought to ask each other: "What would you do if the family fortune should fail, if sickness should prostrate the breadwinner, if the flocks of Jethro should be destroyed by a sudden excursion of wolves and bears and hyenas from the mountains? What would you do for a living? Could you support yourself? Can you take care of an invalid mother or brother or sister as well as yourself? Yea, bring it down to what any day might come to a prosperous family: Can you cook a dinner if the servants should make a strike for higher wages and leave [illegible]"

There needs to be peaceful, yet radical revolution among most of the prosperous homes of America, by which the elegant do-nothings may be transformed into practical [illegible] [illegible] Zipporah [illegible] Moses.

[illegible] great [illegible] Four hundred years [illegible] promised the deliverance of the oppressed Israelites of Egypt. [illegible] is called to the work of rescue. Four hundred years is a very long time, but you see God can remember a promise four hundred years as well as you can remember four hundred minutes.

No one realizes how great he is for good or for evil. There are branchings out and rebounds, and reverberations, and elaborations of influence that can not be estimated. The fifty or one hundred years of our earthly stay is only a small part of our sphere. The flap of the wing of the destroying angel that smote the Egyptian oppressors, the wash of the Red Sea over the heads of the drowned Egyptians, were all fulfilments of promises four centuries old. And things occur in your life and in mine that we can not account for. They may be the echoes of what was promised in the sixteenth or seventeenth century. Oh, the prolongation of the divine memory!

Notice also that Moses was eighty years of age when he got this call to become the Israelitish deliverer. Forty years he had lived in palaces as a prince, another forty years he had lived in the wilderness of Arabia. Nevertheless, he undertook the work, and if we want to know whether he succeeded, ask the abandoned brick-kilns of Egyptian taskmasters, and the splintered chariot wheels strewn on the beach of the Red Sea, and the timbrels which Miriam clapped for the Israelites passed over and the Egyptians gone under.

Still further, watch this spectacle of genuine courage. No wonder when Moses scattered the rude shepherds, he won Zipporah's heart. What mattered it to Moses whether the cattle of the seven daughters of Jethro were driven from the troughs by the rude herdsmen? Sense of justice fired his courage, and the world wants more of the spirit that will dare almost anything to see others righted. All the time at wells of comfort, at wells of joy, at wells of religion, and at wells of literature there are outrages practiced, the wrong herds getting the first water. Those who have the previous right come in last, if they come in at all. Thank God, we have here and there a strong man to set things right! I am so glad that when God has an especial work to do, He has some one ready to accomplish it.

Still another, see in this call of Moses that if God has any especial work for you to do He will help you. There were Egypt and Arabia and the Palestine with their crowded population, but the man the Lord wanted was at the southern point of the triangle of Arabia, and He picks him right out, the shepherd who kept the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, the priest and sheik. So God will not find it hard to take you out from the sixteen hundred millions of the human race if He wants you for anything especial.

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In conclusion, we desire to thank your Honor for the able manner in which we have been advised as to our duties, also to thank our Solicitor for the kind manner in which he has assisted us, also to thank our Sheriff and Bailiff for the promptness with which they have responded to our wants.

Having now discharged our duties, we beg to be discharged.

G. W. HILL, Foreman.

I have heard it charged on the floor, said John Lamb, of Virginia, that no war has been successfully prosecuted save with borrowed money negotiated through the sale of bonds. Now, we can show that no war of importance has ever been waged except with paper money. The gold in the vaults of the federal government to wage a successful war and by stimulating business and the foundation for the immense fortunes now held in the North. The war could not have been carried on by the sale of bonds, nor can this war be so carried on. It is true that very few bonds were sold abroad during the war, the entire debt was paid by greenbacks.—Silver Knight.

AN ORDER OF NEGRO NUNS.

The Only One In the United States Located at New Orleans.

In the old French quarter of New Orleans, with its narrow streets, latticed windows and jealously guarded courts, where the fig and orange tree grow, is a square of rather miscellaneous architecture. Its central building, 717 Orleans street, is several hundred years old. It has a stately entrance, with great pilars and old fashioned, ornately carved doors. It was once the old creole opera house and ballroom of the early days. Now it is the home of the colored nuns.

The powdered and ringleted damsels with hoop-distended skirts who stepped daintily across that threshold to scenes of gayety in bygone years have given place to dark robed figures whose white ruffled caps only bring into stronger relief the bronze and ebony of their skins. The very names of the streets here are rich in history and romance. There are Orleans and Bourbon, Chartres and Iberville, of the iron hand and gentle heart, Bienville. Shades of the past are jostling one another, though in a gentle, shadelike way, at every street corner, and at nothing do they seem to be more astonished than at the sight of the colored nuns.

Yet the order is not such a very modern one after all, for it was founded in New Orleans over half a century ago. Its members are now well known figures on the streets of the Crescent City. The special object of its institution was the education and moral training of young colored girls and the care of orphans and aged infirm people of the race. It has had the cordial support of such eminent churchmen as Archbishops Blanc, Odin, Perche, Leroy and Janssens, who successively filled the archiepiscopal see of New Orleans. It is also a novitiate where young colored girls are trained for the work of the order with the view of extending that work to every parish in Louisiana, and, if possible, into every southern state.

One of the most interesting parts of the convent is the orphan asylum, where children ranging in age from the wee tots just beginning to walk to girls of 12 and 14 years are cared for. One of the sisters in charge of the babies was an ex-slave. She is a real "mammy" still.

"But, reverend mother, you seem to have some white children here," said the northern visitor, commenting on the fair white skin of some of the children.

"Oh, no," said the nun, smiling a bit wistfully at the ignorance of her visitor, "they all have colored blood in their veins! Maybe they are only quadroons or octoroons. Some of them, indeed, have only one-tenth colored blood, but that one-tenth black counts more than the nine-tenths white and makes them belong forever to the colored people."

One is reminded of some of Cable's stories, the pathos and tragedy thereof.

In the orphan asylum 135 children are sheltered who would otherwise be thrown upon the state. These as well as the 60 poor old colored men and women and many of the children in the school are dependent upon the sisters for their daily bread. Formerly the sisters obtained a fair revenue by going through the streets of New Orleans, from door to door and into business houses and railroad offices, soliciting alms for their charges. So quietly did they labor that few outside the city were even aware of the existence of the order, the only colored sisterhood in the United States.—St. Louis Republic.

AN ACT OF KINDNESS.

How an English Sailor Rescued Our Men In the Virginius Affair.

"The remembrance of a kindly act done to the United States by an Englishman in a former row with Spain ought to revive our interest in the ancient legend that 'blood is thicker than water,'" said Mr. Henry P. Dillon of Boston recently.

"In the Virginius affair, when the Spaniards slaughtered some of the crew of that vessel, it was an English sailor who went to Santiago de Cuba and demanded the surrender of the survivers under penalty of bombardment of the city. He rescued our men, carried them to their own shores, and then, as modest as he was gallant, refused a public reception in New York city. As it was, leading citizens called upon him informally and presented him with a brick of silver, on which were inscribed the words, 'Blood is thicker than water.' The motto still holds good, and if the combined powers of Europe were to be against America in this or any other quarrel it is safe to say that Great Britain could always be exempted. There will never come the shadow of war between the mother land and her powerful daughter."—Washington Post.

"Short, Sharp and Decisive."

Chairman Dingley's estimate that the war will cost the government $200,000,000 a day is of course, merely an instance of rough figuring, yet it sets forth a very good reason in itself, if there were none better, for making the campaign short, sharp and decisive.—Philadelphia Record.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., May 4, 1898.

Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota, recently introduced an amendment to the post office appropriation bill calling for a reduction of 20 per cent. He took occasion to severely criticise the recent report of second assistant post master general Shallenberger, in which the assertion was made that the cost of transporting the U. S. Mails has been reduced 15 per cent within the past fifteen years; charged the officials as being under the control not only of the railroads but that their clerks were to a man subsidized and that the mileage information sent out in the report was absolutely false and erroneous. He also called attention to the fact that the government paid 15 per cent more for the same amount of matter than the Express companies charged, exorbitant as are their rates. Shallenger and other officials were warmly defended by Matt Quay.

Secretary of the Treasury, Gage, has announced that it would be impossible to float a popular loan in this country, alleging that the people prefer the savings banks to government bonds. He regards the selling of the bonds in large blocks as the only feasible plan. At the same time John W. Breidenthal, State Bank commissioner of Kansas, has announced that a popular bond issue would be heartily taken up by the people of his state. He thinks that $2,000,000 worth of bonds would find a ready sale there in an incredibly short time and believes that the effect abroad would be tremendously to the credit of the United States.

There is said to be a serious division in the President's cabinet. The Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of War have been at outs for some time. Gage is acting for the "money bags" and consequently favors peace at any price, while Alger wants to carry out the wishes of the people.

The day of miracles has not passed entirely. A resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives, last week, for the submission of a proposition to the states for the amendment of the constitution providing for the election of U. S. Senators by direct vote of the people.

The senate finance committee, last week, temporarily knocked out the bond issue by reporting a bill for the issue of legal tender notes, the coinage of the seignorag and a tax on corporations.

As the state militia of Kansas has not yet moved, the controversy between Gov. Leedy and Secretary of War, Alger continues. So far the governor has secured the Secretary's concession to each and every demand he has made. Governor Leedy's interest in and care for his state troops has been in marked contrast to the indifference or preoccupation of some other executives. He has visited the camps, looking personally to the wants of the men and not spared himself some expense in helping out toward their comfort.

David Overmeyer, the great Kansas Bryanite, has been appointed to a colonelcy by Gov. Leedy, of that state.

It is given out that the middle-of the-road Populists have decided by a referendum vote, to hold a national nominating convention on July 4th next Milton Park, chairman of the national organization committee, it is said, will issue the call within a few days.

There will be a meeting of the national committee of the People's Party at Omaha Neb., June 13, to consider the time for holding the next People's Party national convention.

A. R.

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DISTRICT MEETING

of the second district of the Jefferson county missionary association to convene with Chestnut creek church, May 21st and 22d, 1898.

Friday 10 a.m. Devotional exercises conducted by Bro. M. G. Hall.

11 Does it call for the ministry to legislate any one to the work without reasonable recommendation, by Bro. S. J. Henderson, T. L. Harris.

2 p.m. The duties of church members to the pastor, by Bro. H. Thomas, E. L. Manning.

3:30 What is the mission of the church? by H. W. Caffee, Junius Strock.

Saturday 9 a.m. What is the Bible plan of missions? by Hardy Jones, L. L. Deason.

10:30 Does the Bible tolerate the continuance of single men in the ministry or deacons? Bros. J. L. Logan, E. H. Parris.

2 p.m. How ought a church to proceed in dealing with members who are guilty of public offences? W. J. Bone, Jno. R. Vinson.

3:30 What is the best method of developing and utelizing young members? David Moore, Jno. Colwell, L. B. Pounds.

Sunday 9 a.m. Sabbath school lecture. H. M. Caffee, W. I. Mullins.

11 Summons to the young. Hardy Jones, L. B. Pounds, alternate.

Singing to be conducted by R. T. Grant, J. S. Jones and T. J. Pyron. Everybody is invited.

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Having now discharged our duties, we beg to be discharged.

G. W. HILL, Foreman.

I have heard it charged on the floor, said John Lamb, of Virginia, that no war has been successfully prosecuted save with borrowed money negotiated through the sale of bonds. Now, we can show that no war of importance has ever been waged except with paper money. The greatest task confided the federal government to wage a successful war, and by stimulating business laid the foundation for the immense fortunes now held in the North. The war could not have been carried on by the sale of bonds, nor can this war be so carried on. It is true that very few bonds were sold abroad during the war, the entire debt was paid by greenbacks.—Silver Knight.

AN ORDER OF NEGRO NUNS.

The Only One In the United States Located at New Orleans.

In the old French quarter of New Orleans, with its narrow streets, latticed windows and jealously guarded courts, where the fig and orange tree grow, is a square of rather miscellaneous architecture. Its central building, 717 Orleans street, is several hundred years old. It has a stately entrance, with great pillars and old fashioned, ornately carved doors. It was once the old creole opera house and ballroom of the early days. Now it is the home of the colored nuns.

The powdered and ringleted damsels with hoop distended skirts who stepped daintily across that threshold to scenes of gayety in bygone years have given place to dark robed figures whose white ruffled caps only bring into stronger relief the bronze and ebony of their skins. The very names of the streets here are rich in history and romance. There are Orleans and Bourbon, Chartres and Iron of the iron hand and gentle heart, Tonty. Shades of the past are jostling one another, though in a gentle, shadelike way, at every street corner, and at nothing do they seem to be more astonished than at the sight of the colored nuns.

Yet the order is not such a very modern one after all, for it was founded in New Orleans over half a century ago. Its members are now well known figures on the streets of the Crescent City. The special object of its institution was the education and moral training of young colored girls and the care of orphans and aged infirm people of the race. It has had the cordial support of such eminent churchmen as Archbishops Blanc, Odin, Perche, Leroy and Janssens, who successively filled the archiepiscopal see of New Orleans. It is also a novitiate where young colored girls are trained for the work of the order with the view of extending that work to every parish in Louisiana, and, if possible, into every southern state.

One of the most interesting parts of the convent is the orphan asylum, where children ranging in age from the wee tots just beginning to walk to girls of 12 and 14 years are cared for. One of the sisters in charge of the babies was an ex-slave. She is a real "mammy" still.

"But, reverend mother," you seem to have some white children here," said the northern visitor, commenting on the fair white skin of some of the children.

"Oh, no," said the nun, smiling a bit wistfully at the ignorance of her visitor, "they all have colored blood in their veins! Maybe they are only quadroons or octoroons. Some of them, indeed, have only one-tenth colored blood, but that one-tenth black counts more than the nine-tenths white and makes them belong forever to the colored people."

One is reminded of some of Cable's stories, the pathos and tragedy thereof.

In the orphan asylum 135 children are sheltered who would otherwise be thrown upon the state. These as well as the 60 poor old colored men and women and many of the children in the school are dependent upon the sisters for their daily bread. Formerly the sisters obtained a fair revenue by going through the streets of New Orleans, from door to door and into business houses and railroad offices, soliciting alms for their charges. So quietly did they labor that few outside the city were even aware of the existence of the order, the only colored sisterhood in the United States.—St. Louis Republic.

AN ACT OF KINDNESS.

How an English Sailor Rescued Our Men In the Virginius Affair.

"The remembrance of a kindly act done to the United States by an Englishman in a former row with Spain ought to revive our interest in the ancient legend that 'blood is thicker than water,'" said Mr. Henry P. Dillon of Boston recently.

"In the Virginius affair, when the Spaniards slaughtered some of the crew of that vessel, it was an English sailor who went to Santiago de Cuba and demanded the surrender of the survivors under penalty of bombardment of the city. He rescued our men, carried them to their own shores and then, as modest as he was gallant, refused a public reception in New York city. As it was, leading citizens called upon him informally and presented him with a brick of silver, on which were inscribed the words, 'Blood is thicker than water.' The motto still holds good, and if the combined powers of Europe were to be against America in this or any other quarrel it is safe to say that Great Britain could always be depended. There will never come the shadow of war between the mother land and her powerful daughter."—Washington Post.

"Short, Sharp and Decisive."

Chairman Hanley's estimate that the war will cost our government $2,000,000 a day is, of course, merely an instance of rough figuring, yet it sets forth a very good reason in itself, if there were none better, for making the campaign short, sharp and decisive.—Philadelphia Record.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., May 4, 1893

Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota, recently introduced an amendment to the post office appropriation bill calling for a reduction of 20 p.c. cent. He took occasion to severely criticise the recent report of second assistant post master general Shallenger, in which the assertion was made that the cost of transporting the U. S. Mails has been reduced 40 percent within the past fifteen years; charged the officials as being under the control not only of the railroads but that their clerks were to a man subsidized and that the adverse information sent out in the report was absolutely false and vicious. He also called attention to the fact that the government paid 15 percent more for the same amount of matter than the Express companies charged, exorbitant as are their rates. Shallenger and other officials were warmly defended by Matt Quay.

Secretary of the Treasury, Gage, has announced that it would be impossible to float a popular loan in this country, alleging that the people prefer the savings banks to government bonds. He regards the selling of the bonds in large blocks as the only feasible plan. At the same time John W. Breidenthal, State Bank commissioner of Kansas, has announced that a popular bond issue would be cheerfully taken up by the people of his state. He thinks that $2,000,000 worth of bonds would find a ready sale there in an incredibly short time and believes that the effect abroad would be tremendously to the credit of the United States.

There is said to be a serious division in the President's cabinet. The Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of War have been at outs for some time. Gage is acting for the "money bags" and consequently favors peace at any price, while Alger wants to carry out the wishes of the people.

The day of miracles has not passed entirely. A resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives, last week, for the submission of a proposition to the states for the amendment of the constitution providing for the election of U. S. Senators by direct vote of the people

The senate finance committee, last week, temporarily knocked out the bond issue by reporting a bill for the issue of legal tender notes, the coinage of the seignorag and a tax on corporations.

As the state militia of Kansas has not yet moved, the controversy between Gov. Leedy and Secretary of War, Alger continues. So far the governor has secured the Secretary's concession to each and every demand he has made Governor Leedy's interest in and care for his state troops has been in marked contrast to the indifference or preoccupation of some other executives. He has visited the camps, looking personally to the wants of the men and not spared himself some expense in helping out toward their comfort.

David Overmeyer, the great Kansas Bryanite, has been appointed to a colonency by Gov. Leedy, of that state.

It is given out that the middle-of the road Populists have decided by a referendum vote, to hold a national nominating convention on July 4th next Milton Park, chairman of the national organization committee, it is said, will issue the call within a few days.

There will be a meeting of the national committee of the People's Party at Omaha Neb., June 13, to consider the time for holding the next People's Party national convention.

A. R.

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DISTRICT MEETING

of the second district of the Fourth association to convene at Chestnut creek church, May 27, 28 and 29, 1898.

Friday 10 a.m. Devotional exercises conducted by Jos. M. Cox.

11 Does it call for the ministerial delegate any one to become a member without reasonable recommendation, by Elds. J. Henderson, J. L. Harris.

2 p.m. The duties of church members to the pastor, by Jos. H. Thomas, E. L. Manning.

3:30 What is the mission of the church? by H. W. Caffee, Judson Strock.

Saturday 9 a.m. What is the Bible plan of missions? by Hardy Jones, L. L. Deason.

10:30 Does the Bible tolerate the ordination of single men to the ministry or deacon's office? J. L. Bone, E. H. Parris.

2 p.m. How ought a church to proceed in dealing with members who are guilty of public offences? W. J. Bone, Jno. R. Vinson.

3:30 What is the best method of developing and utelizing young members? David Moore, Jno. Colwell L. B. Pounds.

Sunday 9 a.m. Sabbath school lecture. H. M. Caffee, W. I. Mullins.

11 Sermon by the young, Hardy Jones, L. B. Pounds, alternate.

Singing to be conducted by R. T. Grant, J. S. Jones and T. J. Pyron. Everybody is invited.

S. M. Yates
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Rev. L. B. Pounds.

Circuit court convened Monday, and very little business has been transacted. The visiting attorneys are Col. Savage and Dr. C. Blackwell from Anniston Col. Young and Hon. Frank Pettus from Selma

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, together with the dwelling house thereon.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction, for cash, the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property on

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala., Feb. 17, 1898.

The above sale is continued to Monday March 28, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued to Monday April 11, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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W. F. Armstrong, E. L. Manning, R. P. Barnes, J. C. Gayler, W. M. Wilson, J. ... Morrow, Ramsey, ... Lay, J. B. Downs, ... Williams, John ... Patterson, ... Cassell, G. W. Hill, J. D. Hodgenbeck, F. J. McDonald, Sam's Driver, W. F. Littlejohn, E. E. Edwards, Root Sims.

PETIT JURY—First Week.

Beat 1—D H Mullins

Beat 2—J E Champion, Sam Curry, Elijah Thomas, A J Glasscock, J A Lowery, P L Varnon, W M Aldridge

Beat 3—J T Baker, Ira Headley, J W Varden, W M Odom, Martin Franklin, Dock Broadhead, B F Reynolds, J L Waldrup jr

Beat 4—J E Littlejohn, J J Gallman, J W Goodgame, J S Aldridge

Beat 5—E Driver, J W Moody, A M Rollins, E G Rollins, Joseph Mitchell, J W E Gulledge

Beat 7—W A Green, J P Milford

Beat 8—J L O'Neale, M H Barnes, E W Bailey

Beat 9—D N Riggins, B N Martin

PETIT JURY—Second Week

Beat 1—E W Honeycutt, T J Dorminy

Beat 2—W A Sims, Robert Martin, J P Gentry

Beat 3—John F Fleming, Z J Jones, Dock Jones, S G Glasscock, B F Rasberry

Beat 4—P D Wilson, E G Mims, James Satterwhite, E M Pinckard, G L Foshee, W H Sartor, N A Kicker

Beat 5—P J Traywick, T S Jones sr, D F Jacks, W W Robinson, John Oakes

Beat 6—W C Dickerson, G H Pierce

Beat 7—B O Glover, Buck Bowline, J F Hays, Dolby Atkinson

Beat 8—W J Lovelady, R H Gandy

Beat 9—S R Cleckler, G W Serrell, James Barnett

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TAX SALE.

The State of Alabama, Chilton County.

By virtue of a decree of sale granted by the Probate Court of Chilton county, Alabama, I will as Tax Collector of said county, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, before the Court House door of said county, at Clanton, on

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 1898,

the following lands for taxes due thereon for the year 1897, to wit:

BEAT No 2

W R Oliver the s of sw ¼ sec 28 tp 24 r 13 tax and costs $1.87

BEAT No 4

C P Lasley 40 acres rights on w ½ sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $1.52

BEAT No 5

Mrs. Sallie Ivey 10 16 acres in the se ¼ of sw ¼, 22 acres in sw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 15, tax and costs $2.16

J M Hamlin N ½ of ne ¼ of sw ¼ sw ¼ of nw ¼ ne ¼ of sw qr sec 4 of the less excess sec 4 tp 20 r 15 Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 5 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $.19.30

BEAT No 8

W E Wiggins nw ¼ of ne ¼ s ½ of se ¼ of se ¼ nw ¼ s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 14 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 14 s ½ of ne ¼ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 13 tax and costs $11.75

Mrs. M. R. Osborne, sw ¼ of se ¼ sec 6 tp 20 r 13, tax and costs $3.05

OWNER UNKNOWN.

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $5.57

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.55

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $4.67

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $5.04

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $4.45

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $4.45

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.98

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $6.11

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ST. THOMAS, Danish West Indies (By Cable).—San Juan, Porto Rico, is no longer a fortified base. Part of Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet poured for three hours shot and shell into the fortifications, which, though not silenced, were rendered ineffective. The Spanish squadron from Cape Verde must look to some other fortified port for any aid in its efforts to be victorious over the war ships of the United States.

ADMIRAL SAMPSON.

Though the fortifications were not completely demolished, Rear Admiral Sampson regards his mission to San Juan as successful. The bombardment was terrible. It gave the men on the war ships an admirable experience and enabled them to test their marksmanship in action, which was destined for engaging battle to the armorclads of Spain. They are now better prepared than ever to meet the foe, having the additional confidence that comes from having been under fire.

The American sailors would like to have continued this time the San Juan fortifications, as they were completely shattered, but Admiral Sampson decided that sufficient damage had been done to make the port useless as a formidable base.

The Killed and Wounded.

In the bombardment two of our men were killed and seven injured. How heavy was the loss among the Spaniards is not known, but it is believed to have been severe. The two men killed were: Frank Widemark, seaman of the cruiser New York; William Ross, gunner's mate of the monitor Amphitrite. This is a list of the injured: John Mitchell, seaman of the battleship Iowa; Raymond Hill, apprentice on the Iowa; George Merkle, a private marine on the Iowa; Michael Murphy, seaman on the cruiser New York; Samuel Feltman, a seaman on the New York; Edward Earle, seaman on the New York; John Miller, seaman on the New York. Splinters from bursting shells or fragments of the shells themselves caused most of the injuries. Ross, gunner's mate of the Amphitrite, dropped dead beside his gun, the shock and excitement evidently being too much for his heart.

Two Ships Bear Scars.

The enemy did some damage to the battleship Iowa and the cruiser New York, but neither of these ships came out of the conflict with any serious scars. The other ships were uninjured. Nearly all the shots from the Spaniards went wide of their mark. The enemy appeared to be entirely deficient in the use of the guns. This made our ships indifferent to their reckless and ineffective cannonade, whose only redeeming feature was its spiritedness.

Admiral Sampson's fleet lay within sight of San Juan de Porto Rico all of Wednesday night. At 3 o'clock on Thursday morning all hands on all the ships were called. For an hour and a half each ship was the scene of an orderly confusion as the two thousand sailors stripped their ships, their guns and themselves.

By 4.30 everything was in readiness for the battle to begin—the second great engagement of the war. At 5 a. m. came the call to "quarters," and instantly every man was at his post and ready and eager to strike a blow in atonement for the Maine.

Morro, of course, was to be the centre of attack. In it were the seven six-inch guns which Spain sent over as soon as the war became certain, and which had been hastily mounted and manned with the best gunners in the colonial army.

The Engagement Opens.

The fleet, looking for the Spanish ships, steamed to the harbor, the men at quarters, the decks sanded, the speed five knots an hour. They held in until the Detroit was less than a mile from the old fort.

The gunners in the old fort opened on the Iowa. The squadron was ordered to return the fire.

The Iowa's forward turret guns fired first at the west angle of the fort; then she swung around her after guns and let go her starboard broadside.

The Detroit at her lowest speed began broadside firing. The Indiana steamed up, firing. The Detroit drove the gunners away again and again.

The Iowa selected one fort and as the ships approached each opened, firing turret and broadside guns. The Detroit in her exposed position pluckily kept in short range and her guns did terrific execution.

Except the Detroit and the Montgomery, which were ordered out of range, the ships steamed in an ellipse in front of the forts three times.

On the first round they shot too low, but they got the elevation on the second round, and the shots hit the forts and passed over the hills, falling in the town.

An eight-inch shell exploded in the New York's aft port whaleboat davit at the end of the third round. Fragments fell among the crew of the port broadside eight-inch guns. Frank Widemark, seaman, was struck in the head and killed.

At 7 o'clock the day had become furiously hot, so hot that men were fainting below decks and at the guns. One man, a gunner's mate on the Amphitrite, was overcome and died in a few hours.

The leaping flames from burning houses close to the shore, but behind the fortifications, made the Americans know that their work was not as vain as the frenzied firing of the Spaniards.

In the old part of the town of San Juan, adjoining the fortifications, whole blocks were blazing. Many of the shells flew over and burst among the ancient buildings from which the population had fled at dawn.

So fierce was the American fire that had the intention been to bombard the residence part of old San Juan, the damage could hardly have been greater. The lighthouses were demolished soon after the firing began. Later on the houses in Ballaja square, in St. Christopher street, in San Jose street and in San Sebastian street were in flames. The St. Catherine Institute, the ancient palace, the Government house, the orphan asylum, the old theatre and several old churches were burned or almost destroyed.

Spaniards Fought Like Madmen.

The American officers, through their glasses, could see the Spaniards at work in many places where the fortifications had been broken down. The Spaniards seemed drunk with fury. They loaded and fired like madmen, without aiming, without any appearance of discipline or direction. At times their crazed condition led them to many absurdities, such as waving over the shaking fists and discharging pistols at the American line which was barely within reach of their guns of longest range.

Toward 8 o'clock the heat became absolutely unbearable on the American ships. It became evident that the Spanish forts could not be silenced sort of another hour's work.

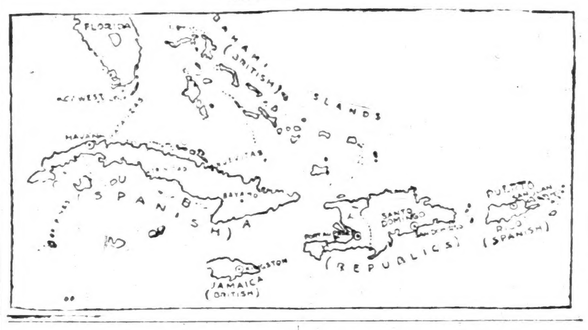
Men on the American ships were dropping on all sides, not from Spanish shots, but from the accurate and terrible bombardment of the tropical sun.

After consultation Admiral Sampson signalled "cease firing" and turned away westward. The other ships slowly followed, all except the monitor Terror. She remained in her position, in range of all the guns of the Spaniards until she had silenced them.

The United States warships hauled off shore within a few minutes after Admiral Sampson's signal to cease firing, and left San Juan in a sorry condition. The Spanish base was no longer effective as a shelter for a Spanish fleet, while the American ships were ready for battle at any moment.

The fleet steamed to the westward about twenty miles and then stopped to remove the grime of battle and to rest and refresh the weary but happy sailors.

PORTO RICO AND THE SCENE OF NAVAL OPERATIONS.



STREET SCENE IN SAN JUAN, NEAR THE FORTIFICATIONS.

BAY OF SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.

Sampson's Official Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The Navy Department received the following despatch from Admiral Sampson. It is dated St. Thomas, May 12, and is as follows:

"A portion of the squadron under my command reached San Juan this morning at daybreak. No armed vessels were found in the port. As soon as it was sufficiently light I commenced attack upon the batteries defending the city. This attack lasted about three hours and resulted in much damage to the batteries and incidentally to a portion of the city adjacent to the batteries. The batteries replied to our fire, but without material effect. One man was killed on board the New York and seven slightly wounded in the squadron. No serious damage to any ships resulted. SAMPSON."

TO RULE THE PHILIPPINES.

General Merritt Will Act as Military Governor of the Islands.

WASHINGTON (Special).—With all possible dispatch Rear Admiral Dewey's possession of the Philippines is to be strengthened by additional ships and by a military force adequate to overcome the Spanish troops left on the Islands, to maintain order and protect the lives and interests of foreign residents, and to assert the authority of the United States through a military government, with Major-General Wesley Merritt as its head. General Merritt held a long consultation with the Secretary of War and the Adjutant General, and returned to New York to complete his preparations for proceeding to Manila.

It has been definitely decided to concentrate at San Francisco an army of 12,000 men, consisting of both volunteers and regulars. Besides the States of California and Washington, which will furnish their entire quota of volunteer troops, these States will furnish men for the expedition: Wyoming, one battalion of infantry; Colorado, one regiment of infantry; Kansas, one regiment of infantry; Montana, one regiment of infantry; Nebraska, one regiment of infantry; Utah, two light batteries of artillery and one troop of cavalry, and North Dakota and Idaho, each two battalions of infantry.

This army will constitute the First Corps of the United States Army. It will be divided into three divisions, the first of which will consist of 7000 men, and will form the first detachment sent to the relief of Rear Admiral Dewey.

In order that the expedition may leave as soon as possible General Merritt has been given authority to take with him, at his own discretion, the first 7000 men who report at San Francisco.

A CABLEGRAM FROM DEWEY.

The Situation at Manila Since the Bombardment is Unchanged.

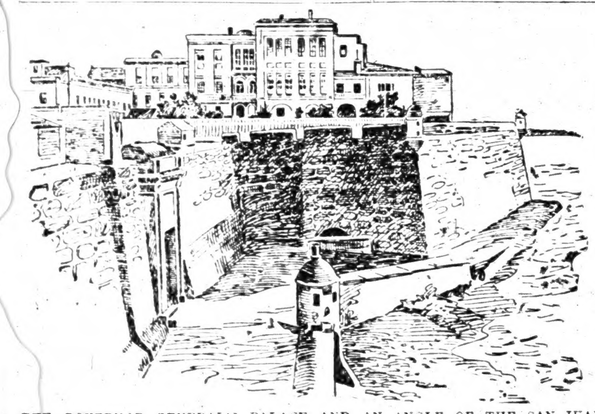
WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—A despatch came Friday to the Navy Department from Admiral Dewey, at Manila. It was dated Hong Kong. It was as follows:

HONG KONG, May 12.

Secretary of the Navy:

There is little change in the situation since my last telegram. I am transferring to transports steel breech-loading rifles from sunken Spanish men-of-war. Also stores from arsenal in my possession. I am maintaining strict blockade. Add Argos to list of destroyed vessels. El Correo, probably El Cano. DEWEY.

Other despatches describe the situation in the Philippines as unchanged since the bombardment.



THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S PALACE AND AN ANGLE OF THE SAN JUAN FORTIFICATIONS REDUCED BY ADMIRAL SAMPSON'S FLEET.

Over Fifty Thousand Volunteers.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—Reports received at Adjutant General Corbin's office show that 54,752 of the volunteers have been accepted as having the necessary qualifications for soldiers and have been mustered into the United States service.

Victims of Fire.

Three double frame dwellings at the Lytle colliery, near Minersville, Penn., were destroyed by fire. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Tott and a six-year-old daughter of John Polish were burned to death. The fire is thought to have been of incendiary origin.

Chicago's Great Loss.

Grain elevator D, at Chicago, was destroyed by fire. Losses on building and contents will aggregate about $1,200,000. The elevator contained 1,115,000 bushels of grain, valued at $890,000, the property of P. D. Armour. The grain was fully insured.

The Time at Manila.

The difference in Washington time and that of the Philippine islands is thirteen hours and sixteen minutes; therefore, according to our time, the battle of Manila was fought at 3.44 p. m., Saturday, April 30.

Our Flag Hoisted in Cuba.

KEY WEST, Fla. (Special).—Ensign Willard, of the Machias, was the first to hoist the American flag on the island of Cuba. While the Wilmington, Winslow and Hudson were engaging Cardenas, the Machias demolished a battery and blockhouse at Diana City, two miles away. An armed boat's crew then went ashore and the ensign hoisted the Stars and Stripes on the blockhouse flagpole.

Rioting in Spain.

Rioters at Alicante, Spain, burned the bonded warehouses after taking all the wheat they contained.

FIRST AMERICAN DEAD.

Ensign Bagley and Four Men Perish on the Winslow.

FATAL BATTLE AT CARDENAS.

Fired on by a Masked Battery While Seeking Spanish Gunboats in the Harbor—Spaniards Suffered, Too—The Ensign and His Men Fought the Enemy to the Last—Rescued by the Hudson.

KEY WEST, Fla., Special. The first American bloodshed in the war between the United States and Spain occurred in the attempt to destroy the Spanish gunboats in the harbor of Cardenas, on the north coast of the island of Cuba.

ENSIGN WORTH BAGLEY.
(First American killed in the war with Spain.)

dou and several men were wounded. All were on board the torpedo boat Winslow, which bore the brunt of a terrific fire from a deftly-masked battery for over three-quarters of an hour. The dead and wounded are:

Dead.

Worth Bagley, ensign.
John Donfee, fireman.
George B. Meek, fireman.
Elijah B. Tunnell, cook.
John Varveres, oiler.

Wounded.

Lieutenant John B. Bernadou, commander of the Winslow; injured in the thigh by a flying splinter.

William Patterson, fireman; flesh wound in the leg from splinter.

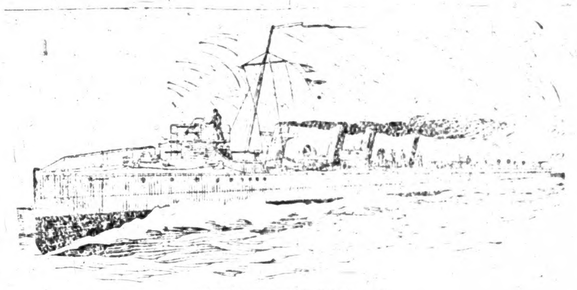
R. E. Cox, gunner's mate; slightly hurt by fragment of shell.

Daniel McKeown, quartermaster; slightly injured by shell.

F. Gray, able seaman.

The Winslow, Wilmington and Hudson were cruising off Cardenas, and about 1 o'clock in the afternoon the little torpedo boat moved in close to shore. She could see the main batteries some mile and a half ahead, but had no thought of a masked battery. She reached a point nearly 500 yards from shore when suddenly the shrubbery parted, and heavy cannon boomed out. The Spanish were too close to miss. Heavy solid shot and shell hit all about the torpedo boat. A solid shot tore through her hull, and the forward boiler blew up, but her men did not flinch.

Another shot tore away her rudder, and she drifted helplessly. The Hudson steamed into the harbor, and took the Winslow in tow.



TORPEDO BOAT WINSLOW.

The hawsers were scarcely fast when a shell burst directly over the damaged boat. Ensign Bagley was instantly killed and four of the men who were working the rapid-fire rifles fell with him.

The Wilmington had reached easy range about this time, and opened with her heavy guns. The Spanish held down on her and she was hit by a dozen shots. She was hurt, but not crippled, and bore the brunt of the battle until the Winslow was safe out of the harbor. She lost no men. The Spanish batteries were silenced eventually, and a number of men killed and wounded.

The Hudson was nearly half an hour getting a line to the Winslow. While still twenty feet from her a shell burst on the deck of the Winslow. Several men had just come up from below for air, and were painfully seen to receive shock of the exploding shell. They were lifted off their feet and hurled in all directions.

One man was struck in the face and hurled off the deck yelling, "Save me." He was pulled back by the legs dead. Three were killed instantly and two died later on the Wilmington. The bodies were badly mutilated. All the men were game to the end, and wished to keep up the fight, even after the ship was disabled. The Machias could not enter the bay on account of drawing twelve feet, but she shelled the battery of Dramaway and sent an armed boat crew ashore, which fired it. The Hudson also refined and burned a shore battery. One Spanish boat was also disabled.

At 8 o'clock Thursday morning the Hudson, with the Winslow's dead and wounded, came up to the Government dock. The bodies of the five dead men were lying on her after deck, covered with the Stars and Stripes. In the cabin of the Hudson were Lieutenant John B. Bernadou, who commanded the Winslow in the battle and was

Spanish Troops Slaughtered.

HAVANA, Cuba (By Cable).—Five thousand Spanish troops in Puerto Principe started for Moron under a flag of truce to engage against the United States. The insurgents refused to respect the flag of truce, and 900 Spaniards were killed. President Masso has called Generals Gomez and Garcia to a conference on the Moron trocha, where the Cuban army will be concentrated.

Prizes Released.

The Prize Court at Key West will recommend the release of the steamers Bratsberg

GENERAL HOWARD'S VIEWS.

The "Christian Soldier" Thinks the War Will Be a Long One.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (Special). General O. O. Howard has arrived here to take charge of the religious propaganda among the troops.

"I do not believe," he said to a reporter, "that the war will have a speedy termination. I think that Spain is trying to avoid a decisive engagement, and will conduct the war by harassing our commerce and

GENERAL O. O. HOWARD.
(He is at the head of the Christian Commission.)

delay matters in the hope that some of the foreign powers will intervene. I expect that international complications more or less serious will result before the war is ended."

General Howard expects to remain in Chattanooga for a few weeks, when he will go to Tampa to [illegible]

"The plan of campaign proposed by the United States [illegible]

Wheeler to Command the Cavalry.

MAJ.-GEN. WHEELER has been ordered from Chattanooga to Tampa to command the cavalry [illegible] for Cuba.

Population of Navassa Finds Safety.

Seventy-five American refugees, the entire population of the Island of Navassa, southeast of Cuba, arrived at Key West, Fla. They were [illegible] seven of them whites. They were [illegible] by the gunboat Castine. Navassa Island is owned by the Baltimore [illegible] Company, and the Americans [illegible] by the owners of the island [illegible] attack and massacre [illegible].

Korea to Be Independent.

Japan and [illegible] to agree to the independence of Korea.

FIRST BATTLE ON CUBAN SOIL.

American Landing Party Repulsed a Force of Undisciplined Spaniards.

KEY WEST, Fla. (Special). The first United States troops were landed in Cuba Friday. The [illegible] of two companies of the First Infantry, which left Tampa [illegible] The [illegible] landed [illegible] desolate [illegible]

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The Spaniards lost an officer and three men killed, seven wounded and a prisoner.

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GOOD ROADS NOTES.

Use of Good Roads.

For many years past the farmers and farm communities of this country have been crying out against the railroads extending their lines everywhere. "Just get a railroad through my property, and my farm is made," has been the expression of more than one extensive landowner. And he has gotten the railroads, with great benefit to himself and his vicinity. By their means he has been enabled to get out to the centres of civilization, and to bring his produce to good markets.

Long ago he should have devised some way by which the public highway could be improved and made even more useful to him than the steel tracks of the great trunk lines.

There is at present under consideration a plan for the introduction of [illegible] carriages, with wide tired wheels, for the main thoroughfares, through thickly settled localities, the carriage itself to be of the ordinary pattern, and coupled to it one or more cars of very light and strong construction. This vehicle would be run regardless of the grade, and, to some extent, of the state of the roads. Ruts and ridges of any ordinary character will not obstruct the progress of the car, neither will the weather have any effect upon it.

The horseman's worry is his horse and harness, and all anxiety on this score is done away with by the horseless carriage. The running gear of the vehicle will be placed under a metal guard, resembling an old-fashioned dripping pan inverted. This affords good protection to the gears, and keeps the mud to the lower portion of the equipment, confining generally to the comfort and the cleanliness of the passengers and car alike. While a high rate of speed would be desirable, it is not expected that this will be one of the main points, although over level time can be made where the roads are good. This plan will unquestionably necessitate the widening of the ordinary track; but this is a matter very easily managed. If only wide-tired vehicles were used, the cost of work on roads would be reduced to a very low figure. Imagine a horseless carriage with a six or eight-inch steel tire, which would act like a roller, and smooth down most of the irregularities on the roadway.

The suggestion that there would be bumping and bouncing is scarcely worth consideration. Jolting comes from sudden contact with a single point. A wide tire wheel would cover so much surface at one time that most of the jolting could be avoided, and, except upon very hard, frozen ground, would wear down the surface as it went, leaving nothing to bounce and bump on.

It is an interesting fact that much of the good roads enthusiasm has been started up by the manufacturers and riders of bicycles. The wheelman must have a good road, and there being so many of him, the beginning of the movement was not in the least deficient.

Too much cannot be said against the shiftlessness of certain localities and the atrocious management of certain bits of road. There are regions where one may ride for miles upon roads that are almost as smooth as a floor, and suddenly the rider encounters—which is a veritable Slough of Despond a long stretch of deep holes, ridges and cut-up surface, which is a disgrace to the community that tolerates it.

It is the sheerest nonsense to say that such pieces of road cannot be made passable. Such assertions show more and more clearly the need of Government supervision of roads, and the importance of intelligent and painstaking work from the foundation to the surface.—New York Ledger.

The Ravages of Narrow Tires.

For the first few days after the steam rollers are taken off the new highways "they are dreams," says the Springfield News, "the best thing on earth"—smooth as a table, and yet yielding and elastic. Then the narrow tire begins to put in its work, cutting them like a knife, first disintegrating the surface, and later on knocking the foundations to pieces. Once the surface is disturbed, the rain does the rest, even if the constantly passing narrow-tired vehicles did not help it out.

"As long as narrow tires are allowed for heavy loads, no such thing as a satisfactory macadam roadbed is possible. The case is much worse with dirt roads. The knife tire cuts through quicker, and the water tears them to nothing quicker. There is no reason why dirt roads should not prove satisfactory in country districts if wide tires for loaded teams were required, with woods which do not rut track. The sooner a State law is enacted to carry out this idea, the sooner will taxpayers have relief, and good roads be in sight.

"But if we do not get our legislators forget a moment that wide tires with [illegible] wheels shall [illegible] the battle, if [illegible] Six inch tires, with [illegible] when running right behind [illegible] would only smooth [illegible] of the road on a trip. Make the wheels run in different tracks, and [illegible] feet [illegible] each trip. [illegible] passing car [illegible] side of the [illegible] four feet [illegible] right, [illegible] roads [illegible] expert [illegible] wide road [illegible] law may be of interest to [illegible] of many small maidens too [illegible] would [illegible] a practice which is [illegible] healthful enough when moderately indulged in.

A New Jersey Estimate.

The annual report of the State Road Commissioner of New Jersey makes [illegible] of the cost of [illegible] roads, and shows [illegible] the advantages [illegible] and it [illegible] come in the save

"It costs 25 cents per bushel to ship wheat from Chicago to New York, a distance of 900 miles. It costs three cents a bushel to haul wheat on a level road a distance of five miles, and on a sandy road it would cost nine cents per mile to haul it. The saving on a bushel of wheat with good roads for a distance of five miles would be equivalent to that of 600 miles of transportation by steamer or canal boat, or 375 miles by railroad. One mile of good roads would make a saving equal to seventy-five miles of railroad transportation. This every mile of good roads places the producer seventy-five miles by rail nearer to the markets. It is estimated that the cost of hauling 500,000,000 tons of farm produce to market is $2 per ton, or just about $1,000,000,000; it is also estimated that at but sixty per cent. of this last amount, or $600,000,000 would be saved each year if farmers were able to do this hauling over good roads."

One Way of Preserving Roads.

To protect and preserve the highways by withdrawing them from public use at times when they are likely to be injured by heavy travel is certainly a unique method of providing for the public welfare, but this is what the Kentucky statutes say:

"Any corporation, company or individual who may, by unusual use of a road, materially damage the same, shall repair all damages caused by the use of such road or roads. The supervisor or overseer of roads shall, at any time when necessary, notify said corporations, companies or individuals of their duty as provided in this section, and should the said parties so notified fail, in a reasonable length of time, to be fixed in the notice, to make such repairs, such parties shall be deemed guilty of obstructing the public roads, and shall be subject to a fine of not exceeding $100, to be applied to road purposes."

The Weakest Link.

Like a chain, a road is no stronger or better than its weakest link. In a highway there are many links which may be poor, weak or defective. Whatever or wherever the cause of inferiority may be, the efficiency of the whole road is thereby reduced to a level with that of its most inferior part. If drainage is inadequate, and water accumulates, heavy hauling results; if there is a single steep grade, the size of load that can be transported is materially reduced; if the connection between points is indirect, due to square corners, much time is wasted; if care and repair are irregular and unintelligent, money and labor are spent in vain. The remedy is, lay out the course of the road judiciously, build it scientifically and care for it constantly.—Good Roads Bulletin.

Distanced by Europe.

Americans must feel some disappointment, since their country has long been famous for its quickness and skill in adopting mechanical and scientific discoveries for business purposes, when they realize that European cities are far surpassing any of ours in the use of horseless vehicles. Until we have better roads and better street pavements we must submit to the humiliation of being distanced by Germany, France and England in one of the most interesting and important phases of modern progress. It is one of the penalties we pay for make-shift highways and for the folly which permits the use upon them of destructively narrow tires. — Cleveland Leader.

Good Roads and the Mails.

If country roads were generally improved by the modern plan of road building there would not be much delay in providing free delivery through the more populous parts of the country. One reason why England delivers mail from house to house in the country, as well as in the city, is because the country roads are in so fine condition that the work of delivery is greatly expedited. If there were English roads all through the Middle and Eastern States it would not be a great undertaking for this Government to establish free delivery in those sections.—Syracuse (N. Y.) Post.

Tires.

If our political providences insure that only wide tires for heavy loads shall be used on the new roads they will be a permanent blessing. But if the old style of tires is permitted to tear them to pieces it will not be many years before we have nothing but the tax bills to remember them by.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Good Roads Are Good Investments.

When the farmers can be brought to see that good roads constructed with State aid mean money in their pockets, as has been demonstrated in New Jersey, good roads will become as common as bad roads are now.—Philadelphia Press.

A "Bad Roads Map."

A road map of Illinois is being prepared by the State Division, L. A. W., to be sent to the Legislature and all the newspapers in the State. Such a map would be an "eye-opener" in almost any State in the Union.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

Rope Skipping and Meningitis.

A New York school girl died recently from meningitis, brought on by the overexcitement of rope skipping. This fact may be of interest to [illegible] of many small maidens too [illegible] would [illegible] a practice which is [illegible] healthful enough when moderately indulged in.

Curious Florida Crabs.

Haunting the rookeries of the birds in the southern part of the peninsula is a large blue crab. He makes a hole [illegible] for a log and [illegible] spiralling [illegible] and [illegible] Blue [illegible] and [illegible] as large as a saucer.

There is a perpetual war between crab and the birds. He wanders among the nests at night and [illegible] the [illegible] of fish fed by the parents and the young themselves. If he can find a mother off her guard. But he has to be sly or he is killed by the stroke of a pointed bill and eaten in his turn. When the plume hunters have driven off or destroyed the parents of a rookery, these crabs swarm out and devour the orphan young in short order. But while the mothers are allowed to do their duty the crabs are ideal scavengers and devour the refuse as well as the insects that infest the bird cities. Their bright colors, like those of the tiger, make them less dangerous than their appetites would otherwise be.

There is a little purple crab along the coast of Southern Florida which seems to feed almost entirely upon the fruit of the cactus. This if so [illegible] things that you are suddenly stippled to see one of the succulent little balls [illegible] away from your fingers before you are aware that it is alive. Step back and the crab will resume its place and seem to be as curious about you as you are about him.

Nelson's Wonderful Feat.

Writers of historical reminiscences have to be masters of a certain amount of accurate information about their heroes if they wish to avoid mistakes. Hedley are not, they are sure to "get things mixed."

Not long since a reviewer in the London Times, writing of a book named "Rowing Reminiscences," related on his own account the following episode of Nelson, the great admiral:

"While in chase of Villeneuve's French fleet he was informed of the latter leaving in sight, at which information Nelson evinced the highest satisfaction, and gleefully rubbed his hands."

As a correspondent of the Times points out, this incident occurred in 1805. Nelson lost his right arm in the attack on Santa Cruz, Teneriffe, in 1797—eight years prior to his pursuit of Villeneuve's fleet. It would have been, therefore, a difficult matter for him to "rub his hands" in 1805.

An Ancient Custom.

From Republican Traveler, Arkansas City, Kan.

Pilgrimages to some shrine of St. Vitus to cure the disease known as St. Vitus' dance are no longer made. The modern way of treating this affliction is within reach of every householder, as is shown by the experience of Karl A. Wagner, the eleven-year-old son of George Wagner, of 515 9th St., Arkansas City, Kan. The father tells the story as follows:

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For Clerk of the Circuit Court:
E. B. DEASON

For Representative:
L. H. REYNOLDS

For Superintendent of Education:
HUDSON STROCK

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR JUDGE OF PROBATE.

I announce myself a candidate for re election to the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county, subject to the votes of the Democracy of the county at the general election in August, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT.

I announce myself a candidate for the important office of Judge of Probate, as a free silver reform Republican opposing bossism, and soliciting the support of the people at the general election in August.

J. G. BARBOUR.

FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT.

I announce myself a candidate for re election to the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, subject to the vote of the Democracy of the County, at the election in August, 1898.

W. A. B. FALKNER.

I announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton County, subject to the votes of the people in the election in August.

WILLIAM B. GREEN.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

I announce myself a candidate for re election to the office of Representative in the General Assembly, subject to the will of the people at the general election in August, 1898.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Oakmulgee, Ala., May 22, 1898

Editor BANNER: I would like to say a few words through the columns of the Banner to the people of Chilton county in regard to my candidacy for the office of Circuit Clerk of Chilton County, as the question arises what is the meaning of the word independent in politics. The independent in politics generally means reform of existing abuses, our politics like everything else, should be progressive and conform to new conditions. Any party will become corrupt with too long lease of power. Virture, honesty and purity alone have a claim to special privileges, and for them only that they may the better ameliorate the condition of the great mass of humanity. Away with traditional politics; the world to-day is progressive and don't need anything of the kind.

So now in regard to my candidacy for clerk. Some may ask why I am a candidate? Am I dissatisfied with the man that is on the ticket that was nominated on the 20th of April? In reply to such a question I answer in the negation. Then why are you a candidate? Just simply because the opportunity has presented itself and I want the office. Just as it is with my opponent, Mr. Deason. So such being the case I will just say to my friends and supporters that I ask the respected consideration of the voters of Chilton county regardless of past party affiliations to consider the matter, and if you think that I am worthy of your support I shall be very thankful to you for same, and if I am elected I shall ever strive to discharge the duties connected with the office to the best of my ability and to the approval of the people of Chilton county. So I will close by thanking my friends for the honor conferred on me by their solicitations to become a candidate for said office. Yours etc.

WILLIAM B. GREEN.

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Will the people take warning? Two years ago just one half of the Populist ticket was endorsed for the express purpose of dividing the people. That was done openly. This year we hear some whispering that a part of the People's Party ticket is all right, and there will be no opposition. What does that mean? A blind man can see that it means to divide, and to sub-divide and is the plan to finally destroy the People's Party. We have a good ticket from head to foot and every man on it will be elected. How can a man be for us and against us at the same time? Can he serve two masters? Friends, take warning. A man is either for us or against us, he is for the People's Party or he is against it, he is in favor of the county remaining in the hands of the people or he is in favor of turning it over to the party that bad charge twelve years ago when the people were robbed of their rights. Let every true man wake up.

LOOKERON.

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S. E. Parker, Sharon, Wis., writes—"I have tried DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve for itching piles and it always stops them in two minutes. I consider DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the greatest pile cure on the market." Stanfield & Matthews.

Commencement Exercises at the University School.

The commencement exercises of the University School were held last Friday.

The graduating class, comprising Messrs. J. Renfroe Mullins, J. W. Logan and H. W. Ticknor, were presented with their certificates after a short and touching talk from the Principal.

The Highest Honors of the school awarded for attendance and excellence in studies, was awarded to J. Renfroe Mullins.

The Principal's Medal for Oratory was awarded to J. Osmond Middleton, after an able and interesting contest.

The "BANNER" medal for Extemporaneous Composition was awarded to J. Wiley Logan.

The W. L. Sampey medal for English was awarded to J. Renfroe Mullins.

After a splendid basket dinner served by the ladies of Clanton on the school campus, the annual oration was delivered by the Hon. Percy Clark, of Selma.

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Rockymount

The 2nd Sunday in June will be observed as Children's day and also as Decoration day at this place. If you want to have a good time, come, bring your dinner and spend the day with us.

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Valley Creek

Program for Beat 8, Sunday School Convention at Valley Creek church. May 28 and 29 1898.

Saturday May 28.

9:30 Devotional exercises.

10. Enrollment of delegates and reports from Sunday schools.

10:30 Sunday-school to accomplishments and possibilities by Rev Mr. Williams, and discussion.

11:30 Appointment of committees

12. Recess for dinner.

2. Song service.

2:30. Can evergreen schools be maintained in the country J. F. Johnson and general discussion.

3:15. Election of officers and adjournment. All are cordially invited. W. J. Ruddick President

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Lily.

Rev. J. G. Lowery filled his appointment here the 1st Sunday. We are glad to have our former pastor back with us.

Rev. J. F. Price filled his appointment at Isabella the 2nd Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Lett who has been preaching at the schoolhouse the 2nd Sunday has changed his appointment to the 4th

Farmers are very busy now chopping cotton.

Miss Celestia Jones has returned from a visit to friends at Fantersville and Selma.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wright a daughter.

Miss. Mattie Lenoir, of Strasburg was a pleasant visitor here last week.

Messrs. Moody, Parnell and Moody Rasberry, of Stanton, visited relatives here recently.

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Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Clanton Drug Store and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

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CAPTURED SPANISH SHIPS.

Methods For the Disposal of Prizes Taken In the War.

The manner in which Spanish merchant vessels captured by the United States will be disposed of was the subject of an interesting discussion at the Philadelphia postoffice recently, and in this connection Assistant United States District Attorney McCullen made the following statement:

"The United States district attorney's office, the marshal's office and the district court are the only offices that are concerned in the proceedings necessary for the condemnation and sale of prizes and the distribution of proceeds. The mode of procedure briefly in such cases would be: First, the United States attorney files a libel in the district court against the vessel when informed that she is a prize of war and is within the jurisdiction of the court. An attachment issues from the district court and is served by the United States marshal.

"Three weeks then elapse, and the proclamation of libel proceedings is made once a week during that period. Unless a defense is set up in court to prove the vessel is not a legitimate prize of war the district attorney obtains from the court a decree of condemnation and sale. The sale has a 15 days' public advertising and is then conducted by the United States marshal at the wharf where the vessel lies. The proceeds of the sale of the ship and cargo are paid into the registry of the United States district court to await distribution according to law to those entitled to the prize money."—Philadelphia Press.

SIGSBEE AT A BULLFIGHT.

His Letter to a Revere (Mass.) Pastor Who Criticised His Attendance.

Robert H. Dolliver, a Boston merchant, recently wrote to Captain Sigsbee, former commander of the Maine, informing him that a pastor at Revere, Mass., had criticised him for attending a bullfight in Havana.

Captain Sigsbee's reply, which was recently received, reads:

DEAR SIR—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, which seems to indicate that your pastor regards the destruction of the Maine as the possible visitation of Divine Providence against that ship because of my visit to the bullfight on Sunday. It is a fact that I attended a bullfight on that day, not, however, to see the bullfight, but to test the feelings of the Spaniards at Havana against me and my vessel under circumstances when they were wildly excited. I considered this an important matter.

I fail to understand your pastor's logic. It is inconceivable that the good Lord would destroy in an instant so many men who did not attend the bullfight and were not responsible for my attendance, whereas he permitted those to be saved, without exception, who actually attended the bullfight, including myself. I trust I have a proper sense of propriety, and interest to the bullfight my conscience is perfectly clear.

I beg to thank you for the kind, good will which you express toward me in your letter. Military and naval men are oftentimes obliged to do things in a professional way which they hardly deem agreeable in their home life. Yours very truly,

C. D. SIGSBEE, Captain U. S. Navy.

—New York Times.

"RALLY ROUND THE FLAG."

A New Version of the Song Sung by Ohio Lawmakers.

In the house at Columbus, O., the other morning, when a bulletin was read announcing the capture of a Spanish merchantman by a United States vessel, there was a scene of the wildest enthusiasm. Cheering was kept up for five minutes, and the remaining business of the morning was carried on during a buzz of war talk.

At the hour for the noon recess the genuine enthusiasm broke out afresh, and, on motion of Mr. Bell, the house stood to sing an original version of the song "Rally Round the Flag." Mr. Allen of Athens county led the singing. The words to the song, written by Mr. Swingle of Muskingum, are as follows:

We are coming from the east,
We are coming from the west,
Shouting the "Battle Cry of Freedom."
We are going down to Cuba
To set the captive free,
Shouting the "Battle Cry of Freedom."

CHORUS.

The Union forever, "Hurrah, boys, hurrah,"
Down with the Spaniard, up with the stars,
While we rally round the flag, boys, rally once again,
Shouting the "Battle Cry of Freedom."

After the song the house gave three cheers for America, three more for Cuba and then adjourned.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

ON WATCH FOR THE ENEMY.

All Night Long Sandy Hook Searchlight Keeps Close Guard Over the Ocean.

The great searchlight on Sandy Hook, now that war has begun, watches from dark to daylight for the coming of the enemy.

The searchlight is like an eye of the nation, sleepless and ever bright. Until half dawn brightened into daylight the other morning the great eye, turning slowly, swept the ocean, sending a shaft of blinding white light over the waves for miles. While New York slept the eye watched.

No Spanish warship or fleet can steal up under cover of darkness. It is to detect the approach of the enemy that the eye stares ceaselessly out over the Atlantic.—New York Evening Journal.

What stops Neuralgia? Dr. Miles' Pain Pills

Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. Stanfield & Matthews.

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PROGRAM OF S S. CONVENTION

of the Mulberry Association, held with New Salem church, two miles south-east of Strasburg, May 28 and 29, 1898.

Saturday, 9: a m. Devotional exercises by pastor. 9:30. The church and Sunday-school, their relation to each other. S. M. Adams, T. R. Jackson and W. H. Shaw. 10:30. The study of God's Word as a means of spiritual development. L. B. Pounds, D. W. Langston and J. J. Hicks. 12 m Adjourn for dinner.

2 p.m. Devotional exercises. R. H. Long.

2:30 what relation does the pastor sustain to the missionary department of the Sunday school? S. Smitherman, Z. J. Jones and A Glasscock.

3. The happy results of efficient Sunday-school work to church and community. Dr. H. W. Caffee, R. M. Honeycutt and J. P. Gentry.

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday-school mass-meeting conducted by R. H. Long.

11. Convention sermon by Sutton Smitherman.

F. M. Woods
T. G. Williams
Samuel Pate
} Committee

Those who attend the convention by railroad and wanting conveyance to the church will notify T. G. Williams or Felix Filand, Thorsby, who will meet them at Strasburg.

JNO. T. MARTIN Sec.

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Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, of Rossville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front, is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. "I had a severe attack lately," he says, "and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles." Mr Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lame back, sprains, swellings, cuts, bruises and burns, for which it is unequalled. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Billingsley.

Decoration Day at Pleasant Grove.

Saturday, May 28, is the time set apart to decorate the graves of our beloved dead. The public is invited, especially those who feel interested in the cemetery at Pleasant Grove church. Come with your flowers and baskets and let us spend the day.

PROGRAM.

9 a.m. Address of welcome and object of the decoration by Rev. E. W. Lawley and Rev N. A. Dobbs.

9:30 Preparation necessary for death, by Rev. W. B. Dennis.

10 On the resurection, by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

10:30 On the judgment, by Rev. T. J. Ledbetter.

11 Decoration conducted by Rev. E. W. Lawley and Rev. W. G. Riggins.

12 Refreshments.

1:30 p.m. out home beyond the grave, by Rev. F. A. Gidson.

3 Sermon from the stand by Rev. W. G. Fraser, of Robinson Springs.

J. W. Mims
A. J. Henley
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1st mortgage executed February 20th, 1896 and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton County Alabama in Vol. 36 Pages 281-3.

2nd mortgage executed March 14th, 1896 and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton County, Alabama in Vol. 36 Pages 601-2.

3rd mortgage executed December 10th, 1896 and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate in Chilton County, Alabama in Vol 38, Pages 281-3.

the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JUNE 27 1898

the following described real estate, to wit:

Dwelling House and Lot in Maplesville, Chilton County, Alabama described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the South west corner of property of J. D. Patterson on the east right of way and running South 75 feet, thence East 120 feet, thence North 75 feet, thence East 90 feet, thence North 74 feet and thence 210 feet to the point of beginning.

One Store-house and Lot in Maplesville, Alabama, described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the South west corner of Store-house of F. A. Crumpton and running South 24 feet, thence East 40 feet, thence North 24 feet and thence West 40 feet to the point of beginning.

V. B. ATKINS and E. B. MARTIN composing the firm of V. B. Atkins and Co. transferees of mortgages. Hudson & Collier, their attorneys.

Clanton, Ala., May 25, 1898.

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An English paper has it that in China the native Baptists call John D. Rockefeller "Mr. Beautiful Prosperity Oil Man." Probably that is a title to be proud of, though it has a somewhat grotesque sound.

A curious innovation at the Omaha Exposition is a bureau of courtesy. Not only is the idea novel, but it is surprising to learn that nearly all the people of the city will be enrolled in the committee. Every member will wear a badge, and visitors will be at liberty to address any one who wears the badge and ask for information just as much as he likes. The member, on the other hand, will be pledged to treat the visitor courteously and answer his questions, or put him in the way of getting them answered.

Leslie's Weekly says: "The most expensive Army chapel built at any of the United States posts has just been completed at Fort Riley, Kansas. It is of native graystone, quarried on the nineteen-thousand-acre reservation belonging to the post, and handsomely finished in oak. Its seating capacity is six hundred, and it cost over $15,000. The post, which is also the training-school for artillery and cavalry, has about thirty-five hundred soldiers constantly in the barracks. The Government has spent $500,000 in the last few years improving it with fine buildings, and the new chapel is one of the most attractive structures on the reservation. Chaplain T. W. Barry, located at the post for twenty years, conducted the dedication ceremonies."

Methodism has been making rapid strides in London within recent years. In 1861 there were only 13 circuits with 43 ministers, 65 chapels and 15,834 members, while now there are 64 circuits and missions, 200 chapels, 139 ministers, and 36,758 members. During this period, since 1861, the sum of $3,500,000 has been expended in chapel building, of which sum London Methodists have given more than two thirds. London Congregationalism has been distanced by the zealous Methodists, and it is little wonder accordingly that the leaders of the former communion are now exercising themselves with the question of church extension, its possibilities and obligations. There is a legitimate competition between denominations which, by fostering a friendly rivalry, really hastens the time when all will be one in the unity of the faith.

The Atlanta Constitution observes: Most of our European visitors seem to think that wastefulness is one of our main characteristics. Only some few days ago Dr. John Watson, the celebrated Scotch author, in giving his impressions of our people, stated that we had yet to learn the first principles of economy in household matters. We may, perhaps, merit this fling. In household matters we are not as economic as we ought to be. Every day we throw away rich food products which we could utilize in some way, if we only possessed the secret of economy which is practiced in European households. But while we may be wasteful in this one respect, it does not follow that in others we are wasteful also; nor is such true. Indeed, the splendid growth which we have measured along industrial lines within the past few years proves unmistakably that we have not ignored the small economies upon which success depends. In this connection it is pertinent to quote the views of one of our recent French visitors. Says this candid critic: "The attention paid to small details in your big works is amazing to me. I have visited some establishments where I believe the profits are not made in the manufacture proper, but in the saving of material and labor by close attention to details. For example, I saw in your shops just now a little grindstone in operation, automatically sharpening tools. This machine probably cost as much as one hundred of our ordinary grindstones, but it automatically grinds all the tools for three hundred high-priced mechanics. The skilled mechanics in our country frequently stop their regular work to grind their own tools, and then do it imperfectly." So, from the testimony of this candid Frenchman, it appears that Americans are not wasteful in all respects at least. If time could be given to the subject it might be shown that Americans lead the world in most of the economies upon which success depends, but for present purposes the above citation is sufficient.

It stands to reason that when a man gets into a habit of lying his bare word must not be taken for the naked truth.

RACE FOR THE PHILIPPINES

's Now On Between Our Relief Transports and Spanish Fleet.

SPAIN WILL TRY TO CONQUER THE ISLANDS.

American Vessels Will Have to Sail 7,000 Miles, While the Distance From Spain is 8,000—Regulars Under General Merrit Moving.

WASHINGTON.—The race for the Philippines is on. It will be the most thrilling spa chase of modern times. The United States will dispatch its transports for the relief of Dewey from San Francisco across the Pacific 7,050 miles. Spain will send its fleet, which has for its object the conquering of the islands, from Barcelona through the Mediterranean, the Isthmus of Suez, and the Red sea, across the Arabian sea along the southern extremity of the Bay of Bengal, around the Malayan Peninsula, and up the China sea to Manila, a total distance of 8,000 miles.

The difference in distances the rival fleets have to go is but three or four days by sea travel. And again, the administration realizes how unfortunate that relief to Dewey was not sent two weeks ago. The City of Pekin and the City at Sydney were ordered by the navy department and the war department to crowd on all steam and make the best possible time in reaching their destination. The former will carry over 1,000 men and supplies.

Should fortune favor the United States, and the transports reach Manila at the earliest possible moment, there will be but little time to prepare for the Spanish fleet. General Merritt smiles grimly as he contemplates the force which he is to command. He believes he is going to have the finest fighting force ever sent out of the country, and is accordingly happy.

The department is pushing with all speed for additional transports, and has already chartered the Zealandia, a sister ship to the Australia, which will carry 800 regulars. Six months supplies are to go out with the first expedition, and three months supplies with the second.

Up to this time it has been decided to give Merritt the greater portion of the Fourteenth infantry, now on the Pacific coast, the entire Eighteenth and Twenty-third regiments of infantry, two batteries of artillery and four troops of cavalry.

FRANCE'S ATTITUDE.

Understanding Satisfactory to Both Governments Reached.

WASHINGTON.—As a result of several recent exchanges between the officials of the state department and those of the French embassy an agreeable understanding has been reached which gives assurance of a continuance of the traditional friendship existing between the United States and France. It has served to make clear that each government has the fullest confidence in the friendly attitude of the other and that any criticisms or animosities aroused by recent incidents in the war have not been shared by the government officials of either country. In the recent exchanges, the attitude of some of the Parisian newspapers in criticism of France has been deprecated. It was pointed out by the state department officials that they had expressly disclaimed any sympathy or indorsement of these criticisms and that at most they were private expressions in no way reflecting the feeling of the United States government toward France.

CLOSING IN ON HAVANA.

Report That Gomez With 45,000 Men Is Nearing the Cuban Capital.

A special from Port Au Prince says that information has reached that place that General Gomez, at the head of an army of 15,000 insurgents, is closing in on Havana. His advance guard, led by Quentin Pandera, the dispatch says, had a skirmish with and put to flight 800 Spanish troops. Santiago De Cuba, according to the same report, is menaced by 5,000 insurgents under General Calixito Garcia. The dispatch also reports that Spanish warships have been sighted off Yucatan, conveying three transports carrying troops and provisions for Havana.

Not at All Formidable.

Hon. Thomas W. Palmer, of Detroit, ex-minister to Spain, in an interview said he did not consider Spain's navy at all formidable. Mr. Palmer said he thought Admiral Cervera's squadron was no match for either of the squadrons commanded by Sampson and Schley. In regard to Spain's sea coast fortifications, he said that while minister to Spain he inspected the fortifications at Cadiz and expressed the opinion that four 12-inch projectiles would completely shatter them.

SAGASTA'S NEW CABINET.

Will Adopt a More Vigorous War Policy at Once.

MADRID, SPAIN.—The ministers, in full uniform, appeared in the senate Friday. The new cabinet is already nicknamed the "circumstantial cabinet." The premier, Senor Sagasta, explained the ministerial crisis, and asserted that the new ministry will continue the policy of the former one. He related how "Spain did everything to avoid war until America, violating all recognized diplomacy, attacked Spain with an injustice unprecedented in the annals of civilized history, and compelled Spain to respond with war to war, which Spain would continue to the utmost until an honorable peace is obtainable. This," the premier continued, "is a strong policy, and the new government will also energetically conduct negotiations with European and other states."

Senor Sagasta explained that the cabinet changes were due to the fact that several ministers were "ill and extremely fatigued after the recent anxieties." He said the cabinet found itself confronted with war or dishonor, and accepted the former, adding solemnly: "The Spanish government will never accept peace if the territorial integrity of Spain is not maintained, and otherwise Spain is determined to fight."

AN ACTION IS NEAR.

Ships at Key West Were Hurriedly Coaled and Provisioned.

KEY WEST (Special).—The prologue has been spoken and the curtain is about to rise on the first act of the drama. Dewey's brilliant achievement at Manila is regarded as a separate episode. San Juan is already a memory, and the sporadic encounters along the Cuban coast are accepted as merely preliminary skirmishes, tentative rather than decisive. The meeting of the two great hostile fleets is the pivot upon which the situation turns. This view is confirmed by the news that Admiral Cervera's squadron has reached Santiago De Cuba. The intelligence was received Friday, and if it does not affect the situation it was a singular coincidence that activity among our ships is perceptibly heightened and the work of coaling and provisioning those in the harbor was rushed with great haste. The newspaper dispatch boats have all departed, with particular care not to lose sight of the United States warships.

MAY STARTLE THE WORLD.

England Will Concentrate a Great Fleet in the Pacific.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The British fleet in the Pacific is to be strengthened to a considerable extent during the next few months. The Temeraric, the first-class battleship to be permanently stationed here, is being fitted out at Portsmouth, and will sail shortly for Esquimault, and the big cruiser Wraspie is also to be sent to join the Pacific fleet. The fleet is to be strengthened by replacing some of the smaller cruisers with large ones, the second-class cruiser Arthusa being now on her way here to relieve the third-class cruiser Icarus. In the south, the battleship Iron Duke is to be stationed at Coquimbo. Among naval men the opinion is rife that England is about to make a move in the Pacific that will startle the world, or if not this, she is preparing to meet a contemplated move of other big powers.

Australians Want to Enlist.

Advices brought up by the steamer Aorangi, which arrived at Vancouver, B. C., Friday from Sidney, shows that in both Australia and Hawaii intense feeling in favor of the United States as against Spain prevails. Australians are very anxious to join the United States army. Colonel Bell, the American consul at Sidney, has had offers from hundreds of men wanting to go to the front.

ANGLO-JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

Friendly Understanding Between the Two Nations Said to Have Been Arranged.

London.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, says: Confirmation is given in well informed quarters in Vienna to the rumor that friendly advances made by England to Japan have already attained a tangible result. It is believed that an Anglo-Japanese understanding has been reached which not only comprehends all eventualities which can occur in the east, but also contemplates all the consequences which might result in the course of the Hispano-American war. The understanding establishes a sort of Asiatic balance of power.

War Supplies on the Argonauta.

KEY WEST.—Over forty cases of ammunition were found Friday on the Spanish steamer Argonauta, captured during the first days of the war. It was on board the steamer that Lieutenant-Colonel Cortijo, Weyler's brother in-law, was captured, with other Spanish soldiers, now prisoners in Fort McPherson, Atlanta.

200,000 Shoes For Volunteers.

The war department has placed orders for 200,000 pairs of soldiers' shoes.

FLEET AT SANTIAGO DE CUBA

Official Information That Spain's Warships Have Reached Cuba.

SAMPSON ORDERED TO ATTACK THE ENEMY

Probability That a Great Naval Battle Between the Hostile Fleets Will Be Fought in Cuban Waters This Week—Left Santiago De Cuba.

WASHINGTON.—The navy department posted the following bulletin at the close of office hours Friday afternoon:

"The department has information, which is believed to be authentic, that the Spanish squadron under Admiral Cervera is at Santiago de Cuba."

Surprise that the news came from Madrid was expressed, for the Spanish bulletins have been notably secretive ever since the flying squadron left Cadiz.

Accepting this statement as correct, it indicates that there is little possibility of a hostile meeting between Sampson and Schley and Cervera immediately. Looking over the charts of Santiago harbor, the experts soon discovered that the place would be a veritable rat trap for the Spaniards, with its narrow entrance, in which a single American monitor could bottle up the whole Spanish fleet.

While in some quarters the report from Madrid that the Spanish squadron is at Santiago is received with misgivings, yet the officials of the Cuban delegations here consider the reports accurate, as they bear out what these officials pointed out when the Spanish fleet first reached Martinique as the probable course the Spanish admiral would take.

To Attack the Enemy.

WASHINGTON.—From apparently trustworthy sources it is learned that Admiral Sampson was ordered to leave Key West Friday afternoon to attack the Spanish squadron at Santiago de Cuba. Full supplies of coal and ammunition were taken on board during the stay at Key West. The battleships and monitors were loaded with big shells enough to batter the Spanish squadron and then hammer a town or two before coming home again.

The squadron will probably be at Santiago de Cuba in three days from the time of starting. That would mean Monday evening. Should the Spanish fleet remain in port a battle may be expected on Tuesday. The only fear in Washington is that the Spaniards will not stay for the fighting, but will run and dodge again.

Fleet Has Left Santiago.

MADRID (Special.)—It is asserted that Admiral Cervera's squadron has left Santiago de Cuba. The course is not given.

CHICKAMAUGA'S VAST ARMY.

Three Corps Are Being Organized, Requiring 80,000 Men.

vast army at Chickamauga park is gathering rapidly. There are now on the historic ground between 30,000 and 40,000 men. The First division of the First provisional army corps is now complete, and the work of organizing the second has begun.

Gen. Brooke states that three corps are to be organized at the park, requiring the concentration of at least 80,000 men. The marvel is how these men are so rapidly, easily and without any confusion gotten together. The fact is demonstrated, however, and furnishes convincing proof of the greatness not only of our resources as a nation, but of our patriotism as a liberty-loving people.

Spain Routed the Rebels.

News brought by the steamer Empress says that the Spanish did a little bombarding on their account in the Philippines about a fortnight before Admiral Dewey silenced their fleet. About the middle of April, Spanish war vessels went down to Cebu, where they bombarded the city. The troops met no opposition in landing, the rebels having absconded before a shot was fired, taking with them, it is said, $200,000 in cash. About thirty natives were killed in the bombardment. Cebu, which ranks third in the cities of the Philippines, was wrecked by the bombardment.

Warships to Reinforce Dewey.

Five warships will be sent to reinforce Dewey at Manila. They are the Charleston, Monterey, Bennington, Yorktown and Philadelphia. The Bennington is now at Honolulu. The Yorktown and Philadelphia are undergoing repairs at San Francisco. The Charleston has sailed and the Monterey leaves in a few days.

Over 100,000 Mustered In.

The number of volunteers mustered into the service of the United States has now passed the 100,000 mark.

SITUATION AT MANILA UNCHANGED

Admiral Dewey Cables More Information to the Government.

The navy department [illegible] cablegram from Dewey [illegible]

MANILA, May 20, via Hong Kong, May 24.—Secretary of Navy [illegible] Sampson [illegible] been commanded [illegible] of provisions to Manila [illegible] fleet [illegible] and [illegible] soldiers, and [illegible] to Cavite by the [illegible] the Pacific [illegible] manded merchant [illegible] from Hong Kong on the [illegible] of putting a force [illegible] and may not be [illegible] valuable.

Manila in a state of [illegible]

HONG KONG.—The [illegible] Abbasshimo has arrived [illegible] bearing dispatches [illegible] Dewey and Consul [illegible] to United States [illegible] Manila is in a state [illegible] there is so scant [illegible] pound. The people are [illegible] flesh.

General Aguinaldo, the insurgent chief, arrived [illegible] and the greatest enthusiasm. Admiral Dewey gave him two field pieces and 500 Mauser rifles. A battle and engagement is expected this week.

The captain of the Spanish revenue cutter Callao, which was recently captured by Dewey's fleet, will be shot for not returning the fire of the American vessels. Admiral Montojo, who commanded the Spanish fleet destroyed by Dewey, is to be court-martialed upon the charge of cowardice.

Threatened to Fire on German Cruisers.

A special dispatch from Manila says that the German consul there tried to land provisions from a German ship, but that Admiral Dewey refused to permit it. The consul then declared, according to the dispatch, that he would force the landing under the protection of two German cruisers, but Admiral Dewey threatened to fire upon the cruisers, and the attempt to land the supplies was abandoned.

ANOTHER CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Reported That 100,000 More Men Will Be Put in the Field.

The war department is making preparations for the assembling of a large army, which will provide for every contingency that may arise during the conduct of the war. When the 125,000 men now in state camps have been mustered in, a call will be issued for 100,000 to 200,000 additional volunteers.

If 200,000 volunteers are summoned for military duty by the president, there will be an immense army in the field. Legislation has already provided for 61,000 regulars, 125,000 volunteers from the states, 10,000 yellow fever immunes, 3,000 volunteers at large and 3,500 engineers, making a total of 203,000.

The second call would bring the total up to 403,000 men. No pressing need of additional volunteers is apparent at the moment, but the proposition contemplates the organization, equipment and training of a large army sufficient to provide for every emergency, even to the invasion of Spain itself.

ARMOR BIDS OPENED.

Plate for Three Battleships to Be Furnished by Carnegie and Bethlehem Companies.

WASHINGTON.—Bids were opened Tuesday for supplying the armor of three battleships, the Illinois, the Alabama and the Wisconsin, now in course of construction at the Union Iron Works, Newport News and Cramps. This is the second time that the government has endeavored to secure bids for supplying the armor for these ships. For the Illinois the two armor companies, the Bethlehem and Carnegie, divided their bids; one taking the light armor and the other the heavier. For the Alabama the Bethlehem company bid $1,022,501, while the Carnegie company did not bid. For the Wisconsin the Carnegie company bid $1,023,504. The rate in each case was $400 per ton for bolts and armor, the maximum amount allowed by congress.

TREATY OF DEFENSE

Between the United States and Great Britain Announced.

A dispatch to the New York World from Kingston, Jamaica, says:

The signing of a treaty of defense between the United States and Great Britain is announced in a dispatch received here on Saturday by the military authorities.

A crisis in the war between America and Spain is imminent, the dispatch intimates, and Jamaica will be directly affected.

All leave of absence of military and naval officers have been cancelled. Supplies of provisions sufficient to last eighteen months are being stored.

Judge A. A. Coleman Nominated.

A. A. Coleman received the democratic nomination for judge of the Tenth Alabama judicial circuit Tuesday morning on the 549th ballot. Only one ballot was taken at this session, on which Judge Coleman received 18.71 votes of the convention, 18.51 being enough to nominate him.

The Oregon at Juniper, Fla.

A special to the Atlanta Constitution reports the safe arrival of the United States battleship Oregon at Juniper, Fla.

SIXTY THOUSAND T[illegible]

THE INVASION

Troops Have Alr[illegible] in Cuba and A[illegible]

BLUNTEERS FROM [illegible]

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Cuban Volunteers

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SIXTY THOUSAND TRO...

Will Be Landed in Cuba During ... Present Week.

BELIEVED THAT NAVAL BATTLE HAS OCC...

Off the Southeast Coast of Cuba—Cannonading Heard at Port ... Paix—Spain Resorts to Floating Torpedoes.

WASHINGTON.—Sixty thousand ... States troops will be poured into ... at once. The president would ... of no further delay. Two places ... landing have been chosen, one ... Havana, the other west. Gu... will clear the way. The me... leave within thirty six hours. ... now proposed to take Havana by ... and to storm the city by ... from the rear. The Vesuvius ... ported by three or four heavy ... could clear the way for landing ... within three hours.

REPORTED FIGHTING.

Belief That the Great Naval Batt... Been Fought in Windward Pa...

KEY WEST, May 24.—It is re... here on high authority that the Sp... and American fleets are fighting ... southeastern coast of Cuba ... Windward passage.

PORT AU PRINCE, HAYTI (Spec...).—Continuous cannonading heard ... de Paix is throwing that town ... state of wildest excitement. ... patches say that heavy firing is ... on to the northwest in the direc... the windward passage.

Twenty shots were heard ... There was then a brief lull, fo... which the cannonading was re... There is no doubt in Port de Pa... the great naval engagement be... the fleets of Sampson and Cer... being fought, and that full de... the battle will soon be obtained.

It is believed that the shots ... Friday and Saturday were the ... biators of the first skirmishing be... Sampson's scout ships and the Sp... cruisers.

Spain Resorts to Floating Torp...

KEY WEST.—What is belie... have been a submarine mine ... ploded Sunday by Spaniards ... miles off Cape San Antonio. T... plosion created considerable ... ment, but did no damage. Off... the warships say Spain has ... ing mines throughout the Gulf ... for the purpose of blowing ... ships.

FIRST PHILIPPINE EXPE...

Left San Francisco Tuesday—... Expedition Being Organ...

SAN FRANCISCO (Special).—... preparations for the first exped... Manila were completed Tues... will be divided as follows: ... Pekin with 59 officers and ... men; the City of Sydney, 24 ... and 670 men, the Australia, 37 ... and 676 men. The troops ... depart on the Australia and ...

Sydney reported at the ... their respective vessels Tuesd...

The organization of the se... pedition to the Philippines wi... determined until after the a... Gen. Wesley Merritt. Abo... ... se large steamers will be ... to transport the necessary ... Manila, but no more vessels h... chartered, though a number ... steamers are available.

To Raise Revenue in the Phil...

In anticipation of the early ... tion of the Philippine Island... military and naval forces of th... States, the treasury departm... already begun the formation ... lations and a scheme of cust... which will be collected by the ... authorities and turned into ... ury of the United States as a ... contribution." That the pre... the authority to collect the P... revenues under existing con... not a matter of doubt.

Paris Exposition Club Dis...

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... INVASION HAS BEGUN.

Troops Have Already Sailed to Land in Cuba and Attack Havana.

VOLUNTEERS FROM FLORIDA EMBARK.

If First Expedition is a Success Further Troops Will Be Rushed Into the Island as Soon as Possible—Gen. Merritt Starts on Journey.

WASHINGTON (Special).—The Cuban invasion ... begun at once. It is believed ... the first detachment left Tampa Sunday. The troops will be landed ... protection of a heavy fire from the blockading squadron. They will form a cordon around Havana and the attack will be made by land and sea. The war department thinks Havana can be taken in four weeks.

Cuban Volunteers the First to Move.

A special to the Chicago Record from Macon, Ga., Sunday says: Unless some accident has befallen the United States transport Florida there are now United States volunteer troops on the island of Cuba, or they will be there within a few hours. From accurate information obtained here today it can be stated as a fact that the first expedition toward Cuban soil has started and the outlook is for a successful trip.

Wednesday, May 19, the United transport Florida left Port Tampa with several hundred volunteer troops on board. The passengers belonged to the regiment of Cuban volunteers organized in the lower extremity of Florida some two weeks ago. It was thought best to send these men as they speak Spanish and are more acquainted with the topography of the country which it is proposed to invade. It cannot be learned what United States officers accompanied the regiment of volunteers. If this expedition is a success further troops will be rushed into the island as soon as possible.

ANNOUNCED IN MADRID

That the Formidable Squadron Organized at Cadiz Will Soon Sail for Manila.

MADRID.—In spite of the veto placed upon the publication of Spanish naval movements the newspapers here have been allowed to announce that Admiral Cameras' squadron, consisting of the battleship Pelayo, the first class armored cruiser Carlos V, the auxiliary cruisers Patriota and Rapido, the cruiser Alfonso XIII, the cruiser Antonio de Lopez, three torpedo boat destroyers, and the armed yacht Giralda, will shortly sail from Cadiz, while the reserve squadron, consisting of the Vittoria, Numancia, Lepanto and another vessel, will be organized immediately.

What Chases Dewey.

LONDON.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily News says: "The Spanish correspondents say that there has been received within the last fortnight 100,000 tons of coal and large quantities of ammunition. The government ... to increase the ... of defense in the territories ... to a great need, and is considering the necessity of keeping a basis of operations in Spain. ... a majority of ... and the Ameri... are unable ... of soil. Spain will ... 7,000 troops intended for the Philippines until further notice, and will immediately send the Cadiz reserve to Manila to chastise Dewey."

Immediate Movement of Troops.

WASHINGTON.—An immediate movement of troops to the Philippines has been ordered. The navy department now credits the report that Spain will attempt to recapture Manila, and will send troops and ships to Dewey's assistance. The monitor Monterey has been ordered to proceed to Manila at full speed. The Monterey is probably the most formidable monitor in the world. She carries two 12-inch and ... besides an arsenal ... The armor is so ... at Manila ... vain. She ... officers and 172 men.

... Place of Embarkation.

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BELIEVED THAT FIGHT OCCURRED

Report in London That the Vizcaya and Alfonso XIII are Destroyed.

LONDON, May 25.—A dispatch to the Financial News from Port de Paix, Hayti, says: "Admiral Cervera is believed to have divided his fleet. It is reported that the Vizcaya and the Alfonso XIII have been destroyed."

Persistent rumors are in circulation here to the effect that a great naval battle has been fought in the vicinity of the Windward passage between the eastern end of Cuba and the western part of Hayti, in which both the American squadrons closed in on the Spanish Cape Verde squadron, commanded by Admiral Cervera, and completely destroyed the Spanish ships.

LITTLE DANGER

In Cuba, Says Consul Brice, if the Ordinary Rules of Health Are Observed.

United States Consul Brice, of Bedford, Ia., at Matanzas, in an interview says:

"I wish to assure the volunteers in the different states that there is little danger of the United States soldiers falling victims to disease in Cuba. I speak from experience in the province of Matanzas, where there has been the greatest suffering among reconcentrados. The physical ills of the Cubans and Spaniards in the army result from deplorable sanitary conditions. Field operations are perfectly practicable during the rainy season, if there is a proper observance of the ordinary rules of health. The volunteers need not hesitate to enlist, for with reasonable precautions there is little danger.

NINETEEN WARSHIPS AT HAVANA

Report That Spain Has Purchased Another Vessel to Be Used as a Cruiser.

MADRID.—A dispatch received here from Havana says:

"Secret orders have been given to Admiral Cervera as to what course to pursue in the event of the Americans attempting to cut communication between Cuba and Spain. Americans continue to occupy stations outside of Havana, Cienfuegos, Cardenas and Santiago de Cuba. There are now nineteen American warships before Havana."

It is reported that the Spanish government has purchased the Havel from the North German Lloyd Steamship Company. She is a steel vessel of 6,875 gross tonnage.

GENEROUS CONFEDS.

In the Great Reunion at Atlanta They Will Quarter 6,000 Visitors.

The Confederate Veterans of Atlanta have arranged to furnish meals and sleeping quarters free to 6,000, if so many desire free accommodation, during the July reunion. The government building at the exposition park will be used for the commissary, and the electricity and transportation buildings will be furnished with cots. The agricultural building, in which the speeches will be made, will be fitted up with seats for 10,000. The railroads have granted a fare of 1 cent a mile south of the Ohio and Potomac and east of the Mississippi. The reunion will begin July 20, and will last for four days.

REFUSED TO SURRENDER.

Negro Who Fatally Wounded Dr. Gunther Shot and Killed.

Dr. J. L. Gunther, passing a crowd of negroes on his bicycle Sunday night in Eutaw, Ala., rang for them to get out of the way. They seized him and cut him in the head and neck, inflicting a wound eleven inches long. A posse armed themselves and pursued the negroes, three of whom were captured and put in jail. The negro who did the cutting refused to surrender and was shot and killed.

To Build Larger Ships.

The Cramps have united with Vicker's Sons and Maxim, and other big English builders, to make in this country the largest ship yard in the world. The capital employed will be about $10,000,000, and the plant will cover an area of several hundred acres. All of the plans are perfected and will be put in operation as speedily as possible.

Denounced by Spanish Senate.

The alleged action of American war ships in displaying the Spanish flag, in order to enter a Cuban harbor, was denounced by the Spanish senate. It is believed that Spain will soon resort to privateering.

General Lee's Staff.

The following named officers have been ordered to report to Major General Fitzhugh Lee for assignment on his staff:

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph H. Dorst, assistant adjutant general, United States volunteers; Lieutenant Colonel William R. Livermore, chief engineer, United States volunteers; Lieutenant Colonel Curtis Guild, Jr., inspector general, United States volunteers; Lieutenant Colonel Oliver E. Wood, chief commissary of subsistence, United States volunteers; Lieutenant Colonel Louis M. Maus, chief surgeon, United States volunteers; First Lieutenant Robert E. L. Michie, adjutant, Second Cavalry.

Another Spanish "Victory."

The government at Madrid claims to have received a dispatch from Havana announcing that the rebels have pronounced themselves in favor of Spain and are now making common cause with the Spaniards to defeat the Americans."

American Ships Retired.

MADRID.—The Spanish fleet on arriving at Santiago de Cuba found there two American warships, which retired with all speed. The queen regent has cabled congratulations to Admiral Cervera.

CALL FOR 75,000 MEN.

The President Issues Proclamation for Enlistment of More Volunteers.

TO BE RECRUITED FROM ENLISTMENTS.

The New Movement Indicates a Determination to Press the Campaign Actively and Vigorously From Now On—Will Open Enlistments.

President McKinley Wednesday issued the following proclamation:

"Whereas, An act of congress was approved on the 25th day of April, 1898, entitled 'An act declaring that war exists between the United States of America and the kingdom of Spain;' and

"Whereas, By an act of congress, entitled 'An act to provide for temporarily increasing the military establishment of the United States in time of war, and for other purposes,' approved April 22, 1898, the president is authorized, in order to raise a volunteer army, to issue his proclamation calling for volunteers to serve in the army of the United States.

"Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, president of the United States, by virtue of the power invested in me by the constitution and the laws, and deeming sufficient occasion to exist, have thought fit to call forth and hereby do call forth volunteers to the aggregate number of 75,000 in addition to the volunteers called forth by the proclamation of the 23d of April, in the present year, the same to be apportioned as far as practical among the several states and territories and the District of Columbia according to population, and to serve two years unless sooner discharged. The proportion of each arm and the details of enlistment, and organization will be made known through the war department.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington, this 25th day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and ninety-eight, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-second.

"(Signed) WM. MCKINLEY.

"By the President:

"WM. R. DAY,

"Secretary of State."

Will Open Enlistments.

Secretary Alger says that the additional volunteers called for will not be recruited from the National Guard as were the first 125,000, but that the enlistments will be open. The regulations referred to in proclamation under which the enlistment will be conducted have not yet been prepared, and it is thought there is no occasion for hurry in this matter until the full draft called for in the first proclamation has been secured.

The call, it is supposed, indicates a determination to press the campaign actively and vigorously from now on. The call will make the total army strength, regular and volunteer, 280,000 men.

One hundred and twelve thousand men now have been mustered into the volunteer army of the United States, and the official report shows that the greater number of these are ready to move to the front.

TO INVADE SPANISH SOIL.

First Detachment of the American Army Has Sailed to the Philippine Islands.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The start was made for Manila late Wednesday afternoon and the first American army to sail for a foreign shore is on the broad Pacific. At 4 o'clock Brigadier General Anderson signalled from the Australia for the City of Pekin and City of Sydney to get under way immediately. The signal was seen from the shore and the waiting crowds commenced to cheer wildly. No time was lost and the vessels were soon under way.

The three transports carried close on to 2,500 men, among them being four companies of regulars, 500 sailors and 500 heavy artillery. The fleet is loaded with supplies to last a year and carried a big cargo of ammunition and naval stores for Admiral Dewey's fleet at Manila.

Reign of Terror at Key West.

Key West is suffering from a reign of terror. Two murders were committed Wednesday night and the best citizens feel that unless the town is properly put under martial law a state of riot may prevail at any moment. The police force consists of three men, with streets and grog shops infested with turbulent jackies, negroes and roughs of many classes, the danger to the respectable classes is no mean one. In consequence of bloodshed Commander Forsythe has already asked for a guard of twenty-five marines to protect the naval station and government dock, and strong efforts are being made by citizens to have martial law declared.

Fatal Accident at Gadsden.

A terrible and fatal accident happened at Gadsden, Ala., in which two lives will pay the forfeit. N. A. Alexander, white, of Piedmont, and Newt Adams, colored, of Gadsden, were caught between the depot platform and a Louisville and Nashville engine and badly crushed. Alexander was internally injured and his back was broken. He will hardly live. Adams was crushed in the stomach and back and fatally injured internally.

GEN. MERRITT COING TO MANILA.

Between 16,000 and 17,000 Troops Will Be Sent to the Philippines.

WASHINGTON.—Major-General Wesley Merritt, who is to command the expedition to the Philippines, accompanied by several members of his staff, reported to the war department Friday morning, and was in consultation with Secretary Alger and the regular army officials concerning his future works.

Later in the day he had a talk with the president and received instructions for his guidance in the difficult and important duties assigned to him.

General Merritt will go to San Francisco, stopping en route a day or more Chicago. He is yet uncertain as to

GENERAL WESLEY MERRITT.

the date he will sail for the Philippines, but it is now evident that he will not be able to depart with the first ship that goes to Manila.

The general expects to have an ample force of men to establish the mission he is sent on. Between 16,000 and 17,000 troops, he thinks, will be allotted to him. Of this number he confidently hopes there may be approximately 5,000 soldiers of the regular army, who because of their thorough discipline and usage of actual military life are regarded as absolutely essential to the successful completion of the work in hand.

There is ample evidence already that the authorities are disposed to meet General Merritt's views. This is shown by order issued which directed the Eighteenth and Twenty-third regiments of infantry now stationed in the south to proceed at once to San Francisco for duty with the expedition. The Tenth regiment of Pennsylvania volunteers, which are regarded as the best material in the volunteer soldier line, have also been ordered to the Philippines.

William Howell, of New York, has been appointed secretary to General Merritt and will accompany him to the Philippines.

NAVY NEEDS CRUISERS.

Ex-Secretary of Navy Tracy Says Congress Should Build Six New Vessels.

Ex-Secretary of the Navy Tracy, of New York, under whose administration of the navy department many of the battleships and cruisers of our new navy were projected and built, was asked if our ships in their present active service met the expectations he had of them when the new navy was being developed.

"To judge from Manila, they are meeting every expectation," said General Tracy. "And yet I believe it to be the plain duty of congress to authorize immediately the construction of six large armored cruisers of the most modern type, even larger than the cruisers Brooklyn and New York. These should be ordered in addition to the ships authorized by the regular naval appropriation bill.

Forty-Two Persons Killed in a Tornado.

Forty-two persons are known to have lost their lives and twenty-eight others are reported dead as the result of the tornadoes which devastated portions of Eastern Iowa, Western Illinois and Northern Wisconsin last Thursday. The property loss is very large. Iowa heads the list with eighteen fatalities.

Fourteen deaths are reported in Illinois.

Wisconsin reports nine known dead, with unconfirmed stories bringing the total in that state up to thirty-seven.

ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATIONS

Required By the War Department for the Support of the Army for Six Months.

Secretary Alger has sent to the secretary of the treasury for transmission to congress supplemented estimates of appropriations aggregating $88,638,840, required by the war department for the support of the regular and volunteer armies for the first six months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, in addition to the amount previously appropriated.

Up to this time the estimates and appropriations already made for war expenses aggregate $295,210,840.

Spanish Spies Plotting in Hong Kong.

HONG KONG.—The political center of Spanish activity has been transferred to Hong Kong. Spies fill the city. They shadow American Consul Wildman day and night. The last census gave the Spanish troops in the Philippines at 7,000; Manila, 2,000; Cebu, 1,500; Iloilo, 1,000; Minandano, 800. There is no artillery outside of Manila or the forts. The presence of an American battleship would silence Spanish activity instantly.

BLOCKADED AT SANTIAGO.

Spain's Fleet is Now Bottled Up in the Harbor by Schley's Fleet.

SAMPSON WILL REDUCE SAN JUAN FORTS.

He is to Be Followed Up With 20,000 Men to Occupy and Hold Porto Rico. Cuba Will Be Invaded at Once and City of Havana Captured.

WASHINGTON, Special.—Spain's fleet is bottled up in Santiago harbor. Schley is to be left to blockade the fleet, while Sampson goes to San Juan and complete the reduction of its fortifications. He is to be followed by an army of 20,000 to occupy and hold the island. Spain is to be hit hard all along the line. Cuba will be invaded at once and Havana captured. Thirty-first class transports are at Tampa ready to move the army of invasion. Gen. Miles will start to the front Friday.

Cervera being at bay, the officials feel not the slightest apprehension of any relief coming to him from the outside in the shape of another Spanish squadron from Cadiz. The reason for this belief is their unquestioned ability to hold Cervera in check with only a few vessels, perhaps a couple of monitors and torpedo boats, thus leaving the remainder of the big armored fleet and a great number of unarmored but serviceable war crafts to take care of any reinforcements that might attempt to come from Spain to Cervera's aid. The force that could be spared for this service without endangering the integrity of the blockade at Havana, or permitting the escape of Cervera, would be much larger than the entire Spanish naval force now in Spanish waters capable of crossing the Atlantic.

Confirmed at Madrid.

LONDON (Special).—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "Official telegrams from Cuba confirm the report that Rear Admiral Sampson and Commodore Schley, with their combined squadrons, are now in front of Santiago de Cuba blockading Admiral Cervera. Ministers consider that Santiago possesses sufficient defense to render null and void any aggressive action the enemy may take. The position of the American squadron will cause the government to take immediate action, though it is unknown as yet what form this action will be. Rumors that a battle has already taken place are officially denied."

Fight Off for the Present Says Sagasta.

MADRID.—Premier Sagasta is quoted as saying that a combat between the Spanish and American squadrons off Cuba is now impossible, nor is it probable that fights will occur in the near future. All rumors to the contrary are unfounded. The Spanish squadron will remain at Santiago, cleaning the hulls of the ships and leisurely coaling. Everything is being carried out in obedience to a well-conceived plan. "If the Americans intend to invade Cuba," said Sagasta, "we shall then fight on the sea. We can await events calmly."

PROCLAMATION UNEXPECTED.

Call Not Due to Any Emergency, But to Constitute a Second Reserve.

WASHINGTON.—The issuance of a proclamation by the president calling for 75,000 volunteers came with almost startling unexpectedness even to many of the high officials in the army. The proclamation means not only the assembling of a large force of troops, but also the appointment of a number of major-generals, brigadier-generals, colonels, majors and staff and field officers for the organization of this additional force of 75,000 men into army corps, divisions, brigades and regiments.

The reasons leading up to the call was not due to any serious emergency, but was rather in the line of getting on the ground a large body of men to be drilled and seasoned and to constitute a sort of second reserve to be drawn upon later when the campaigns were fully under way.

Following is the southern states quota: Alabama, 1,500; Arkansas, 1,230; Florida, 450; Georgia, 1,950; Kentucky, 1,405; Louisiana, 1,164; Maryland, 1,166; Mississippi, 1,295; Missouri, 3,246; North Carolina, 1,545; South Carolina, 448; Texas, 1,454; Virginia, 1,673; West Virginia, 833.

They Are Now Regulars.

The First regiment Alabama volunteers was mustered into Uncle Sam's service at Mobile Tuesday, and were taken to the camp of the regulars, commanded by General Coppinger. Immediately after being mustered in clothing outfits were issued and the day was spent in fully equipping the regiment.

Can Resist Only One Month Longer.

ROME.—La Tribuna publishes a telegram from Kingston, Jamaica, saying persons arriving there from Havana declare Cuba is able to resist only one month longer, owing to scarcity of provisions.

Major General Merritt's mysterious delay of two days in Chicago on his way to take command of the Philippine expedition has been explained. It was to win a bride. She is Miss Laura Williams, the beautiful 24-year-old daughter of Norman Williams, many times over a millionaire, clubman and prominent man of affairs. The general is 62 years old.

It is believed that Senor Puigceiver, Spain's minister of finance, will provoke a ministerial crisis at the next cabinet council.

FRANCO-SPANISH ALLIANCE

... Said to Be Forthcoming Causes Rise in Spanish Fou...

LONDON.—The St. James Gazette Monday afternoon, in its financial article, said: "In the foreign market this morning several leading dealers were said to be in possession of advance news of the forthcoming announcement of a Franco-Spanish alliance, hence the rise in Spanish fours.

"In connection with the above, it is currently reported that the recent speeches of the Marquis of Salisbury and Mr Joseph Chamberlain did not refer to West Africa, but to this impending alliance, against which Mr. Chamberlain's allusion to an Anglo-American alliance was intended as a counter blast.

"The strength of silver is attributed to the prospective purchases to replace the withdrawals from the Bank of Spain, amounting to 135,000,000 pesetas since April 16."

THREE HUNDRED KILLED.

Heavy Spanish Loss in the Engagement at Cienfuegos.

The Spanish loss during the recent engagement at Cienfuegos is now known to have been much heavier than at first reported. Three hundred Spaniards were killed and several hundred wounded. Great damage was done along the coast. Soon after the engagement the United States cruiser Marblehead picked up several Cubans in an open boat some miles down the coast, including Col. Oriz, Lieut Olvarez and three privates, from an insurgent camp near Cienfuegos. They reported that the Spanish losses and the damage wrought by the shells from the warships were very heavy. During the engagement the Marblehead threw 450 5-inch shells into the Spanish forces and 700 shots from her secondary battery, the gunboat Nashville as many more shells and 1,500 shots from her secondary battery.

Pipe Companies Band Together.

Representatives of all the Southern pipe and foundry companies in the United States met last Saturday in Chattanooga, when the following companies were consolidated into the American Pipe and Foundry company: Howard-Harrison Iron company at Bessemer, Southern Pipe company, Anniston; South Pittsburg Pipe Works; Chattanooga Foundry and Pipe Works company's two shops at Chattanooga and one at Bridgeport, in all six companies. The capital stock of the new company is $2,000,000, and the bonded indebtedness $1,500,000.

Will Not Bombard the Canaries.

LONDON.—The agent in the Canary islands of a Liverpool firm writes that the British consul there has been informed that the United States will not bombard the Canary islands, as the result of an arrangement between Great Britain and the United States, whereby while Great Britain remains neutral the United States will abstain from such bombardment, which would mean great destruction of British property.

General Wheeler Will Resign.

It is stated by General Wheeler's friends at Washington that he intend to resign his seat, but that he will wa... until he gets orders to move on Cu... before doing so. He has determine... upon this course since Senator Se... ell's announcement that he had c... sulted authorities and that he did believe he could hold his seat in senate and a commission in the a... at the same time.

Stallings in Race for Governor in ...

It is stated by members of th... bama Press association, who ha... returned from their jaunt to W... ton, that they gathered from C... man Stallings that he is going the race for governor of Ala... 1900. They also state that ... head's race for the senate Senator Morgan was also ... by the Alabama delegatio...

Roosevelt's Rough Rider...

SAN ANTONIO, TEX.—It ... that Roosevelt's regimen... riders will begin its move... ward by Thursday. Col. Wood, commanding the re... ceived a telegram from th... general, asking him when be ready to move and Col. swered that he could sta... diately.

Southern Baseball League Col...

Contrary to all expectatio... Southern baseball league tu... toes to the daisies before its ... time had half expired. The ... was mainly brought about by t... tion of the Atlanta club, which h... along shown a disposition to sta... other clubs in the back whenever ... sion offered.

A Noted Soldier and Diplomat Dea...

Gen. Henry R. Jackson died at ... vannah, Ga., Monday. He wa... colonel in the Mexican war, a gene... in the Confederate, minister to Aust... under President Buchanan and Mexico under President Cleveland.

May Surrender Cuba to Save Philippines.

It is said that Senor Castillo, who declined to enter the Spanish cabinet, will with Sagasta's consent use his influence as Spanish ambassador to France to bring about European pressure on Spain to surrender Cuba in order to save the Philippines.

36,000 Volunteers at Chickamauga.

There are now 36,000 men of the volunteer army ... at Chickamauga, and the officers of the army expect that by Saturday night there will be 41,000.

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A MEETING of the Populist State nominees was held at Birmingham on Tuesday, and a plan of the campaign mapped out.

CIRCUIT Court adjourned Monday afternoon, after the quietest session ever known in the county. It is more than ever apparent one week is ample for all the business of the county at Spring term.

THE war fever becomes more intense every day and until some decisive action has been taken it will probably increase than lessen. An important naval battle may occur almost at any moment.

INDEPENDENT candidates for the county offices continue to come forward. Some of them may have good gtounds for their candidacy, but so far as we can see the regular nominees of the Populist party have everything in their favor.

IN our news columns will be found a statement that Mr. H. A. Wilson is announced as an independent candidate for Judge of Probate. We publish the statement for what it is worth. Whether Mr. Wilson poses as an independent Republican, or whether he has thrown over the Republican party, we are not in a position to say. How, or by whom, he was induced to come forward, or whether his rumored candidacy is a joke' remains to be seen.

W B GREEN

THE announcement of this gentleman for the offics of Circuit is something in the nature of a surprise. Mr. Green was born in this county and has resided in the west-part all his life. He is a young man ambitious to serve his fellow-citizens and in announcing himself as an independent candidate wishes it to be undersaood he will do his best to serve all the people to the utmost of his ability, if they honor him by electing him to the office to which he aspires.

S L ARLEDGE

The spirit of "independentism" seems to be particularly active in Beat one where Mr. S. L. Arledge, who announces himself a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly, resides. Mr. Arledge has been a citizen of this county since 1850, and for twenty-two years has been a Justice of the Peace in Beat one. In submitting himself to the people of the county, he promises, if elected as their Representative, to faithfully serve their best interests and to promote their welfare as far as is in his power.

W A B FALKNER

THIS gentleman from the southern part of Chilton, whose announcement for the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court appears elsewhere, is a conservative citizen who has resided with us for the last twelve years.

So far as experience in the duties of the office is concerned, he is fully qualified having served two terms as Clerk of the Circuit Court of Russell county. Mr Falkner is a member of the Baptist church, and a gentleman highly spoken of by all who know him. Should he be elected he would no doubt worthily serve the people.

Anglo-Saxon Against the World.

The Toronto World says that in its war with Spain the United States stands for Anglo-Saxon civilization. "The line of cleavage," it declares, "between the two opposing forces of civilization was apparent the moment the European powers proposed to interfere in the Spanish-American trouble. Great Britain instinctively recoiled from such a proposal, as she knew well that the joint interference of the powers meant the sacrifice of the principle on behalf of which the war has been undertaken by the United States. The chances are that the combatants will be left to themselves, but there is at the same time a possibility that the powers may be forced into the struggle. In that event it will be the Anglo-Saxon against the world."

Getting Her Money's Worth.

A young woman I know went to a spiritualist seance once upon an evening, and though she strained every nerve in an effort to concentrate her mind on her dear and gone acquaintances there was no message for her. Quite late in the evening the medium announced the presence of a spirit calling himself Uncle Jimmy. The young woman immediately rose and claimed him. Uncle Jimmy said he was doing nicely, sent his love to all the family and departed. As the young woman left the hall the escort ventured to say:

"Why, I didn't know you ever had an uncle named Jimmy."

"I never did," said the young woman cheerfully, "but I wasn't going to pay 50 cents to get into that seance and not get anything at all for my money."—Washington Post.

Bright Excuses.

"Shiftless as ever, Thomas!" said the wealthy uncle. "Still making a failure of life, as you always have done!"

"I don't know that I'm such a terrible failure," sulkily answered the poor relation.

"Why, you have nobody but yourself to support, and you can't make both ends meet."

"Well, the rainbow has only itself to support, and it doesn't make both ends meet either."—Chicago Tribune.

The Power of Mystery.

"I can't afford to have people think I don't know about this particular question," said the politician, "and I haven't the time I need to read up on it."

"Well," replied his wife, "in that case I'll tell you what I'd do. I'd look wise and get some paper to announce that you decline to be interviewed."—Washington Star.

MORNING SONG.

[After the Italian of Carducci.]

The sun beats at thy window: "Oh, arise,
Fair and beloved! Awake, this is love's hour.
I bring thee tears from hidden violets' eyes,
And the sweet song of each awakened flower.
From my great kingdom vassals do I bring,
April and May, to do thee reverence,
And the young year serenely folds her wing
Upon the flower of thy white innocence."

The wind beats at thy casement: "From afar,
O'er plains and mountains, hither am I sped.
One sole sweet symphony have earth and star,
And but one song the living and the dead."
Voices from bird nests in the wood's green gloom,
"The spring returns, ah, let us love," they cry.
Hark to the sigh of the reflowered tomb,
"Ah, love, love, love, for spring goes by, goes by."

Here at thy heart, which is a garden sweet,
My thought beats: "Let me enter and be blest.
My wandering fancy and my pilgrim feet
Are very tired, and I desire to rest—
To rest a little in your world of flowers,
Dreaming of joy that will not flower for me.
Rest in the shadow of memorial hours,
Dreaming of joy that never, alas, might be."
—Pall Mall Gazette.

New Mustache Cut From London.

The new London mustache, observable in Piccadilly, is butterfly shaped, the solidly compact arrangement in the center representing the body and the ends the wings. These are brushed out in a fringe, each hair of which is distinct, and this fringe takes an upward direction and rests on the cheek.—New York World.

It Has Cost Too Much Already.

Commercial experts estimate that the present war in Cuba has already cost the United States more than $350,000,000. Yet the Spaniards say we have no right to stop it!—New York Mail and Express.

Here's to You, Patrick Mallon!

[It was Patrick Mallon, not Mallia, who fired the first shot from the Nashville.—Press Dispatch.]

Paddy Mallon! Paddy Mallon! Lad, I knew that it was you!
When they said it was a "Mallia," I was betting 'twas not true.
Sure a Mallon took that trick.
For no Mallia is a Mick.
Oh, the Irish are as happy as the cutthroat dons are sick!

When you listed on the Nashville and you held your hand on high,
Swearing to defend Old Glory, with its stars torn out the sky,
With its stripes of red and white—
White for truth and red for might—
You were praying you could fire the gun that night the light!

Then Irish luck stood by you, Pat, as you stood by the gun.
For an Irishman thinks fighting for America is fun!
It is a way he has to tell
That he loves this country well—
That country gives him freedom, and he'll fight for that through hell!

Paddy Mallon! Paddy Mallon! Proud the day we heard the news!
For Irish dead lie in the Marne! No clang'rous task refuse!
Though life or death betide,
Fight by the Yankees' side
Till they've freed another nation and humbled Scottish pride!

—[illegible] in New York Journal.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., May 25, 1898

The Populist state convention which met at Springfield, Ill., May 17, split on the question of fusion. The wing favoring co operation with the Democrats walked out and held a separate convention. This party was led by Dr. Howard Taylor of Chicago. They marched to another hall, when a chairman was elected and resolutions adopted reaffirming the platform of 1896, declaring for Bryan and free silver. Steps were taken to hold a convention, simultaneous with the Democrats, July 12. The middle of the roaders nominated a full state ticket as follows; State Treasurer, Jno. W. Hess; State supt. of public instruction, Chas. M. Haskins; Trustees of the State University, A. C. Vantine, Dr. Mary Branch, and Mrs. Jane Adams. Chas. E. Palmer was re elected State chairman.

The single taxers have gotten some mention of their favorite plan in a greater number of county conventions this year than at any previous time. This has been especially true in Kansas.

The Prohibitionists of Ohio, at their recent state convention at Columbus decided to refuse to co-operate with all and any of the other minority parties in the coming election.

To offset the proposed $500,000,000 bond issue the Populists and Democrats in the senate will urge the passage of a bill levying taxes on property rather than on articles of consumption. They urge that the estimates for the war expenses are exorbitant and unnecessary. They also affirm that the money should be raised and the war debt paid as we go.

Jerry Simpson was nominated to succeed himself as congressman from the 7th Kansas Congressional District. Much regret was expressed over Mr. Simpson's enforced absence, but he sent a letter explaining that he felt it his duty to remain at Washington. An enthusiastic correspondent in telling of the convention taxed the credulity of Jerry's most ardent admirers by describing a life size portrait of the hero of the hour, as "handsome."

Milton Park of Dallas, Texas, chairman of the alleged "Reorganization committee of the People's Party," has issued a call for a meeting at Omaha, Nebraska, June 13. He gives as his reason for so doing the fact that chairman Butler has issued a call for the national committee to meet at the same place, June 15, when steps ruinous to the People's Party will be passed and he feels that the middle-of-the-roaders must be on the spot to offset anything done by the regular authorities, by issuing an address repudiating all they may say or do, and calling a national nominating convention July 4, 1898, to nominate a Presidential ticket.

"Mother Jones," widely and favorably known among the laboring classes, has turned her attention to organizing women where employed in domestic service and the factory girls into clubs for their betterment, both socially and financially. Mrs. Jones has not permitted many hard years of unremunerative labor to dull her zeal and enthusiasm and now that she has taken up the cause of working women, they are justified in hoping for better things.

In spite of much hard work against it, the prospect for a full and satisfactory fusion in Kansas is about assured. The gold bug press of Kansas City has taken an active part against fusion and are not a little disgusted at the result.

After some delay caused by the terms of absorbtion asked for by some of the larger concerns, the Tobacco Trust is completed. Capital stock $50,000,000.

Two bills important to labor were passed by the United States senate May 17. One was a measure limiting the hours of labor for all employes of the government to eight hours, the other provides for the appointment of a nonpartisan commission to consider all questions affecting labor.

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Whooping Cough

I had a little boy who was given up dead from an attack of whooping cough. My neighbors recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did not think that any medicine would help him, but after giving him a few doses of that remedy I noticed an improvement, and one bottle cured him entirely. It is the best cough medicine I ever had in the house.—J. L. Moore, South Burgettstown, Pa. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

DISTRICT MEETING

of the second district of the Unity association to convene with Chestnut creek church, May 27, 28 and 29, 1898.

Friday 10 a.m. Devotional exercises conducted by Jos. Moore.

11 Does a call to the ministry obligate any one to become a pastor without reasonable remuneration, by Thos. J. Henderson, J. L. Harris.

2 p.m. The duties of church members to the pastor, by Jos. H. Thomas, E. L. Manning.

3:50 What is the mission of the church? by H. W. Caffee, Judson Strock.

Saturday 9 a.m. What is the Bible plan of missions? by Hardy Jones, L. L. Deason.

10:30 Does the Bible tolerate the ordination of single men to the ministry or deacon's office? J. L. Long, E. H. Parrish.

2 p.m. How ought a church to proceed in dealing with members who are guilty of public offences? W. J. Bone, Jno. R. Vinson.

3:30 What is the best method of developing and utelizing young members? David Moore, Jno. Colwell L. B. Pounds.

Sunday 9 a.m. Sabbath school lecture. H. M. Caffee, W. I. Mullins.

11 Summons to the young, Hardy Jones, L. B. Pounds, alternate.

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Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina, has reason to be proud of the endorsement given him by the recent state convention held at Raleigh. His resolution favoring co-operation with the Democrats as against a middle of the road policy was carried by a vote of 653 to 295. Mr. Butler is said to have made the effort of his life in a speech in support of his position. His able opponent was Congressman Harry Skinner.

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The Populists of Georgia have nominated J. P. Hogan of Lincoln county for governor, F. N. Gilbert Carroll county for attorney general to fill vacancies caused by the declination of those named at the state convention held six weeks ago. The platform as agreed upon then was endorsed in this convention.

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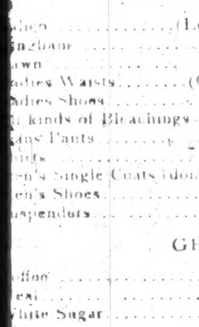

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...Blanche Fishee returned ... from the Athens Female col... on Wednesday. Miss Blanche's ... friends will be glad to learn ... was awarded the gold medal ...

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...Capt. A. J. Goodwyn, of Elmore, ... in town to-day.

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...The following con... ...nts left for Mo... ...Annie Armstrong, Charley ... Mattie Marlar and Henry ... and Tuesday Sinclair ... Henry McNabb ... the same errand.

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In the Probate Court of Chilton County Alabama.

The Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co., a body corporate Petitioner

versus

Unknown owner of a strip of land extending for fifty feet on each side of the center line of the roadway of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad, as the same is located and constructed, on over and across the Northeast ¼ of Northeast ¼ of Section Four, Township Twenty-one, Range Twelve of Chilton County, Ala., Respondent.

The owner or owners of the above described strip of land are notified that the Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co. has filed its petition in my office for the condemnation thereof as a right of way for its line of railroad, and that the 27th day of June, and my office in the courthouse of Chilton County, in the Town of Clanton, Alabama, is the time and place set for the hearing thereof, at which time they may appear and contest the same.

Given under my hand this 19 day of May, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against D. C. Savage, out of a certain store house and lot in Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, and known as the Savage Store-house, and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the south-west corner of the store-house of T. U. Crumpton, and running south 24 feet, thence east 210 feet, thence north 24 feet, and thence west 210 feet to the point of beginning.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at the Courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1898,

all the right, title and interest of the said D. C. Savage in and to the said Store-House and Lot in Maplesville, Alabama. Provided, however, that said property will be sold subject to three certain mortgages executed by D. C. Savage and ida Savage to Howell Cotton Company of Alabama, and by said Company duly transferred and assigned to V. B. Atkins and E. B. Martin, composing the firm of V. B. Atkins & Co.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
Clanton, Ala., May 26, 1898.

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The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

By virtue of a decree of sale granted by the Probate Court of Chilton county, Alabama, I will, as Tax Collector of said county, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, before the Court House door of said county, at Clanton, on

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 1898,

the following lands for taxes due thereon for the year 1897, to wit:

BEAT No. 2.

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 23 tp 21 r 13 tax and costs $3.85

BEAT No. 4

C H Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $1.92

BEAT No. 5

Mrs. Sallie Hamlin, 16 acres in the se ¼ of sw ¼, 22 acres in sw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16; tax and costs $7.16

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 4 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15; Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $12.80

BEAT No. 8.

W E Wailes nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ w 8 ¼ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $14.73

Mrs. M. R. Osborne, sw ¼ of se ¼ sec 6 tp 20 r 13; tax and costs $3.05

OWNER UNKNOWN.

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $5.57

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.55

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $4.67

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $5.04

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $4.45

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $4.45

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.98

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $6.11

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Final Proof Notice.

Notice No 19687.

Land Office at Montgomery Ala.
May 5, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Clanton Ala., on June 22, 1898, viz: William Harkins, Homestead entry No 21945 for the se ¼ of sw ¼ section 32, tp 20 n of R 11 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Nathan Beardin, Thomas Peoples, M. C. Rush, J. N. Bailey, all of Plantersville, Ala.

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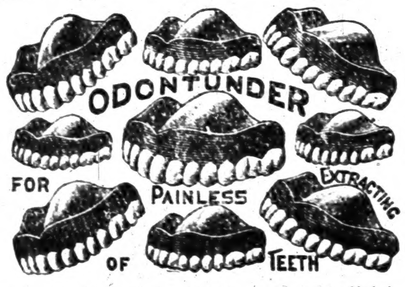

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THE RULE OF INTERNATIONAL PLUTOCRACY.

What It Means to the People of the United States—The Revolution Wrought by Compound Interest on Bonded Debt and Watered Stock.

The worst curse of modern times is usury perpetuated by war debt. It does more harm than all other forms of robbery combined, and it works a more far-reaching devastation than the deadliest havoc of war.

Under modern methods, usury is facilitated as it never was before in the history of the world. The professional usurer of the higher grade no longer compounds interest by charging a single borrower an excessive rate. He strives to minimize the rate to the individual borrower and to raise it to the maximum against the community in general.

The highest possible rate of compound interest against the general public is attainable when the simple interest on a bond is invested at once in another interest bearing bond or similar "security," or when it is put into the stock of a corporation and inflated by the usual processes of "watering."

We may illustrate by supposing that a New York financier (say Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, agent of the Rothschilds in their attempt to control the United States treasury), has just received $4,000 in interest on the lot of bonds for which he raided the treasury under the Cleveland administration, or the other lot with which he and his principals are about to be accommodated by the McKinley administration "for value received."

Having this $4,000 cash, he can immediately invest it in the stock of a trust he is organizing on the plan of the Sugar trust or the Standard Oil trust, and water it up to a face value of $20,000. On this, by favor of government which shuts out foreign competition by a Dingley tariff, he may realize a monopoly profit of twenty-five per cent or over. But at only ten per cent, he would have two thousand dollars usury on an investment of $4,000 of original interest from his bonds. And by re-investing and re-watering, he would go on year after year, piling higher and higher his hoard of plundered wealth.

Where the men who understand the science of compounding interest by re-investment are allowed to control the money supply of a country, they must inevitably control the greater part of its wealth. Any one who can work out the rate at which a dollar will double itself can see to a certainty, as mathematical as figures can make it, that what has happened in the United States since 1865 happened of necessity and could not have been otherwise. The men who speculated on the necessities of the country during the war, and took advantage of its extremity to fix their usurious talons in its vitals, have preyed upon it ever since.

When men of common sense acquire determination they will not hesitate long in dealing with such a situation as this.

These people control the country because they have monopolized its money. The most sensible and effective way to rid the country of their domination is to issue money from the mints and treasury until their hold on the supply is broken.

Nothing could be simpler, as nothing could be juster or more necessary than this.

It is not a question of the color of a metal or of its weight or of its fineness, but of liberty and justice.

These men control the money supply with which the products of labor are exchanged. In so doing they control labor and all legitimate business which depends upon it.

If they are allowed to say what money shall be issued from the mints, how much or how little of it shall be issued, they will be masters of the country, and that in perpetuity.

Nothing could be more intolerable than such domination. Nothing could be simpler than the method by which we can escape it. Instead of issuing more bonds to add to the plutocratic hoard by the cumulative power of interest to be compounded by reinvestment, we have only to issue, and to continue issuing, non-interest bearing currency from the mints and the treasury as the business of the country and the necessities of our national life, in war or peace, demand it.

Every million of new bonds put into the vaults of the plutocracy helps to enslave a hundred thousand men, who are not less the servants of their bond-holding masters because their product is controlled rather than their persons, as under the chattel system.

Every additional million of currency, gold, silver, or greenbacks, put into circulation by the people themselves, brings the economic power of at least a hundred thousand men to bear against the plutocratic system.

We want no wild inflation. We want stern justice and rigorous common sense in using the mints and the treasury to break the power of plutocracy by issuing a currency that will meet the demands of business and free production from the fatal drain of compound interest.

We ought to be the most prosperous people in the world. We will be when we learn to defend like men the rights of American manhood.

Now that we have the Spanish war, these vultures of usury are wheeling and circling over us as they were during the civil war. They are in power at Washington. The secretary of the treasury is there because they put him there. The President of the United States is the personal protege of their agent, Mark Hanna, of the Steel trust. The speaker of the house is their tool ready to resort to any desperate means to gag protest against them. They have entrenched themselves in the Supreme court. They are ready with government by injunction and government by bayonet, if need be, to compel acquiescence. And being so, they cry out now that objections to their demand for more bonds is unpatriotic.

It is not worth while to argue that point. It is better to state and restate, as often as possible, the plain fact that these men are thieves, who make a business of wholesale larceny, and that they stand ready to loot the national treasury as they did in the civil war—or, for that matter, as they did in the only too recent past, when they had their beneficiary Cleveland in power at Washington.

Plutocracy is corrupting the country, not only in politics, but in social life. It leads to a base sensuality, which shows itself in art, literature, even in religion. The churches where plutocrats most abound have carriage entrances as the most conspicuous features of their architecture—as if My Lord Dives, enriched with the plunder of the earth, and swollen with luxurious living passed the possibility of climbing the steep and narrow way on foot, could drive up to heaven's gate in his equipage and order the keeper of the keys to let down the carriage steps for him.

And these men are wicked in the most literal sense. Their pride is intolerable. Their contempt for human rights is supreme. Their determination to retain control of the country at any cost is desperate. Their alliances are with Europe, and their sympathies are with European monarchies rather than with America. They are imperialists, haters of popular government and popular liberties. They are prepared for any fraud, for any bloodshed they think necessary for the maintenance of their power.

These plutocrats have worked for a year or more to force some kind of a bond deal in connection with Cuba. They are directed from the back rooms of the Rothschilds in London, and the New York newspapers which best represent that interest are now working to force new bond issues enough to give the Rothschild banks in this country control of the currency on a basis of corporation notes instead of money of the mints.

They will get their bond issues and everything else they demands from this administration. But if the Democrats of Congress have the courage to force issues on them by demanding the opening of them into and the immediate submission of an income tax amendment to raise money for war purposes, the people will rise in such revolt against plutocracy as has never been seen before. They will rise, at any rate. And they will win their fight in any event. All they lack now is leadership from men as sternly honest in their purposes, as uncompromising in their methods, as are the forces of progress to which these reactionists are opposing themselves. And this leadership, too, the people will have.

W. V. BYARS.

The Bees and the Drones.

"I tell you, my friends," said a big wasp at a busy-bees' convention, "I'm sick and tired of listening to those disgruntled, dissatisfied, dyspeptic, demagogic bees who are continually howling against the drones. Why, my friends, if it wasn't for the drones, you'd starve to death! Actually starve to death! The trouble is, you haven't half enough drones in the hive, that's the reason you can't get rid of this omnipresent overproduction which causes hard times. (Great applause.)

"Now, let us reason together," continued the wasp. "It's as simple as A, B, C. The more drones you have, the more honey is eaten. The more honey is eaten, the more work you have producing more honey. Do you follow me? And work is what you're always looking for, isn't it? (Great applause.)

"Now, my friends, I repeat, let us reason together," continued the wasp. "Let us suppose you didn't have a single drone in the hive. What the deuce would you do with all your honey, I'd like to know?"

(A voice: "Why, eat it ourselves, of course!" Cries of "Order! Order! Police!")

"And if you didn't have drones," continued the wasp after the commotion had subsided, "who'd support your churches and seminaries? Who'd endow your hospitals and libraries? Who'd subsidize your colleges and newspapers? Who'd contribute to your soup-houses and foreign missions? I'd like to know! Why, my friends, if you didn't have drones, you wouldn't have any one to be kind to you and give you charity! You wouldn't have——"

(A voice: "We wouldn't need charity if we didn't have drones!" Meeting breaks up in confusion.)—Dan Cavanaugh, in National Single Taxer.

Sixteen to One or Bust.

Sixteen to One or Bust means that instead of giving the Rothschild's further mortgages on this country, we ought to open the mints, coin national defense silver dollars, and supplement them with war measure greenbacks.

It means also, that we ought to force the immensely wealthy men who are speculating on the necessities of the country to pay their share of war taxes.

It means unalterable opposition to a bond-selling plutocracy.

It cannot fail. It is bound to win. It will win.—Journal of Agriculture.

REFORM IN FINANCE.

THE SAME FIGHT OUR FATHERS FOUGHT.

Congressman Sutherland of Nebraska on the Political Issues of Today—The People Against the Bondholders and Financial Schemers.

The great questions of bimetallism and financial reform are occupying the close attention of millions of Americans today. While we are divided on numerous minor issues, yet we are united on the vital question of the day, and in my judgment nothing can break the union of the silver forces until we have won a victory that will be a milestone in the nation's march toward higher and better things. Our fathers fought the same fight we are engaged in now. They have furnished us a lesson in patriotism that will be well for us to learn anew. They decided, and from that judgment there was no appeal, that the nation of their day could legislate on matters of moment and concern to the people without asking the aid or consent of any other country of a degree high or low. We have had the benefit of their experience and aught to profit by their example.

Due regard must be had for capital as well as for labor, but I think all agree that labor should receive careful concern at all times, as it is very rarely the case that capital is unable to sustain itself in any struggle. For the past thirty years especially has the money power been industrious. It has awakened to possibilities never before dreamed of, and its growing power should be lawfully checked or it will soon be too late.

Hugh McCullough, secretary of the Treasury, in his report for 1866, said: "Very different from this is that gradual, healthy and general advance of prices which is the effect of the increase of the precious metals. The coin which is obtained in the gold and silver producing districts, although it first affects prices within such districts, following the course of trade, and in obedience to its laws, soon finds its way to other countries and becomes a part of the common stock of the nations, which increasing in amount by the regular product of the mines, and in activity by the growing demands of commerce, advances the price of labor and commodities throughout the commercial world." He persistently argued, in this and the report of 1867, that the price of products and labor were high, and that the continued contraction of the paper currency as a policy should be maintained. Said he: "How rapidly they may be retired must depend upon the effect which contraction may have upon business and industry, and can be better determined as the work progresses." Again he said: "The prices of most kinds of property in the United States advanced near three-fold during the war, but this advance was mainly the result of the increase of the circulating medium and in reality only indicated its depreciation. The purchasing power of the money in circulation was diminished in the ratio that its volume was increased. The farmer, for example, received three dollars a bushel for his wheat, but except for the payment of debts these three dollars were of no more value to him than one dollar was before the suspension of specie payments." He succeeded too well in his policy of contraction. The wicked work went on. The capitalist was determined that his dollar should buy more and more in the labor markets of the world. Not satisfied with the contraction of the volume of paper money, the same money power struck at coin and the crime of 1873, that should never be forgotten until the wrongs committed under it have been rectified, was committed. Teach the young men, and freshen the memory of the old ones, as to the evil consequences of this great act. What a patriotic opportunity we have in the twilight of the nineteenth century to aid in the work of restoring the money system that was established by the founders of the government.

From the contraction of the paper money to the adoption of the gold standard by our country has been a short, swift and painful step. The London Economist, the great statisticians Saeurbeck and Soetbeer say, and the people verify it, that for twenty years the prices of products have been falling. The debts of the people have increased and they are bearing burdens grievous to be borne. The gold dollar has risen in value and day by day, and year by year, it requires more and more of the toil of the laborer and the products of the farm to buy it. The Democrats who stand on the Chicago platform, the Populists, of whom I am one, and the Lincoln Republicans say that those whose patriotism is measured by the interest they receive on their bonds and the dividends they gather from stocks shall not dictate the policy of the country, but the people who are the source of all power shall decree what is right and just for all men; that the man who can count his dollars by millions shall receive the same protection under the law, but not one iota more, than the workingman whose only capital in the fierce struggle of life is the muscle given them by the great Master of all.

We read the history of Washington and his fellow patriots, study the life work of Jefferson and Jackson, draw inspiration from the immortal name of Lincoln, and declare in the words of the great Nebraskan that "This nation is able to legislate in its own interests, without asking the aid or consent of any nation on earth."

There is planted in the soul of every one, from the savage of the bush to the greatest scientist of the age, a longing, passionate desire for something better. It is so with nations, we feel that our country is great and that the future is full of glorious promise; that with wise legislation in the interest of the whole people our country will march on until it becomes the great nation of history and the most powerful factor in the civilization of the world.—Hon. R. D. Sutherland, in the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture.

THE WAR REVENUE BILL.

The Title That Ought to Be Given Dingley's Measure.

Dingleys war revenue bill ought to be entitled "A bill to more thoroughly commit the United States to the single gold standard, and to aid in the establishment of bank rule in the United States," says the Silver Knights Watchman. The committee estimates that the increased revenue by taxation will be from $90,000,000 to $100,000,000 as follows: Farmed liquors $8,000,000; tobacco, $17,000,000; cigars, $5,000,000; dealers in tobacco and cigars $5,000,000; stamp taxes on documents, telegrams, etc. $30,000,000; stamp tax on wines, mineral waters etc. undetermined; tonnage tax on vessels engaged in foreign trade, $2,000,000. The bill is elaborate and complicated in detail. It consists of forty-four pages, and if enacted into law its administration will be most vexatious and annoying. It reaches every branch of business and trade, and complicates every transaction with stamp duties too numerous and complex for description.

The bill also provides for issuing $500,000,000 of twenty-year three per cent bonds and $100,000,000 of short time 3 per cent bonds. If this scheme is carried into effect the Gage and the Indianapolis currency schemes will be practically accomplished. When the taxes proposed in the bill are once levied they will remain in peace as well as in war, while a gold standard president is in office. The $220,000,000 now in the treasury, the $600,000,000 of bonds and the $100,000,000 surplus revenue which the new tax law would produce will soon cover into the treasury all the greenbacks, treasury notes and silver certificates now outstanding unless the expenses of the war shall far exceed the most extravagant estimates which have been made.

The new 3 per cent bonds just fits the proposed banking scheme. No further legislation would be necessary to retire all government money but gold to make room for bank currency. All the amendment to the banking law which would be necessary would be to authorize the banks to receive currency from the government equal to the par value of their bonds. The cold blooded proposition of the committee to load the people with excessive taxation, and load the government with $600,000,000 of new bonds is as destitute of patriotism as Shylock was of charity and benevolence.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

The colonists threw the tea overboard. It helped the revolution and eventually established the American republic. Is it not time for civilization to throw gold overboard? There is over $100,000,000 of it locked up in the treasury. Of what earthly good is it to the people—of what benefit to the human race? What better is it than so much gold buried in the mountains of Alaska?—Napa Reflector.

The government ownership of railways grows in public favor, as the failures of the railway commission becomes more and more apparent.—Cuero (Tex.) Constitution.

The sugar and coffee war between the Arbuckles and the Havemeyers has been terminated. They have smoked the calumet of peace and henceforth instead of warring against each other they will, as allies, wage war on the public, who will be made pay all the losses of the two firms in fighting each other. Coffee and sugar are on the rise.—Journal of Agriculture.

There are thousands of idle acres of land, and there are thousands of idle men who would like to work it! But why don't they? Why, the speculator gets in his grab hooks first. Funny, isn't it?—Evansville (Ind.) Coming Events.

If you want to know what is going on in the world, read the paddel dispatches in the big journals and then guess at their meaning. Such an ocean of flatulent slush never was printed before.—Bodie Miner-Index.

Three Ways.

Nature gives to man nothing. Without work nothing can be produced. Work is the producer of wealth. How, then, is it that there come to be distinctively a working class? Is it that some men devise schemes by which they can live without working, by throwing the burden of their work upon their fellows. An English writer has divided all men into three classes—workingmen, beggarmen, and thieves—and this is correct.

There are only three ways of getting the product of labor—by working for it, by having it given to you, and by stealing it.—Henry George.

The New York banker tells the banker of the South what principles he must follow politically and in a business way. The New York banker is subject to the dictation of London. We are like a fan. From one center, London, comes the edict to New York. From there it is distributed to the various parts of the United States, and the people are subservient to a system, the fountain head of which is in England, the active body in New York and its tributary element in every city of the United States.—The Caucasian.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

At Cottonville Porter P. Barron, of Cushing, was instantly killed by a kick from a mule.

Killed By a Wagon.

Herbert Jones, a prominent [illegible] of New Market, was killed by a runaway accident. He was [illegible] when the team became [illegible] threw him out. He [illegible] whose sand was fatal.

First Alabama Men [illegible]

The First regiment [illegible] matters were [illegible] M. reported names [illegible] Oppenheimer, [illegible] States artillery.

Dr. Mosely's Concise Speech.

The [illegible] as colonel [illegible] speech. [illegible] was made [illegible] dent. The [illegible] fees [illegible]

Tornado in Arkansas.

A tornado [illegible] dale, Ark., [illegible] and [illegible] torn and wife were killed by the timbers from their house, and two Italians were killed and a third fatally injured. About twenty houses were blown down.

Colored Troops.

It is stated that a battalion of colored troops will be sent to Mobile this week to be mustered into the service of the United States government. There are to be four companies in the battalion—one from Birmingham, one from from Mobile, one from Montgomery and one from Huntsville.

Discipline at Mobile.

The seventeen carloads of ambulances reported shipped hither for the United States troops must be for the volunteers as the regulars are full equipped.

Charles W. Mapes, Company A, Eleventh infantry, who shot off his index finger the day after arrival here, has been tried by courtmartial and sentenced to two years' imprisonment for malingering.

Recruits Enough for First Alabama.

"We have a sufficient number of recruits in sight to muster in the First Alabama volunteers by Monday," said Colonel Higdon Friday night. "By then I mean the minimum quota, eighty-one to each company. The maximum is eighty-four, and therefore we can place fifty more good able-bodied men in one regiment."

While no orders have been received, it is understood that Colonel Higdon's regiment will be equipped and moved early next week. [illegible] the meantime hard training is incessant at Camp Clark. The Birmingham battalion has instituted a school of instruction for non-commissioned officers.

Big Colony May Locate in Calhoun County

Hon. Jesse G. Adams, chief clerk in the department of agriculture, has returned to Montgomery from Philadelphia and Washington. He appears to have done a good turn while away for Alabama. He was in conference in Philadelphia for several days with a party of gentlemen who are the most successful colonization operators in the east, and discussed with them the establishment of colonies in Alabama. Mr. Adams says that the chances are greatly in favor of the establishment, at an early date, of an enormous colony in the neighborhood of Jacksonville.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

In a dispute over an account, L. T. Allen, a butcher of Anniston, stabbed Tom Richey, who died thirty minutes later.

H. C. Childress, ex-sheriff of Hale and one of the old landmarks of the county, died Saturday at the age of 67.

The Second regiment of Alabama still lacks 400 men to fill up company quotas.

F. H. Latrop has been nominated by the republicans of the Seventh district for congress.

H. A. Wilson, the United States Commissioner, has announced as an independent candidate for probate judge of Chilton county.

The Birmingham Rolling Mill Company has received a contract from the government for about 150 tons of iron plates. The plates are to be used in making water tanks at Newport News, Va.

Mobile a Point of Embarkation.

All indications are that Mobile will be, next to Tampa, the leading point of embarkation for troopers and volunteers of the [illegible] army of invasion. The accumulation of stores in large quantities, the assembling of transports, the loading of the same, the ordering of more and more troops, these are the signs. There are two big warehouses packed from top to bottom with meat, crackers, sugar, coffee and such like. The Matewan transport is loaded with forage, is bunked for 400 men and horses, and the Kanawha is loaded with coal for the fleet.

Four Men Killed in a Wreck.

A construction train and a special bearing the superintendent and other officials of the road, collided in a deep cut on the Vandalia, near Collinsville, Ill. Four men on the construction train were killed and twenty others were injured, five seriously.

Bryan Wants to Get on Wheeler's Staff.

William J. Bryan, the democratic leader, has applied for a position on General Wheeler's staff, and it is said that General Wheeler is doing all in his power to get the appointment for him.

THE SAFE[illegible]

[illegible]

A Beautiful Sk[illegible]
[illegible] steel regulates [illegible] liver, stomach, kidneys, bowels, blood, nerves, [illegible] rough, dry, [illegible] pimples, red and [illegible] spoil the [illegible] they are [illegible] No [illegible] is as stamps [illegible]

[illegible] $500 per [illegible] cannot be [illegible] Taken [illegible] CURES [illegible]

[illegible] Your Bowels [illegible] Cathartic, [illegible] 10c, 25c, 50c. If C. C. C. fail to [illegible]

[illegible] case gentlemen [illegible] like lady of [illegible] upon me the [illegible]

G. B. Cures to Stay
[illegible] Catarrh, Rheumatism, from [illegible] cures. cer. $1.00 per [illegible] or sent for [illegible] in Co., Atlanta, [illegible] oas of wonderful [illegible]

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No-To-Bac for Fifty
[illegible] nized tobacco habit [illegible] ing, blood pure. [illegible]

[illegible] operty owned by [illegible] alued at $[illegible] 10,000; Amherst [illegible] Harvard, $[illegible]

Vinolow's So[illegible] soothes the [illegible] aye pain, cures [illegible]

TUS' DANCE [illegible] ases permanently [illegible] ne's Great N[illegible] $1.00 trial bottle [illegible] line, Ltd., [illegible]

[illegible] to that of the first [illegible] collection of [illegible] to a lawyer named [illegible] hwig, Germany.

Beauty Is Blood
[illegible] blood means a [illegible] without it. Cascarets [illegible] in your blood and [illegible] up the lazy liver and [illegible] from the body. [illegible] pimples, boils, blotches [illegible] sickly bilious [illegible] ns,—beauty for ten [illegible] atisfaction guaranteed.

[illegible] nslation of Ovid's [illegible] is to be published [illegible] ndated. It [illegible] is quatrains [illegible] se with the original.

[illegible] o Cure a Cold in One Day
Laxative Bromo Quinine [illegible] lets refund money if it fails to cure. [illegible]

[illegible] Colmache, the widow [illegible] rotary, is still living [illegible] y's memory of the [illegible] secretary, also [illegible]

[illegible] Co's "Pick Leaf" [illegible] best for Pipe and Hand [illegible] g, Rich, Fine, mellow [illegible] old. Try it.

[illegible] ough he is [illegible] se is busy [illegible] He is in [illegible] ave interest [illegible]

To Cure Constipation
[illegible] a Cascaret [illegible] C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists [illegible]

[illegible] ornament designed [illegible] s just been [illegible] dary Anniversary [illegible] en of Queen [illegible]

A. G. Russell, Nashville, [illegible] a truly [illegible] SINA (TEXAS) [illegible] est blessing to [illegible] orld has ever known. [illegible] ears, and my baby [illegible] through it since [illegible] thers powders. [illegible] he good he has done [illegible] gh this remedy.

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[illegible] Tobacco Spit and Smoke [illegible] quit tobacco easily [illegible] full of life, nerve and [illegible] the wonder worker, that [illegible] g. All druggists, 50c or [illegible] Booklet and sample [illegible] ing Remedy Co., Chicago [illegible]

Canadian game inspector [illegible] g more [illegible] lit by farmers in the [illegible]

Scott Tyler, Klondike [illegible] Gold [illegible] Gardner [illegible]

A permanent cure [illegible] after first [illegible] e Restorer. $1 a [illegible] (I. H. Kline, [illegible]

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[illegible] ood's Sarsa[illegible] Greatest Medicine [illegible] $1; six for $5. Get [illegible] od's Pills are the only [illegible] with Hood's [illegible]

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Crushed Under the [illegible] Conrad O'Shaughnessy, [illegible] of the Alabama Cotton Oil [illegible] at Huntsville, Ala., was [illegible] gled Sunday morning [illegible] wheels of a Southern Railway [illegible] train. The injured man [illegible] being conveyed to the hos[illegible]

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THE SABBATH

INTERNATIONAL LESSON FOR MAY ...

Lesson Text: "The Lord's ...," Matthew xxvi., 17-30—Golden ...xi., 26—Commentary on ...the Day by the Rev. D...

17. "Now the first day of the ...eaven bread (the disciples ...unto Him, Where wilt ...prepare for Thee to eat the ...This was of all passovers the ...was the last, the consummation ...fillment of all that had ever ...concerning this one. "I have ...sired to eat this passover with ...suffer" (Luke xx., 15, margin). ...it would have ...in the kingdom of God. The ...was in connection with the ...from Egypt. The ...will be in connection ...greater deliverance of Israel ...greater than the former ...(Jer. xvi., ...Where wilt ...with Me ..."What ...ever ...Him.

18. "And He said, Go into ...a man, and say unto him ...saith, My time is at hand; I ...passover at thy house with My ...In Luke xxii., 10, we learn how ...know the house and find the ...would meet a man bearing ...water, and following him ...find the house.

19. "And the disciples did ...appointed them, and they made ...passover." In Luke xx., 13, ...that they went and found as ...unto them; so it was also in ...the ass' colt (Luke, xix., 32) ...even as He had said unto them ...iv., 50, the man believed the ...Jesus had spoken unto him, ...his way, and the sequel showed ...just as Jesus had said.

20. "Now, when the even was come, He sat down with the twelve." ...interesting to consider the ...which they made and the ...each item. Let the teacher ...refer back to the institution of ...Ex. xii., and show how the ...four days and then slain, a ...blemish, the bitter herbs, the ...bread, the sprinkled blood, ...of significance as typical of ...Passover sacrificed for us (I Cor. ...

21. "And as they did eat He ...I say unto you, that one of you ...Me." There were only twelve ...most circle of His followers, ...says "one of you." But it was ...to Him, for Jesus knew from the ...who they were that believed ...should betray Him.

22. "And they were exceeding ...and began every one of them ...Him, Lord, is it I?" No hint ...given them of the true character ...and well had Judas concealed ...what he really was. Instead ...any one they each ask, "Lord ...What a wonderful Savior ...one in His company all ...never tell the others.

23. "And He answered and ...that dippeth His hand with ...dish, the same shall betray ...xiii., 26, says that Jesus dipped ...gave it to Judas Iscariot. ...who have been our friends, or ...professed to be our friends, ...us and become our enemies, ...trying thing, but it is blessed ...with Jesus, for as He was treated ...expect to be.

24. "The Son of Man goeth ...ten of Him. But woe unto ...whom the Son of Man is betrayed ...been good for that man if he ...born." It was all foreseen and ...even as the apostles said ...treatment of our Lord by Herod ...the Pilate, and the gentiles, ...ple of Israel, they only did ...hand and counsel determined ...Acts iv., 27, 28), but that ...lessen their guilt. His ...it would be done did not com... ...Unless there is an ...fearful future for the despisers ...His words in this verse have ...(see Job xxxvi., 18).

25. "Then Judas, which be... answered and said, Master, ...said unto him, Thou hast said. ...John xiii., 27, 30, Jesus ...That thou doest, do quickly ...was immediately out, ...And it is still night ...betrayed his Master, the ...darkness and there is no escape.

26. "And as they were eating ...bread and blessed it, and brake ...gave it to the disciples, and ...eat. This is My body." The ...he finished, or about to be, ...patient ...of Israel at the ...not the time ...did not have the ...institute a new ordinance, ...the shall come again.

27. "And He took the cup, ...thanks, and gave it to them, ...ye all of it, for this is My blood ...testament, which is shed for many ...remission of sins." When He ...the door" or "I am the true ...am the bread of life," He ...not suppose that any one would ...He was an actual door or vine ...is believed thought that He ...us consider the bread and ...actual body and blood, but the ...His body given for us to the ...crossed His blood poured out ...

29. "But I say unto you, I will ...henceforth of this fruit of the ...that day when I drink it new ...My Father's kingdom." Luke ...until the kingdom of God shall ...in Luke xxii., 29, 30, He spoke ...own kingdom and of the apostles ...and drinking at His table and ...thrones judging the ...From I Cor. ...His kingdom shall ...the Father, and yet we ...that both are one ...the same night ...His people the ...given Him, a... ...show it to ...we shall reign ...Rev. xxii., 5, ...and ever. As ...that we shall ...and then we ...partly one ...to gather ...of marriage of the ...

30. "And when they had ...they went into the Mount of Olives ...Gethsemane, where ...and afterward the three ...alone.—Lesson Helper.

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The Subject, "Alleviations of War," Most Pertinent to the Exciting Times Through Which We Are Now Passing—Cheer For Those Whose Hearts Are Sad

Text: "Though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident."—Psalms ...

The ring of battle axes and the clash of shields and the tramp of armies are heard all up and down the Old Testament; and you find godly soldiers like Moses, and Joshua, and Caleb, and Gideon, and wicked soldiers like Sennacherib, and Shalmaneser, and Nebuchadnezzar. The High Priest would stand at the head of the army and say: "Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your enemies; let not your hearts faint; fear not, and do not tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them;" and then the officers would give command to the troops, saying: "What man is there that hath built a new house and hath not dedicated it? Let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle and another man dedicate it. And what man is he that hath planted a vineyard and hath not eaten of it? Let him also go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle and another man eat of it. And what man is there that hath betrothed a wife and hath not taken her? Let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in battle and another man take her." Great armies marched and fought. In the time of Moses and Joshua all the men were soldiers. When Israel came out of Egypt there were 600,000 fighting men. Abijah commanded 400,000, Jeroboam commanded 800,000 men, of whom 500,000 were slain in one battle. Some of these wars God approved, for they were for the rescue of oppressed nations, and some of them He denounced, but in all cases it was a judgment upon both victors and vanquished. David knew just what war was when he wrote in the text, "Though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident."

David is here encouraging himself in stormy times, and before approaching battles administers to himself the consolatory. So to-day my theme is the "Alleviations of War." War is organized atrocity. It is the science of assassination. It is the convocation of all horrors. It is butchery wholesale. It is murder glorified. It is death on a throne of human skeletons. It is the coffin in ascendancy. It is diabolism at a game of skulls. And the time is coming when war will be an impossibility. How far in the future I cannot say, but there will be a museum of curiosities in which a father and son will one day be walking, and the son will say, "What is that sharp, curved instrument?" and the father will reply, "That is a sword." And the son will say, "What are those round pieces of iron?" and the father will reply, "Those are bullets and cannon balls and bombshells. Those are the things with which in the Dark Ages people killed each other." Yet the father will have hard work to make the son believe that such things were ever used for the destruction of human life. But that time has not yet arrived, and having on other occasions spoken to you of the "Aggravations of War," now that war is actually here it is time to speak of its alleviations.

First, I find an alleviation in the fact that it has consolidated the North and South after long-continued strained relations. It is thirty-three years since our Civil War closed, and the violences are all gone and the severities have been hushed. But ever and anon, in oration, in sermon, in newspaper editorial, in magazine article, on political stump, and in Congressional hall, the old sectional difference has lifted its head; and for the first time within my memory, or the memory of any one who hears or reads these words, the North and the South are one. It was not a four years' war but a fifty years' war; war of tongue, war of pen, war of printing press. But by a marvelous providence, the family that led in opposition to our Government thirty years ago, is represented at the front in this present war. Nothing else could have done the work of unification so suddenly or so completely as this conflict. At Tampa, at Chattanooga, at Richmond, and in many other places the regiments are forming, and it will be side by side, Massachusetts and Alabama, New York and Georgia, Illinois and Louisiana, Maine and South Carolina. Northern and Southern men will together unlimber the guns and rush upon the fortification and charge upon the enemy and shout the triumph. The voices of military officers who were under Sidney Johnson and Joseph Hooker will give the command on the same side. The old sectional grudges forever dead. The name of Grant on the Northern side and of Lee on the Southern side will be exchanged for the names of Grant and Lee on the same side. The veterans in Northern and Southern homes and asylums are stretching their rheumatic limbs to see whether they can again keep step in a march, and are testing their eyesight to find whether they can again look along the gun-barrel to successfully take aim and fire. The old war cry of "On to Richmond!" and "On to Washington!" has become the war cry of "On to Havana!" "On to Porto Rico!" "On to the Philippine Islands!" The two old rusty swords that in other days clashed at Murfreesboro and South Mountain and Atlanta, are now lifted to strike down Hispanic abominations.

Another alleviation of the war is the fact that it is the most unselfish war of the ages. While the commercial rights of our wronged citizens will be vindicated, that is not the chief idea of this war. It is the rescue of hundreds of thousands of people from starvation and multiform maltreatment. A friend who went out under the flag of the Red Cross two years ago to assuage suffering in Armenia, and who has been on the same mission, under the same flag, in Cuba, says that the sufferings in Armenia were a comedy and a farce compared with the greater sufferings of Cuba. At least two hundred thousand graves are calling to us to come on and remember by what process their occupants died. It is the twentieth century crying out to the nineteenth: "Do you mean to pass down to us the curse with which you have been blasted? Or will you let me begin under new auspices and turn the island of desolation into an island Edenic?"

It is a war inspired by mercy, which is an attribute in man imitative of the same attribute of God. In no other age of the world could such a war have been waged. The gospel of kindness needed to be recognized throughout Christendom in order to make such a war possible. The chief reason why most of the European nations are not now banded together against us is because they dare not take the part of that behemoth of cruelty, the Spanish Government, against the crusade of mercy which our nation has started. Had it been on our part a war of conquest, a war of annexation, a war of aggrandizement, there would have been by this time enough flying squadrons coming to this country across the Atlantic to throw into panic every city on our American ...

The wars ...ers were only to regain an e... ...; the Napoleonic wars, with t... ...million slaughtered men, were projected and carried out to appease the ambition of one man; of the twenty-five million slain in Jewish wars, and of the sixty million slain in the wars under Julius Cæsar; of the one hundred and eighty million slain in wars with Turks and Saracens; of the fifty million slain in wars with Xerxes; of the twenty million slain in wars of Justinian; and the thirty-two million slain in the wars of Genghis Kahn, not one man was sacrificed for mercy; but in this Hispanic-American war every drummer boy, or picket, or gunner, or standard-bearer, or skirmisher, or sharpshooter, or cavalryman, or artilleryman, or engineer who falls, falls in the cause of mercy, and becomes a martyr for God and his country.

Another alleviation of this war is that it is for the advancement of the sublime principle of liberty, which will yet engirdle the earth. Not only will this war free Cuba, but finally will free Spain. By what right does a dynasty like that stand, and a corrupt court dominate a people for centuries, taxing them to death, riding in gilded chariot over the necks of a beggared population?

Another alleviation is that the war opens with a great victory for the United States. In the most jubilant manner let the victory of our navy be celebrated. With the story of the destroyed battleship fresh in the minds of the world it would require no ordinary courage to sail into the harbor of Manila and attack the Spanish shipping. That harbor, crowded with sunken weaponry of death, to enter it was running a risk enough to make all nations shiver. But Manila is ours, and the blow has shaken to the foundation the palaces of Madrid, and for policy's sake the doubtful nations are on our side. For Commodore Dewey and all who followed him let the whole nation utter its most resounding huzza; and more than that, let us thank the Lord of hosts for his guiding and protected power. "Praise ye the Lord! Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!"

Another alleviation is the fact that in this war the might is on the side of the right. Again and again have liberty and justice and suffering humanity had the odds against them. It was so when Benhadad's Syrian hosts, who were in the wrong, at Aphek, came upon the small regiments of Israel, who were in the right, the Bible putting it in one of those graphic sentences for which the book is remarkable—"The children of Israel pitched before them like two little flocks of kids, but the Syrians filled the whole country." It was so in the awful defeat of the Lord's people at Gilboa and Megiddo. It was so recently when gallant and glorious Greece was in conflict with gigantic Mohammedanism, and the navies of Europe hovering about the Bosphorus were in practical protection of the Turkish government, fresh from the slaughter of one hundred thousand Armenians. It was so when, in 1776, the thirteen colonies with little war shipping and a few undrilled and poorly-clad soldiers, were brought into a contest with the mightiest navy of all the earth and an army that commanded the admiration of nations. It was so when Hungary went under. It has been so during all the struggles heretofore for Cuban independence. But now it is our powerful navy with enough guns to send the opposing fleet as completely under as when the Red Sea submerged Pharaoh's army.

Another alleviation is the fact that we have a God to go to in behalf of all those of our countrymen who may be in especial exposure at the front, for we must admit the perils. It is no trifling thing for 100,000 young men to be put outside of home restraints and sometimes into evil companionship. Many of the brave of the earth are not the good of the earth. To be in the same tent with those who have no regard for God or home; to hear their holy religion sometimes slurred at; to be placed under influences calculated to make one reckless; to have no Sabbath, except such Sabbath as in most encampments amounts to no Sabbath at all; to go out from homes where all sanitary laws are observed into surroundings where questions of health are never discussed; to invade climes where pestilence holds possession; to make long marches under blistering skies; to stand on deck and in the fields under fire, at the mercy of shot and shell—we must admit that those thus exposed need especial care, and to the Omnipresent God we have a right to commend them, and will commend them. Postal communication may be interrupted, and letters started from camps or homes may not arrive at the right destination, but however far away our loved ones may be from us, and however wide and deep the seas that separate us, we may hold communication with them via the throne of God.

A shipwrecked sailor was found floating on a raft, near the coast of California. While in the hospital he told his experience, and said that he had a companion on the same raft for some time. While that companion was dying of thirst he said to him: "George, where are you going?" and the dying sailor said: "I hope I am going to God." "If you do," said the rescued sailor, "will you ask Him to send some water?" After the death of his companion, the survivor said, the rain came in torrents, and slaked his thirst and kept him alive until he was taken to safety. The survivor always thought it was in answer to the message he had sent to heaven asking for water. Thank God we may have direct and instantaneous communication with the Lord Almighty through Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, and in that faith we may secure the rescue of our imperiled kindred. Is not that a mighty alleviation?

Morning, noon and night let us commend this beloved land to the care of a gracious God. That He answers prayer is so certain that your religion is an hallucination if He does not answer it. Pray that in reply to such supplication the farmers' boys may get home again in time to reap the harvest of next July; that our business men may return in time to prepare for a fall trade such as has never yet filled the stores and factories with customers, and that all the homes in this country now saddened by the departure of father or brother or son may months before the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays be full of joy at the arrival of those who will for the rest of their lives have stories to tell of double-quick march, and narrow escape, and charges up the parapets, and night set on fire with bombardment and our flag hauled up to places from which other flags were hauled down.

At Plymouth, England, on the 19th of July, the prominent officers of the navy were in a bowling alley, bowling with great glee—Lord Howard, the High Admiral; Sir Martin Frobisher, the daring explorer, and Sir Francis Drake, the first circumnavigator of the world—when word came to them that the Spanish Armada was advancing. The officers continued at the game of the bowling alley until the game was finished, and then went out to investigate the tidings, and, sure enough, that mighty fleet, which was considered invincible, and which was to bombard and overthrow England, was approaching, but the invading navy was destroyed, for the Lord Almighty appeared in the fight.

A storm such as had never swept the coast of England or aroused the ocean swooped upon the Spanish Armada. Most of the ships soon went down under the sea, while others were driven helplessly along to be splintered on the coasts of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Norway. Another Spanish Armada is crossing the Atlantic, and we are ready to meet them. The same God who destroyed the Armada in 1588 reigns in 1898. May He in His might, either through human arm or dumb element, defeat their squadron, and give victory to the old flag.

Yet what the world most wants is Christ, who is coming to take possession of all hearts, all homes, all Nations; but the world blocks the wheels of His chariot. I would like to see this century, which is now almost wound up, find its peroration in some mighty overthrow of tyrannies and a mighty building up of liberty and justice. Almost all the centuries have ended with some stupendous event that transformed Nations and changed the map of the world. It was so at the close of the fourteenth century; it was so at the close of the fifteenth century; it was so at the close of the sixteenth century; it was so at the close of the seventeenth century; it was so at the close of the eighteenth century. May it be more gloriously so at the close of the nineteenth century! "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting, and let the whole earth be filled with His glory." Amen and amen.

Americans and Victoria's Birthday.

The Niagara Falls (N. Y.) Council will assist Canadians in celebrating the Queen's birthday and has declared it a legal holiday.

A School Girl's Battle.

From The Mail, Milford, Ind.

Miss Emma Rybolt, a prepossessing school girl of Milford, Ind., is of more than usual intelligence and is ambitious to rise in the literary world.

"In the fall of 189..." said Mrs. Rybolt, "Emma was taken ill. She was a close student and her work began to tell on her. She grew weak, pale and nervous, and complained of pains in her back, chest and limbs. A few weeks passed and she grew worse. The doctor said she was a victim of nervous prostration, and should have been taken from school weeks earlier. She gradually grew worse, her nerves were so tense that the least noise irritated her, and she had a fever and a continual twitching in her muscles. The symptoms were much like St. Vitus' dance.

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Apple Cores for Champagne.

The practice of the economies in the fruit-raising sections of the West has developed a new article of export. Until recently the orchard owners and the evaporator managers did not think of utilizing the cores and the parings of apples. They occasionally sold them to the jelly-makers or fed them to the hogs, but more generally allowed them to accumulate as refuse in great heaps, which slowly fermented and decayed. This year, in many places, the parings and the cores are being saved. They are spread out in the hot sun and dried, after which they are packed in large sacks and held for buyers, who gather them up and send away in car lots. The destination of the dried parings and cores in these large quantities is France. It is no secret that the refuse of the orchards of the Missouri valley and the Ozark country is now largely employed in the manufacture of champagne by the thrifty wine-makers of the vine-clad slopes of France.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Cogitation.

The gentlemen of the bar, who not infrequently have to take rebukes from the bench, greatly enjoy a chance to make a legitimate retort against the court. The story is told that a certain judge who, during the plea of a rather prosy lawyer, could not refrain from gently nodding his head in sleep, was caught at this by the lawyer, who looked significantly at him.

"Perhaps," said the judge, testily and prevaricatingly, "the counsel thinks the court was asleep, but he may be assured that the court was merely cogitating."

The lawyer talked on. Presently the judge, again overcome by his somnolence, nodded off and aroused himself with a little sudden snorting snore.

"If it please your honor," said the lawyer, "I will suspend my plea until the court shall have ceased to cogitate audibly."

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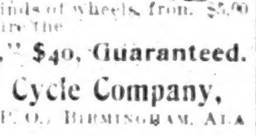

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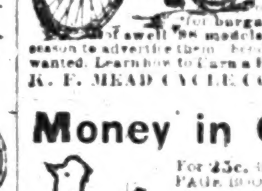

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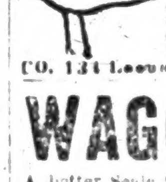

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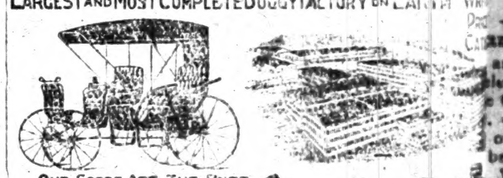

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For Representative:
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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR JUDGE OF PROBATE
I announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county, subject to the votes of the democratic party of the county at the general election in August, 1898.
M. HONEYCUTT.

I announce myself a candidate for the important office of Judge of Probate, as a free Silver Republican opposing the present administration, and submitting the matter to the people at the general August election.
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I announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton County, subject to the vote of the people of the County, at the general election to be held in August, 1898.
W. A. B. FARMER.

I announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chilton County, subject to the votes of the people in the general election in August.
WILLIAM B. GREEN.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
I announce myself a candidate for the office of Representative in the General Assembly, subject to the will of the people of the county at the general election in August, 1898.
N. H. [illegible]

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Clanton, Ala., May 31, 1898
Editor BANNER. I hope to have space in your paper to say a word concerning the condition of politics in Chilton. I'm sorry to say that some few voters have been off the track, but glad to say they are coming back as fast as sheep jumping a log. There are some few candidates who have departed the faith but than's the Lord the first Monday in August is coming when we will turn them out, and then we will have no more confusion in our ranks. Every true Pop will be at his post the first Monday in August to help roll up at least from three to five hundred majority. That is my lowest figure: I believe it will be double that amount. I'll say in conclusion, there is not a true Populist nor true Democrat but sticks to his party. Success to the BANNER and the People's Party.
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Clanton, May 28, 1898.
Editor BANNER. I see that we have several independent candidates out. What does this mean? Is the same old song that was sung twenty years ago. We, the Populists know the old coon by the radical ring on his tail. True Populists are not sheep to be led to the political slaughter pen by a few political bosses who want office.

Now is the time for the people to stand by the Populist Party which has done so much in behalf of the people. The worst enemies to the Populists are those who pretend to be our friends and then betray us for spoils. No true Populists can afford to vote for these old coons.

I cannot return to the party I once belonged to, until it redeems the pledges it made. I went into the Populist Party to fight for liberty or death as long she stands on principle I am with her. The old party claims to have been purified, yet it has the same old smell. You can't fool the people, the laboring man will stand to the ticket that was nominated on April 29th.
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Stanton

W. C. Dyer was in Centreville Friday on business.

Mr. Moodie Raspberry was in Selma Saturday.

Mr. Mallin is visiting relatives in Lowndesboro.

Mr. C. W. McDaniel and Miss Emma McDaniel are visiting Mr. S. T. Nelson's family. STAN.

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Singing Rally at Big Springs

The members of Big Springs church and people of the surrounding country met on Sunday morning last for the purpose of praising God in song.

At 10 a.m. the house was called to order and T. A. King was elected chairman and E. B. Deason secretary. The chair appointed G. W. Taylor, Jos. Billingsley and Wm. Willis as committee on program. The committee retired and soon returned the following program.

J. C. Veazey to sing for 25 minutes. R. T. Grant to sing for 25 minutes. F. M. Foshee to sing for 20 minutes. Charlie Cox, to sing for 20 minutes. Adjourned one hour for refreshments. The chair called the people together at 1 p.m. and they were entertained as in the forenoon. At 4 p.m. the following resolutions were read and adopted. Whereas we have met and enjoyed singing praises unto God with our friends of Bigspring community and have been so royally entertained by them, resolved first. That we tender them our heart felt thanks for their hospitality while we have been in their midst.

Second. That we tender our many thanks to Mr. King for the use of his organ and further extend our thanks to the organists for their able assistance in the the worship.

Adjourned without further ceremony. E. B. DEASON Sec.

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S. M. Geary, Pierson, Mich., writes:—"DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is curing more piles here today than all other remedies combined. It cures eczema and all other skin diseases. Stanfield & Matthews.

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Closing Exercises at Concord School.

Editor BANNER. Last night closed one of the most successful sessions of Concord school.

During the day declamations were ably delivered by the young men, who showed careful training of a proficient teacher, followed by a brilliant address on Education by Dr. D. L. Wilkerson, that made a profound impression upon the minds of all hearers. In beautiful language he vividly portrayed the theater of life that no one could be content in ignorance and obscurity.

A concert was given at night by Miss Lennie Curry's music class. Miss Lennie is one of our most gifted young ladies and the performance of her pupils would have shed a glowing lustre upon the laurels of Madam Rudersdoff.

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Death of Mr H. J. Norris.

Our community was saddened on May 23 by the death of H. J. Norris. "An honest man is the noblest work of God," and this could be truly said of our friend and neighbor. His was a noble nature that ever labored with energy for the good of his fellow creatures and was often troubled that he could not do more in his Master's vinyard. He was ever a friend to the widow and orphan, and in trouble and sickness was always the foremost. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his family whose grief is not as those without hope, meeting in that better land where parting is no more.
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Applications for Confederate Pensions

The Board of Examiners will meet at Clanton on Monday, June 6, 1898 for the purpose of examining applications for Confederate pensions.

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Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. Stanfield & Matthews.

Maplesville.

Zeke Martin went to see his soldier brothar Jesse but failed to see him as he had been ordered to Tampa.

T. U. Crumpton has returned from a trip to New York city.

Mr. John Prisley and wife, of Selma, have been on a visit to Mrs. Glover.

Misses Susie McGehee and Celestie Dunlap have been visiting Mrs. R. D. Martin.

Our town is sustaining its health record.

Mesdames Dunneway and Ellis, of Orrville are at Mrs. N. A. Goodwyn's most excellent boarding house.

Mr. and Mrs. Plant, of Stanton, have been guests of Mrs. Dr. Wooley.

Farmers and gardeners are suffering for rain. Showers have fallen around here but we have had no rain for several weeks.

Messrs. Shep Bearden and Ensley Cooper failed to pass the military requirment and are now home.
SUBSCIBER.

Our hustler W. D. Lawrence has just completed a nice ginnery and is stepping very high over the arrival of his engine and boiler which is quite an improvement on any thing of the kind in this vicinity.

Mr. Houston, of Rome, Ga., is boarding at Mrs. Terry's; she is quite an additi n to our little town and every one is most favorably impressed.

Miss Minnie Moore, the charming belle of Daileville Miss., is the guest of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Patterson. Miss Minnie has created quite a sensation among the young men of this place.

Quite an enjoyable little party went fishing a few days ago, but did not meet with much success. Mrs. Houston, Miss Moore, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Patterson and Master Llewellyn, and Miss Gertrude Wooley composed the party. Mr. Patterson certainly knows how to make it pleasant for the ladies.

Mrs. Wooley has returned from a two weeks' sojourn at Anniston and Birmingham where she visited her son and daughter; we are glad to welcome Mrs. Wooley back.
ARISTA.

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I was seriously afflicted with a cough for several years, and last fall had a more severe cough than ever before. I have used many remedies without receiving much relief, and being recommended to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, by a friend who, knowing me to be a poor widow, gave it to me. I tried it, and with the most gratifying results. The first bottle relieved me very much and the second bottle has absolutely cured me. I have not had as good health for twenty years. Respectfully, MRS. MARY A. BEARD, Claremore, Ark. Sold by J. S. Johnson jr.

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All Day Singing 4th of July

Vernena, Ala. May 2, 1898.
Editor BANNER. I am requested to ask you to announce that there will be an all day song service at Chesnut Creek church on July 4. A general invitation is extended, and it is hoped that a sense of spirituality will be realized during the servine
HARDY JONES.

Democratic County Convention Call

A convention of the Democratic party of Chilton county is hereby called to meet in Clanton on June 15, 1898, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the Congressional conventson of the fourth district, and to take such other actiou as the convention may deem proper with referenge to nominations for county officers.

Beat meetings will be held on June 11th under the management of the committeeman from each beat, or such persons as he may designate, or in their absence by the Democrats present on that day at the usual voting places. By order of the Executive Com.

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Liver troubles quickly result in serious complications, and the man who neglects his liver has little regard for health. A bottle of Browne' Iron Bitters taken now and then will keep the liver in perfect order. If the disease has developed, Browne' Iron Bitters will cure it permanently. Strength and vitality will always follow its use. Browne' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Turn-Round Topics.

Dry weather and gardens burning up in this section. Rain is needed to bring up the last planting of corn and cotton.

Mrs Goss spent last week with Mrs Kendrick.

Sunday was a day that should be long remembered. The annual May singing at Canaan ceme off and an extra large crowd attended and all expressed themselves as having spent a pleasant day. Verbena was well represented with her beautiful and accomplished yonng ladies and handsome young men, as was also most of the surrounding towns.

Quite a number of us attended the District at Coopers

We were pleased to have with us last Sunday, Misses Nannie and Roxie Butler, two charming young daughters of Deatsville.

Miss Mattie Palmer, of Clanton, was with us Sunday.

Rev. R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate, was a visitor to Mr. Goss Thursday and Friday.

Died at his home at 12:30 a.m., Mr. H. J. Norris, and was buried at 4 30 p.m. He leaves a wife, three children, a sister and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Wishing the BANNER much success, I remain, who?—Oh! well you know the rest.

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Yellow Jaundice Cured.
Suffering humanity should be supplied with every means possible for its relief. It is with pleasure we publish the following: "This is to certify that I was a terrible sufferer from Yellow Jaundice for over six months, and was treated by some of the best physicians in our city and all to no avail. Dr. Bell, our druggist, recommended Electric Bitters; and after taking two bottles, I was entirely cured. I now take great pleasure in recommending them to any person suffering from this terrible malady. I am gratefully yours M. A. Hogarty, Lexington, Ky."
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Billingsley.

Mr. W. W. Carter has opened up his new store.

Dr. A. J. Marlar will soon open up a drug store here.

On last Saturday we had a good rain with wind and hail in the vicinity of Concord church which scattered fencing and trees over the farms.

Mrs. W. C. Dickinson has been very sick, but we are glad to say is improving.

On last Saturday the Methodist Protestant church held their conference at Concord which was well attended. On Sunday Rev. W. G. Riggins preached an eloquent sermon to a large crowd which seemed to be much interested. Come again, Bro. Riggins. Success to the Banner. SUBSCRIBER.

Our town is still improving, the depot is now complete.

Mr. Averie, of Montgomery, is the telegrape operator.

Mrs Marlar and Mrs. Gamble visited Clanton Monday.

Mr. Bob Farley is visiting his sister, Mrs. Foshee, in Lomax this week.

Mr. Will Carter came near getting his mill destroyed by fire last Friday, but fortunately no damage was done.

Mrs. E. T. Gulthorn has returned home after a pleasant visit to her son, Mr. Jack Gulthorn.

Mrs Chambers and charming daughter, Miss Mehalie, visited Dr. Marlar's family last week. MAY.

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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in each of the three following described mortgages executed by D. C. Savage and Ida Savage to Howell Cotton Company of Alabama, which said three mortgages have been by the said Howell Cotton Company of Alabama, duly transferred and assigned to V. B. Atkins and E. B. Martin, composing the firm of V. B. Atkins and Company, to wit:

1st. Mortgage executed February 29th, 1896, and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton County, Alabama in Vol. 36 Pages 281-3.

2nd. Mortgage executed March 18th, 1896 and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton County, Alabama in Vol. 36 Pages 601-2

3rd. Mortgage executed December 11th, 1896 and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate in Chilton County, Alabama in Vol. 38, Pages 281-3.

the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1898

the following described real estate, to wit:

Dwelling House and Lot in Maplesville, Chilton County, Alabama, described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the South west corner of property of J. L. Patterson at the road right of way and running South 1 chain thence East 120 feet, thence North 50 feet, thence East 90 feet thence North 74 feet and thence 210 feet to the point of beginning.

One Store house and Lot in Maplesville, Alabama, described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the South west corner of Store house of J. L. Crumpton and running North 24 feet, thence East 210 feet, thence North 24 feet and thence West 210 feet to the point of beginning.

V. B. ATKINS and E. B. MARTIN
composing the firm of V. B. Atkins & Co. transferees of mortgages.
By WM. A. COLEMAN, their attorney.
Clanton, Ala., May 8, 1898.

You Don't Have to Swear Off
says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture in an editorial about No To-Bac, the famous tobacco habit cure. "We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac, one prominent St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by druggists everywhere. No cure no pay. Book free. Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

The depopulation of villages is one of the complaints in Germany. Agricultural laborers are becoming so scarce that it is now necessary to import them for the harvest in large numbers from Russia.

In the closing hours of the session of the Iowa Legislature the members of the House carried through with loud acclaim a resolution requesting Doorkeeper Wesley Spain to change his name forthwith to Wesley Cuba.

It is said to be no uncommon occurrence on the new Siberian railway for fuel or water to give out. In the latter case a halt is made and snow collected and melted until water enough is provided for proceeding to the next station.

A Chicago paper demands to know why music-crazed women persist in sending thorny roses to pianists, who, it says, hold them in mortal terror. It suggests that sending a '98 model wheel down the aisle would be much better appreciated, or even a box of cigars.

In addition to the mineral wealth discovered in Alaska, reports have been received stating that petroleum is also found there. Analysis and tests show that the oil is of as high grade as any from the Pennsylvania wells. The oil was found in a large lake close to the ocean, while the surrounding mountains are full of coal. It was fed by springs, and there was every evidence of a large supply.

The new Kearsarge is named after the old Kearsarge, but what was the old Kearsarge named after? queries the Springfield Republican. This would stump any "current-events class" going. The old Kearsarge was named after an obscure yet respectable mountain in New Hampshire, and it is said that the mountain was named by juggling the name of its discoverer and its first owner, Hezekiah Sargent.

A Berlin physician of standing says, in a medical paper, that the nurses in the private hospitals are in league with the undertakers, who distribute among them circulars offering as much as $25 by way of gratuity for a good job. He calls the attention of his professional colleagues to this infamous combination, which has been in force, so he declares, for half a century, and exists in other large towns. He suggests the employment, whenever it is possible, of women working in sisterhoods or actuated by some higher motive than the mere pursuit of gain.

A company of steel workmen, organized on the co-operative plan, headed by Charles Kennedy, former superintendent of the Indiana iron works at Muncie, has located at Montpelier, states the Indianapolis News. They will operate a big steel plant, employing 300 hands. The inducements they received consist of land, buildings, free gas and a money bonus of $5000. Their location was secured through the efforts of the Montpelier board of trade. Another local company of workmen have organized to buy the Florence iron and steel mill, now owned by Bassett & Co. of Cleveland. The plant has been idle for over two years. The local company will operate the mill immediately, and will employ about 200 hands. It has been kept in good repair, and is one of the best rolling mills west of the Alleganies.

Wheeling is undoubtedly one of the most conspicuous evangelists of health, observes the New York Herald. The man who has religion and a bicycle ought to be entirely satisfied with his lot. He is an enviable creature, and has no reason to be envious of others. To take a spin in the direction of a good appetite and dreamless sleep and to overtake and capture both is to be victorious in a very important conflict. But there are limits beyond which this noble exercise becomes irritable and takes revenge. The boy who, the other day, started out on a century run overdid a good thing, and converted it into a bad thing. He accomplished his task, but he broke himself all up, and will never mount the saddle again. Don't abuse your wheel, but treat it with respect and reverence. It is better to ride twenty miles and feel fresh than to cover forty and have to call in the doctor. What you want is fun and health, and if you use your wheel with discretion you will get both.

CERVERA IS AT SANTIAGO.

Cablegram From Schley Announces That Spanish Fleet is Cornered.

WENT INTO THE HARBOR TO SECURE COAL.

Instructions Wired Commodore Schley "Under No Circumstances Permit Spanish Ships to Escape; Destroy or Capture Them."

WASHINGTON (Special.)—Secretary Long has received a cipher cablegram from Commodore Schley announcing officially that Admiral Cervera is in Santiago with his formidable squadron.

The navigation bureau received the dispatches at 12:30 o'clock Sunday night and the officials immediately began the work of translation. When enough of the message had been deciphered to make it clear that Secretary Long's convictions on the subject had proven to be correct, the navy department in the neighborhood of the navigation bureau became a blaze of light and messengers were hastily dispatched to the president, Secretary Long, Secretary Alger and Gen. Miles.

It is understood that Commodore Schley in addition to officially confirming the belief of Cervera's presence, cleared up the question which has continually arisen as to why the Spanish squadron had entered Santiago harbor. Cervera, owing to his inability to secure much coal at Martinique and Caracoa and unable to continue his cruise effectively without replenishing his coal bunkers, went to Santiago for the purpose of securing coal.

Within thirty miles of Santiago is the only developed coal mine in the eastern half of the island of Cuba. Cervera when he entered made a requisition upon the military governor for coal. Cervera now has plenty of coal, but he will have no opportunity to use it. Schley will remain in front of Santiago harbor until he destroys Cervera's squadron.

The department, after translating Commodore Schley's cablegram, wired him instructions to this effect: "Under no circumstances permit Spanish ships to escape. Destroy or capture them." It was furthermore suggested that he bombard the fortifications with great vigor. In this event it is assumed Cervera will emerge from the harbor.

With the reception of this, the most important news that which announced Dewey's victory at Manila, the cloud of gloom which has hung over the war and navy departments during the last week has lifted.

The Spanish squadron now is regarded as good as sunk or captured. The invasion of Cuba and Porto Rico will begin Monday.

NATIVE QUARTERS OF CAVITE NOW HELD BY DEWEY'S LANDING PARTY.

Schafter Receives Orders to Lead Invasion

Orders have at last gone forward to Major-General Shafter at Tampa to embark the greater portion of his troops, including all the regulars and a few of the most efficient volunteer regiments on board the transports gathered at that place, and the aggressive military movement which has been so frequently predicted and so often delayed for one cause or another, will be an accomplished fact before the end of this week.

The strongest units of Admiral Sampson's recognized squadron will convoy the expedition and cover its landing at a point now definitely determined.

A BRITISH SHIP SEIZED

By the Spanish Authorities for Alleged Violation of Neutrality Law.

Cable advices have been received from Cienfuegos, Cuba, stating that the British ship Adula, on her arrival there, was stopped by the Spanish authorities. A search was made, and it was found that there was a man on board whose object, Spanish authorities declared, was to go into the town and carry back information to the blockading fleet, and that his presence was a breach of the neutrality laws.

The ship was thereupon seized, and Captain Walker and his officers were put in confinem

Insurgents Favor Annexation.

HONG KONG.—The Philippine insurgents have agreed to support Aguinaldo for annexation to the United States. They have refused to entertain any proposition looking towards independence. An insurgent force has defeated the Spaniards at Lantete. Ships are loading here with provisions for Manila when the blockade is declared off on the arrival of the American troops. The colonial government has placed an embargo on war munitions so that the Philippine junta cannot purchase arms and other equipments.

HAWAII OFFERED TO US.

Distinct Tender of the Island Has Been Made to the United States.

The Hawaiian Star, at Honolulu, publishes the following:

There is no doubt whatever that the Hawaiian government has made a distinct tender of the islands to the executive of the United States. The news has been published in many of the coast and eastern papers and has been denied. The Star is in a position to state that such a letter has been written and that a reply to it is being awaited here. This reply will probably reach Honolulu by the next mail. It is impossible to get the exact text of the letter and the island executive does not feel that it is diplomatic courtesy that the letter should be given to the public here before the United States government can reply. The mere fact that the transports are coming here and the island being used as a basis for supplies for the Manila squadron makes a large number of people think the offer will undoubtedly be accepted.

SAMPSON AT KEY WEST.

Preparations Being Made for the Descent on Havana.

WASHINGTON.—Admiral Sampson's fleet is back at Key West getting ready for the descent on Havana. The arrival of Sampson at the home port means that Cervera is corked up in Santiago de Cuba; that Commodore Schley can do what he pleases with him there, and that the ships under the American Admiral are thus left free to tackle Havana whenever they choose to do so. All reports from Key West indicate that the great blow of the war is soon to be struck. Sampson is ready and eager for the bombardment. When Sampson arrived at Key West he wired fully his knowledge of conditions along the Cuban coast, and also sent suggestions as to the best methods of proceeding. His dispatch startled all the departments connected with the war into unusual activity, and, on coming from the president a high official said: "You'll hear something drop now, and it will drop hard and quick."

HOPELESS FEELING IN SPAIN.

No Longer is Intervention by European Powers Entertained.

LONDON (Special).—The Paris correspondent of The Times, commenting on the "feeling of sadness prevailing in Spain," says: "It is less on account of ministerial dissensions, which are not really serious, than on account of a fuller apprehension of the difficulties of the situation, namely, that it is hopeless to expect any assistance from Europe, even France and Russia being, since Mr. Chamberlain's speech, averse from doing anything to precipitate complications. Spain sees now that she must trust to herself alone in an unequal struggle that can have only one end."

The Spanish press bitterly laments the selfish motive underlying the reluctance of the powers to intervene. It is now seen that Spain is isolated, and the idea is growing that better terms may be obtained by a direct understanding with President McKinley.

The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail, who notices a feeling in favor of an honorable peace, believes that one of the powers will suggest arbitration when a fitting opportunity occurs.

Oates Receives Army Appointment.

The president Saturday sent these nominations to the senate:

To be major general of volunteers, Matthew C. Butler, of South Carolina. To be brigadier general of volunteers, James R. Waites, of Texas; Nelson Cole, of Missouri; William C. Oates, of Alabama. To be assistant adjutant general with rank of major, M. Fred Bell, of Missouri.

Must be Officered by White Men.

WASHINGTON.—The officials in the war department have decided that the colored immune regiments to be raised in the south must be officered by white men. The department desires to see the colored companies elect white officers to command them and suggested that most of the officers might be found among men who had served in the confederate army.

Col. H. H. Sargent, who will command the colored immune regiment to be raised in Alabama and Mississippi, will leave here this week. He has not decided upon a place of rendezvous as yet, but may take Birmingham.

Peace Union Appeals to Spain.

The Universal Peace union, through its president, A fred H. Love, of Philadelphia, has prepared and mailed to the queen regent of Spain and Premier Sagasta an appeal, asking that government to acknowledge the independence of Cuba in the interests of peace.

Arkansas Ordered to Chickamauga.

LITTLE ROCK.—Colonel Cook, of the Second regiment, Arkansas Volunteer Infantry, has received orders from the war department to move his command at once to Chickamauga.

ANGLO-AMERICAN ALLIANCE

Important Preliminary Steps Have Been Taken at Washington.

SUBJECT NOW BEFORE THE GOVERNMENTS.

Main Features Provide That All Matters in Dispute Not Involving Monroe Doctrine and Nicaragua Canal Are to Be Submitted to Commission.

LONDON, (Special.)—The Washington correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, telegraphing Sunday, says: I have just learned from a high authority in the state department that important preliminary steps toward an Anglo-Saxon alliance have already been taken. How far these negotiations, if they can yet be called that, have proceeded, it is not easy to ascertain, but my information is that the preliminary suggestions have been made and that the subject of an alliance is practically before the two governments in some shape.

The visits of Sir Julian Pauncefote to the state department have not, it seems, had reference altogether to the Canadian negotiations. According to my authority the features of the proposed alliance now being considered are these: Great Britain is to recognize the Monroe doctrine, to attempt no increase of her territorial possessions in the western hemisphere and to indorse the American construction of that doctrine. The United States is to build the Nicaragua canal and Great Britain is to have the use of it in time of war. The United States is to have all the territory taken from Spain in the present war, and Great Britain is to protect the United States in its possession if it should be threatened. The United States is to stand by England in her policy in China and in the east and all the British ports are to be opened to the United States under the favored nation clause.

The main features of an arbitration treaty are to be incorporated. It has been provided that all matters in dispute, not involving the Monroe doctrine or the Nicaragua canal, are to be submitted to a non-partisan commission. The existing understanding bearing upon the relations between the two governments on the great lakes are to be abrogated and the United States are to be given the use of the Welland canal in case of war. The alliance is to be offensive and defensive. It proceeds on lines such as the foregoing. As a matter of course, all that has been done so far is purely tentative, but my informant gives the above as the general on lines suggested.

GENERAL WHEELER'S COMMAND

Will Have Charge of the First Army of Invasion.

TAMPA, FLA.—The formation of all of the regular and volunteer troops massed in Florida into corps, divisions and brigades, was completed Friday in a general order issued by Major-General Shafter, commanding the Fifth army corps.

The Fifth army corps which will probably be the first to land on Cuban soil, is made up entirely of regular troops, with the exception of two regiments of volunteers at Lakeland, the Seventy-first New York and the Second Massachusetts. The Fifth corps also embraces the cavalry division, composed of the First and Tenth regiments, at Lakeland, and the Third, Sixth and Ninth, at Tampa, under command of Major-General Joseph Wheeler; the artillery brigade, under command of Lieutenant-Colonel W. F. Randolph, and the signal corps, in all nearly 18,000 men.

The Seventh corps, under command of Major General Fitzhugh Lee, embraces all the volunteer troops at Tampa, five regiments in all, and the troops at Jacksonville, or between 8,000 and 9,000 men.

Blanco Says Cervera Is Bottled Up.

MADRID (Special.)—Gen. Blanco's dispatch says that Admiral Cervera's squadron is still at Santiago De Cuba; that the bulk of Admiral Sampson's squadron is blockading that port; that Commodore Schley's squadron is watching the Yucatan passage; that the American vessels have left Cienfuegos and that the American fleet of blockaders remain in sight of Havana.

A BIG SHORTAGE.

Alabama Needs Thirteen Hundred Soldiers to Fill Her Quota.

WASHINGTON—Adjutant General Corbin announced Friday that volunteers to the number of 120,544 had been mustered into the United States service. There is yet a shortage in the call from the various states of 5,533 men, distributed as follows: Alabama, 1,355; Iowa, 1,649; Kentucky, 1,238; Mississippi, 1,009; North Carolina, 400.

The Second Tennessee.

Friday the Second Tennessee volunteers, Colonel Kellar Anderson commanding, left in three trains for Camp Alger, Falls Church, Va.

Will Sail When the Cadiz Fleet Arrives

A dispatch from Kingston, Jamaica, says: The master of the fishing schooner Jane, which has arrived here, reports having picked up a yawl containing two reconcentrados who escaped from Santiago de Cuba. He says that they told him that Cervera's squadron was in the harbor; that the vessels were coaled and victualed and ready to sail when the Cadiz fleet arrives next week and breaks the blockade.

SCHLEY WORKED A TRICK

To Entrap Cervera's Fleet in Santiago Harbor and the Spaniards Bit.

MOLE ST. NICHOLAS, HAYTI, (Special.)—The following dispatch has been received here from the correspondent of the Associated Press with the American fleet off Santiago de Cuba:

Commodore Schley and the flying squadron has the Spanish fleet bottled up in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba. By the most clever maneuvering the commodore allowed the Spaniards to think he had left in disgust. They took the bait and ran into the trap. Commodore Schley moved off on Saturday morning, and at evening got within close to the harbor, he saw the Cristobal Colon, the Maria Teresa and two torpedo boats. He knew the entire fleet is there.

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COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT.

Between France and United States Presidents Issues Proclamation.

WASHINGTON.—[illegible] with France [illegible] the appointment [illegible] charge of the [illegible] come to a successful [illegible] negotiations have been [illegible] under the third clause [illegible] of 1897.

It is understood that the commercial arrangement [illegible] last Saturday by M. Cambon, the French ambassador, on the part of France, and by Mr. Kasson, special plenipotentiary, on the part of the United States. The agreement is to take effect Wednesday, June 1, when the French minimum rates upon certain products of the United States exported to France will take effect.

The proclamation of the president announcing this fact was issued Monday.

WILL USE MEXICAN DOLLARS

In the Philippine Islands to Pay Off Merritt's Men.

One of the most interesting features of the outfitting of the Manila expeditions is the purchase by the government of 250,000 Mexican silver dollars, which General Merritt will take along to defray the expenses of the expedition. By purchasing Mexican dollars at a great saving is made. It is possible to obtain Mexican dollars at 46 cents each, thus obtaining for one American dollar two Mexican ones and leaving 5 cents over toward the purchase of a third. In other words, Uncle Sam was able to buy 250,000 Mexican dollars for $116,000. In the Philippines a Mexican dollar will buy more than an American dollar, so that the expenses of General Merritt's expedition after it once lands in Manilla will be less than one half what it would otherwise be.

Gage Turned Down by Colored Troops.

The negro company that offered for service and some one hundred more other negroes who wish to serve in the volunteers met in Mobile Monday to take action on the appointment of Robert Gage, a white man, as captain of the Mobile company. Gage made them a speech and said he would treat them right and then called for volunteers. Not a man responded. They say they will not serve under white officers.

Sigsbee Captured a British Ship.

KEY WEST, FLA.—The British steamer Restormel was brought in here Sunday morning under her own steam by a prize crew. She was captured while trying to put into Santiago De Cuba. As the Restormel came in the British flag was flying half way down her main mast. She was leaking badly. The steamer Restormel has a gross tonnage of 2,020 tons; is 286 feet long. The Restormel was captured by the auxiliary cruiser St. Paul, Captain Sigsbee.

To Commence Work on Three Battleships

The Navy Department has called upon shipbuilders to prepare to build the three battleships authorized by the present congress, with a limit of cost, excluding armor and armament, of $3,000,000 each.

The board of construction, after continuous sessions for a month, has decided that the three new ships shall be almost identical with the Illinois, Wisconsin and Alabama.

To Look for Cervera With Balloon.

There were shipped for Governors Island, New York, Friday, two big balloons and equipments which the government has purchased for use in army operations. The plan has been proposed of sending one of the balloons now at Tampa on a suitable vessel of high speed to join Commodore Schley's squadron and to use it in seeing just how the alleged Spanish fleet is hidden away in Santiago harbor.

English Correspondent Imprisoned.

E. P. Knight, a correspondent of the London Times, who, on Sunday night, when seven miles off Havana, was lowered over the bow of a dispatch boat and rowed ashore alone in a ten-foot skiff, has been heard from. He has been thrown in prison and is now in the Cabannas fortress.

ARMY OF INVASION

General Miles Leaves [illegible] Tampa to Make [illegible]

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Amalgamated Association [illegible]

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SCHLEY WORKED A TRICK

[illegible] Cervera's Fleet in Santiago Harbor and the Spaniards [illegible]

[illegible] ST. NICHOLAS, HAYTI (Special).—The following dispatch has [been] received here from the correspondent of the Associated Press with [the] American fleet off Santiago de [Cuba]: [illegible] Commodore Schley and the flying [squadron] has the Spanish fleet bottled [up in] the harbor of Santiago de Cuba. [By a] most clever manoeuvering the Commodore allowed the Spaniards to [illegible] in disgust. They [illegible] ran into the harbor [illegible] Schley moved down Sat[urday] [illegible] and at 6 o'clock [illegible] to the harbor, he saw the [Cristobal] Colon, the Maria Teresa and [illegible] He believes the [illegible] is there.

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[illegible]

[illegible] Mexican Dollars

[illegible]

[illegible] Captured a British Ship

[illegible] The British steam[er] [illegible] was brought in here Sun[day] [illegible] under her own steam by [illegible] She was captured while [illegible] into Santiago De Cuba [illegible] came in the British [illegible] half way down her mast [illegible] leaking badly. The [illegible] has a gross tonnage [illegible] 286 feet long. The [illegible] was captured by the aux[iliary cruis]er St Paul, Captain Sigsbee.

[illegible] Work on Three Battleships

[The Na]vy Department has called [upon b]uilders to prepare to build [the] battleships authorized by [the last] congress, with a limit of [illegible] armor and armament, [illegible] of construction after [illegible] for a month, has [illegible] the three new ships shall [be] identical with the Illinois, [illegible] and Alabama.

[illegible] for Cervera With Balloon.

[illegible] York, Friday [illegible] has purchased [illegible] sending one of the balloons [illegible] on a suitable vessel of [illegible] to join Commodore Schley's [illegible] to meet it in seeing just [illegible] Spanish fleet is hidden [in S]antiago harbor.

[C]orrespondent Imprisoned.

[illegible] Knight, a correspondent of [the] Times, who, on Sunday [illegible] seven miles off Havana, [illegible] over the bow of a dispatch [illegible] ashore alone [illegible] has been heard from. He [was th]rown in prison and is now [in Ca]bannas fortress.

ARMY OF INVASION [illegible]

General Miles Leaves Wa[shington for] Tampa to Move Invading [Army].

TRANSPORTS TO MOVE 30,000 [illegible]

The Department Refuses to [illegible] of the Movement—Start Will [illegible] be Made from Tampa or [illegible] Under Convoy of Wa[rships].

WASHINGTON.—General [Miles], his staff, making a party of [illegible] persons, left for Tampa M[onday on a] special train over the Sou[thern] road.

The military invasion [illegible] Unless the orders of the [illegible] [ar]rangement miscarried, at an [illegible] Monday the troops that [have] gathered at the gulf ports [illegible] local camps and march [illegible] transports waiting to carry [them to] the enemy's territory. Abo[ard] [illegible] these ships, the [illegible] fastest that could be obtained for the purpose, had been [made] ready to receive the troops [illegible] will accommodate about 30[,000] [illegible] for, in a short voyage like [illegible] one of the gulf ports to Cuba [or Por]to Rico, it is possible with [illegible] comfort to carry a much [illegible] [numbe]r of men aboard ship than [illegible] admissible in the case of [illegible] the Philippines, for instance.

How many troops [illegible] they [illegible] [Spani]sh [illegible] [Cu]ba [illegible] [ac]ross [illegible] [tr]ansports [illegible] past under the convoys of the [illegible] which Admiral Sampson has [illegible] to ensure the safety of the [illegible] [illegible] the passage across the [illegible] [illegible] to insure them against [illegible] the hand of some stray Spa[nish] [illegible] gunboat.

It is probable that there [will be no] less than four separate [ex]peditions and that these will [land at] four different points. [illegible] entire force which it is pro[posed to u]se in Cuba can be landed [illegible] ports must make four separa[te voy]ages across the straits. Ar[rangements] have been made to utilize the [illegible] of the insurgents to the larg[est possi]ble extent. The government [has] sent expeditions to a la[rge num]ber of points on the island [with] arms for the insurgents.

It is estimated that there [are] 25,000 regulars and 13,000 [volun]teers at Tampa available for active [service]. These include 17 regiments of [infan]try and 11 regiments of [cavalry] [illegible] infantry, 12 battalions of art[illery] [illegible] regiments of regular cav[alry] [illegible] infantry force, regular and v[olunteer] [illegible] about 28,000 men, the cav[alry] [illegible] the artillery about 1,200. [illegible] these have been of [illegible] [illegible] to any given point [illegible] [illegible] points not disclosed, [illegible] part of the secret campa[ign] [illegible] movement. Back of this [illegible] other available regiments at [illegible] New Orleans and other poi[nts] [illegible] closer to Tampa. St[illegible] [illegible] is the large volunteer [illegible] [C]hickamauga, comprising a[bout] [illegible] infantry, 1,000 cavalry [illegible] and three regiments of ar[tillery] [vol]unteers.

Army Movement Commenced.

Monday.—The army move[ment from] this point may be said to ha[ve fair]ly commenced.

All day Monday unusual [activity] was noted about the corps [headquar]ters of General Coppinger, [par]ticularly at the army depot [illegible] It was admitted that the iss[ue of trav]el and field rations to the [illegible] commenced.

The Second cavalry was [supplied] with sixty days' rations. Mo[nday] the Fifth cavalry was suppl[ied for one] day. The travel rations [illegible] for one week. Though Ge[neral] [Cop]pinger and his staff are ret[icent it can] be stated on good authority [that the] ports will begin leaving [illegible] Wednesday.

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[M]INERY PRODUCER.

[illegible] IS CONTRACTION OF THE CURRENCY

[illegible] Always Follow Expansion [illegible] Must Be Made for a More [illegible] Money System—Rumor of [illegible] Makes Good Times.

[illegible] volume of [illegible] supply the ne[illegible] demand [illegible] from the [illegible] population and business. A [illegible] volume of money as compared with the demand is disastrous [illegible] [illegible] to pay when [illegible] It dis[illegible] property [illegible] invest[illegible] and [illegible] upon any [illegible] when money is [illegible] what is the [illegible] purchas[illegible] of gain [illegible] Such [illegible] exchanging [illegible] purpose to [illegible] other cred[illegible] in money [illegible] the charac[illegible] absorb [illegible] already produced.

[When p]rices are rising, the same in[illegible] leads to the acquisition of prop[erty]. Property is acquired by pur[chase], and by production which results [in] the employment of labor. The [em]ployment of labor in production is [the] source of all wealth and prosper[ity]. Speculators of every description, [inc]luding dealers in money in the lan[gu]age of Wall street "go long" on [all] things, whether property or [money], which are rising in price or [illegible] the competition to acquire [illegible] money futures has been so [illegible] to induce people to accept very [low] interest, in view of the prospect [of] an increase in the purchasing power [of] money invested. The decline of [illegible] actions as to induce [illegible] men to go short on property [illegible] to engage in new enter[prises] [illegible] by converting their property [into] money futures. Enforced idle[ness] [illegible] enhancement of [the] value of gold or what is the same [thing], the fall of prices has withdrawn [illegible] progressive and the ambitious [illegible] undertakings and has [illegible] to seek [illegible] by investment [illegible] money futures.

[An] infinite variety of causes affect [illegible] and prosperity. Wars, pesti[lence], famine and bad government, are [illegible] affliction of the human race [illegible] in the absence of a known and [illegible] contraction of the cir[culating] medium [illegible] the only instru[ment] [illegible] No form of [illegible] or government has been [illegible] to withstand its blighting influ[ence] [illegible] [illegible] gold and [illegible] would [illegible] pending dis[illegible] [illegible] contin[illegible] a prosper[illegible] Silver Knight [illegible] known facts [illegible] gold com[illegible] being re[illegible] and loss and [illegible] prospect [illegible] gold more [illegible] the [illegible] resist [illegible] volume of [illegible] existing [illegible]

Precept [and] Practice.

[illegible]

[illegible] KIPLING [illegible]

[illegible] CLARK.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

It is devoutly to be hoped that it will not take as long to end the war as it did to start it.—The Union.

Down with the men and the party who would sacrifice the country's best interests by mortgaging this and future generations to the money power.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

Let every party in the state know that we will accept nothing less than an open and straightforward declaration in favor of the initiative and referendum this fall. No makeshift, halfway measures will fool us this time. The principle of direct legislation has enough supporters in Idaho to carry it to success. All they ask is to be given an opportunity.—Idaho State Tribune.

Let us hope that in the new emergencies confronting the reformers of the land they will not be found lacking in resource. Great things are in the near future.—Twentieth Century.

But suppose, just for the sake of speculation, that New York were governed for the people, instead of for the men who squeeze fortunes out of it. Suppose the city managed its own street car lines, ran its own gas works and generally kept for municipal purposes the vast sums that the citizens pay out for necessities, instead of giving these revenues away for small bribes to aldermen. Don't you think the city would be better off?—New York Evening Journal.

The railroad companies charge the government sixty-four times as much as they do the express companies for the same service. The government pays eight cents a pound for carrying the mail; the express companies pay one-eighth of a cent a pound for carrying express. This helps to explain why highway robbery is no longer "respectable." The people can be relieved of their spare change in a far more artistic and gentlemanly manner and with less personal danger. The railroad officials and the politicians call it "business." We may be somewhat old-fashioned in our notions, but we think that "robbery" is the only word that fits the case.—Social Democrat.

Think; nothing else on earth can save the human race from killing each other off, in the effort of each to preserve himself, but thinking. It may be hard work for some lazy fellows, but men must think or suffer.—Labor Exchange Bulletin.

When the public mind becomes sufficiently educated to the benefits of direct legislation, and it sees clearly the benefit which such a system would confer on the people, there will be such a demand for it that no power on earth can prevent its accomplishment.—Ava Farm Record.

Suppose after the $500,000,000 of bonds are authorized war should come to an end, what would become of the power to issue the bonds? It would remain with the administration to retire the greenbacks, silver certificates, and silver dollars, the very thing Banker Gage wants done.—Silver Knight Watchman.

The opinion of Edward Bellamy's physicians, that a few weeks at most will see the end, has created a feeling of the most profound regret. There are three men in our generation that we would name off-hand as having made the world sweeter, brighter and better, Patrick Sarsfield Gilmore, Henry George and Edward Bellamy each in his way touched a chord of the human heart that responded to the hand of the master. These men have been great because they inspired the masses to noble and to high ambitions and that ideal condition in life where love, not force, is law.—Twentieth Century.

Harvest-Time for the Trusts.

Now is the time, while the eyes of the people are fixed on the map in following the whereabouts of our squadron in foreign waters, for the trusts to get in their fine work. At all times, but never more so than when the people are excited over political or social events, are there persons lying low, as it were, to fill their own pockets during the general upheaval. In going over the list of trusted articles we thought nothing had been forgotten, but it seems that the manufacturers of knit goods had yet to be heard from. Plans have been formed within the past week to consolidate all the interests now engaged in this business. With a capital of $30,000,000 the price and quality of knit goods will soon be regulated after the manner of the standard oil and sugar monoplies.—Twentieth Century.

The Danger.

It is going to keep the people of this country busy for twenty years meeting the demands of those who have loaned the government money to carry on war. It is possible that the only way to get reformation is to pile the burden upon the backs of the people until it crushes them. It is possible when they are crushed to the earth they will turn upon their oppressors.—Denver Road.

What Farmers Must Do.

I say, if we farmers are ever to make ourselves felt politically, we must adopt the plan of our enemies. There is lots of truth in the old proverb, "It is well to learn, even from an enemy." They vote for men and principles, regardless of party. We must do the same thing.—A Farmer.

Don't mistake self-conceit for genius.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY.

Subject: "Making the Best of Things"—Advice About Looking on the Bright Side—Blessings in Misfortune's Guise—Bereavements Fortify Our Spirit.

TEXT: "And now men see not the bright light which is in the clouds."—Job xxxvii., 21.

Wind east. Barometer falling. Storm signals out. Ship reefing maintopsail. Awnings taken in. Prophecies of foul weather everywhere. The clouds congregate around the sun, proposing to abolish him. But after awhile he assails the flanks of the clouds with flying artillery of light; and here and there is a sign of clearing weather. Many do not observe it. Many do not realize it. "And now men see not the bright light which is in the clouds." In other words, there are a hundred men looking for storm, where there is one man looking for sunshine. My object is to get you and myself into the delightful habit of making the best of everything.

You may have wondered at the statistics that in India, in the year 1875, there were over nineteen thousand people slain by wild beasts, and that in the year 1876 there were in India over twenty thousand people destroyed by wild animals. But there is a monster in our own land which is year by year destroying more than that. It is the old bear of melancholy, and with Gospel weapons I propose to chase it back to its midnight caverns. I mean to do two sums—a sum in subtraction and a sum in addition—a subtraction from your days of depression and an addition to your days of joy. If God will help me I will compel you to see the bright light that there is in the clouds, and compel you to make the best of everything.

In the first place, you ought to make the very best of all your financial misfortunes. During the panic years ago, or the long years of financial depression, you all lost money. Some of you lost it in most unaccountable ways. For the question, "How many thousands of dollars shall I put aside this year?" you substituted the question, "How shall I pay my butcher, and baker, and clothier, and landlord?" You had the sensation of rowing hard with two oars, and yet all the time going down stream.

You did not say much about it because it was not polite to speak much of financial embarrassment; but your wife knew. Less variety of wardrobe, more economy at the table, self-denial in art and tapestry. Compression; retrenchment. Who did not feel the necessity of it? My friend, did you make the best of this? Are you aware of how narrow an escape you made? Suppose you had reached the fortune toward which you were rapidly going? What then? You would have been as proud as Lucifer.

How few men have succeeded largely in a financial sense and yet maintained their simplicity and religious consecration! Not one man out of a hundred. There are glorious exceptions, but the general rule is that in proportion as a man gets well off for this world he gets poorly off for the next. He loses his sense of dependence on God. He gets a distaste for prayer meetings. With plenty of bank stocks and plenty of Government securities, what does that man know of the prayer, "Give me this day my daily bread?" How few men largely successful in this world are bringing souls to Christ, or showing self-denial for others, or are eminent for piety? You can count them all upon your eight fingers and two thumbs.

One of the old covetous souls, when he was sick, and sick unto death, used to have a basin brought in—a basin filled with gold, and his only amusement and the only relief he got for his inflamed hands was running them down through the gold and turning it up in the basin. Oh, what infatuation and what destroying power money has for many a man! Now, you were sailing at thirty knots the hour toward these vortices of worldliness—what a mercy it was, that honest defalcation! The same divine hand that crushed your store-house, your bank, your office, your insurance company, lifted you out of destruction. The day you honestly suspended in business made your fortune for eternity.

"Oh," you say, "I could get along very well myself, but I am so disappointed that I cannot leave a competence for my children." My brother, the same financial misfortune that is going to save your soul will save your children. With the anticipation of large fortune, how much industry would your children have?—without which habit of industry there is no safety. The young man would say, "Well, there's no need of my working; my father will soon step out, and then I'll have just what I want." You cannot hide from him how much you are worth. You think you are hiding it; he knows all about it. He can tell you almost to a dollar. Perhaps he has been to the county office and searched the records of deeds and mortgages, and he has added it all up, and he has made an estimate of how long you will probably stay in this world, and is not as much worried about your rheumatism and shortness of breath as you are. The only fortune worth anything that you can give your child is the fortune you put in his head and heart. Of all the young men who started life with seventy thousand dollars' capital, how many turned out well? I do not know half a dozen.

The best inheritance a young man can have is the feeling that he has to fight his own battle, and that life is a struggle into which he must throw body, mind and soul, or be disgracefully worsted. Where are the burial places of the men who started life with a fortune? Some of them in the potter's field; some in the suicide's grave. But few of these men reached thirty-five years of age. They drank, they smoked, they gambled. In them the beast destroyed the man. Some of them lived long enough to get their fortunes, and went through them. The vast majority of them did not live to get their inheritance. From the gin-shop or house of infamy they were brought home to their father's house, and in delirium began to pick off loathsome reptiles from the embroidered pillow, to fight back imaginary devils. And then they were laid out in highly upholstered parlor, the casket covered with flowers by indulgent parents—flowers suggestive of a resurrection with no hope.

As you sat this morning at your breakfast table, and looked into the faces of your children, perhaps you said within yourself, "Poor things! How I wish I could start them in life with a competence! How I have been disappointed in all my expectations of what I would do for them!" Upon that scene of pathos I break with a pæan of congratulation, that by your financial losses your own prospects for heaven and the prospect for heaven of your children are mightily improved. You may have lost a toy, but you have won a palace. Let me here say, in passing, do not put much stress on the treasures of this world. You cannot take them along with you. At any rate, you cannot take them more than two or three miles; you will have to leave them at the cemetery. Attila had three coffins. So fond was he of this life that he decreed that first he should be buried in a coffin of gold, and that then that should be inclosed in a coffin of silver, and that should be inclosed in a coffin of iron, and then a large amount of treasure should be thrown in over his body. And so he was buried, and the men who buried him were slain, so that no one might know where he was buried, and no one might there interfere with his treasures. Oh, men of the world, who want to take your money with you, better have three coffins.

Again, I remark, you ought to make the very best of your bereavements. The whole tendency is to brood over these separations and to give much time to the handling of mementoes of the departed, and to make long visitations to the cemetery, and to say, "Oh, I can never look up again; my hope is gone; my courage is gone; my religion is gone; my faith in God is gone! Oh, the wear and tear and exhaustion of this loneliness!" The most frequent bereavement is the loss of children. If your departed child had lived as long as you have lived, do you not suppose that he would have had about the same amount of trouble and trial that you have had? If you could make a choice for your child between forty years of annoyance, loss, vexation, exasperation and bereavements, and forty years in heaven, would you take the responsibility of choosing the former? Would you snatch away the cup of eternal bliss and put into that child's hands the cup of many bereavements? Instead of the complete safety into which that child has been lifted, would you like to hold it down to the risks of this moral state? Would you like to keep it out on a sea in which there have been more shipwrecks than safe voyages? Is it not a comfort to you to know that that child, instead of being besoiled and flung into the mire of sin, is swung clear into the skies? Are not those children to be congratulated that the point of celestial bliss which you expect to reach by a pilgrimage of fifty or sixty or seventy years they reached at a flash? If the last 10,000 children who had entered heaven had gone through the average of human life on earth, are you sure all those 10,000 children would have finally reached the blissful terminus? Besides that, my friends, you are to look at this matter as a self-denial on your part for their benefit. If your children want to go off in a May-day party; if your children want to go on a flowery and musical excursion, you consent. You might prefer to have them with you, but their jubilant absence satisfies you. Well, your departed children have only gone out in a May-day party, amid flowery and musical entertainment, amid joys and hilarities forever. That ought to quell some of your grief, the thought of their glee.

So it ought to be that you could make the best of all bereavements. The fact that you have so many friends in heaven will make your own departure very cheerful. When you are going on a voyage, everything depends upon where your friends are—if they are on the wharf that you leave, or on the wharf toward which you are going to sail. In other words, the more friends you have in heaven the easier it will be to get away from this world. The more friends here, the more bitter goodbyes; the more friends there the more glorious welcomes. Some of you have so many brothers, sisters, children, friends in heaven, that I do not know hardly how you are going to crowd through. When the vessel came from foreign lands, and brought a Prince to New York harbor, the ships were covered with bunting, and you remember how the men-of-war thundered broadsides; but there was no joy there compared with the joy which shall be demonstrated when you sail up the broad bay of heavenly salutation. The more friends you have there, the easier your own transit. What is death to a mother whose children are in heaven? Why, there is no more grief in it than there is in her going into a nursery amid the romp and laughter of her household. Though all around may be dark, see you not the bright light in the clouds—that light the irritated faces of your glorified kindred?

So also, my friends, I would have you make the best of your sicknesses. When you see one move off with elastic step and in full physical vigor, sometimes you become impatient with your lame foot. When a man describes an object a mile off, and you cannot see it at all, you become impatient of your dim eye. When you hear of a well man making a great achievement you become impatient with your depressed nervous system or your dilapidated health. I will tell you how you can make the worst of it. Brood over it; brood over all these illnesses, and your nerves will become more twitchy, and your dyspepsia more aggravated, and your weakness more appalling. But that is the devil's work, to tell you how to make the worst of it; it is my work to show you a bright light in the clouds.

Which of the Bible men most attract your attention? You say, Moses, Job, David, Jeremiah, Paul. Why, what a strange thing it is that you have chosen those who were physically disordered! Moses—I know he was nervous from the blow he gave the Egyptian. Job—his blood was vitiated and diseased, and his skin distressfully eruptive. David—he had a running sore, which he speaks of when he says: "My sore ran in the night and ceased not." Jeremiah had enlargement of the spleen. Who can doubt it who read Lamentations? Paul—he had lifetime sickness which the commentators have been guessing about for years, not knowing exactly what the apostle meant by "a thorn in the flesh." I do not know either; but it was something sharp, something that stuck him. I gather from all this that physical disorder may be the means of grace to the soul. You say you have so many temptations from bodily ailments, and if you were only well you think you could be a good Christian. While your temptations may be different, they are no more those of the man who has an appetite, three times a day, and sleeps eight hours every night.

From what I have heard I judge that invalids have a more rapturous view of the next world than well people, and will have a higher renown in heaven. The best view of the delectable mountains is through the lattice of the sick room. There are trains running every hour between pillow and throne, between hospital and mansion, between bandages and robes, between crutch and palm branch. Oh, I wish some of you people who are compelled to cry, "My head, my head! My foot, my foot! My back, my back!" would try some of the Lord's medicine! You are going to be well anyhow before long. Heaven is an old city, but has never yet reported one case of sickness or one bill of mortality. No ophthalmia for the eye. No pneumonia for the lungs. No pleurisy for the side. No neuralgia for the nerves. No rheumatism for the muscles. The inhabitants shall never say, "I am sick." "There shall be no more pain."

Again, you ought to make the best of life's finality. Now, you think I have a very tough subject. You do not see how I am to strike a spark of light out of the flint of the tombstone. There are many people who have an idea that death is the submergence of everything pleasant by everything doleful. If my subject could close in the upsetting of all such preconceived notions, it would close well. Who can judge best of the features of a man—those who are close by him, or those who are afar off? "Oh," you say, "those can judge best of the features of a man who are close by him!"

Now, my friends, who shall judge of the features of death—whether they are lovely or whether they are repulsive? You? You are too far off. If I want to get a judgment as to what really the features of death are, I will not ask you; I will ask those who have been within a month of death, or a week of death, or an hour of death, or a minute of death. They stand so near the features, they can tell. They give unanimous testimony, if they are Christian people, that death, instead of being demoniac, is cherubic. Of all the thousands of Christians who have been carried through the gates of the cemetery, gather up their dying experiences, and you will find they nearly all bordered on a jubilate. How often you have seen a dying man join in the psalm being sung around his bedside, the middle of the verse opening to let his ransomed spirit free!—long after the lips could not speak, he looking and pointing upward.

Some of you talk as though God had exhausted Himself in building this world, and that all the rich curtains He ever made He hung around this planet, and all the flowers He ever grew He has woven into the carpet of our daisied meadows. No. This world is not the best thing God can do; this world is not the best thing that God has done.

One week of our year is called blossom week—called so all through the land because there are more blossoms in that week than in any other week of the year. Blossom week! And that is what the future world is to which the Christian is invited—blossom week forever. It is as far ahead of this world as Paradise is ahead of Dry Tortugas, and yet here we stand trembling and fearing to go out, and we want to stay on the dry sand, and amid the stormy petrels, when we are invited to arbors of jessamine, and birds of paradise.

One season I had two springtimes. I went to New Orleans in April, and I marked the differences between going toward New Orleans and then coming back. As I went on down toward New Orleans, the verdure, the foliage, became thicker and more beautiful. When I came back, the further I came toward home the less the foliage, and less it became until there was hardly any. Now, it all depends upon the direction in which you travel. If a spirit from heaven should come toward our world, he is traveling from June toward December, from radiance toward darkness, from hanging gardens toward icebergs. And one would not be very much surprised if a spirit of God sent forth from heaven toward our world should be slow to come. But how strange it is that we dread going out toward that world when going is from December toward June—from the snow of earthly storm to the snow of Edenic blossom—from the arctics of trouble toward the tropics of eternal joy.

Oh, what an ado about dying! We get so attached to the malarial marsh in which we live that we are afraid to go up and live on the hilltop. We are alarmed because vacation is coming. Best programme of celestial minstrels and hallelujah, no inducement. Let us stay here and keep ignorant and sinful and weak. Do not introduce us to Elijah, and John Milton and Bourdalone. Keep our feet on the sharp cobblestones of earth instead of planting them on the bank of amaranth in heaven. Give us this small island of a leprous world instead of the immensities of splendor and delight. Keep our hands full of nettles, and our shoulder under the burden, and our neck in the yoke, and hopples on our ankles, and handcuffs on our wrists. "Dear Lord," we seem to say, "keep us down here where we have to suffer, instead of letting us up where we might live and reign and rejoice."

We are like persons standing on the cold steps of the national picture gallery in London, under umbrella in the rain, afraid to go in amid the Turners and the Titians, and the Raphaels. I come to them and say, "Why don't you go inside the gallery?" "Oh," they say, "we don't know whether we can get in." I say: "Don't you see the door is open?" "Yes," they say; "but we have been so long on these cold steps, we are so attached to them we don't like to leave." "But," I say, "it is much brighter and more beautiful in the gallery, you had better go in." "No," they say, "we know exactly how it is out here, but we don't know exactly how it is inside."

So we stick to this world as though we preferred cold drizzle to warm habitation, discord to cantata, sackcloth to royal purple—as though we preferred a piano with four or five of the keys out of tune to an instrument fully attuned—as though earth and heaven had exchanged apparel, and earth had taken on bridal array and heaven had gone into deep mourning, all its waters stagnant, all its harps broken, all chalices cracked at the dry wells, all the lawns sloping to the river plowed with graves with dead angels under the furrow.

I am amazed at myself and at yourself for this infatuation under which we all rest. Men you would suppose would get frightened at having to stay in this world instead of getting frightened at having to go toward heaven. This world is as bright to me as to any living man, but I congratulate anybody who has a right to die. By that I mean through sickness you cannot avert, or through accident you cannot avoid—your work consummated. "Where did they bury Lily?" said one little child to another. "Oh," she replied, "they buried her in the ground." "What! in the cold ground?" "Oh, no, no; not in the cold ground, but in the warm ground, where ugly seeds become beautiful flowers."

"But," says some one, "it pains me so much to think that I must lose the body with which my soul has so long companioned." You do not lose it. You no more lose your body by death than you lose your watch when you send it to have it repaired, or your jewel when you send it to have it reset, or the faded picture when you send it to have it touched up, or the photograph of a friend when you have it put in a new locket. You do not lose your body. Paul will go to Rome to get his, Payson will go to Portland to get his, President Edwards will go to Princeton to get his, George Cookman will go to the bottom of the Atlantic to get his, and we will go to the village churchyards and the city cemeteries to get ours; and when we have our perfect spirit rejoined to our perfect body, then we will be the kind of men and women that the resurrection morning will make possible.

So you see you have not made out any doleful story yet. What have you proved about death? What is the case you have made out? You have made out just this—that death allows us to have a perfect body, free of all aches, united forever with a perfect soul free from all sin. Correct your theology. What does it all mean? Why, it means that moving-day is coming, and that you are going to quit cramped apartments and be mansioned forever. The horse that stands at the gate will not be the one lathered and bespattered, carrying bad news, but it will be the horse that St. John saw in Apocalyptic vision—the white horse on which the King comes to the banquet. The ground around the palace will quake with the tires and hoofs of celestial equipage, and those Christians who in this world lost their friends, and lost their property, and lost their health, and lost their life, will find out that God was always kind, and that all things worked together for their good, and that those were the wisest people on earth who made the best of everything. See you not now the bright light in the clouds?

WAR COST TO DATE.

About $3,000,000 a Day the Average Expense of Fitting Army and Navy.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The first twenty-nine days of the war which the United States is waging against the kingdom of Spain cost this country about $80,000,000, or nearly $3,000,000 a day.

The cost of operations in the future will probably not be so great, as quite one-half of the expenditures so far have been in the way of preparation, the acquirement of warships, guns and equipments. The ordinary cost should run about $1,000,000 a day. It is estimated that more than 200,000 persons are actively employed helping the nation's land and sea forces to get into fighting trim.

The persons who derive the most profit from contracts with the Government are those that have ships, guns, commissary supplies, boots, shoes, uniforms, tents, cutlery, tinware and flannels to sell, and the railway companies.

FORCED MARCHES AT MOBILE.

The Regulars Put Through a Ten-Mile Trip Every Day.

MOBILE, Ala. (Special).—The four regiments of infantry at Camp Coppinger are now more acclimatized.

The troops are getting some fine Cuban practice by forced marches of ten miles a day, with advance and rear guards out and ambulances following to pick up those who may fall by the wayside. These practice marches are most severe, the men carrying full outfits and 200 rounds of ammunition, but they stand the test well, and few have been overcome by the heat. At the volunteer camp the troops are rapidly becoming efficient under the unceasing instructions of army and volunteer officers, the men drilling at least eight hours a day.

Killed While at Prayer.

Sarah Jane Phillips, age twenty-two years, while at prayer in her home in Audenried, Penn., was killed by a bolt of lightning. She was near the chimney when the flash struck the house.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JUNE 5.

Lesson Text: "Jesus Condemned," Matthew xxvii., 11-26—Golden Text: I Tim. i., 15—Commentary on the Lesson by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

11. "And Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked Him, saying, Art Thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, Thou sayest." He gave the same answer when Judas said, "Master, is it I?" (chapter xxvi., 25). After the agony of Gethsemane and the insult and mockery before the high priest, along with Peter's denial and all forsaking Him, He has been brought by the chief priests and elders of the Jews before the Roman governor, on their part determined that He shall be put to death (verses 1, 2). When the wise men came from the east at the time of His birth, their inquiry was, "Where is He that is born King of the Jews?" (chapter ii., 2). And it shall yet be seen by all nations that He is what He confessed before Pilate.

12. "And when He was accused of the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing." There was nothing to answer, for there was no truth in their accusations, and He knew that they were determined to kill Him and that the time had come for Him to let them.

13, 14. "And He answered him to never a word, insomuch that the governor marveled greatly." Pilate saw that he had a most extraordinary prisoner. He had never met one like this and he knew not what to think of Him. Pilate had strange work on hand that day, and no man before or since ever had just such an opportunity. Looking at Jesus we see how we should act when unjustly treated and falsely accused, for He left us an example of patient endurance of wrong that is unparalleled (I Pet. ii., 20, 21).

15. "Now, at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner whom they would." Pilate gave the release, but the people chose the man. Consider Him who stood dumb before Pilate as having up to that time released millions of prisoners from the power of satan, and millions since by His going to prison and to death for us. He still lives to set the prisoners free, and whosoever will accept Him is forever free. He might have set Himself free, for they could not take His life unless He willed it (John x., 18). But He could not free Himself and us too. He died that we might live.

16, 17. "Whom will ye that I release unto you, Barabbas or Jesus, which is called Christ?" Our lesson say that this man was a notable prisoner. In Luke xxiii., 19, it is said that he was in prison for sedition and murder. Fancy people asked to choose between a red handed murderer and the spotless Lamb of God, between one of the greatest of sinners and the only Saviour of sinners, Barabbas or Christ! The choice to-day is between the most notable of all prisoners (see Rev. xx., 1, 2), the father of lies and a murderer from the beginning (John viii., 44), and this same Jesus who silently—but, oh, so beseechingly for our sakes—awaits our choice.

18. "For he knew that for envy they had delivered Him." It is written in Prov. xxvii., 4, "Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous, but who is able to stand before envy?" Stephen said in his sermon that "the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt" (Acts vii., 9).

19. "Have thou nothing to do with that just Man, for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of Him." This was the message that came to Pilate from his wife as he sat on the judgment seat. Good was it for her if she never suffered but in a dream because of Him. She acknowledged Him to be a righteous Man, but we have no evidence that she received Him as the Son of God. Multitudes even yet call Him a good man, but will not accept him as God their Saviour.

20, 21. "Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas." The chief priests and elders put them up to this, for they were bound to destroy Jesus. There are many in places of authority who influence others to do wrong, many false teachers who teach error.

22. "Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do, then, with Jesus, which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let Him be crucified." So they decided that they would have none of Him. He must be killed, the creature hating the Creator, man attempting to do away with God who made him. He came unto His own, and His own received Him not. They said: "This is the heir. Come let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance." And they caught him and cast him out of the vineyard and slew him (John i., 11, 12; Math. xxi., 38, 39). How He had told it all to them over and over again, for He knew it all from the beginning! But their hearts were hardened and their eyes were blinded.

But what about Pilate's question? for there is none like it. Every one who has ever heard of Christ must ask it of his own soul, "What shall I do with Jesus?" He is before each one for acceptance or rejection.

23, 24. "I am innocent of the blood of this just person. See ye to it." Persuaded of His innocence, vainly seeking to release Him, yet afraid to do right because of the people, Pilate washes his hands before them all and proclaims his innocence in this affair. But it won't wash off, Pilate, as easy as that, as you have found ere this. It is easy to say, "I am innocent." But what does God think of it? In Mark xv., 15, the record is that Pilate was willing to content the people, but he certainly was not willing to do right at any cost.

25. "Then answered all the people and said, His blood be on us and on our children." They might have accepted this precious cornerstone and built surely upon it for a time and eternity, but they chose to have it fall upon them and crush them (Math. xxi., 42, 44). They might have been as safe under this passover blood as were their fathers in Egypt, but they preferred to trample it underfoot. Fearful was the curse they pronounced upon themselves, and it continues to this day.

26. "Then released he Barabbas unto them, and when he had scourged Jesus he delivered Him to be crucified." The murderer goes free, and the innocent is scourged and crucified. What about this blood, Pilate? On what ground do you scourge an innocent man? But O, my soul, leave Pilate to God, and behold for thyself God manifest in the flesh receiving those stripes on your behalf, for it is written that He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and with His stripes we are healed (Isa. liii., 5). Hear Him say: "This I bore for thee. What hast thou done for Me?" May such love constrain us to meekly endure all things for His sake!—Lesson Helper.

Exchange of Prisoners of War Effected

Friday the state department received a telegram from Mr. Gollan, the British consul at Havana, stating that the exchange of the American newspaper correspondents, Thrall and Jones, for four of the Spanish prisoners captured on the Argonauta, had been effected. The prisoners exchanged for the Americans are Colonel Vencento de Cortijo, a brother-in-law of Weyler; Surgeon Major Sincon Garcia Julian, and two private soldiers.

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THE Democratic State Executive Committee met at Birmingham on Monday, and amongst other things suggested that every county in the State should put out a full county ticket.

THE Chilton County Democratic Executive Committee is at this moment (Thursday afternoon) in session at Clanton, but we have been unable to learn what steps they have decided to take.

WITH much pleasure, on behalf of the people of Clanton and vicinity we offer the thanks of the community to the L. & N. Railroad Co. for their prompt acquiesence in the demand for a new depot. The suggestion made by THE BANNER a few weeks ago that the attention of the Company need only be called to the inadequate accommodations of the old depot was met in the usual generous manner of the company and the rasult is the work was put in hand and is now nearing completion. The new depot at Clanton will be in accordance with the march of progress.

BUT eight weeks has to elapse before the August election, and the opinion of Populists in Chilton is that the full ticket will be elected, and there is nothing to be feared from the opposition. A brief review of the situation it that for Probate Judge there is the regular Populist nominee, S. M. Adams, opposed by the independent candidates R. M. Honeycutt and J. G. Barbour. E. B. Deason the regular Populist nominee for Clerk of the Circuit Court has W. A. B. Falkner and W. B Green as his opponents. The Populist nominee for Representative in the General Assembly. L. H. Reynolds, has also two opposing candidates Caleb N. Headley and S. L. Arledge. For Superintendent of Education Judson Strock, regular Populist nominee, is the only candidate who has no opposition It is true there are one or two other possible candidates mentioned for each office, but as they apparently have not made ub their minds or the subject they cannot be considered seriously. It is possible that the Democrats may decide to-day to put out a full ticket, and if this is done it may complicate the situation a little more.

WHILE some impatience has been expressed at the slow progress of the war, it is probable the next the next few days will see a great forward stride. It takes time to mobilize an army and get everything in thorough readiness before a decisive blow can be struck. But th more thorough the preparations, the better can the desired end be reached. Everything now seems to be ready for the invasion of Cuba and Porto Rica, while reinforcements are already on the way to Dewey at Manila.

Too much imbortance cannot be attached by our people this summer in cleaning up their premises. With the large number of men in field both north and south of us and the refugees from Cuba, the epidemic of last year may be repeated, and cleanliness is the best preventative.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

How many people of the state have any idea of the extent and beauty of the University premises, the imposing appearance of the buildings, the value of the equipment and the strength of the corps of instructors?

The campus comprises some 30 or 40 acres, is in the form of a square, almost as level as a table, covered with magnificent oaks, laid off tastefully in walks and drives, and overspread with a beautiful sod of Bermuda. Well set to the rear is the University Quadrangle consisting of four buildings. Woods Hall at the back is the main dormitory, containing a number of recitation rooms and offices, a mess hall and accomodations for 150 or 200 students. It is three or four stories in height. In front of the center of Woods is Clark Hall, three stories in height, containing the library, chapel and auditorium with a seating capacity of 1000. On the right and left of Clark are Garland and Manley Halls, each three stories high. These form the four corners of the Quadrangle. Garland Hall contains the office and museum of the Geological Survey of Alabama, dormitories and handsome quarters for the Trustees. Manley Hall contains the President's office, dormitories and severtl recitation rooms. As one walks from the front of Clark Hall he sees on his right and left the Physical Labratory and Gymnasium, and the Chemical Labratory, respectively. These are admirably equipped, as indeed are all the departments. These buildings are all of brick, trimmed with stone and cost in the aggregate several hundred thousand dollars. All are supplied with water from a system belonging to the University. A bonntiful supgly of clear sprind water is pumped into a large resevoir, and thence distriduted. They are also supplied with electric lights from a plant owned and run by the University. Every student has an iucatdescent light in his room. In addition the University runs its own laundry for the benefit of the students, and theirs is not merely washing, but genuine laundry work. The University Dairy affords an abundant supply of milk.

On the front and two sides of the campus are the houses of the faculty, twelve in number, the Ptesident's mansion being directly in front of Cla k Hall, across University avenue.

The faculty is one of the strongest in the south. It has recently been strengthened, The new men are up to date, progressive young men, while the older membets are well and favorably known throughout the state.

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The gymnasium is well equipped and has a director who gives his entire time to the physical training of the students.

It is hobed that this brief sketch will in some measure give the people of Alabama an idea of what they have at the Univers ty.

President Powers did the graceful thing in placing the college chapel, Clark Hall, at the disposal of the tate Press Association, and its meetings will be held theue. In a few weeks, June 28 30, the Alabama Educational Association will hold its annual meesing there.

This is all well and proper. The University belongs to the people of Alabama, and the action of the president in thus tendering its hall was a graceful recognition of that fact.—Tuscaloosa Gazette.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., June 1, 1898

The minority parties of Ohio met at Columbus recently and formed a combination to defeat the infamous ballot law of that state, which practically shuts out every small party. The Populists, Free Silver Republicans, Socialists, the Liberty party and the Negro Protective party were all represented in the meeting and organized under the name of the Union Reform party. A state tic et was nominated and the initistive and referendum adopted as a platform.

The state board of equalization of Missouri has read the riot act to the railroad, telegraph and express companies, for not reporting their earning as required by law. The companies will be forced to comply with the statutes.

Senator Joseph Benson Foraker, of Ohio, declares that it is now time for the Government to return the rebel flags captured during the civil war. He says the stars and stripes float over a united nation and we should wipe out the marks of war.

The national convention of abor commissioners of the various states will meet at Detroit Michigan, on June 15.

All of the Southern pipe and foundry companies have consolidated their interests. The trusts are giving the country an object lesson in fusion that should open the eyes of all politica reformers.

General Joe Wheeler of Alabama, has offered W. J. Bryan a position on his staff. It is believed that the offer will be refused and that Mr. Bryan will lead a new regiment of Nebraska troops, to the field.

Senator Allen of Nebraska made a telling speech in the Senate last week against the bond proposition The senator always distinguishes himself when fighting the minions of Plutocracy.

Senator Stewart of Nevada, has introduced a bill in the senate providing for the construction of a canal across the Isthmus of Darien by the United States government.

Congressman Jerry Simpson of Kansas has tendered his services to the government and offers to raise regiment of 1,000 men among the Populists of his state, to fight against Spain.

From all indications there will no hurried invasion of Cuba by the United States army. General Miles says: "No officer is fit to command troops, who from any motive whatever, would needlessly risk his life or that of a single soldier, either from disease or the bullets of the enemy.

Statistics recently compiled, place the bonded indebtedness of the United States at $800,000,000. The increase in 17 years has been about 15 per cent.

Congress has been having a warm time lately over the question of raising revenue for carrying on the war with Spain. It is generally conceded that the Wall street party will succeed in forcing an issue of at least $500,000,000 of gold bonds.

The death of Edward Bellamy removes one of the most conspicuous reform writers of the century. His books are his best and most lasting monument.

The debate on the war revenue bill promises to be spun out indefinitly. Republicrn leaders in the House and Senate are involved in a quarrel over the measure and the question of Hawaiian annexation.

More than half a million spindles are idle in Fall River, Mass., and the Dingley law is still in full blast.

J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska, who is chairman of the monetary congress has submitted a plan for the holding of a three days' financial conference to be held at the Omaha Exposition during September. The plan proposes that the first day be called silver day and that such believers in the white metal as Bryan, Towne, Bland and others be invited to speak during the day and evening. The second day is to be called gold day and some of the more distinguished adherents to the single standard will then be given an opportunity to set forth their views. Horace White, of the New-York Evening Post and Edward Atkinson of Boston are mentioned as two important speakers. The third day is to be given to the greenbackers and the national bankers, the former having the morning and the latter the afternoon. This giving of the smallest part of the time to that unorganized party (greenbackers) which is daily growing in size and whose beliefs will certainly dominate the next presidential campaign is but another example of that remarkable density of perception for which the Hon. J. Sterling and his like are so noted. A. B.

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Democratic County Exec Committee

At the meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee held in Clanton to day Tipton Mullins was re-elected Chairman and W. L. Sampey was elected Secretary. There was a good turn out and the meeting was harmonious. As will be seen by the call, the convention called for June 15 has it left to its own discretion as to nominations for local offices.

The World's Naval Powers

Since the recent battle of Manila it is evident that the United States will shortly be included in the sisterhood of naval powers which today consists of Great Britain, France, Italy and Russia.

While Germany is not strictly included among the world's great naval powers, she nevertheless ranks next in order, coming ahead of the United States. Her fleet contains seven first-class battleships, four second-class battleships, six third-class battleships, nineteen coast defence ships, two first-class cruisers, eight second-class cruisers, twelve look-out ships, and one hundred and twenty torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers.

We now come to the United States. Our fleet, which ranks sixth, contains eight first-class battleships, four of which are unfinished, one second-class battleship, twenty coast defense ships, seven first-class cruisers, eleven second-class cruisers, eleven third class cruisers, nine gunboats and twenty-eight torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers.—Constitution.

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Mr. and Miss. Tipton Mullins went to Birmingham Monday.

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Mr. [illegible] Timberlake, [illegible] visiting Mr. [illegible] H. Fos[illegible] Mrs. Timberlake [illegible] this summer here.

The Ch[illegible] and politics [illegible] significance [illegible] the gre[illegible] suffers from [illegible] desires, is re[illegible] DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve [illegible] & Matthews.

Miss. [illegible] Celestia Jones accompanied by Miss Burton, [illegible] Clanton this [illegible]

Little John Haynes, who has been [illegible] for several days, is improving.

Mrs. S. J. Watts has opened up a fine millinery store in town. Ladies will find new stylish hats at a let price and will do well to call on her before buying elsewhere. See her store.

Mrs. Blackmon, of Bainbridge [illegible] visiting her mother, Mrs. [illegible]

Mr. Urquhart [illegible] the regular [illegible] at Limesprings [illegible] Saturday and Sunday. A large [illegible] attendance. They [illegible] having a camp meeting [illegible] with.

Miss Nix, of Elmore, is [illegible] Miss Pattie Robinson.

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Collector Hubbard is in [illegible]

Mr. [illegible], who has quite [illegible] sickness, is [illegible] with her daughter, [illegible]

Improvements are being [illegible] the county jail.

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To any lawful officer of Chilton County you are hereby commanded to arrest any person found guilty of not buying goodS from W, D. Lawrence at Maplesville, Ala., while he is offering his entire stock of merchandise at and below cost to close out before going to the Spanish war. By order of the court.

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Non-Resident Notice.

In the Probate Court of Chilton County, Alabama.

The Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co., a body corporate Petitioner

versus

Unknown owner of a strip of land extending for fifty feet on each side of the center line of the roadway of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad, as the same is located and constructed, on over and across the Northeast ¼ of Northeast ¼ of Section Four Town-ship Twenty-one, Range Twelve of Chilton County, Ala., Respondent.

The owner or owners of the above described strip of land are notified that the Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co. has filed its petition in my office for the condemnation thereof as a right of way for its line of railroad, and that the 27 day of June, and my office in the Courthouse of Chilton County, in the Town of Clanton, Alabama, is the time and place set for the hearing thereof, at which time they may appear and contest the same.

Given under my hand this 19 day of May, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT, Judge of Probate.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against D. C. Savage, out of a certain store house and lot in Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, and known as the Savage Store-house, and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the south-west corner of the store-house of T. U. Crumpton, and running south 24 feet, thence east 210 feet, thence north 24 feet, and thence west 210 feet to the point of beginning.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at the Courthouse door in Canton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1898.

all the right, title and interest of the said D. C. Savage in and to the said Store-House and Lot in Maplesville, Alabama. Provided, however, that said property will be sold subject to three certain mortgages executed by D. C. Savage and Ida Savage to Howell Cotton Company of Alabama, and by said Company duly transferred and assigned to V. B. Atkins and E. B. Martin, composing the firm of V. B. Atkins & Co.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Clanton, Ala., May 26, 1898.

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TAX SALE.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

By virtue of a decree of sale granted by the Probate Court of Chilton county, Alabama, I will, as Tax Collector of said county, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, before the Court House door of said county, at Clanton, on

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 1898,

the following lands for taxes due thereon for the year 1897, to wit:

BEAT No. 2.

W R Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 25 tp 24 r 13 tax and costs $4.84

BEAT No. 4.

C P Ludwig mineral rights on w ½ sec 8 tp 23 r 14 tax and costs $4.92

BEAT No. 5.

Mrs. Saine Hanlin, 16 acres in the se ¼ of sw ¼, 22 acres in sw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16; tax and costs $7.16

J M Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼, se ¼ of nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr, s ½ of ne ¼ less 4 acres sec 4 tp 20 r 15. Fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $13.30

BEAT No. 8.

W E Wailes nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ & s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $14.73

Mrs. M. R. Osborne, sw ¼ of se ¼ sec 6 tp 20 r 13; tax and costs $3.05

OWNER UNKNOWN.

All that part that lies west of river in w ½ of sw qr sec 8 tp 22 r 16 tax and costs $5.57

Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $4.55

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $1.67

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $5.04

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $4.45

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $4.45

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.98

W ½ of nw qr, se qr of nw qr sec 34 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $6.11

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Notice No. 15687.
Land Office at Montgomery Ala.,
May 5, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Canton Ala., on June 22, 1898, viz: William Harkins, Homestead entry, No 24,945, for the se ¼ of sw ¼ Section 32, Tp 20 n of R 11 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Nathan Reardin, Thomas Peoples, M. C. Rush, J. N. Bailey, all of Planterville, Ala.

ROBERT BARKER, Register.

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SHOES—Bought at sheriff's sale; all go for one-half of original cost.

BLACK SAILOR HATS—Latest styles and shapes, worth 50 cents, now go for only 16 cents.

Lace Pillow Shams, handsomest patterns and designs, at 24 cents a pair. Pillow Shams, in cloth, with turkey red work, 35 cents a pair. 100 pieces Laces and Embroidery 1 cent a yard and up. Handkerchiefs 3 cents and up. Full line of Summer Suits at the very lowest prices. White Bed Spreads, heavy and large, at 75 cents, regular price $2.00.

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HATS—Having bought at forced sale from L. & N. R. R. Co. a lot of fine hats at a great sacrifice, I offer this lot at 50 cents on the dollar of cost price. We are still selling brass pins at 1 cent per paper.

We are daily receiving new goods from the Eastern markets and it will give us great pleasure to show them. Everybody is invited to call and examine these goods. Thanking the public for past favors.

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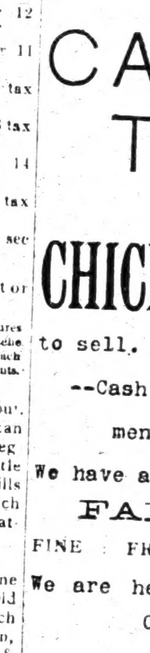

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HURRYING THE PHILIPPINE ARMY

Admiral Miller is Commanding the Pacific Station From His Hotel Because His Ships Have Sailed or Are Preparing to Sail For Manila—Troops Mobilizing Rapidly at the San Francisco Camp.

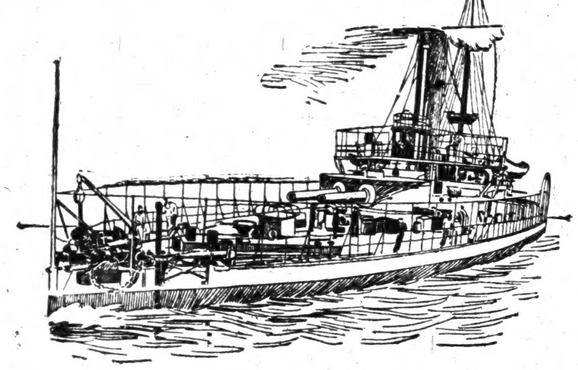
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. (Special).—Military and naval authorities evinced unusual satisfaction over the favorable turn taken by the preparations for dispatching the remainder of the Philippine expedition from San Francisco.

The Pacific Station just now is being commanded by Admiral Miller from his hotel in San Francisco, because there is no war vessel available on which he can hoist his flag. Admiral Miller and his staff have recently returned from Hawaii, where for six weeks they lived ashore at Honolulu and conducted all the business of the station.

Admiral Miller applied to be ordered home, and a few days ago arrived in San Francisco, still exercising command, however over the entire Pacific coast station, which extends now from Alaska on the north clear down to Cape Horn.

The Monterey has been thoroughly cleaned and repainted in dock here, and after the addition of some tubes in her boilers and condensers, requiring about five days' work, she will be ready to depart for Manila. It is the idea to have her proceed to Honolulu under her own steam, the Brutus standing by to offer assistance if it is needed. Both vessels will recoal at Honolulu, and then set out for the Marshall Islands, which are nearer to Honolulu than San Francisco. Thence the two ships will be almost continually in sight of small islands, most of them in Spain's Caroline group, until the Philippines are reached.

The Monterey's addition to Admiral Dewey's fleet, together with the dispatch of thousands of troops to Manila, is ample evidence that the administration has assumed a strong policy on the Philippine question and is determined to take no chance of dispossession until such time as the United States itself has arranged



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(Ordered to Manila to reinforce Admiral Dewey's fleet.)

ADMIRAL MILLER.
(In command of the Pacific Station.)

for the disposition of the islands. The Monterey is probably the most formidable monitor in the world; yet she combines with the enormous offensive and defensive qualities of the monitor type a seaworthiness that is remarkable. She has bunker room for only 200 tons of coal, and though more might be stored on her decks, it is doubtful whether she could at the utmost carry more than enough coal to take her to Honolulu, one-third of the way to the Philippines.

SPAIN'S PHILIPPINE FORCE.

She Has Over 12,000 Troops There to Oppose Our Invasion.

MADRID, Spain (By Cable).—According to recent Spanish official reports of the troops now in the Philippine Islands, there are 7000 men in Manila, 2000 on the island of Mindanao, 1500 in Iloilo on the island of Panay, 2000 on the island of Cebu (spelled also Zebu), and 800 on the island of Leyte. There is no artillery outside of Manila and the forts.

Mindanao is the largest of the islands next to Luzon, on which latter island Manila is situated. Mindanao is 500 miles from Manila, Iloilo is 300 miles, Cebu and Leyte, side by side, about 400 miles.

Troops For Philippines.

BARCELONA, Spain (By Cable).—Between 9000 and 10000 Spanish troops, drawn from Catalonia, Andalusia, Aragon and Valencia are embarking here for the Philippine Islands.

Victoria Ignores Gladstone.

Queen Victoria omitted any mention in the Court Circular of the death of Gladstone, and indignation was manifested at the unprecedented omission. The Prince of Wales is said to have suggested to his mother that she make amends.

War Supplies Will Not Have Mottoes.

The Secretary of the Navy has issued an order that contractors of army supplies must not put mottoes on their goods. This was brought about by a St. Louis contractor of hard tack, who stamped on each cake the words "Remember the Maine."

HOLLAND'S NEW SCHEME.

He Would Destroy the Cape Verde Fleet With His Diving Boat.

NEW YORK CITY (Special).—John P. Holland, inventor of the Holland submarine boat, left for Washington to offer his services and his disappearing boat to the Government to destroy the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba.

JOHN P. HOLLAND.
(Offers to destroy the Spanish fleet with his submarine boat.)

Mr. Holland feels convinced that he could destroy the Spanish ships without much trouble. He says he can get a volunteer crew to man his boat.

The Holland is now in the dry-dock at Erie Basin undergoing alterations. The greatest secrecy prevails as to what alterations have been decided upon or how she will be equipped. No strangers are admitted aboard and even the members of the Naval Reserves on duty at the basin were told to leave the vicinity of the dry-dock after the Holland had been placed there.

It is understood that the diving rudders are to be made smaller. This, it is expected, will give the Holland greater facilities to dive and will enable those aboard to handle her with greater accuracy.

According to the plan which Mr. Holland now has in mind, he will withdraw a short distance after he has blown up the mines in Santiago, will submerge his boat and will make the trip into the harbor under water. He is confident that he can get right under any ship he selects for attack sometime before any one in the harbor knows that the boat has passed the entrance.

LYNCHED FOR MURDER.

Mob Hangs a Colored Youth For Killing a White Boy.

SALISBURY, Md. (Special). — Garfield King, colored, aged about eighteen years, was taken from the jail at this place, hanged to a tree and shot.

He was awaiting trial on the charge of having deliberately shot Herman Kenny, a white boy about the same age as himself. A number of men from the neighborhood in which Kenny's parents live rode into town and broke down the jail doors, forced open the cell in which King was confined, and dragged him out, the colored man all the while fighting desperately and pleading for mercy. A light clothesline was tied about his neck, thrown over a limb and the unfortunate boy was strung up. The rope broke and he fell, seemingly unconscious.

After lying in this condition for a few minutes he regained his feet and made an effort to escape. His captors shot him through the body and beat and kicked him without mercy, then placed the rope around his neck and strung him up a second time. As he dangled in the air at least fifty pistol bullets were fired into his body, which was left hanging while the lynchers dispersed.

DONALDSONVILLE, Ga. (Special).—Dick Oliver, a young colored man, was lynched near here for attempting to attack a white woman.

SPAIN IMPRESSING SHIPS.

All Available Vessels Will Be Armed as Coast Defenders.

LONDON (By Cable).—It is learned here that Senor Aunon, the Spanish Minister of Marine, has notified the Governors of the Spanish ports to impress all Spanish steamships which are upward of 1200 tons burden and have a speed of twelve knots.

These vessels will be armed as coast defenders. Compensation to their owners will be based upon the original cost of the steamers, with a deduction for wear and tear.

GERMAN GUNS FOR SPAIN.

Said to Have Been Passed by Customs Officers as "Kitchen Furniture."

Information obtained at Gibraltar from a trustworthy source says that a consignment of forty Krupp guns, suitable for forts or battleships, have been sent from Essen, in Germany, to Cadiz, and are now on their way through Spain.

It is said that they passed through the German, French and Spanish custom houses as "kitchen furniture."

How the Army Will Stand.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—Adjutant General Corbin has prepared a statement showing the strength of the military forces of the United States when organized in accordance with the plans now under way:

Regular army, 62,000 men.
Volunteers from States (first call), 125,000 men.
Three cavalry regiments at large, 3000 men.
Ten infantry regiments, United States Volunteers (immunes), 10,000 men.
Engineers at large, 3500 men.
Volunteers called for to-day, 75,000 men.
This makes a grand total of 278,500 men.

MERRITT GETS SUPREME CONTROL

As Military Governor of the Philippine Islands—Force Will Number 20,000.

WASHINGTON.—The state department has mailed to Gen. Merritt his exhaustive instructions for the government of the Philippines. These embody not only full details for the control of the military and naval forces in establishing United States sovereignty over the Philippine group, which were prepared by the war and navy departments for incorporation in the instructions, but are understood to clothe the commanding general with greater discretionary powers than have ever up to this time been granted to any agent of this government.

Except in his relations with foreign powers growing out of possible complications in the East, which are to be referred to Washington for negotiation, General Merritt's control of affairs will be practically supreme. The instructions throughout bear every evidence that the United States intends to preserve permanent control of the islands.

In this connection it is understood that arrangements are already being made to lay a cable from San Francisco by way of Hawaii directly to Manila, and the work will be undertaken as a military necessity the moment authority for the expenditure can be secured by congress.

By direction of the president, formal orders have been prepared for issue adding 8,000 to the Department of the Pacific under Major-General Merritt, thereby increasing the strength of his force to 20,000 men.

Monday General Merritt took formal command of all troops designed for the Philippines.

GERMANY MAY BE IN IT.

The Idea of Emperor William Joining Hands With England and America Suggested.

NEW YORK.—A dispatch to the Herald from Berlin says:

I am in a position to inform you that the English offers of expressions of friendship to Germany, ambiguously referred to by Joseph Chamberlain at Birmingham, were of most decided character. In fact they have taken official as well as non-official Germany rather by surprise. It is even asserted here that the project includes a possible colonial concession of great value to Germany, presumably as the price for drawing Germany away from Russia. I have also authority for the statement that the idea of England, Germany and America joining hands is being seriously entertained, not so much here as in Washington and London, whence it is forced on German attention.

VOLUNTEERS MUSTERED IN.

Nearly 122,000 Have Already Responded to the Call to Arms.

WASHINGTON.—The work of mustering the volunteers into service of the United States under the president's first call for troops is practically completed. Adjutant-General Corbin has announced that the number of volunteers so far mustered was 118,000, and that enough were prepared for muster to swell the number to between 121,000 and 122,000.

Adjutant-General Corbin expressed his gratification at the response with which the call had been met by the states and is satisfied that if the call had been for 500,000 or even 1,000,000 it would have met with the same prompt and generous response. Two or three of the southern states have not completed their muster, but the small gap remaining will be filled in a day or two.

QUEEN ADVISED TO LEAVE SPAIN

Revolution Is Declared To Be Pending About the Queen Regent.

LONDON.—There are renewed sinister predictions of an impending revolution in Spain contained in a special dispatch from Madrid. Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria is said to have strongly advised the queen regent to prepare to fly, and her mother, who is now in Madrid, is reported to have given her the same advice; but it is added the queen regent is determined to remain. Continuing the dispatch says: "The defeat of the Spanish fleet, which the best informed people regard as only a question of a few days, is bound to precipitate an outbreak."

Second Alabama Nearly Complete.

The Second regiment is nearing the goal. Company G, Eufaula Rifles, and Company K, Pelham Guards were mustered in Tuesday and there is now out two incomplete companies, viz: the Lomax Rifles (B) and the Mobile Cadets (M), both of Mobile. It is the prevailing opinion that the Second will be mustered into service as a whole by Thursday or Friday.

R. W. Stobert, of Pratt City, has leased the Tide Water Coal Company's property, consisting of 710 acres, near Tuskaloosa, Ala. The mine is opened up and ready for business, and will have a daily output of between 200 and 400 tons.

Canadian Negotiations Concluded.

The Canadian negotiations which have been in progress at Washington for the last week, were concluded Monday, when a definite agreement was reached for the creation of a commission which shall consider all the subjects of controversy between the United States and Canada and frame a treaty between the imperial government and the United States for the complete adjustment of their controversies. The agreement is now to be submitted to the British government for its approval.

BRIBE OFFERED AGUINALDO.

Governor of Philippines Making Desperate Attempts to Pacify Insurgents.

HONG KONG.—The Spanish governor at Manila is making desperate attempts to bribe or coax the rebels to drop their quarrel with Spain and make common cause against the Yankees. He is offering to grant every concession demanded by the rebels short of independence. Two priests were the first emissaries to Aguinaldo. They offered him 20,000 gold ounces and provincial governorship if he would abandon the rebellion and fight for instead of against the Spaniards. "Tell the governor-general," was the

CHIEF AGUINALDO.
(The Philippine Insurgent Leader who is aiding Admiral Dewey.)

rebel's answer, "that I will take that and as much more as I want after I court martial him for murder."

Nearly all the Spanish provincial governors have been removed and natives appointed to their places in consonance with the governor's policy of reconciliation.

The insurgents are drilling and preparing to act with the American troops, the first of which are expected about June 14.

The blockade of Manila is complete, and starvation is only a question of time. The rebels have taken St. Thomas, killing all the Spanish officers they could find.

DISPOSED OF PRIZES.

Notices of Appeal From Owners Have Been Filed.

KEY WEST.—In the United States circuit court Judge Locke rendered decisions in the cases of the six Spanish steamers seized during the first days of the Cuban blockade. Those included the most valuable prizes taken since the war began. The Castalian and Miguel Jover were released, both vessels and cargoes. The Pedro and Guido were condemned and forfeited. The Buena Ventura and the Panama were condemned and forfeited. The cargo of the Buena Ventura being neutral property is to be restored to its owners, as it is protected by the president's proclamation. The question of the Panama's cargo is taken under advisement.

In the cases of the Pedro, Guido, Buena Ventura and Panama the owners through their attorneys filed notice of appeal. The United States also filed appeals in the cases of the Castalian and Miguel Jover.

COLLIDED AT SEA.

The Cruiser Columbia Sinks the British Ship Foscotia in a Dense Fog.

The United States cruiser Columbia, in command of Captain Sands, anchored off Tompkinsville, S. I., Sunday afternoon. It was seen that she had a large jagged hole stove in her starboard side abreast of the mainmast and immediately forward of the after barbette. Above the water line the hole extended about ten feet high and six feet wide. Just how far below the water line the cruiser was damaged could not be ascertained.

An officer made the following statement: Saturday the British steamship Foscotia, in command of John Evans, captain, collided with our vessel during a dense fog. We were then about eight miles southwest of Fire Island light. We lowered two life boats and rescued the captain and crew, numbering twenty-one all told. We stood by until the Foscotia sank. As soon as we arrived we sent the rescued men ashore. Further information in reference to the accident I cannot give you.

More Volunteers Ordered to Tampa.

CHATTANOOGA.—It is reported upon good authority that three regiments of infantry, stationed at Chickamauga Park, the Second Nebraska, the Second New York and the First District of Columbia and one regiment of cavalry, the First Ohio, have been ordered to go to Tampa as soon as they can get ready. The report is generally believed, but cannot be officially confirmed.

Cadiz Squadron Has Made No Movement.

NEW YORK.—A dispatch to the Herald says that it may be positively stated that there has been no movement from Cadiz of the Spanish reserve squadron.

Smallpox in Dewey's Fleet.

A dispatch from Manila says: The American warships are still in the bay except a couple of smaller ones, which are being used on patrol duty outside. Rear Admiral Dewey is losing men from disease almost daily. Smallpox and dysentery are said to be rife in the American squadron. Aguinaldo, the insurgent chief, beached Cavette from the interior and soon after his arrival went on board one of the warships. He is working hard to gain over the rebels to the side of the Americans in view to act in unison.

THE NEWS IN OUR OWN STATE.

BIG STEEL PLANT.

Million-Dollar Enterprise Will Be Located at Birmingham.

Col. A. M. Shook, vice-president of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company, has returned from Boston to New York [illegible] within the next [illegible] complete the financial [illegible] the erection of a [illegible] plant at Ensley City [illegible] Birmingham. Superintendent Boyd [illegible] and Col. Shook [illegible] the east and while [illegible] preliminary [illegible] It is understood that [illegible] been practically [illegible] Col. Shook is now [illegible] loan to the details [illegible] probable that [illegible] within ninety days [illegible] announcement [illegible] their fact will be [illegible] Baxter states that [illegible] is no doubt that the [illegible] built and that work will [illegible] within ninety days. [illegible] pers for the incorporation of the steel company, it is understood [illegible] now being drawn up. The capitalization will be $1,100,000. The plant will be a very large one. The basic process will be employed.

White Officers for Negro Troops.

Governor Johnston has appointed the following white officers to command the colored volunteer company of Montgomery: Captain, Frank Caffey; first lieutenant, Charles Scott; second lieutenant, Joseph Goode. It is understood that the governor will appoint white commissioned officers for the other companies in the negro battalion.

The company of Birmingham passed a resolution to the effect that they would go to the front if allowed to go under colored officers of their own choice, but that they would not go otherwise.

Shipping Cotton Goods to China.

It is stated that the big Indian Head cotton mills, located at Cordova, will soon make a shipment of the product of the mill to China. Enough sheeting has been manufactured to load nearly a train at these mills. The sheeting will be shipped in the near future and the production for the next four years has been contracted for to go in the same direction. There is a broad rumor in Cordova that within five weeks the work on the doubling of the mills will be commenced.

Tragedy in Bibb County.

George Smith, chief deputy sheriff of Bibb county, shot and killed A. Steele at Scottsville. Smith attempted to arrest Steele under a warrant for selling liquor, when Steele grabbed a pistol from Smith and shot him through the leg, whereupon Smith drew another pistol and shot Steele four times. Smith received a severe but not fatal wound.

Big Coal Contracts Made.

Superintendent L. W. Johns, of the Belle Ellen mines in Jefferson county, has just returned from a trip to Tampa, Key West, Mobile, Pensacola and New Orleans, and while away secured contracts for the delivery of coal at those places, amounting to 1,000 tons daily. The coal will be used for supplying government transports and perhaps warships.

Cavalry Will Volunteer as Infantry.

As the cavalry regiment which has been organized in Alabama for the purpose of volunteering on the president's second call, will not be accepted by the war department, the Birmingham battalion of the regiment, and possibly the whole regiment, will volunteer as infantry.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

J. C. Kendrick, of Florence, dropped dead Friday of heart disease.

Rev. J. B. Cumming, who has been president of the East Lake Athenaeum for two years, has resigned.

Governor Johnston has appointed Lieutenant Ballard of the regular army as major of the negro battalion.

Near Selma, during an electrical storm, lightning struck Charley Daly, a negro boy, instantly killing him.

Leonard Smith, a colored man, living at Sloss, Jefferson county, was shot and killed by unknown parties last week.

Dr. T. E. Evans, of Bessemer, has received the appointment of chief surgeon in the volunteer army, with the rank of major.

Bud Scarbrough, 14 years old, was drowned in the Cahaba river, four miles from Lincoln. It is supposing to have to be due to an epileptic stroke.

Dr. Milton T. Westmoreland, Athens, died Sunday night.

The patriotic employes of the Birmingham rolling mill had a flag raised Saturday at which the first cannon made of Birmingham steel fired a salute to "Old Glory." The cannon was constructed by Master Mechanic A. Jennette, of the rolling mills, and will be preserved as a relic.

Spanish Spies Grow Bold.

Three Spanish spies entered the reservation at Fort Taylor, Key West, Friday night and attempted to destroy a battery with dynamite. A sergeant halted them, with several shots, the Spaniards returning the fire while retreating.

The war department has called upon Arkansas for 650 additional men to fill out the Second regiment. Governor Jones has stated that the men can't be furnished. He will go to Washington to consult with Secretary Alger.

WITH THREADS [illegible]
Tinsel [illegible] and [illegible]
Bro. [illegible] of Gold

SECOND MANILA EXPEDITION

Will Be Composed of Colorado and Minnesota Troops.

After a careful inspection [illegible] 7,000 troops now at Camp [illegible] San Francisco, it was announced that the second expedition would include [illegible] posed of the First Colorado [illegible] 1,008 men, the First Minnesota, 1,020 men, a battalion of Minnesota [illegible] volunteers. [illegible] are of the excellent [illegible] as the necessary [illegible] ready to sail.

FOUR KILLED IN A CRASH

A light engine, running [illegible] Chattanooga to Dalton, [illegible] loaded with the soldiers [illegible] commodation, Friday [illegible] station thirty-five miles [illegible] Dalton, on the Chattanooga [illegible] railroad. The [illegible] gine, composed of [illegible] Engineer Hudson, [illegible] and two brakemen [illegible] Swanson, were all instantly killed. [illegible] Conductor Sumner, who [illegible]

Sumner Will Succeed [illegible]

Washington, March [illegible] Over the protest [illegible] the Democratic members [illegible] the committee on [illegible] been decided to report [illegible] the bill creating the [illegible] Mr. Sumner will be [illegible] the bill is passed [illegible] preceding session.

The copy that came to [illegible] is once novel and attractive, in that its pages [illegible] those of a magazine. Gazette.

Purely a Local [illegible]
Sir Herbert Kitchener [illegible]
Educate Your Bowels [illegible]
To Cure a Cold [illegible]
To Cure Constipation [illegible]
MOFFETT'S TEETHINA [illegible]
Teething Powders [illegible]
Tobacco Spit and Smoke [illegible]
All drug[illegible]
Booklet [illegible]
Remedy Co.
Pick Leaf [illegible]
Sent free, Kennedy [illegible]
Gold Cure [illegible]
Whooping Cough [illegible]
Brooklyn, N. Y.
What You [illegible]
You Buy Medicine [illegible]
You get that which [illegible]
Do'yon buy Hood's [illegible]
Hood's Sarsaparilla [illegible]
Pills cure [illegible]
Our Store [illegible]
CANDY CATHARTIC
Cascarets [illegible]
TRADE MARK REGISTERED
CONSTIPATION [illegible]

...to see a man with whiskers ... barber shop.

She Didn't Mind It.

... Bridget, you must not use ... to light the fire with. It's ... dangerous.

... Faith, an' O'i always used it ... place.

... I'm surprised that you nev... blown up.

... Sure, an' O'i did, mum—'most ... by th' missus.

... the sweet satisfaction ... that your income is more ... can possibly spend.

... women do nothing but write ...

Purely a Local Disease.

... a local disease and needs local ... The irritated, diseased skin must ... soothed and healed. No use ... and ruin your stomach just ... eruption. Tetterine is ... safe and certain cure for Tet... Ringworm and other skin ... At druggists or by mail for 50 cents ... J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

... Kitchener's victory on the ... of Italian rifles were cap... by the Dervishes ... to the Abyssinians ...

... Your Bowels With Cascarets.

... cure constipation forever. ... fail, druggists refund money.

... for Fifty Cents.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

... Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. ... C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

... What You Get

... You Buy Medicine is a Matter of Great Importance.

... has the power to ... all poisonous ... the cause of dis... buy Hood's Sarsaparilla ... If you do, you may take ... that it will ... Remember

Hood's Sarsaparilla

... Medicine. $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills ... biliousness, indigestion.

...our Stomach

... was induced to try CASCA-...

... St. Louis, Mo.

CANDY CATHARTIC

Cascarets

TRADE MARK REGISTERED

REGULATE THE LIVER

... Taste Good. Do Good. ...

CURE CONSTIPATION. ...

NO-TO-BAC ... cure Tobacco Habit.

...SO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION. 25 CTS.

GOOD ROADS NOTES.

The Beauty of Working Road Taxes.

At the Farmers' Institute which recently met in Marshalltown, Iowa, a paper was read by J. H. Jayne, on Good Roads. Touching on the results of working out road taxes, he said:

"I believe the most important funds in the county are the school and road funds, because the schools and roads are the most extensive and cost the most money. But what a vast difference in the management of these two affairs.

"Your schools are second to none in the country, while your roads are below the average. Suppose you levied a three-mill school fund in every township, one mill to be paid in cash and two mills to be worked out, and you compelled every taxpayer in the district to teach the school in his turn until his school tax was worked out, and supply no other teachers. After a lapse of fifteen years you find your schoolhouses dilapidated, plastering off, stoves down, seats and windows broken, etc. Do you think your schools would be up to the standard and your children properly educated? Your roads are in a like condition to-day, being worked by men who do not follow it as a business, and furthermore have no time outside of other duties to attend to it.

"Now, the principal point I wish to bring before you is money for road purposes. I do not mean by this that we need more money, that the county should be bonded, or a heavy county road fund levy made, but that the money now raised every year for road purposes should be raised and handled differently. The bulk of that money can be derived from that mirror, as it were, that shadow which stays here and there over the county roads every summer and cuts off the grass and makes the roads look level and smooth (in places)—the district road supervisor and his grader.

"Now, do you think it pays for John Smith to be a road supervisor this year and grade up the road—fill up the hollows and round them up nicely in the centre—and next year put in William Jones, and allow him to plow the roads clear across for miles and harrow them down flat, and the next year put in another man who will round them up again; one undoing the other's work year after year?

"Do you think it pays for the road supervisor in No. 1 to go over in No. 4 and spend a day dragging a grader over to his district? Do you think it pays to have him put on John Smith's team to-day, Bill Brown's team to-morrow, Tom Clark's team the next day, and have them go gehawing here and there, and make your road look like a worm fence when finished? Who is to blame? The horses? No; they were never on a grader before, and are not accustomed to climbing up banks and going down into ditches. The drivers to blame? No; they did the best they could with a green horse. The supervisor to blame? No; he held the blade when the machine was driven. Where, then, is the blame? It is in your system.

"Do you think it pays to compel the poor road supervisor to try to fill up a hole, or round up a road, or cut down a hill with a slip scraper when he could carry it almost in a dish-pan? Do you think it pays him to work without tools? Does it pay him to buy six or eight pieces of tile, and pay four prices for them, when Marshall County could buy a car load at the lowest rates and give him the benefit? Does it pay for him to buy lumber for culverts under the same circumstances? Who is to blame? The road supervisor? No; it is your system. I regard this road system a huge cancer, continually eating, and the money you have applied, as prescribed by some physician, and according to directions, has apparently been of very little benefit to the patient."

Better Roads Easy to Secure.

In a recent paper Professor W. C. Latta sets forth the results of investigations which he has made in Indiana. He sent out a large number of letters to farmers in different counties, and from the replies received he gathers the following facts:

First. The average estimated increase in the selling price of land due to existing improved highways is $6.18 per acre. The estimates from which the average is made refer in most cases to lands near the improved roads; but in a few instances they apply to all lands of the county. The average increase, therefore, of $6.48 per acre is lower than was intended for lands in the vicinity of the improved roads.

Second. The estimated average increase per acre that would result from improving all the public roads is $9.

Third. The estimated average cost of converting the common public roads into improved highways is $1146 per mile.

Fourth. The estimated average annual loss per 160 acres, from poor roads is $76.28.

He says that if these statements are even approximately correct that they furnish a key to the satisfactory solution of the question of highway improvement from the money standpoint. On the basis of the last mentioned estimate the average annual loss per acre from poor roads is over seventy-six cents. In five years the losses would aggregate $2432 for every section of land, and this sum would construct two miles at a cost of $1216 per mile, which is seventy dollars per mile above the estimated cost given by the farmers themselves. The present road tax which, under existing laws, is largely thrown away, would, under a proper system of road maintenance, doubtless keep improved highways in perfect repair.

The advantages to be gained he concisely says are that good roads (1) Economize time and force in transportation between farm and market; (2) Enable the farmer to take advantage of market fluctuations in buying and selling; (3) Permit transportation of farm products and purchased commodities during times of comparative leisure; (4) Reduce the wear and tear on horses, harness and vehicles; (5) Enhance the market value of real estate.

How Some Roads Are Built.

The notion that "anybody can build a road" is responsible for many failures. Commissioner MacDonald, of Connecticut, tells a story of such people. He says that a Quaker went into a hardware store to buy an axe.

"How much does thee ask for a Bradley axe?" he asked.

"One dollar and thirty-five cents," was the answer of the shopman.

"Thee asks too much; I will make an axe myself."

He bought a chunk of steel, took it home, put it in the fire, hammered it and belabored it until it had assumed the general outlines of an axe head. But it was dull.

"Huh," said he, "thee cannot make an axe. But thee can make a wedge." He put the steel back into the forge and knocked it into the shape of a wedge. But it had lost its temper.

"Huh," again quoth the Quaker, "thee cannot make an axe, and thee cannot make a wedge, but thee can make a sizzle," and he thrust the hot iron into the rain barrel. That's what a big majority of road-makers used to do in this State—make a sizzle.—Good Roads Bulletin.

Is a Good Roads Woman.

Miss Rella C. Harber, of Trenton, N. J., State organizer for the Good Roads and Public Improvement Association, has had such great success with her work that the association is more than pleased with her.

Miss Harber is a remarkable woman. President Cleveland appointed Miss Harber's father, the late Judge T. B. Harber, Postmaster of Trenton. Miss Harber was commissioned deputy and succeeded to the postmastership when the Judge died in 1896. Miss Harber resigned in 1897 and went to St. Louis, where she was employed in the Good Roads office. Since then she has been promoted to her present position, and has organized fifteen societies, all of which are steadily increasing in membership.

A Long Crusade.

The New York State League for Good Roads, which has been working for seven years to develop a healthy sentiment regarding road improvement, has changed its name to the New York State Road Improvement Association, in order to better distinguish it from the State division of the League of American Wheelmen.

Items.

Roads dependent on the weather,
Worthless are for months together;
Roads made hard by science's art
Always firmly do their part.

If water stands on a road it soon ruins it; ruts collect and retain water; the narrow tire is the father of ruts.

Hard roads make access to the farms easy at all seasons; produce can be shipped in any weather if the highways are passable.

In a south Jersey town all the freight wagons were changed to wide tires over a year ago, and since that time their roads have kept in much better condition.

Lack of social life and restricted means of communication drive the young men from the farms into the cities. Good roads will gradually change all that.

Colonel Pope, in speaking of the wide tire agitation in Massachusetts, said: "Carts and other heavy vehicles should act as road-rollers rather than road-destroyers."

Wet weather roads are what are needed. It is easy to make roads that are good in dry weather; but to make them good in the wet season requires knowledge and skill.

The applications from the counties in New Jersey for money to be used under the provisions of the State-aid law are so numerous that a bill has been introduced in the legislature for an increased State appropriation.

Farmers have been used to staying cooped up on their farms in bad weather for so long a time that it is hard for them to realize the advantages that would accrue to them from having hard and clean highways at all seasons of the year.

Silver Combs Darken the Hair.

A mystery of the toilet, male and female, has been disclosed by the distinguished scientist, Dr. Vanderweide. He says that the use of silver combs is very ancient and has always been popular among people of an uncertain age. A silver comb tends to darken the hair and beard when used with regularity. The reason is very simple. Hair contains sulphur, and this combines with the invisible pieces of the metal, which are worn off every time the comb is employed. The combination of sulphur and silver is pure black, as every housekeeper knows who has used silver tableware. Young men with slight and light-colored mustaches, old beaux whose mustaches are beginning to turn gray, women whose hair shows the mark of age are the three classes who use silver combs with earnest zeal."

Much Too Much.

A Georgia girl rejoices in the name of Mary Rementa Olla Ludentia Laura Suzetta Missouria Georgiana Jennie Pressley Rhoda Diaretta Jane Cornetta Bailey Purdue. That's all—at present—though some young man may wish to add his name to her collection sooner or later.—Lewiston Journal.

L'OLONNOIS, THE CRUEL.

He Was the Most Ferocious of All the Famous Buccaneers.

Frank R. Stockton is writing "The Buccaneers of Our Coast" in St. Nicholas. In a late number he says: Among the buccaneer leaders who distinguished themselves as land pirates was Francis L'Olonnois, a Frenchman. In those days it was the custom to enforce servitude upon people who are not able to take care of themselves; unfortunate debtors and paupers of all classes were sold to people who had need of their services. Boys and girls were sold for a term of years, somewhat as if they had been apprentices, and it so happened that the boy L'Olonnois was sold to a master who took him to the West Indies. There he led the life of a slave until he was of age; and then, being no longer subject to ownership, he became one of the freest and most independent persons who ever walked this earth. He began his career on the island of Hispaniola, where he took up the business of hunting and butchering cattle, but he soon became a pirate, and enlisted as a common sailor on one of their ships. Here he gave signs of being so brave and unscrupulous that one of the leading pirates on the island of Tortuga gave him a ship and a crew, and set him up in business. The career of L'Olonnois was much like that of other buccaneers of the day except that he was abominably cruel to his Spanish prisoners.

All the barbarities attributed to the pirates of the world were united in the career of this wretch, who does not appear to be so good an example of the true pirate as Roc, the Brazilian. He was not so brave, he was not so able, and it would be impossible for any one to look upon him as a hero. After having attained in a short time the reputation of being the worst pirate of his day, L'Olonnois was unfortunate enough to be wrecked upon the coast near Campeachy. He and his crew came safely to shore, but it was not long before their presence was discovered by the people of the town, and the Spanish soldiers attacked them. There was a fierce fight, but the Spaniards were stronger, and the buccaneers were utterly defeated. Many were killed, wounded, or taken prisoners.

Among the wounded was L'Olonnois, and when the Spaniards walked over the battlefield, he was looked upon as killed. When the soldiers had retired he stealthily arose and made his way into the woods, where he stayed until his wounds were well enough for him to walk about. He divested himself of his great boots, his pistol-belt, and the rest of his piratical costume, and adding to his scanty raiment a cloak and hat which he had stolen from a poor cottage, he boldly approached the town, and entered it. He looked like a very ordinary person, and no notice was taken of him by the authorities. Here he found shelter and something to eat and he soon began to make himself very much at home in the streets of Campeachy.

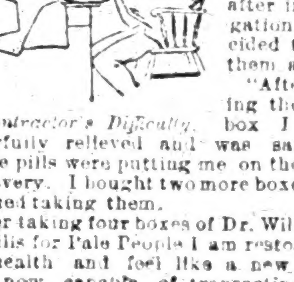
How Relief Came.

From Cole County Democrat, Jefferson City, Mo.

When la grippe visited this section, about seven years ago, Herman H. Eveler, of 811 W. Main St., Jefferson, Mo., was one of the victims, and has since been troubled with the after effects of the disease. He is a well-known contractor and builder, a business requiring much mental and physical work. A year ago his health began to fail alarmingly, and that he lives to-day is almost a miracle. He says:

"I was troubled with shortness of breath, palpitation of the heart and a general debility. My back also pained me severely.

"I tried one doctor after another and numerous remedies suggested by my friends, but without apparent benefit, and began to give up hope. Then I saw Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People extolled in a St. Louis paper, and after investigation, decided to give them a trial.



A Contractor's Difficulty.

"After using the first box I felt wonderfully relieved and was satisfied that the pills were putting me on the road to recovery. I bought two more boxes and continued taking them.

"After taking four boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People I am restored to good health and feel like a new man. I am now capable of transacting my business with increased ambition.

"Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are a wonderful medicine and anyone that is afflicted with shortness of breath, palpitation of the heart, nervous prostration and general debility, will find that these pills are the specific. HERMAN H. EVELER."

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 24th day of May, 1897.

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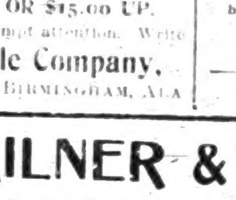

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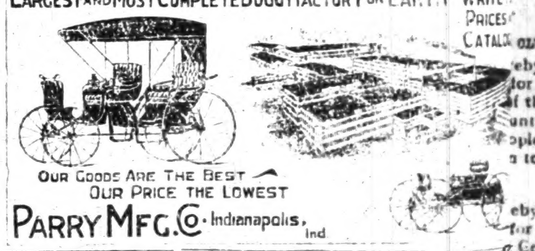

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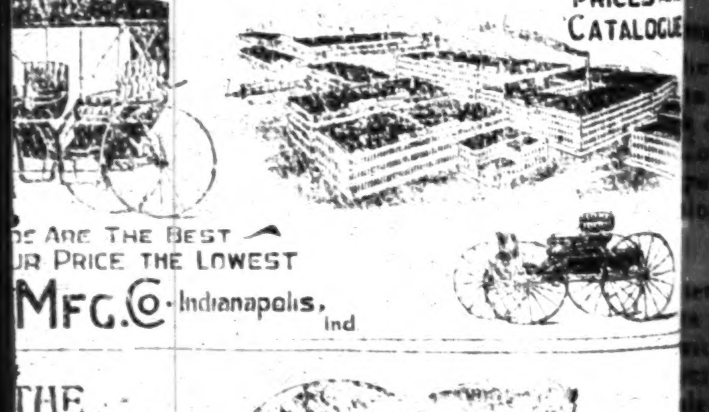
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Jemison, Ala. June 6, 1898. Editor BANNER. There are now two great struggles on the hands of the American people: one is the war with Spain, in which a comparative few of our citizens will know but little about. This war will doubtless be of short duration, at the end of which its battleships will be sent to harbor to rest for many long years. But the greater and more important struggle now being waged is a struggle in which every man, woman and child in our government should be deeply interest. The battleships of this terrible contest are under control of the hydra headed monster of plutocracy on the one hand, while on the other they are directed by the millions who are striving to save to our nation and to the world the priceless boon of human freedom and constitutional liberty. The war with Spain sinks into insignificance as compared with the great battle that has to be fought for humanity. This is the great struggle that lies before the American people, to save themselves and their children from the galling yoke of bondage, degradation and common slavery. Let us not forget this battle till we have sunk to rise no more every battleship upon which plutocracy rides. I C

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To the Populists of Chilton county Gentlemen:

We deem it wise to say a few words to the Populists and to all good citizens.

Our party was organized only a few years ago, and was organized for the purpose of protecting the people in their rights at the ballot box, and to elect men to office who would serve the people, and that the great reformations so much needed in our government might be accomplished, and that the proper might rule in all things, and to this end the People's Party has accomplished much. Many farmers and laborers who a few years ago knew nothing of the systems of taxation and of government, can now interest the lawmakers with their views. But the end is not yet. Much remains to be done. The farmers still have the burdens of taxation and the expense of the government and since the people must pay the expences, and run the machinery of the country, it is best for the people and for the country that the taxpayers one and all keep up with this business and we would respectfully ask how we are to keep up with the business? Is it best now since we have spent our time, and some little means in the few years of the past to organize the people to give it all up and each of us go our own way one in a place, and one at a time, divided, and dividing? Can the people make known their power and their wishes single handed, and one in a place, and one at a time with better effect than they can to remain united and to stand shoulder to shoulder? Do we not love that motto? "United we stand divided we fall." Is it not a fact that one little stick is easily broken? And do we not know that when a number of small sticks are bound together that it is difficult to break them?

And again if the organization of the people was ever necessary why is it not necessary now? Is it possible that the people desire to give up the People's Party, and to return to the methods that once ruled this country? We trust that such is not the case. How then may the people remain in charge of the affairs of Chilton County? We answer by remaining true to their party, and sticking close to the councils of the same. If the Populists should endorse the plan of turning loose all the good men that we have and held on primary election, or convention for the purpose of electing candidates, the first election held under such methods would convince us that every man we had was defeated for the opposition would unite and united they would stand, while we divided would fall and hence we most earnestly beg that every Populist in Chilton county go to the polls on the first Monday in August, and vote the Populist ticket from head to foot. We do not ask this in the interest of our candidates, while they are all good men, and will make good officers, but we ask it in the name and for the people. If the people should should suffer their ranks to be broken now we do not know when they can be chased up again, and it would be a sad day in Chilton county if we had to say goodby to the People's Party. But as the days go by the people are becoming more and more united and believing, as we do, in a just God, and a true and faithful prople we look forward to the day of the election with hope that when the ballots are counted the peoble will still reign in Chilton. Respectfully

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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I was seriously afflicted with a cough for several years, and last fall had a more severe cough than ever before. I have used many remedies without receiving much relief, and being recommended to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, by a friend who, knowing me to be a poor widow, gave it to me, I tried it, and with the most gratifying results. The first bottle relieved me very much and the second bottle has absolutely cured me. I have not had as good health for twenty years. Respectfully, MRS. MARY A. BEARD, Claremore, Ark. Sold by J. S. Johnson jr.

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PROGRAM TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

An Institute for the white teachers of Chilton county will be held at Alpine church, four miles east of Plantersville, July 8 and 9, 1898.

FRIDAY 10 a.m. Devotional exercises. Enrollment of teachers.

10:30. Welcome address, J. T. Jones sr. Response, Judson Strock.

11. The word method of teaching reading, Miss John Wilkinson, J. T. Jones jr. Recess.

2 p.m. Algebra, G. L. Steer.

2:30. Child's study—Nature's own text-book, Miss Ollie Garner, R. E. R. Hicks.

3. Geography and History, Miss Celestia Dunlap, S. Thornton.

3:30. Question Box. The Institute.

SATURDAY 9 a.m. Devotional exercises.

9:30. At what age or time should students begin the study of English grammar? B. T. Calloway.

10. Sciences in our common schools, L. E. Byrum.

10:30. Alabama's educational needs, Judson Strock.

11. What is Chilton county doing educationally? What should she do? J. Alex Moore.

Anyone wishing conveyance from Plantersville will write J. T. Jones, sr. at that place.

The law requires teachers to attend this Institute, and we hope to see many, if not all, the teachers present.

J. W. Moore, Supt.
J. Alex Moore } Committee.
Judson Strock }

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Mr. P. Ketcham of Pike City, Cal. says: "During my brother's late sickness from sciatic rheumatism, Chamberlain's Pain Balm was the only remedy that gave him any relief." Many others have testified to the prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Mulberry Ass'n S S Convention.

The Sunday school convention of the Mulberry Association convened with New Salem church May 28 and 29.

Saturday, 9 30 a.m., devotional exercise was conducted by Rev A. L. Fesnee.

On calling the roll, delegates were present from thirteen schools

We are proud to know all but two of our churches have lively schools besides some schoolhouses. From the reports of the various Sunday school workers we believe our people are becoming aroused to a greater degree than ever before and in a short time it is to be hoped that the voices of all our people will be heard in the Sunday school. It seems that all our churches are becoming aroused to their duty and to the necessity of studying God's word. Bretheren, we should be encouraged and press onward with the good work ever looking to Him who has said, "I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world". At 10 a.m. organization finished by re-electing Rev. Sutton Smitherman chairman and John T. Martin secretary. The subjects of the program were taken up and discussed by Rev. S. M. Adams, R. H. Lang and others

At 11:40, a recess was given for refreshments. The good people of Salem prepared a table and spread a bountiful dinner which was enjoyed by all. At 1:30 p.m., the convention came together and spent the remainder of the day to the subjects. There was perfect harmony among all who spake and it is to be hoped that these discussions will be the means of reviving the work among our people.

Sunday, at 9:30 a.m., Rev R. H. Long conducted the Sunday-school mass-meeting and one hour was was spent on the lesson. At 11. Rev. Sutton Smitherman preached the convention sermon from Luke xix; 41. Theme: "Christ weeping over sins."

A collection of $2.84 for the benefit of the orphan's home at Evergreen, was taken up.

The convention then closed to meet with Antioch church, Bibb county on Friday before fifth Sunday in July, 1898.

JOHN T. MARTIN, Sec.

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Late to bed and early to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. ...

Turn-Round Topics.

Peyton Patillo and little sister, Eudora, visited relatives in Bozeman Sunday.

Mr. Louis Johnson, of Wadsworth, was a visitor here Sunday.

Mrs. Rolly Floyd is staying with Mrs. Kendrick this week.

W. D. McKinney of Selma, is now back with us.

Misses Rosa Tidwell, Alice Anderson, Sallie and Janie DuBose, and Messrs. Frank DuBose, Ben and Willis Calloway, of Lovely Lane, attended church here Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Thomas filled his appointments here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Howard was a visitor to W. D. Goss Sunday.

T. E. Robinson, of Salem, was was a visitor to E. A. Norris Sunday.

F. M. Connel Jr. and wife, of Cross Roads, spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Kendrick.

J. N. Goss, accompanied by Miss Maggie Long, of Friendship, visited Bozeman Sunday.

Miss Maggie Gordan, after an extended visit to her sister and friends returned to her home in Montgomery.

Mrs. Hawes, after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Johnson, in Birmingham, returned home recently.

Mr. Grey and family, Miss Geneva Goss and brother, Jasper were guests of Mrs. Kendrick Sunday.

John Howard and wife were pleasant visitors to E. L. Jones Sunday.

Mrs. Kendrick and Miss Geneva Goss spent Monday with friends in Verbena. FREE CITY.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In Chancery, at Clanton Alabama, Seventh District, Northeastern Chancery Division. June 8 1898

Sarah Watkins, Complainant, vs. W. F. Watkins Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. A. Collier that the Defendant, W. F. Watkins, Defendant to a bill of complainant on file in the Chancery Court for the above named District and Division, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, and that his post office and residence are unknown to affiant, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Banner a newspaper pulished in Clanton once a week for four consecutive week, requiring him the said W. F. Watkins to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 11 day of June 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office, in Clanton Alabama, this 8 day of June 1898.

W. E. STEWART.
Register in Chancery.

W. A. COLLIER,
Complainant's Solicitor.

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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in each of the three following described mortgages executed by D. C. Savage and Ida Savage to Howell Cotton Company of Alabama, which said three mortgages have been by the said Howell Cotton Company of Alabama, duly transferred and assigned to V. B. Atkins and E. B. Martin composing the firm of V. B. Atkins and Company, to wit:

1st. Mortgage executed February 20th, 1896, and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton County, Alabama in Vol. 36 Pages 281-3.

2nd. Mortgage executed March 18th, 1896 and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton County, Alabama in Vol. 36 Pages 601-2

3rd. Mortgage executed December 14th, 1896 and recorded in the office of Judge of Probate in Chilton County, Alabama in Vol. 38, Pages 281-3

the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1898

the following described real estate, to wit:

Dwelling House and Lot in Maplesville, Chilton County, Alabama, described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the south west corner of property of J. D. Patterson at Railroad right of way and running South 134 feet thence East 120 feet, thence North 50 feet, thence East 90 feet, thence North 74 feet and thence 210 feet to the point of beginning.

One Store house and Lot 1, Maplesville, Alabama, described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the South west corner of Store house of J. T. Crumpton and running South 24 feet, thence East 210 feet, thence North 24 feet and thence West 210 feet to the point of beginning.

V. B. ATKINS and E. B. MARTIN composing the firm of V. B. Atkins & Co. transferees of mortgages.

by W. A. COLLIER, their attorney.
Clanton, Ala., May 25, 1898.

You Don't Have to Swear Off

says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture in an editorial about No-To-Bac, the famous tobacco habit cure. We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac, one a prominent St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by druggists everywhere. No cure, no pay. Book free Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

An Industrial Development company is being formed in Richmond, Va., with a capital of not less than $50,000, its object being to bring new business enterprises to the city and infuse new life into those already established by judicious loans of money when needed.

A pair of scales, much like those of the modern pharmacist, is among the multitude of objects discovered this year in the excavations about thirty miles from Thebes, and recently exhibited in London. The scales are finely finished, having a beam four and one-half inches long.

The Millinery Trade Review says that "not ten per cent. of the birds or parts of birds used in millinery are song birds or parts of song birds, but 75 per cent. are imported from China and Japan and are killed for their destructiveness, and the balance are feathers of birds used for food."

The Whitehorn (Col.) News has this item in its "Society" column: "A lot of squint-eyed squaws held a powwow at Martini's Sunday night. Razzle-dazzle was the game. At midnight a kettle of dog soup was served, which was presided over by Dull Knife, Battle Ax, Ogama, Afraid-of-Work and Often Hungry."

The department of street improvement declares itself to be in complete accord with New York wheelmen in their efforts to improve the condition of roads and highways. Thus the intelligent cyclist becomes not only a lynx-eyed inspector but a public benefactor in the direction of the highest utility for the commonwealth and its citizens, remarks the New York Herald.

Of the many Armenians who have come to this country in the past ten years, the larger part have seemingly made their home in New England. They are successful as farmers and farm laborers, but have made their greatest hit as domestic servants. Their employers recommend them as being polite, silent, industrious and, above all, as being excellent cooks. The Armenians have a school of cooking of their own which has modified that of Persia, Turkey, Greece and, apparently, that of Italy.

Hardly a day passes without adding to the list of benefits bestowed on mankind by the bicycle. The British Medical Journal cites a case of a lady who having been advised to take a fortnight's change of air to get rid of the effects of influenza spent her vacation largely on the wheel, averaging fifty miles or so a day. As a result she has no more influenza, but she has a heart which on the slightest exertion rises to 120 beats a minute, and if she could have her choice now she would rather have the influenza. Recent discoveries in Egypt show that the science of medicine had reached a high state of cultivation ten thousand years ago, but it is vain to hope that it will ever be well enough understood to prevent lovely woman from demolishing her system when drawn within the fascination of the wheel.

The Louisville Courier-Journal says: Some interesting figures have lately been compiled by Mr. E. L. Powers of Chicago, showing the extent to which the system of illuminating towns and cities by means of the electric light has grown in recent years. We cite the figures for this section merely. In fifteen southern states there are at this time 404 electric plants operated by private corporations, firms and individuals. The capital stock represented amounts to $34,752,225, while the power generated aggregates 141,450 horse power. Not less than 37,976 are lights and 996,770 incandescent lights are furnished. But these figures do not embrace the total number of electric light plants in this section. In addition to those operated by private corporations, firms and individuals, there are also seventy electric light plants operated by municipalities. These represent 9890 horse power, and furnish 4256 are lights and 68,933 incandescent lights. Since barely twenty years have passed since the glare of the electric light first made its advent, these figures show that rapid progress during that time has been made in this section by Edison's wonderful invention.

Hot Tears.

"Oh come, now, you know you did not actually weep scalding tears."

"I did. They actually cracked my glasses."—Vanity Fair.

EXPEDITION TO MANILA.

Preparations Being Rushed by the War Department.

MEN ANXIOUS FOR ACTION.

Troops in Excellent Condition and Ready For Hard Service—Second Detachment to Dewey Will Consist of 3058 Men—The Women of California Busy Making Bandages.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. (Special).—Major General Wesley Merritt assumed formal command of the expedition to the Philippines in the presence of the troops now encamped at the Presidio, in Camp Richmond.

General Merritt is arranging the details of the second expedition to the Philippines, but has not yet made public the assignment of troops for the expedition, and he will not make the order public until the date of the sailing of the fleet has been delivered. It is semi-officially stated that the vessels will not be ready for ten days yet.

After a careful inspection of the 7000 troops now at Camp Richmond, it was semi-officially announced that the second Manila expedition would probably be composed of the First Colorado Regiment, 1008 men; the First Nebraska Regiment, 1020 men, and the Thirteenth Minnesota Regiment, 1030 men, a total of 3058 volunteers.

Arrangements have been made to supply quickly all that is lacking in the outfits of the Pennsylvania, Colorado and Minnesota regiments.

The Tenth Pensylvania has caught the fancy of visitors to the camp. Its appearance and strict discipline attract much attention. The Utah Light Artillery also comes in for a large share of popular approval.

Free reading and writing tents are being furnished to each regiment by the Christian Endeavor Society.

Four batteries of heavy artillery now stationed at the Presidio will go to Manila with the next expedition and their places at the Presidio will be filled by men from the ranks of the heavy artillery volunteer force now in camp at the Presidio.

The present formation of brigades is only temporary and made only for administrative purposes. A reorganization will be effected when the second expedition reaches the Philippines.

The Pennsylvania volunteers are in a serious plight. They need shoes so badly that the regiment is seriously crippled for the lack of them. Many of the men cannot drill on account of the dilapidated condition of their footgear.

The women of the Red Cross of California are tireless in their work, yet it is announced that they may be obliged to call on their sisters in the East for aid in making bandages for the soldiers. General Merritt says that every soldier sailing for Manila must have three bandages. Thousands have been made, and 10,000 more will be ready by the end of the week, yet more will be required.

The State Red Cross has furnished all the California boys with identification medals, but the society does not feel able to provide them for all the troops sailing from this port. When the members of the Red Cross in Kansas, Wyoming and Utah were informed, they responded at once, promising to furnish them without delay.

GENERAL OATES SWORN IN.

Ex-Governor of Alabama Assigned to Duty at Chickamauga.

Brigadier General William C. Oates, formerly Governor of Alabama, visited the War Department, Washington, and took the oath of office. He also made preliminary arrangements for the detail of the officers of his staff. General Oates has been assigned to duty with one of the Army corps at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga.

BRIGADIER GENERAL W. C. OATES.

Troops Reviewed at Chickamauga.

Major General Breckinridge has reviewed and inspected the First Division of the Third Army Corps, at the head of which is General Grant, at Chickamauga Park, Ga. When Major General Breckinridge took his position as reviewing officer General Grant brought the division to "present arms." He then rode down the front of the line and up the rear, while the band of each regiment played the national airs. Riding back to the point from where he started, the divisions broke into columns by companies, and with General Grant at its head passed in review.

The men acquitted themselves with honor, and were highly commended by General Breckinridge and Colonel Astor.

Labor World.

France has 500,000 unionists.

Japan has fourteen labor unions.

Dublin has a hairdressers' union.

Japan has 4,861,922 agriculturists.

Cleveland has a servant girls' union.

Russia has 1,200,000 factory operatives.

Canada has 8000 shirt and collar makers.

Greater New York has 270 paper box mills.

Colored porters at Duluth, Minn., have organized a union.

Indianapolis reports every union carpenter at work, and not enough men to supply the demand.

WANAMAKER WITHDREW.

Pennsylvania Republican Convention Nominated Colonel Wm. A. Stone.

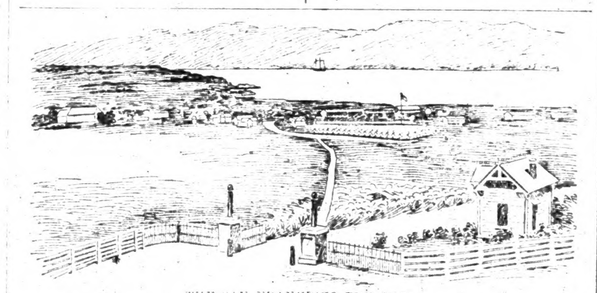
HARRISBURG, Penn. (Special).—The Republican State Convention on the first ballot nominated Colonel William A. Stone for Governor over Congressman Charles

GENERAL J. P. S. GOBIN,
(Nominated for Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania).

W. Stone. Mr. John Wanamaker having withdrawn from the race. The letter announcing Mr. Wanamaker's withdrawal so vigorously denounces what he terms "machine politics" in the party as to indulge the prediction that he may continue in the race as an independent candidate. General J. P. S. Gobin, Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, was nominated for Lieutenant Governor; General James W. Latta, of Philadelphia, for Secretary of Internal Affairs; Galusha A. Grow and Samuel A. Davenport for Congressmen at Large, and Judge William Porter for Superior Court Judge.

The attendance was the largest since the convention of 1890, when the fight for Governor was between George Wallace Delamater, of Meadville, and Daniel H. Hastings. The galleries and rear of the stage were crowded with spectators.

Congressman William A. Stone, of Allegheny, the nominee, has been a lifelong Republican. He was born in Tioga County, Pennsylvania, April 28, 1846, and received his early education at the State Normal School, Mansfield. He served during the war as Second Lieutenant of Company A, 187th Pennsylvania Volunteers. He studied law with S. F. Wilson at Wellsboro, and was admitted to the bar in 1870. He has been District Attorney of Tioga County and was appointed United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. He was elected to the Fifty-second, Fifty-third, Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth Congresses. He is a personal friend of Senator Quay.



THE SAN FRANCISCO PRESIDIO.
(Seven thousand troops encamp here, in sight of the Golden Gate, awaiting transportation to the Philippines.)

SPAIN'S ABJECT POVERTY.

Twenty Thousand Persons in Madrid Alone Living Upon Public Charity.

MADRID, Spain (By Cable).—The economic situation in Spain is becoming more and more critical. The poverty of the people has never been so distressing, and the financial difficulties of the Government are becoming overwhelming. The war absorbs all funds obtainable and the country is daily creating new debts for the sake of the war, which, in certain political circles, is now described as imbecile foolishness.

The national subscription which the Spaniards confidently assured the world would bring to the Government 50,000,000 pesetas in two days only amounts to 8,000,000, including the royal gifts. The greatest sum to be hoped for from the subscription cannot exceed $10,000,000 pesetas.

The Government is exacting contributions and imposing new taxes in every direction. The customs officers on the frontier have been ordered to be extremely particular that luggage is thoroughly searched, and that no opportunity of claiming duty, even on hats, neckties and boots, if new or nearly new, be allowed to escape.

When a traveler reaches his destination his luggage is re-examined lest anything should have been overlooked at the frontier.

The Government takes no interest in the people further than taxing those who are able to pay, while the poor are abandoned to their fate. There are from 15,000 to 20,000 persons in Madrid alone who are living on public charity. Men, women and children, garbed almost indecently in rags, follow one another along the streets, whining piteous appeals for a morsel of bread.

The correspondent says that he has seen a beggar come from a fishmonger's shop with his hands full of refuse and portions of raw fish, and biting ravenously into the disgusting mass. It is a sight too common to attract attention to see a Spaniard of dignified mien, wearing the familiar sombrero and cloak, raking over dust heaps in search of a crust. If a bit of food is found it is devoured immediately.

All this wretched population sleeps in corners of doorways. They may starve, rob or murder, but nobody cares. They do not count in the social organization, to which they are unable to pay taxes. As they pay the Government nothing they must cost nothing.

The political system on which Spain is organized is responsible for this state of affairs, and it may be that some day, driven by hunger, this neglected proportion of the population may give serious trouble to the rulers of the Peninsula. Meanwhile, the hordes of starving and unfortunate beggars who infest the magnificent avenues of the Spanish capital and contrast so painfully with the splendid palaces, are a shocking, pity-inspiring sight which no foreigner is likely to forget.

Cycling Notes.

A Bordeaux cyclist intends attempting to ride backward from Soulac to Bordeaux, a distance of ninety-two miles. An English cyclist some years ago rode backward from London to Brighton.

In Germany 60,000 workmen were employed in bicycle factories in 1896. This does not include those making only separate parts, such as rubber tires, etc., who would probably bring the number up to 100,000.

Pneumatic tires are displaced in a Brooklyn man's invention in which the wheels are mounted on vertical rods attached to the frame and held by springs to allow a small amount of play when the wheels strike a rough spot.

A COLLIER TORPEDOED.

An American Coal Ship Sunk in Santiago Harbor.

NOW BLOCKS THE ENTRANCE.

Our Fleet Bombarded the Forts and the Merrimac Was Then Sent Into the Channel—She Sank at the Second Line of Mines—An Officer, an Engineer and Six Sailors Captured.

CAPE HAYTIEN, Hayti (By Cable).—A report was received here from Santiago that the Merrimac had accidentally [illegible] was sunk within a specially selected spot to force the entrance of the harbor during an attack made by the American fleet. The Merrimac is a coal collier. The Spanish batteries are reported to have been silenced.

Rear Admiral Sampson, it is added, off Santiago, had ordered the sinking of one of Cervera's warships [illegible] of the shore batteries on the [illegible] Point of torpedoes and the ships of Admiral Cervera's fleet, the collier to sail into the harbor in order to force a passage.

According to the first and only official report the Merrimac made a dash through the narrow and crooked entrance of the harbor, braving the guns of the Spanish fleet, braving the mines with which the entrance is thickly sown.

Indeed the forlorn hope of the Merrimac seems to have been to explode the mines and so leave free the entrance for the American fleet. The men on her were ready, even anxious, to take the one chance in a million of exploding the mines and escaping alive. The matter of sending in a vessel with a volunteer crew has been debated for several days.

With the mines out of the way there would remain only the Spanish fleet for the American fleet to meet. For the American fleet had extinguished the fire of the forts at the harbor's entrance.

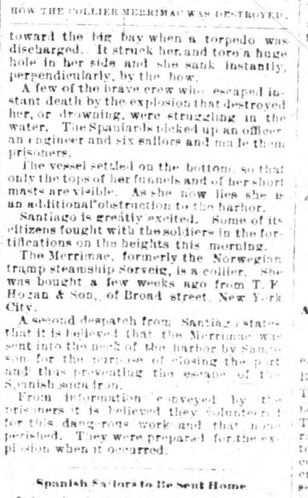
At 8 o'clock a. m. the American fleet again began to bombard the fortifications. A lively cannonade ensued for two hours, and at the end of that time the forts were silenced.

Then the Merrimac at her fullest speed steamed into the entrance of the harbor, while the other American ships kept moving here and there in the offing, ready to follow if by that one chance in a million she succeeded in entering.

The Merrimac passed the first line of mines, although it is always difficult to take a big ship through the narrow, crooked channel.

Perhaps her splendid audacity astonished the Spaniards that they were paralyzed. She had proceeded about 500 feet

SUBMARINE MINE EXPLOSION



HOW THE COLLIER MERRIMAC WAS DESTROYED.

toward the big bay when a torpedo was discharged. It struck her and tore a huge hole in her side and she sank instantly, perpendicularly, by the bow.

A few of the brave crew who escaped instant death by the explosion that destroyed her, or drowning, were struggling in the water. The Spaniards picked up an officer, an engineer and six sailors and made them prisoners.

The vessel settled on the bottom, so that only the tops of her funnels and of her short masts are visible. As she now lies she is an additional obstruction to the harbor.

Santiago is greatly excited. Some of its citizens fought with the soldiers in the fortifications on the heights this morning.

The Merrimac, formerly the Norwegian tramp steamship Sorveig, is a collier. She was bought a few weeks ago from T. F. Hozan & Son, of Broad street, New York City.

A second despatch from Santiago states that it is believed that the Merrimac was sent into the mouth of the harbor by Sampson for the purpose of closing the port and thus preventing the escape of the Spanish squadron.

From information conveyed by the prisoners it is believed they volunteered for this dangerous work and that most perished. They were prepared for the explosion when it occurred.

Spanish Sailors to Be Sent Home

It has been decided to release all the crews of the captured Spanish steamers at Key West and return them to Barcelona in the steamer Catalina.

The National Game.

Tannehill is Pittsburg's winning pitcher.

Bierbauer has become a Columbus player.

Willis has developed into Boston's winning pitcher.

One hears very little these days of Chris Von der Ahe and Captain Anson, who were for years the central figures in baseball.

Tannehill, of Pittsburg, is fast coming to the front as one of the best pitchers in the League. He is also a fine all-round player.

Fifield, of Philadelphia; Taylor, of St. Louis, and Hill, of Cincinnati, are undoubtedly the hard-luck pitchers of the League.

PROMOTION FOR DEWEY'S MEN.

Recommendation of the Gallantry of Officers Who Fought at Manila.

[illegible]

ELEPHANTS CAPTURE KEEPER.

Trainer Joseph Anderson Killed—Had the Police Put to Flight.

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COST OF THE WAR.

Chairman Cannon Says Six Hundred Million Will Be Needed in One Year.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—In presenting the Urgent Deficiency bill for $17,845,000 in the House Chairman Cannon of the Committee on Appropriations estimated the appropriations already made on account of the war and likely to develop as essential, including the first six months of the fiscal year beginning June 1, 1898, at $350,000,000. In response to a question by Mr. Dingley, Mr. Cannon said the war would cost approximately $600,000,000 provided it should continue one year.

Daily disbursements of the Government are expected to average nearly $2,000,000 from now until the end of the war. Appropriations are now being made to meet the estimated expenditures until January 1, with the idea that, if the war is not over by that time, Congress will again be in session and additional appropriations can be made.

The House unanimously passed the bill appropriating $17,845,000 to meet certain urgent demands for war expenditures.

The Secretary of war sent to Congress a request for appropriations amounting to $33,870,858. These appropriations will be used for the equipment and maintenance until January 1, 1899, of the 75,000 volunteers recently called for by the President.

In the Senate Mr. Hale, Rep., Maine, Chairman of the Naval Committee, said he had no doubt that if the war continued a year it would cost from $700,000,000 to $800,000,000.

GOVERNOR ATKINSON'S WIFE FREE.

Demurrer to the Indictment Charging Her With Forgery Sustained.

A free woman is Mrs. Atkinson, the wife of the Governor of West Virginia.

At the opening of court at Glenville, W. Va., Judge Blizzard rendered his decision upon the demurrer in the forgery trial of the wife of Governor G. W. Atkinson.

GOV. ATKINSON.

His opinion was that the demurrer to the indictment was sustained as to Mrs. Atkinson and was insufficient to hold her, but that it was not faultless as to Joshua Owens, who was jointly indicted with her. Mrs. Atkinson was discharged.

Owens was brought into court, a jury impaneled, and Owens's hearing is now being rapidly pushed.

SENATE VOTES FOR BONDS.

Also to Coin the Silver Bullion in the Treasury.

The United States Senate (43 to 31, a bolted Mr. Wolcott's amendment to the War Revenue bill directing the secretary of the Treasury to coin the seigniorage of silver bought under previous laws now in the Treasury to the amount of $42,000,000, at the rate of not less than $2,000,000 a month, and to issue silver certificates against the coin. By a vote of 45 to 31, seven Democrats and one Populist voting with thirty-seven Republicans, the Senate adopted the amendment providing for the issue of $100,000,000 of certificates of indebtedness and $300,000,000 of bonds to be used exclusively for the payment of the expenses of the war.

Minor Mention.

Army chaplains are to have a uniform.

There are 50,000 Cubans living in Florida.

It is estimated the wheat crop of Kansas will foot up 1,000,000 bushels.

A deposit of 3,000,000 tons of brimstone has just been found in California.

Peru and Brazil have concluded a treaty defining the boundary between the two countries.

The Turkish Government has put 500 soldiers to work constructing a road from Skatari to Medua.

William A. Pinkerton, the detective, has been called into Government service to

THE NEWS FROM [illegible]

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ELEPHANTS CAPTURE KEEPER.

Trainer Joseph Anderson Killed—Had the Police Put to Flight.

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[illegible] American Warships [illegible] the Forts and Batteries With Cervera's Fleet.

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[illegible] Destroyers Slipped Out of the Harbor, But the Battle Ship's Lookout Saw Them.

[illegible] Work—Hammered Away at Santiago Defenses—Heavy Shot For Old [illegible] Battered by Big Guns—Smaller [illegible] Shell the Shores—The Firing Began at 2 P. M. and Was Kept Up For Two Hours—The Forts Responded in Lively Fashion, But Little or No Damage Was Done to Our Fleet—The Spanish [illegible] Bay, Cervera's Fleet Joined In—Great Excitement in the City—Many Cuban Sympathizers Hurried to the Mountains to Join the Patriot Forces.

Cape Haytien, Hayti (By Cable). A despatch which has just been received from Santiago de Cuba says that the American fleet, under command of Commodore Schley, which has been blockading the port for a number of days, began to bombard the fortifications at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, the evident intention being to silence them in order to get at Admiral Cervera's squadron at anchor in Santiago [illegible]. The American fleet comprised fourteen

[LAN]DING REINFORCEMENTS AMMUNITION AND SUPPLIES FOR THE CUBAN INSURGENTS.

[illegible], including the Brooklyn, the flagship of the squadron; Massachusetts, [illegible], Iowa, Marblehead, Nashville, Scorpion and two torpedo boats.

When the firing began many of the men in the city whose sympathies have been with the insurgents started for the insurgent [illegible], which are but a short distance from the town to offer their services. The fighting began at just about 2 o'clock, [when] the signal to begin the battle was displayed on the Brooklyn.

Owing to the height of the bluff on which Morro Castle is situated at the entrance to the harbor it was impossible for the [illegible] to run ashore and elevate their [guns] to a sufficient height to do any damage to the old fortifications. Consequently the big ships with the heavy rifles stood [at a] distance [illegible] from where they [could] pour in a [illegible] fire, while the smaller vessels [illegible] the shore [illegible] themselves [illegible] the sand and [illegible] under batteries [illegible] [illegible]

made known some days ago that two or three of Admiral Cervera's squadron were lying some distance below the city, and it is possible that they may have been engaged. They could not be seen from the city, and this probably accounts for the indefiniteness of the statements regarding the squadron's participation in the fight.

Judging from the reports of the fight that have been received here, it is almost certain that little, if any, damage was done to the Americans.

It may be that Commodore Schley did enter the harbor for a short distance, countering as he went, and awaiting a more favorable opportunity for proceeding up the bay to engage the Spanish warships.

During the fighting a number of troops were hastily despatched from the city, and it is judged from this that the Spanish losses in the batteries must have been heavy, and that the artillerymen were needed to man the guns.

The despatch says that the Americans were compelled to retire after the battle had lasted about two hours. The firing ceased shortly after 4 o'clock. Just before it ceased the cannonading was the heaviest of the day.

During the engagement a large number of shells fell into the bay, raising large masses of water as they exploded.

Of course all the information that has reached this point is from Spanish sources.

The first engagement between Commodore Schley and the Spanish fleet commanded by Admiral Cervera took place Tuesday night when two torpedo boat destroyers about midnight slipped quietly out of Santiago harbor bent on mischief. They crept along in the shadow of old Castle Morro and the mountain for two miles to the westward before they were discovered by the lookout on the Texas, where the men were sleeping by the guns so that the battleship could be quickly manned.

An instant after the lookout gave the alarm the white stream of the Texas' searchlight flashed along the shadow under the mountain, revealing the desperate game of the imprisoned Spaniards.

The torpedo boat destroyers when they saw that they had been discovered dashed toward the Texas, which, with the cruiser Brooklyn close beside it, was lying inshore.

The Texas promptly opened fire with her port fortward batteries and her crack six-pounders, and the hiss of the armor-piercing shells thrown in the direction of the advancing torpedo boat destroyers startled the entire fleet. The Brooklyn also came into action, firing several rounds at the Spanish craft, but the bulk of the shooting was done by the Texas.

The entire fleet went to general quarters, and soon their searchlights were playing around the narrow entrance of the harbor in the expectation that Admiral Cervera's whole fleet would emerge from its haven and fight it out.

The torpedo boat destroyers made a plucky dash through the rain of shells from battleship and cruiser, but foiled in their attempt to surprise the watchful Schley, turned and ran back into the harbor.

No attempt was made to pursue them. It is thought that they were not struck, as they retreated quickly and made small targets in the uncertain moonlight.

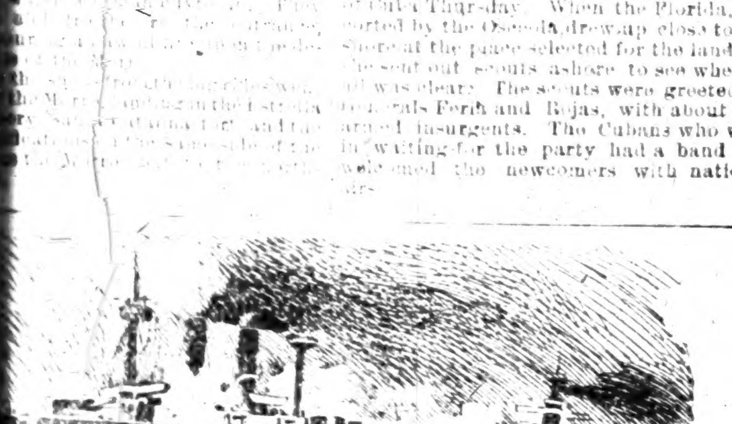
The Spaniards did not discharge any torpedoes, although within 500 yards of the Texas.

AID FOR THE CUBANS.

Four Hundred Men With Provisions and Ammunition Delivered Safely.

Key West, Fla. (Special).—There are rejoicings and shouts of "Viva America" around a hundred Cuban camp fires in the hills of a certain Cuban province. The steamer Florida has returned to Key West after landing great quantities of arms and ammunition and supplies and delivering them safely into the hands of the eager insurgents in Eastern Cuba.

The expedition was landed on the coast of Cuba Thursday. When the Florida, escorted by the Osceola, drew up close to the shore at the place selected for the landing, she sent out scouts ashore to see whether all was clear. The scouts were greeted by Generals Ferin and Rojas, with about 1500 armed insurgents. The Cubans who were in waiting for the party had a band and welcomed the newcomers with national airs.



[illegible] TO DESTROY AMERICAN BATTLESHIP.

This is the most powerful anti-Spanish expedition ever sent to Cuba. Nearly 400 men were landed and 300 of them are Cubans. The others are Americans. The entire corps of the expedition is composed entirely of Americans, under Aurelian [illegible], and includes experts in explosives. Three of the four physicians with the party are Americans. The men were dressed in canvas uniforms furnished by the United States Government, and the Commissary Department had rations enough to last fifteen days after the landing. The pack-train consisted of seventy-five mules and twenty-five horses. The expedition carried 7000 rifles and 2,000,000 rounds of ammunition for General Calixto Garcia. General Castillo, General Sanguily and Colonel Lacret are fine looking men, and the expedition is composed of hardy fellows who looked fit for anything. The expedition was under the command of [illegible], formerly insurgent commander in Matanzas province. [illegible]

[illegible] Yard Workmen Armed.

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Steamer Wrecked by Spaniards.

The steamer Benvidere, wrecked upon Point Maysi, Cuba, is reported at Kingston, Jamaica, to have been lured upon the rocks by Spanish wreckers. Dr. Capote, Vice-President of the Cuban Republic, and [illegible] on board are reported to have been taken off by other steamers.

[illegible] Key West.

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Straus Minister to Turkey.

Oscar S. Straus, of New York, was nominated by the President to be the successor of Dr. Angell as Minister to Turkey. Mr. Straus is a Gold Democrat and was Minister to Turkey under Cleveland.

LEITER'S WHEAT DEAL.

The Chicago Speculator Brings His Corner to a Profitable End.

STORY OF HIS OPERATIONS.

The Profits of the Deal Estimated at $4,000,000—It is Said He Has Earned $7.50 a Minute Since He Entered the Market—Still Holds Much Wheat on Which He Will Lose.

Chicago (Special).—Leiter's famous wheat deal was formally closed Tuesday. The last moments were lively, and Joseph Leiter, to all appearances, was master of the situation. As if to emphasize his command of the market, Leiter sent May wheat down from $1.75 to $1.25. This move was plainly for the purpose of evading the big receipts and to circumvent the "tailers,"

JOSEPH LEITER.

(He has just successfully engineered a stupendous corner in wheat.)

who wanted to "ring in" a lot of wheat on Leiter at fancy prices. Leiter fooled them by putting the price down. Nevertheless, he had to take on another 500,000 bushels to-day, in addition to the five million or six million bushels which he still has on his hands.

It was generally believed that Leiter would force up the price beyond the two-dollar mark, in order to eclipse the record made in 1888 during the Hutchinson "corner." Then, on settlement day, the bull clique controlling the market sent the price up nearly sixty cent.

The wheat deal just closed has been the most stupendous in the history of the grain markets. Leiter not only made himself rich—his profits are estimated at $4,000,000, or $7.50 a minute since April, 1897—but he has placed the farmers of the United States in a condition of wealth such as they have never known. Kansas and several Central Western States, which a few years ago were plastered with mortgages, are now experiencing great prosperity.

The bull clique in wheat, of which Leiter and French are the remnant, originated in Wall street. This was nearly eighteen months ago. The price of wheat was at such a low ebb that planters refused to let go of their holdings except in cases where they were obliged to do so in order to secure the necessaries of life. The railroads were doing nothing and the stock market was down to hard pan.

J. R. Keene and several others decided to boom wheat, cause its marketing, and put the price of stocks to a higher level. Chicago, being the largest wheat market of the world, was selected as the base of operations. Leiter was placed at the head of the clique. The scheme worked like a charm.

After the first healthy feeling had pervaded the market and the country looked upon wheat prices as likely to remain near the new prices established, George B. French induced Leiter to go into a bull movement in earnest without any clique. Everything favored higher prices in this country. Foreigners had to look to America for everything they needed in the way of breadstuffs. Countries which had always been good exporters came to Chicago for wheat, and they got it at advances.

Leiter has had many obstacles to encounter, but he has surmounted them all. The big elevator interests at Chicago made an attempt to drown him with high-priced wheat in December, but their offerings were all taken without a murmur. Leiter has always had plenty of money with which to conduct his business, and this has enabled him at all times to cope successfully with those against him. He will have to market considerable cash wheat at a loss, but he has cleared enormous profits, estimated at $4,000,000 on his May deal, and can afford to lose on his cash wheat.

To Go to Cuba at Once.

Secretary Alger sent to Congress a letter from General Ludlow, Chief of Engineers, in which campaign plans are briefly outlined. It is said that the first force to be sent to Cuba will consist of fifteen thousand or twenty thousand men, and that fifty thousand more will follow as rapidly as possible.

Tragedian Keene Dead.

Thomas W. Keene, the well-known actor, died at Staten Island following an operation for appendicitis. He was born in New York City October 26, 1840.

Uniforms Lacking.

More than half the 18,000 volunteers in Camp Alger, and the 8000 at Mobile, lack arms, uniforms or other equipment. Only those troops equipped by their States are ready for actual service. The troops gathering at San Francisco for service in the Philippines are nearly all equipped.

Youth to Hang For Murder.

Benjamin F. Willis, aged twenty-one years, was found guilty at Bridgeport, Conn., of the murder of David S. R. Lambert at Wilton on December 17 last, and was sentenced by Judge Thayer to be hanged on November 4 next.

OMAHA EXPOSITION OPENED.

Great Civic Parade With 100 Bands of Music.

Omaha (Special).—Amid the music of a hundred bands the cheers of a hundred thousand people, the blasts of many whistles and the waving of innumerable flags, the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition was dedicated.

The great civic parade started on its march from the centre of the city to the grounds. The Marine Band from Washington led the splendid pageant and a hundred musical organizations from the various States of the Middle West contributed to the occasion. The parade was three miles long, consisting of the officers and guests of the Exposition in carriages, the semi-military organizations and all the secret societies of this and adjacent States.

One hundred thousand people had arrived from the surrounding cities and States. These mingled with the citizens of Omaha and formed one phalanx along the route of the parade for ten miles.

President McKinley addressed the assembled multitude by long distance telephone, touched the magic button and the Exposition was dedicated.

The Rev. Dr. Nicholas, of St. Louis, opened the exercises with prayer. President G. W. Wattles, John L. Webster, of Omaha, and John N. Baldwin, of Council Bluffs, delivered addresses.

In the afternoon the Marine Band gave a concert at the grounds, and at night a pyrotechnic display on the most elaborate scale enlivened the occasion.

PRINCE LUIGI'S EXPEDITION LOST.

His Schooner Sinks and Thirty-Six of the Party Drowned.

Seattle, Wash. (Special).—Prince Luigi's expedition to Kotzebue Sound, Alaska, has resulted in disaster. His schooner, the Jane Gray, is at the bottom of the sea, ninety miles off Cape Flattery, and thirty-six members of the party, including Sig. Eduardo Gala and Sig. Secundo, of Italy, the friends of Sella, the world renowned photographer, are lost.

Twenty-seven survivors have reached shore and bring word of the disaster to this city. The vessel foundered at two p. m. May 22 and went down in ten minutes.

Most of the victims were seasick in their bunks between decks and were drowned like rats.

The expedition was under command of Major E. S. Ingraham, of Seattle, who accompanied Prince Luigi to Mount St. Elias last summer, and who two months ago was commissioned by the Prince to organize a party to explore the gold bearing streams of Alaska emptying into the Arctic. Ingraham is among the saved.

MEDALS FOR DEWEY'S MEN.

A Board Appointed to Select Designs For Manila Heroes.

Secretary Long has appointed Assistant Secretary Allen president of a board which is to be charged with the selection of designs for the medals which are to be awarded to Admiral Dewey and the members of his ships' crews in recognition of their achievements at Manila. It is the purpose to secure designs for the medals of more than usual excellence, both in originality of theme and beauty, as is believed to be warranted by the splendor of the victory. It is expected that the widest opportunity will be opened to American genius to submit designs.

A Big Engineering Feat.

A dispatch from Bismarck, N. D., says that the east pier of the big iron bridge of the Northern Pacific, sixty feet in length and weighing over 9,000,000 pounds, was moved from its foundation to a new position, a distance of nearly four feet. This is the first engineering feat of the kind ever attempted. The work of preparation for moving the pier has been going on for nearly a year, but with everything ready it took but a minute to slide it into its new position. The engineers availed themselves of an artificial earthslide, which carried the huge granite pile along the rollers provided to its new position.

Fifty-Two Thousand Required.

Fifty-two thousand men will be required to fill the regiments of volunteers already enlisted to the maximum allotted by the law.

Spain's Finances in Bad Shape.

The condition of Spain's finances is so desperate she may not be able to carry on the war much longer. The Government has been unable to check the disastrous run on the Bank of Spain, which now has only $20,000,000 in silver with which to meet its note circulation of $260,000,000.

Ram Katahdin Disabled.

The ram Katahdin made another effort to get away from the navy yard at Boston, but her engines broke down again and she was towed back to her dock. She will not start again until she has been thoroughly overhauled.

SANTIAGO FORTS SILENCED

All Day Monday Sampson's Ships Shelled the Fortifications.

1,600 PROJECTILES FIRED BY AMERICANS

Inflicting Immense Damage on the Land Batteries—Cubans Maintained Attack by Land on the Doomed City. Spanish Loss is Very Heavy.

Cape Haytien, Hayti, June 7.—The bombardment of the forts of Santiago de Cuba, it appears from information obtained here, lasted from 8 a. m. until 11 o'clock yesterday morning, inflicting immense damage on the fortifications, which are riddled and shattered by the American shells.

It appears from the best information obtainable at this place, the cable station connecting with Santiago de Cuba, that immense damage was inflicted on the enemy. The Spaniards admit that the bombardment from the American fleet was most destructive. About 1,600 projectiles are said to have been fired by the American warships, and it seems that the responsive fire from the Spanish forts and ships was scarcely felt as all by the Americans. The fortifications near the entrance of the harbor are described as being riddled with solid shot and scattered by the explosion of the immense shells fired by the American battleships. The Spanish batteries are understood to have been virtually silenced and El Moro and the fortifications at Punta Gorda are reported to have been demolished by the three hours of uninterrupted hammering of the American fleet.

It is also understood here that the Cuban troops maintained throughout the greater part of yesterday an attack by land on Santiago and the Spanish reports say the garrison lost heavily in killed and wounded.

The military commander of Santiago de Cuba acknowledges the following casualties among the land forces: Colonel Ordonez, Captain Sanchez, Lieutenant Yrizar, of the artillery, and Pres and Garcia, Spanish officers, whose rank is not mentioned. These officers were killed. The Spaniards also admit the loss of twenty-one infantry soldiers severely wounded, and say one soldier was killed, but it is believed the losses of the Spaniards were much more heavy. In the naval force the Spanish say the officer who was second in command of the partly dismantled cruiser Reina Mercedes and five sailors and an ensign were killed. The Spanish sailors wounded, it is asserted, number sixteen men.

The American attack is next said to have been especially directed against Aguadores, a small coast town to the east of the entrance of Santiago bay. The idea of the American admiral, it appears, was to land troops and siege guns there there after reducing the defenses of the place and thence make a close assault upon Santiago, which, in view of the present conditions of its fortifications, may be expected to yield very soon after the beginning of such an attack. Heavy cannonading was opened on Aguadores about midday yesterday.

The latest advices received here from Spanish sources do not indicate the duration of the fire or whether American troops and siege guns were actually landed at Aguadores, but, from the information obtained, it cannot be doubted that the net results of Monday's fighting was extremely disastrous to the Spanish defenses.

Cervera's Official Dispatch.

The following official dispatch has been received at Madrid from Cervera: "Vessels have bombarded the fortifications at Santiago and along the adjacent coast. Six were killed and seventeen wounded on board the Reina Mercedes, three officers were [killed] and an officer and seventeen [k]illed among the troops."

The Buffalo Arrives.

[It] was received at the navy department Tuesday that the Buffalo, formerly the Nictheroy had arrived in Hampton Roads from Brazil. She will be given a modern armament of quick-firing guns, and will be prepared for service. Her command will be Captain Hemphill.

Republicans Carry Everything in Oregon.

The latest returns from the Oregon elections show large republican gains in every county of the state over the vote of 1896. Partial returns from twenty-five out of the thirty-two counties of the state show that Geer, republican, for governor, will have about 10,000 plurality. Moody, republican, for congress in the Second district, will have a plurality approaching 5,000. Tongue, republican, is re-elected to congress from the First district by more than 2,000 plurality.

The legislature is overwhelmingly republican, being as follows: Senate, republicans 23; opposition 7. House, republicans 44; opposition 16.

Orders to Recruit to Maximum Strength.

Orders were received at Mobile from Washington Monday for all of the volunteer regiments to recruit to the full strength of 160 men to the company, as per the latest requirements. Colonel Higdon, of the First Alabama, has appointed Captain G. F. Hart and four enlisted men to open a recruiting office in Birmingham. Orders have been received for the headquarters of the Fourth army corps, now stationed at Mobile, to move to Tampa. When the boys will move could not be learned.

MOVEMENT HAS BEGUN.

The President Issues Orders for Troops at Tampa to Embark.

A Tuesday's special from Washington says:

The troops at Tampa are at last off. The word went from President McKinley yesterday that they must leave, and this afternoon he was advised that the movement had begun. Secretary Alger made the official announcement this afternoon that the transports were being loaded and would cut moorings and sail tonight.

From the reports from Santiago this afternoon and tonight it would seem that the troops will be too late for anything save garrison duty there. They will be pushed toward Porto Rico as rapidly as possible, and as the conquest at Santiago is complete, the guns of Sampson will open upon San Juan. The movement of the troops from Tampa is the effect of a direction of the president, and the officers there dared not hesitate any longer. The reports of Gen. Miles reached the president yesterday morning and immediately the answer was flashed back to set all men to work to distribute the ammunition as rapidly as possible and make the start today.

CAVITE HAS SURRENDERED.

Two Thousand Spaniards Taken Prisoners by Aguinaldo.

United States Consul Wildman at Hong Kong has received the following letter from Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader in the Philippines:

"Before opening an attack upon any town, I summoned the Spanish officer in command to surrender. In one case one of the officers so summoned replied by stating that the garrison was not quite ready to fight and he asked if I would defer the attack for three hours. I complied. The first engagement we had with the Spanish occurred on May 28, when we captured nineteen with their arms and ammunition. We hemmed them in. One hundred and ninety Casedores and seventy loyal natives participated. We lost four killed. The Spaniards lost sixteen killed, including one officer. The result of this engagement was that fighting became general throughout the province of Cavite. After four days' fighting over 2,000 Spaniards were taken prisoners, including many officers, and General Leopoldo Pana, governor of Cavite, who handed me his sword, revolver and golden belt and a formal letter of surrender."

PUSHING THE WORK.

On Fortifications at Havana—Spaniards Claim Victories Over Insurgents.

Havana.—Work on the fortifications about Havana is being pushed without an hour's intermission. Even the civil government of Havana and all the employes of the government are at work on the forts or batteries, and all persons out of work are finding similar employment.

The cultivation zones are turning out very successful and are proving a great relief to the poor.

It is announced from the palace that a Spanish column has defeated an insurgent force near Palisade, near the province of Pinar Del Rio. The insurgents are said to have left seventeen dead men on the field. The insurgents, it appears, were almost naked. The Spaniards admit they lost fifteen men killed.

The Monterey Off.

The monitor Monterey and collier Brutus departed from San Francisco for Manila Tuesday. Every steam whistle blew a farewell as the two vessels moved down the harbor toward the Golden Gate. The second expedition to the Philippines will hardly be able to leave before Saturday. High rates of charter and the scarcity of ships is preventing the war department from getting the third expedition under way.

Commander Sturdy is Dead.

The United States collier Pompeii, formerly the British steamer Harlach, arrived at Key West Monday from Norfolk, Va., with her commander, Lieutenant Commander E. W. Sturdy, dead on board, and Lieutenant Norton in charge of the ship. He was taken sick off Cape Henry, became unconscious, and died Monday. He was a native of Maine, 51 years of age and had been in the service thirty six years.

Capt. Gridley's Remains Cremated.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Gridley, widow of Captain Gridley, late commander of the cruiser Olympia, with Admiral Dewey's fleet, the Acting Secretary of the Navy cabled instructions to Paymaster Galt at Yokahoma to turn the remains of the deceased officer over to Mr. Copman, of that city, with the view to their cremation.

Cotton Mill Sold Under Mortgage Decree.

The property of the Eagle and Phœnix Manufacturing company, at Columbus, Ga., valued at $3,000,000, was sold Monday at public outcry by Commissioner J. W. Murphey. The plant brought $500,000, the only bid.

Blanco Believed To Be Isolated.

Information received at Washington indicates that the French cable between Santiago and Hayti had not been working since midnight Monday. If such is the case General Blanco is cut off from communication from his his home government by that source.

No Republican State Ticket.

The republican state convention of Alabama assembled in Montgomery Tuesday and determined that no state ticket be nominated.

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THE County Commissioners have been in session since Monday and amongst other things have examined carefully all the books and accounts of the Tax Collector. Every receipt and stub was found correct and the insolvent list compared with the receipts, etc., was just as it should be. This is an excellent showing for Tax Collector Hubbard, and the redoubtable "Expert" examiner, who lived with us so long last year, would not be able to muddle this account, even though he tried to the utmost.

THE Populist State Campaign committee has decided to open the State campaign at Clanton on Monday, June 30. Congressman W. M. Howard, of the Seventh District, and several other speakers from different parts of the State will be here and some splendid speaking is to be expected. Every Populist in the county should attend this meeting and help to start the campaign with a flourish. All the county nominees have promised to be on hand.

THE Republicans, at their State convention at Montgomery on Tuesday, decided not to put out a State ticket, and advised all their following to use every endeavor to defeat the Democratic nominee, Joseph F. Johnston. Our Republican friends have acted wisely, and by their action have greatly increased the prospect of the Populist ticket being elected by an increased majoriuy. Naturally, the Republican vote will fall to the Populist nominees, and the combined Populist and Republican vote will require a heap of counting out if it is to be overcome.

ALABAMA is proud of her heroic son, Richmond P. Hobson, whose gallant deed of daring the whole world is now discussing in tones of deepest admiration. There are various forms of heroism, but for cool, unflinching courage, death staring them straight in the face from the moment of starting, the eight men led by gallant Dick Hobson are entitled to rank with the world's greatest heroes. We are proud that Hobson is a member of a well-known Populist family, both his father, Judge Hobson, and his brother, Gus, standing high in the councils of the party.

AT the meeting of the Populist County Executive Committee yesterday at Clanton, at which all the Party nominees were present, a plan of the campaign was mapped out and other business transacted. The Committee issued an address (which will be found on page 1) to the people of the county and a list of appointments for public speaking all over the county was made. We will publish the appointments next week. Every member of the committee is confident of victor, in August the only difference being as to how much the majorities can be increased over the last election. Much satisfaction was expressed at the quiet but persistent manner in which all true Populists are working for the success of the cause.

TROOPS are now being landed in Cuba, and it can only be a question of a very short time before a battle takes place.

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THE BEAUTIES OF NATURE.

"The Banner" Gold Medal Awarded to J. Wylie Logan.

AT the closing exercises of the University School the followiug essay by J. Wylie Logan was awarded the Gold Medal offered by THE BANNER for the best English composition. The committee, comprising J. C. Dennis, A. C. Smith and J. M. Calloway, was unanimously of the opinion this was the best essay presented.

As we pass off our limited career we find that nature is not very lavish in her luxuries for us. We find that our everyday duties, whatever may be our avocation, must be executed regardless of pleasure or happiness.

Nature has been very profuse in her material for us to work with and at the same time she has put over us the mighty boss, Necessity, assisted by Ambition, to force us to convert this rough material into myriads of objects of utility. Although she has laid out this broad field for us to work in and has given this obstinate ruler almost absolute dominion over us; yet she has enhanced it with so many of her own beauties that we scarcely know that the performance of these duties is actually labor.

To the tasteful eye and to the ear that loves music, the hand of nature has made almost all things beautiful.

She has covered her plains with elegant grass and has made a breeze to waft it to and fro like a mild sea wave. She has covered her rugged mounds and unmodeled cliffs with beautiful hanging moss and has augmented its beauty by pouring forth from its small veins a stream of water as clear as crystal and as pure as purity can be.

It is almost sublime to glide along a mild stream in a small boat or skiff and to look beneath and see the white pebbly bottom revealed by the transparency of the water and to see yourselt surrounded with many varieties of evergreen and the yellow jessamines that hang by thin little tendrils to the small growth along the banks and adorned with her golden flowers that fill the surrounding air with sweet fragrancc.

The skill of man has made many things that are truly beautiful.

By his art he has made things that would almost arouse a sense of the beautiful in the tasteless. But there never has been nor never will be a structure by the hand of man that will rival such beauties of nature as the perennially snowcapped peaks of the Rocky Mountains, the floral beauties of Florida or its discovery; or the wondrous beauties of the Alps.

Although it may appear to us that our home flowers are more by the skill of man than by nature; but they are nature's gifts and nature serves to produce them when she replenishes them with constant rain that nourish their tender buds and develop them into their bloom and growth nature has furnished us beauty in animate as well as inanimate objects.

O how beautiful it is to hear the melodious songs of the forest birds singing out on the still air in early morning, and how attractive to see the peacock stalk proudly down the farm path with his gay plumage streaming lengthily out behind contrasted by the little canary housed up in his pleasant little cage.

And of all nature's beauties the most magnanimous beauty is the beauty of expression that combination of beauties that enables us to read almost the very thought of anyone. It is that beauty alone of mankind that tells us whether the mind is in a pleasant or an unpleasant state.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., June 8, 1898.

Hon. O. D. Jones, late Populist candidate for governor in Missouri and one of the curators of the state university, created quite a ripple of excitement at the commencement of that institution recently by demanding that a British flag, which was a conspicuous feature of the stage decoration, should be removed. Many people condemn Judge Jones for objecting to this demonstration at a time when it is the style to protest the greatest good fellowship with England. As a conscientious Populist he is acquitted of all blame. The flag was removed silently and promptly.

The Kansas miners have scored another triumph in the higher court, confirming the decision of the lower, in declaring the script and screen laws as interpreted and acted upon by the mine owners to be unconstitutional. Much credit is due those state officials who have so vigorously prosecuted these cases.

The war with Spain is teaching the people many lessons, showing the advantages of "paternalism" and unless they are willfully blind they may in the future refuse to be scared by that hoary bugaboo, Uncle Sam has found it necessary to limit and control the transmission of war news, such news being transmitted entirely by telegraph. This step will naturally lead to government ownership of such lines. The owners of ships suitable and available for transporting the United States troops to the various scenes of action, believing that they could force the government to pay, set a most exorbitant price on the use of their vessels. They were promptly notified that Uncle Sam did not intend to accede to their unreasonable demands and in case they refused to come to terms their ships would be taken possession of and a reasonable fee paid for their use. The French cable line which had delivered a message at the war department after what seemed to all concerned a most unreasonable delay, was notified that if an acceptable explanation was not forthcoming within twenty four hours the franchise granted to said cable company would be revoked and they would be debarred in future from transacting business in this country. This is a very startling step in view of the many supreme court decisions as to the sanctity of franchises. If this war is going to set aside any of the decisions of our highes courts it will indeed be revolutionary.

The disgraceful delay in furnishing supplies for the soldiers is openly ascribed to the fact that all government contracts are being giving out to those men whose names stood opposite handsome sums on the financial sheet of Mark Hanna during the last campaign

Great concern is being felt among the silver men because a poll of the recently enlisted troops from the west and south develops the fact that more than seventy per cent of the men recently sent to the field are supporters of the white metal. Iowa with her seventy thousand Republican majority has been one of the slowest to supply her quota of men.

Republican Illinois, has so arranged her list of officers that the additional expense to the United States government, unless the number of well paid places is greatly reduced, will exceed $235,000 more than is necessary, or customary in military affairs. Governor Tanner has not stinted himself in appointing favorites to official positions with fat salaries attached.

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, on May 25, made a speech favoring the coinage of silver to supply money for war expenses that fairly bristled with unanswerable argument and convincing facts

"Dick" Bland sees in the war cloud, a silver lining for the future. He believes that the people will be educated on the subject of finance by watching the manner of raising money for the war as no amount of campaigning of books could do.

The proposed tax on corporations was defeated in the house last week by a large majority. "Unconstitutional."

Senator Wolcott, of International Bimetallism fame, recently had a violent attack of the rabies, on the floor of the Senate Chamber, over what he termed "the senate sick craze." He expressed the most poignant grief that men who should "not the Populists" should openly ally themselves with so dangerous a doctrine as unredeemable money.

Senator Allen has excited the wonder and admiration of all the country by requesting Gov. Holcomb not to appoint his son to an officer's position in the militia. He expressed a belief that merit alone should win in such cases rather than heredity. A rather severe slap for some of the "Sons of Fathers" recently promoted to exalted military positions when they are grossly ignorant of the rudiments of military tactics.

It is now definitely known that W. J. Bryan was among the first who offered their services to President McKinley, when the present war begun. No response has yet been received by Mr. Bryan and his efforts to identify himself with the militia from his own state have been somewhat hampered. It is, however about definitely settled that he will go as a colonel with a Nebraska com that will be sent to Manila. If not he will probably accept the colonelcy of a Missouri regiment offered him by Gov. Stephens. A. R.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee out of the goods, chattels, lands and enements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama together with the dwelling thereon and known as the "Foshee old home," and also a one sixth undivided interest in and to the following described real estate, to wit: E ½ of sw ¼ of section 34, township 21, range 13; w ½ of se ¼ and ne ¼ of sw 1-4 sec 26, tp 20, r 13; that part of se 1-4 of sec 22, tp 21, r 13 that lies south of Mulberry creek containing twelve acres, more or less; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 and 2 acres described as follows to commence at the sw corner of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 thence north the length of 2 acres thence east the length of one acre, thence south the length of 2 acres, thence west the length of one acre to the place of beginning, sec 2, tp 20, r 12; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 sec 27, 2 acres off the south end of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 sec 27, w ½ of sw 1-4 of se 27, se 1-4 of sec 28 s ½ of ne 1-4 of se 2, 14 acres off the south end of e ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 29. Beginning at the se 4 of nw 1-4 of sec 28 the railroad being the line, one hundred by three hundred and seventy-four feet, thence west to the east line of the Foshee old home lot, thence north 1-4 yard east of the Foshee back fence, thence east to the Tennessee and Georgia Railroad company's land, thence with said line to the beginning, and to satisfy said execution I have levied on the above described property as the property of the said S. A. Foshee.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose to sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, JULY 11, 1898,

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The Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co., a body corporate Petitioner

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Unknown owner of a strip of land extending for fifty feet on each side of the center line of the roadway of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad, as the same is located and constructed, on, over and across the Northeast ¼ of Northeast ¼ of section Four Township Twenty-one, Range Twelve of Chilton County, Ala., Respondent.

The owner or owners of the above described strip of land are notified that the Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co. has filed its petition in my office for the condemnation thereof as a right of way for its line of railroad, and that the 27 day of June, and my office in the Courthouse of Chilton County, in the Town of Clanton, Alabama, is the time and place set for the hearing thereof, at which time they may appear and contest the same.

Given under my hand this 19 day of May, 1898.
R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against D. C. Savage, out of a certain store house and lot in Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, and known as the Savage Store-house, and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the south-west corner of the store-house of T. U. Crumpton, and running south 24 feet, thence east 210 feet, thence north 24 feet, and thence west 210 feet to the point of beginning.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at the Courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1898,

all the right, title and interest of the said D. C. Savage in and to the said Store-House and Lot in Maplesville, Alabama. Provided, however, that said property will be sold subject to three certain mortgages executed by D. C. Savage and Ida Savage to Howell Cotton Company of Alabama, and by said Company duly transferred and assigned to V. B. Atkins and E. B. Martin, composing the firm of V. B. Atkins & Co.

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TAX SALE.

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MONDAY, JUNE 13, 1898,

the following lands for taxes due thereon for the year 1897, to wit:

BEAT No. 2.

W. R. Oliver ne ¼ of sw ¼ sec 23 tp 24 r 13 tax and costs $3.80

BEAT No. 4.

C. P. Ladw 2 ... sw ¼ sec 8 tp 23 ... tax and costs $ .92

BEAT No. 5.

Mrs. Sallie ... 16 acres in the ... of sw ¼, 22 acres in sw ¼ of sw ¼ sec 31 tp 21 r 16, tax and costs $7.15

J. M. Hamlin No 2 e ½ of sw ¼ se ¼ et nw ¼, ne ¼ of sw qr s ... of ne ¼ less 4 acres sec 1 tp 20 r 15, fractional lot no 2 on east Locust st in Verbena, lot no 3 on Locust st in Verbena, tax and costs $12.50

BEAT No. 8

W. E. Wailes nw ¼ of ne ¼, s ½ of ne ¼, se ¼ of se ¼, nw ¼ & s ½ of sw ¼ sec 35 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of se qr sec 36 tp 20 r 11 s ½ of ne ¼, e ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $14.73

Mrs. M. R. Osborne, sw ¼ of se ¼ sec 6 tp 20 r 13; tax and costs $3.05

OWNER UNKNOWN.

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Sw qr of nw qr sec 33 tp 20 r 12 tax and costs $1.55

Nw qr of ne qr sec 4 tp 20 r 11 tax and costs $4.67

N ½ of se qr sec 33 tp 22 r 14 tax and costs $5.04

Nw qr of ne qr sec 2 tp 23 r 13 tax and costs $4.45

Nw qr of ne qr sec 31 tp 24 r 14 tax and costs $4.45

E ½ of se qr sec 30 tp 24 r 15 tax and costs $4.98

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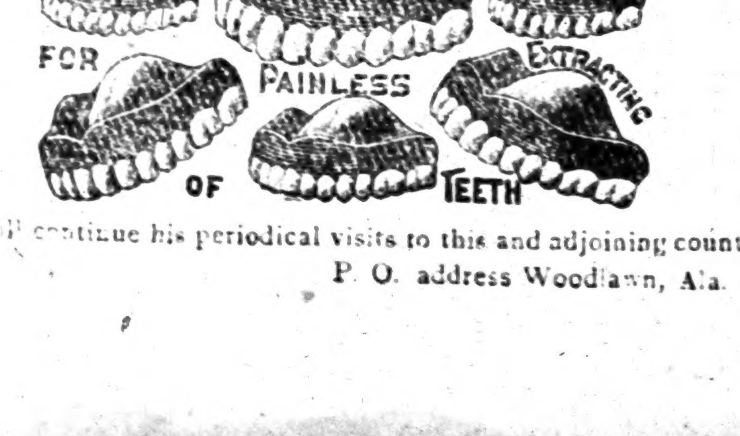

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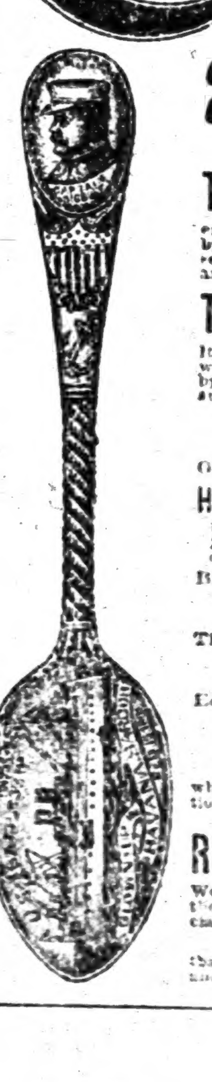

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WE OWN TWO SHIPS UNLIKE THOSE OF ANY OTHER NAVY.

With the incorporation of the Brazilian cruiser Nictheroy into the United States Navy under the name of the Buffalo that branch of the service will have two ships that are unlike those of any other navy in the world—destroyers on a huge plan. These two ships—the Vesuvius and the Buffalo—are throwers of dynamite. The explosives which they throw do not depend, as do those thrown from the torpedo tubes of ordinary warships or the missile sent from a torpedo boat, on any mechanical contrivance inside of the missile. They travel through the air, and their propulsive force comes from compressed air, which is stored in a tube that is more like a gun than a tube. The shots have ranges far superior to those of the torpedo and accuracy which is almost perfect.

The one question is whether large ships like these can get near enough to an enemy to reach him with their shot. They are not like torpedo boats or torpedo boat destroyers. They are large and noticeable objects, and while the Vesuvius is armored, the Buffalo has little defensive power. But if they do get near enough to an enemy to use their dynamite guns properly the ship against which they operate is doomed. No armor, no strength of construction, no bulkheads can save the warship that is struck by the tremendous charge of nitro-glycerine or explosive gelatine with which the aerial torpedo is loaded.

The Nictheroy originally was a merchant vessel owned by the Morgan line, and her name when she was in a peaceful occupation, was El Cid. She was bought by the Government of Brazil in the time of the last revolution there, and was to be used against the insurgents, who had seized the navy and were bombarding the forts in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro. She was refitted pretty thoroughly as a cruiser, and her coal bunkers were so arranged that they protect the machinery and the parts necessary to operate the gun. The latter is mounted in the bow, and projects through an opening in the spar deck, giving it a clear range forward and permitting a free motion on each side, so that it can be trained either to port or starboard. The air reservoirs of the gun are in the lower hold, on the starboard side, directly under the gun, and a central air-pipe leads up through the foundations on which the carriage of the gun rests. Shields protect the weapon and the men who serve it.

On the way to Brazil the crew practiced with it, using "dummy" projectiles, and its accuracy was found remarkable. The gun was so new, however, that the men were almost as much afraid of it as the enemy was expected to be, and there was considerable relief on board when it was found on arrival in Brazil that there would be no need for firing it with real dynamite, as the revolution was over. Since then the successful installation of two batteries of these guns in United States forts has made artillerists more confident, and much reliance is placed in the work of both the Vesuvius and the Buffalo.

One weakness of the dynamite gun system is the fact that the projectiles are discharged with compressed air. This makes necessary a special plant which, of course, means complications of the kind that every naval officer is anxious to avoid. It is not so bad on land, where the necessary steam plant can be protected with earthworks, but on a ship the matter is different. Against this objection the gun offers these advantages over the submarine torpedo: It has greater range, is almost absolutely accurate, and the projectiles cannot be stopped in its course by torpedo nets or exploded by rapid fire guns, as it is too swift in its flight.

The aerial torpedo which is thrown from the dynamite guns on these two ships is shaped like the head of a rocket and is about ten feet long.

FIFTEEN-INCH FULL CALIBRE DYNAMITE PROJECTILE.

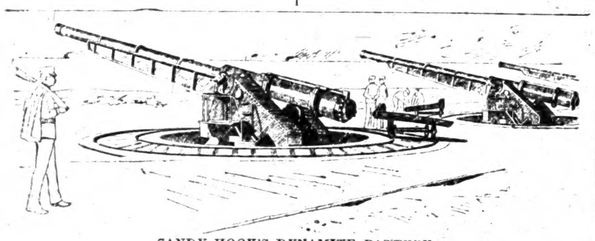
Spiral vanes guide its flight and the explosive charge, consisting of from 200 to 500 pounds of nitro-glycerine, is in the head and middle of the projectile. When loaded the entire affair weighs 1000 pounds. It can be set to explode either on impact or by a time fuse. A range of 2000 yards with entire accuracy is attainable.

As said before, the question is whether a ship carrying these guns could get near enough to attack an enemy. To approach an alert ship of war close enough to use the dynamite gun the Vesuvius or the Buffalo must steam for several miles under fire, for the ordinary powder guns of any warships will throw shot at least three or four miles, and the big guns will carry seven miles with fair accuracy. The dynamite throwers must rush at the enemy under a storm of shot, therefore, and this, at the rate of speed of either these ships, would mean that they would be exposed to it for fifteen minutes at the least before they could reply. But if they survive this fire and drop one projectile within fifty yards of the greatest battleship afloat, the result will be the enemy's annihilation. No craft can withstand the shock of an explosion of the amount of gelatine or nitro-glycerine which their projectiles can carry.

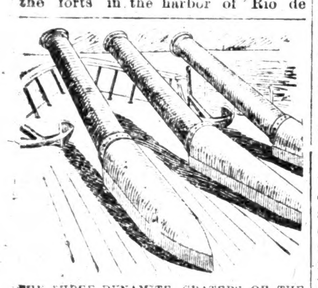
It is somewhat misleading to speak of dynamite guns when referring to the dynamite battery on Sandy Hook. What they are really is torpedo tubes that discharge aerial torpedoes instead of the submarine variety. The tubes are mounted like cannon, and to an extent look like them; but, exactly speaking, they are torpedo tubes, and nothing else. Like the submarine torpedo, they are of use only at close range, or what is considered close range in these days of high power steel cannon which throw shot ten miles. The dynamite battery has an extreme range of only 4300 yards, a little over two miles.

The accuracy of fire of the dynamite battery is great. This is due to the absolute evenness of the propelling force. Compressed air projects the torpedo. The best of powder varies in pressure, while compressed air is exact. The full calibre projectile (called full calibre in distinction from the smaller projectiles, which are made to fit the tube by means of fingers) weighs 1000 pounds, 500 pounds of it being explosive gelatine, either nitro-glycerine or guncotton, and it is fired with an air pressure of 1000 pounds to the square inch. This pressure is exerted so evenly and gradually that the explosive is not shocked into premature detonation, and it is so steady that the unwieldy torpedo or projectile hits with remarkable accuracy. The enormous charge would wreck the hull of any battleship afloat, even if it did not strike the ship directly, but exploded anywhere within fifty feet of it under water.

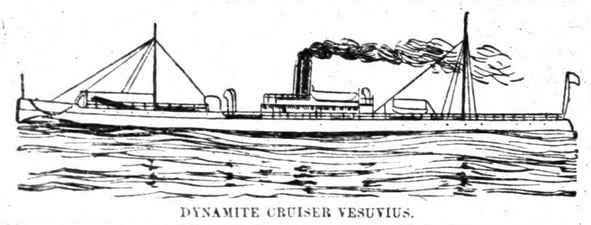
There are two dynamite batteries at forts in this country. One is in Fort Scott in San Francisco Harbor and the other is in Fort Hancock, on Sandy Hook. The Fort Scott battery consists of three fifteen-inch and the Fort Hancock battery has two fifteen-inch and one eight-inch tube or gun. The torpedo boat Vesuvius has fifteen-inch guns.



SANDY HOOK'S DYNAMITE BATTERY.



THE THREE DYNAMITE CRATERS OF THE VESUVIUS.



DYNAMITE CRUISER VESUVIUS.

A Kansas genius introduced a bill in the legislature against snoring in sleeping cars, hotels, churches and other places where the practice is more or less annoying.

FIGHTING NEAR SANTIAGO.

Spanish Troops From the City Going Out to Meet Americans.

SAMPSON'S GUNS RAZING FORTIFICATIONS.

United States Troops and Garcia's Forces Reported to Be Marching on to Santiago and a Great Battle Expected Momentarily.

A special from Cape Haytien Monday says:

There is great fighting at the seashore, near Santiago de Cuba. That city reports that troops have been going out all day toward Sirgidero de Aguadores (the little bay of water carriers). The landing place at Aguadores is a few miles east of Morro castle, and, in a sense, commands the land approaches to the fortifications on the east side of Santiago bay. The firing began early this morning and grew in violence as the day progressed. The detonations indicated that the big guns of the America fleet were hammering at the fortifications at Aguadores, and the movement of the Spanish troops to the front was taken to mean that a landing was being attempted.

The batteries at Aguadores were recently established and the guns are small. All the artillery that can be spared from the defenses of the city itself is being sent there, and at least 3,000 men have gone to the front. Among them are marines from Admiral Cervera's ships, who volunteered for the service, specially requesting the admiral to detail them for the dangerous duty.

Tonight Santiago reports that the big guns have ceased firing. Many stragglers are coming into the city, bearing conflicting tales. Some say the Americans are marching on the city, while others assert that the Spaniards are holding them at bay. Panic prevails. The shops are all closed and people huddle in the houses. There has been some firing on the outskirts, but as yet nothing indicates a general attack by the insurgents.

General Lenares went to the sea front today to personally direct operations. Troops have been coming in from all the outlying forts and stations all day. Some of them report brushes with General Garcia's troops and the hospitals are filled up with the wounded. It is feared the insurgents will destroy telegraphic connection between Santiago and Guantanamo at any time, and thus shut off the scene of conflict from the cable connections with Cape Haytien by way of Mole St. Nicholas.

LATER.—SANTIAGO, VIA CAPE HAYTIEN.—An alarm has been sounded indicating an attack on the city by insurgents or Americans, coming from the southeast.

Col. Sargent at Columbus.

Col. H. H. Sargent, of the Fifth Infantry, United States Volunteers, is now in Columbus, Miss., where he was ordered by the war department, and has commenced to mobilize his regiment. Col. Sargent was appointed by the president on the recommendation of the war department to command the immune regiment of volunteers which is to be raised under a special act of congress, providing for ten regiments of immunes. One regiment is to be raised from Alabama and Mississippi, enosisting of six companies from each state.

Must Increase Quota.

Col. E. L. Higdon, commanding the First Alabama Volunteers, has received an order from Washington to have the First Alabama recruited to 106 men in each company. The regiment will, therefore, be ready to accept any number of recruits and transportation will be furnished them.

Ready to Jump the Question.

The senators who are most strenuously opposed to the annexation of Hawaii have been canvassing the senate and claim that they have a sufficient number of senators pledged to adjourn in preference to taking up the annexation resolution.

Dewey Will Protect Foreigners.

Advices from Manila say Admiral Dewey has gathered the steamers blocked in the river to lay off Cavite in readiness to receive foreigners. The Spaniards are losing arms, ammunition and field pieces almost daily, so persistent are the rebels' attacks. The natives are flocking to Aguinaldo's standard. He is, on the whole, conducting the campaign on humane principles.

Judging from the general tenor of the news from Manila, there is reason to believe the city will fall into Dewey's hands before the arrival of the American troops.

China Selects a New Capital.

The London Globe says it learns from a reliable source that the Tsung Li Yamen (Chinese Foreign office) has decided to make Siun Fu (capital of the province of Shen Si) the capital of the Chinese empire in place of Pekin.

Guffey Succeeds Harrity.

J. M. Guffey has been made the representative of Pennsylvania on the National Democratic committee to succeed Wm. F. Harrity.

FIERCE FIGHTING AT MANILA.

Spanish Outposts Driven In With Loss of One Thousand Men.

MANILA, VIA HONG KONG.—The Spanish outpost have been driven in all along the line simultaneously and with great slaughter. It is reported that over a thousand have been killed. There has been fierce hand-to-hand fighting for seventy hours, despite the typhoon which has been raging. The violent winds and torrents of rain render the rifles of the Spanish troops unavailing. The natives easily win at every step with their slashing knives. The insurgents hold Malabon, Torlac and Baccor. They are now attacking Santa Mesa and Molate, the suburbs of the city which is completely encircled for a distance of seven miles.

A native regiment under Colonel Aguinaldo, cousin of the insurgent leader, has joined the insurgent leaders.

The governor has issued a despairing proclamation, begging the insurgents to come to terms, and meanwhile he is arranging to remove all the Spanish population inside the old walled city. He is filling the moats, testing the drawbridges and placing artillery along the walls. All the other troops are camping in the suburbs.

Chief Aguinaldo, in the course of an interview, has said that the insurgents are eager to rush upon Manila forthwith, but that Admiral Dewey refuses to allow hordes of passionate, semi-savages to storm a civilized metropolis. Admiral Dewey intends to await the arrival of the American troops. In the meantime the insurgents have been forbidden to cross the Melot river, seven miles south of Manila, otherwise the Petrel will be stationed there to bombard them.

Many natives will try to secure the large reward the government has offered for the capture of the insurgent chief, Aguinaldo, dead or alive. Already several of the insurgent officers have been assassinated.

It is officially declared that four armored cruisers, with colliers, torpedo boats and transports, carrying ten thousand troops have left Spain for eastern waters. The Spaniards are utterly unimpressed by the naval defeat here. They explain that their squadron was vastly outclassed and are confident of a victory on shore. They are determined to fight to the end as the ships did.

The admiral reports that the insurgents have been actively engaged within the province of Cavite during the past week. They have won several victories, taken prisoners about 1,800 men, and fifty officers of the Spanish troops, not natives. The arsenal of Cavite has been prepared for occupation for the United States troops upon their arrival on transports.

Hay Protests to England.

LONDON.—The United States ambassador, Col. John Hay, called at the foreign office Monday and presented evidence of Spanish officials making Canada the base of operations and protested against the continuance of this practice. The protest is based upon the fact that it would be a breach of neutrality for Great Britain to have her territory used for such hostile purposes.

Earthquake in Kentucky.

A severe earthquake occurred in Northern Kentucky Monday. At Maysville the vibrations lasted thirty seconds, and were very strong. At Millersburg the people were panic-stricken. At Cynthia the shock was accompanied by a loud report, and at Owensville meteors have been falling during the day time.

Chandler for Governor of Georgia.

The democrats of Georgia voted Monday in primary for governor and state officials, for senators and members of legislature and for congressmen. The result of the contest is as follows: For Governor, Allen D. Chandler; Secretary of State, Philip Cook; Comptroller-General, William A. Wright; Commissioner of Agriculture, O. B. Stephens; Attorney General, J. M. Terrell; State School Commissioner, G. R. Glenn; Prison Commissioner, J. S. Turner; State Treasurer, Wm. J. Speer.

Monadnock for Manila.

The government gave orders Monday that the monitor Monadnock, now at Mare Island, Cal., should be ready to sail for Manila within ten days.

Spanish Agents Arrested.

MONTREAL, CANADA.—Lieut. Carranza and Senor DuBosc were arrested Monday on capias in which it is alleged they were about to leave the country. The capias was taken out in accordance with a suit of $25,000 damages for defamation of character entered by Detective Kellert. They were released on $1,000 bond.

A Big Sham Battle.

A big sham battle was the event of Monday at Chickamauga. The battle was between the regiments composing the First Division of the Third Corps and about 1,000 men participated.

Hobson to Be Made a Commander.

The navy department began Monday the consideration of Naval Constructor Hobson's exchange. It is more than probable that this gallant Alabamian will be raised to the rank of lieutenant-commander, which would necessitate the transfer from the construction department of the navy to the line.

Ended His Life.

G. S. Sprayberry, who lived near Goodwater, suicided. He was 40 years old.

SINKING OF THE MERRIMAC

Detailed Account of the Deed of Heroism.

BRAVE MEN WHO FOLLOWED HOBSON

Graphic Description of an Event That Will Live in the Memory of Generations—List of Men Who Were on the Collier Merrimac.

PORT ANTONIO, JAMAICA, Special.—A single deed of magnificent American daring has lost the once kingdom of Spain the power to do evil. Admiral Cervera, after having lain for seven days in the harbor of Santiago with the Merrimac under the fire of Morro's batteries and another fort on the hill beneath a spot on the mainland and the wrecked hull of the sunken collier effectually closes the entrance to the harbor within which the Spanish squadron is hopelessly locked.

This splendid piece of work which the government at Washington has kept a secret until further fruit of the Spanish fleet was planned by Lieut. Richmond P. Hobson, who commanded the expedition. With him went Daniel Montague, George Charette, J. E. Murphy, Oscar Deignan, John P. Philips and John Kelly, all non commissioned officers or enlisted men. A steam launch from the flagship New York, commanded by Cadet J. W. Powell, followed the Merrimac to the mouth of the harbor and despite the fire from the forts cruised in the vicinity for an hour and a half after the collier was sunk, but no sign of the brave Americans was seen, and Cadet Powell was finally compelled to join the flagship.

The plan to block the entrance to Santiago harbor had been under consideration for several days, as Rear Admiral Sampson had decided that it was impossible to take his fleet inside. All day Thursday the preparations proceeded and by nightfall the craft was in readiness. A row of torpedoes had been arranged outside the hull so that Lieut. Hobson could explode them from the bridge of the vessel and thus insure her rapid sinking. At night the various ships of the fleet passed the doomed Merrimac, cheering her lustily.

Hundreds of men and scores of officers volunteered for the duty and Commodore Merrimac, begged permission of Admiral Sampson to go, but Lieut. Hobson wanted only six men. By 1 o'clock all but the men who were going on the dangerous errand had been taken from the Merrimac and the collier took a position near the New York to await the appointed hour.

Soon after 3 o'clock the black hull of the Merrimac began to drift slowly toward the land, and in a half hour was lost to sight.

It was Lieut. Hobson's plan to steam past Morro, swinging crossways the channel, drop his anchors, open the valves, explode the torpedoes on the port side, leap overboard, preceded by his crew, and make their escape in a little life boat which was towed astern, if possible; and if not, to sw m ashore.

Scarcely had the ship disappeared when a flash from Morro's guns proclaimed that she had been discovered. Immediately the other batteries around opened fire. This morning only her top masts can be seen in the water near Morro. A heavy cannonade and musketry fire continued for about a half hour, and guns were fired at intervals until long after daylight.

None of the American ships dared to fire for fear of striking the Merrimac's crew.

Until 5:30 the search was continued and then under a shower of Spanish shells, which flew wide of their mark, Cadet Powell steamed away and a half hour later boarded the New York and reported to Admiral Sampson that he believed the entire crew of the Merrimac had been lost. Not one of them did he catch sight of. The Merrimac, he said, lay well across the channel, her masts showing that Lieutenant Hobson had done his work well, sinking the ship almost at the exact spot decided upon. The channel is not as wide as the Merrimac's length and it is impossible for the Spaniards to raise or destroy the wreck under the guns of the American fleet.

General Oates' Command.

WASHINGTON Special.—Gen Oates has secured in his command one Alabama regiment and may be given both. His command at present consists of one Alabama and two Texas regiments. There is quite a rivalry going on between him and Gen. W. W. Gordon for the remaining Alabama regiment. General Oates said if he is going to be cut down to three regiments to a brigade he would prefer to let the Georgian have one of Texas regiments.

General Gordon said: "I would like a regiment of Alabama boys in my brigade. Those fellows already know what discipline is, and have little to learn."

Overwhelming Military Force to Be Used.

There seems to be no doubt that it is the purpose of the government to push forward with the greatest possible expedition the military and naval movements against Santiago and Porto Rico, and for the purpose of making the result of both expeditions absolutely certain the large military forces will be dispatched to both points to co-operate with the navy and the insurgents. The purpose is to make them overwhelming in strength and numbers at every point and bring the war to a speedy termination.

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The leading railroads of [illegible] have agreed to sell round [illegible] for one fare good to return [illegible] July 2.

Every [illegible] in the state, [illegible] city and county superintende[illegible] vited to attend and assist [illegible] the best meeting in the [illegible] [illegible]

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HAWAIIAN ANNEXAT[illegible]

President McKinley Urges Tha[illegible] ate Action Be Taken by Both [illegible]

WASHINGTON. President [illegible] discussed the question of [illegible] annexation with several re[illegible] tives who were in conference [illegible] Friday. He told them it w[illegible] utmost importance that the tw[illegible] of congress take prompt acti[illegible] the question. He declared [illegible] had received assurances of a[illegible] in the senate who will vote f[illegible] ation and is therefore confide[illegible] will become a law. It see[illegible] generally understood that t[illegible] tion will be brought up in t[illegible] this week.

Russian Arms Meet With R[illegible]

ST. PETERSBURG. A sensa[illegible] been created in official circles [illegible] the news of an unexpected a[illegible] 1,000 natives on a Russian p[illegible] soned by 300 infantry at the [illegible] Andyjan, province of F[illegible] Turkestan. It is said that [illegible] the soldiers were killed and [illegible] were wounded.

Destroyer Terror Reported

A dispatch from Port Anto[illegible] A vessel that has arrived h[illegible] Santiago de Cuba reports [illegible] Americans sunk on Friday [illegible] Spanish torpedo boat destroy[illegible]

Three Arkansans Drown[illegible]

Three men were drowned i[illegible] Dorcheat, near Magnolia, Ark[illegible] sinking of a ferryboat. Five [illegible] a team of mules were on [illegible] when it sank. Two men and [illegible] were saved, but W. A. Bass, [illegible] man, and two negroes were [illegible] swim out and they lost their l[illegible]

The British steamer R[illegible] which was captured while at[illegible] to enter Santiago harbor, was [illegible] Her coal was condemned and [illegible] used for our ships.

The Cadiz Squadron.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA. The [illegible] tion that the Cadiz s[illegible] has sailed comes from [illegible] sources and seems tru[illegible] On the other hand [illegible] Decastro, the Spanish consul, [illegible] that he does not think th[illegible] squadron has sailed for the [illegible] dies, as he believes Admiral [illegible] can defend himself alone.

Hawaii Our Ally.

Naval officials now calcu[illegible] Hawaii has become an al[illegible] United States government in [illegible] our war with Spain, and at [illegible] ment our government is [illegible] for the protection of Hawaii.

INTERNATIONAL LA[illegible]

A Course of Lectures at the U[illegible] versity.

Judge W. S. Thorington, [illegible] he Law Department, has foun[illegible] [illegible] a course on international [illegible] the benefit of the present cla[illegible] [illegible] interest just at [illegible] [illegible] the present war wi[illegible] [illegible] at any time involv[illegible] [illegible] power. Tuscaloo[illegible]

University of Alabam[illegible]

The catalogue of the Univ[illegible] the current year (1897-98) [illegible] advance of any similar p[illegible] ever issued by the institutio[illegible] courses of study have been s[illegible] [illegible] as to allow a great many [illegible] ing adapting themselves to th[illegible] of individual students. Th[illegible] stated the re-writing and re[illegible] ment of the narrative part of [illegible]

In addition to the usual [illegible] courses and degrees, grad[illegible] as laid down and emphasi[illegible] ing to the Master's Degre[illegible] and M. S.). Those degree[illegible] longer be conferred for the [illegible] honor, but will represent a[illegible] year's resident graduate wor[illegible]

In the line of professional [illegible] courses are offered in E[illegible] (Civil and Mining), Law, Me[illegible] Pharmacy.

The enrollment, in all dep[illegible] [illegible] net. In the Acade[illegible] ment it was 187 (the high[illegible] reached in ten years), again[illegible] [illegible] session.

The copy that came to thi[illegible] [illegible] novel and attractive [illegible] ance, in that its pages were [illegible] [illegible] of a magazine.— [illegible] Gazette.

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MAGNIFICENT TEST OF AMERICAN BRAVERY.

Sampson Reports That the Collier Merrimac Now Obstructs the Passage at Santiago Harbor. Americans Held as Prisoners of War.

WASHINGTON (Special). The navy department has posted the following bulletin:

MOLE, HAYTI.—Succeeded in sinking Merrimac in the channel off Santiago at 4 a. m., June 3. This was carried out most gallantly under the command of Naval Constructor Hobson and seven men. By a flag of truce from the Spanish admiral, Cervera, sent in recognition of their bravery, I am informed all are prisoners of war, two slightly wounded. Request authority to approve exchange, if possible, between these and the prisoners at Atlanta. Six of the Spanish squadron in the harbor of Santiago unable to avoid being captured or destroyed.

(Signed) SAMPSON.

Four Thousand Men Volunteered.

Rear Admiral Sampson during Friday decided to close the narrow harbor entrance of Santiago de Cuba by sinking the collier Merrimac, loaded with coal, in the channel. He called for volunteers to go to almost certain death and 4,000 men offered themselves. Lieut. Hobson and six men were chosen and at 3 a. m. Friday the Merrimac, under her own steam, entered the channel under a terrible Spanish fire. The vessel was riddled with projectiles, but she anchored and swung round. Lieut. Hobson then set off an internal torpedo with an electric attachment, there was an explosion, the Merrimac sank, the channel was closed and apparently Admiral Cervera will be unable to escape.

How the Heroes Were Rescued.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA.—Hobson and the hero crew of the Merrimac were saved in the following manner:

Unable after the sinking of their vessel to make their way back through the storm of shot and shell, they rowed into the harbor to the Spanish flagship and were taken on board unharmed. The Spanish admiral, under a flag of truce, on Friday sent word to the American admiral that he offered to exchange the prisoners, adding that in the meanwhile Hobson and his party would be treated with the greatest kindness.

Won Cervera's Admiration.

MOLE ST. NICHOLAS, HAYTI.—All the members of the Merrimac expedition are safe. Only two of them are slightly injured, and their names are not known. Lieut. Hobson was not hurt. All of the Merrimac's men are held as prisoners of war. The news of their wonderful escape was sent to Rear Admiral Sampson by Admiral Cevera, the Spanish admiral being so struck with the courage of the Merrimac's crew that he thought Admiral Sampson should know that they had not lost their lives. Admiral Cervera's chief of staff, Capt. Oviedo, boarded the New York under a flag of truce bearing the announcement of the safety of the Merrimac's men, and returning with a supply of provisions and money for the prisoners.

A Bold and Dashing Officer.

Lieut. Richmond P. Hobson, who commanded the Merrimac on its perilous mission in Santiago harbor, is a native of Hale county, Alabama, having been born and reared at Greensboro. He is the son of Judge Augustus Hobson, who was probate judge of Hale county for twenty-five years, and is 28 years old.

Lieut. Hobson took high standing at the naval academy, finishing at the head of his class. He has been several times assigned to special work on account of his eminent fitness for the same. He is a bold, dashing officer and no one who knows him is surprised to hear of his remarkable achievement.

75,000 MEN AT CHICKAMAUGA.

Order Issued to Use Park for Mobilization of Troops Under the Second Call.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary Alger has directed the Chickamauga Park commissioner and officers now on duty there to prepare camping grounds for 75,000 troops for the summer. Store houses are to be erected and additional land leased. A large commissary and quartermaster supply depot is to be established. The troops sent to the park will be formed into army corps and thoroughly armed and equipped. This will make Chickamauga the principal military camp of the country and forces required for field service will be drawn from the troops mobilized there.

Censorship Grows Tighter.

The censorship at Tampa has been again tightened to a greater extreme than before. No comments will hereafter be allowed on the movements of the regular or volunteer troops either to or from this point, nor will anything bearing on any phase of the situation here be permitted. Correspondents are practically limited now to the veriest camp gossip. Nothing in the nature of information or denial of the reports of embarkation of troops at this point or any comment which might indicate a movement will be allowed.

INVESTMENT OF SANTIAGO.

Five Thousand United States Soldiers Have Landed and Joined Garcia.

A special to the New York Journal says: The investment of Santiago by the American troops has begun. The latest dispatches from the secrecy beset capital of Eastern Cuba told of the landing of 5,000 soldiers of the United States army at Punta Cabrea, six miles to the westward of Santiago harbor and the massing of General Linares' army to oppose them. The Americans have united with Gen. Calixto Garcia's 3,000 Cuban patriots. The nominal force of the Spaniards in the city of Santiago de Cuba is 25,000 men. Of these, only 9,000 are regulars, 5,000 are volunteers like our national guard, and the rest are Spaniards of the city, given arms and pressed into service.

Admiral Cervera's fleet brought over 18,000 Manser rifles to arm these raw levies. Other Spanish troops are being hurried from Guantanimo, Holguin and Manseanillo to reinforce Linares' army. More United States soldiers are coming daily. Their landing is perfectly protected by the guns of the American fleet.

Among Garcia's Cubans are the 400 men under Gen. LaCrete, recently sent over in the Florida. Karl Decker, Evangelina Cisnero's rescuer, and Seely, who won fame by the Little Egypt dinner in New York, are with LaCrete. The Santiago forts were built with reference to sea attack alone, so heights that command them from the land side are left entirely unguarded.

The guns of Morro and Socapa only point out to sea. If the Americans can only seize these hills and plant batteries there, the forts can be made untenable. With the fleet at the same time pounding away from the ocean, they will not last any time. Since the attack on Santiago became a known design, Gen. Linares has thrown up earthworks on these heights and built block-houses.

Linares sent troops to Cabrea to oppose the landing of the Americans, but the fleet shelled the wood and the Spaniards fell back to make their defense out of range of Sampson's guns. The heights west of Santiago are all ablaze every night with the signal fires of the insurgents, the Spaniards making no attempt to destroy them.

SECOND PHILIPPINE EXPEDITION

Ordered to Board the Ships at San Francisco Tuesday.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Maj.-Gen. Otis has issued an order directing the First Colorado and the Tenth Pennsylvania volunteers to embark on transports for the Philippines Tuesday.

The Colorado regiment is 1,008 strong, and there are 640 men from the Keystone State. The order of Gen. Otis read simply that the colonels of the regiments would take their commands on board ship on Tuesday with ammunition to each man and six months' rations.

It is not expected that the transports will sail before Thursday. It is stated that the Zalandia is ready, but the China and Colon will not be in condition to receive the men for several days, and then stores will have to be taken on board. These vessels will carry more troops than are contained in the regiments named, and there is a strong probability that the Twenty-third regiment of United States regulars will form a part of the expeditionary force.

SCHLEY SENDS HIS REPORT.

Says His Attack Upon Santiago Fortifications Was to Develop the Enemy's Position.

WASHINGTON.—The navy department has received an official report from Commodore Schley regarding his attack upon the fortifications at the entrance to Santiago harbor. The purpose of the demonstration, the commodore states in effect, was to develop the positions of the enemy's water batteries and other works and to obtain an estimate of the character of the unstability of the Spaniards in the matter of gunnery, etc. The movement was entirely successful and satisfactory. Not a single shot touched a vessel of our fleet. The commodore has no reasonable doubt that Cervera's squadron is hemmed in Santiago bay.

SPAIN IN DESPERATION.

Has Addressed Another Appeal to the Powers for Peace.

LONDON (Special.)—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "Spain has addressed another appeal to the powers to intervene in the war and Austria is prepared to accede, but only in conjunction with other powers."

WASHINGTON.—If the queen regent of Spain has instructed Senor Castillo to ask the powers to intervene for peace that has not yet taken any form in Washington.

Revolt in San Domingo.

CAPE HAYTIEN, HAYTI.—The mystery surrounding the movements of the Clyde steamer Fanita is now said to be fully explained. It appears, beyond a doubt, that the reports of an uprising in the republic of San Domingo against the power of President Heurreaux are correct. The initial blow was struck at Monto Cristo, on the borders of Hayti, the nearest Dominican port to Cape Haytien.

The preparations for the revolution are said to have been very elaborate, and there is a strong belief here that the revolutionists are sure of success.

MAKING DELICATE WIRES.

Some So Small that No Gauge Can Measure Them.

Gold wire is mentioned in connection with the [illegible] of the sacerdotal robes of Aaron, [illegible] true, yet the oldest pieces of wire of which the world has any knowledge, says Science Siftings, is a specimen made by the Ninevites some 800 years B. C. Solid gold drawn wire is now practically unknown in the trade. However, gold wire is made in the following manner: Silver rods are coated with gold in proportion of 2 per cent of gold to the weight of silver to be manipulated. When the gilding is performed the rods are about one and three fourths inches in diameter by two feet six inches long and weigh about 400 ounces each. The two metals are then drawn down together, first through steel dies and afterward through drilled rubies or diamonds. The process of drilling the gems is kept a secret. A better idea of the minuteness of some of these borings may, however, be learned from the fact that the holes cannot be discerned by the naked eye, and only by the aid of a magnifying glass can one be convinced that they really exist.

For the manufacture of silver and silver gilt wires, the silver is sometimes bored out and internal copper rods inserted, and they are then drawn together. Wires as fine as a human hair, for example, .003 of an inch in diameter, and even finer, can be gauged by instruments termed "micrometers." The scales for weighing the gold coin at the mint are so exquisitely fine they can detect the most minute particle added to either side of the balance. There are fine woven wire gauzes and cloth, some of which are made with as many as 40,000 meshes to the square inch.

The more delicate classes of wires find application in scientific instruments. So fine are these that it is difficult to get them measured; but the task has been accomplished, and platinum wire has been drawn to 1-7,000 of an inch, and to even greater fineness. Aluminum wire has been drawn as fine as 10,500 yards to the ounce, a size too fine to be practically measured by any gauge or instrument. While mentioning practical examples of fine-drawn wires, it may be stated that iron has been attenuated so that over two and a half miles in length only weighed one ounce. Again, twenty-four grains of gold have been drawn on a silver wire to a length of 120 miles.

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A Remarkable Case.

The following case was printed originally in *The Monitor*, a newspaper published at Meaford, Ontario. Doubts were raised as to its truthfulness, consequently a close watch was kept on the case for two years and the original statement has now been completely verified.

Mr. Petch had been a hopeless paralytic for five years. His case has had wide attention. He was confined to his bed, was bloated almost beyond recognition and could not take solid food. Doctors called the disease spinal sclerosis, and all said he could not live. The Canadian Mutual Life Association, after a thorough examination, paid him his total disability claim of $1,650, regarding him as forever incurable.

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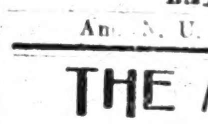

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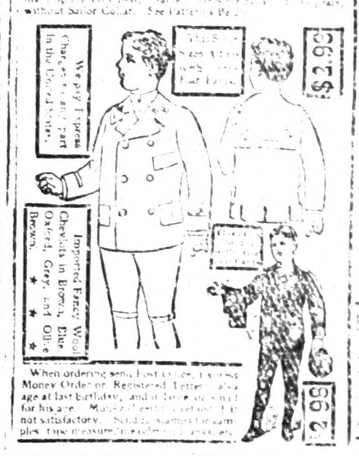

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Promptly at half-past one the convention proceeded to temporarily organize by electing F. B. Baldwin chairman, R. N. Martin secretary, and Clay Jones assistant secretary. The Executive committee presented a roll of delegates and all went merry as a marriage bell until Beat 4 was reached when several members of the convention were surprised to find ten Robbins delegates were elected and four other names were added with one-half a vote each. This was strongly objected to by the Robins faction who undertook to show how and why they were entitled to the full delegation of twelve votes. Some rather strong accusations were made and for quite a while there was considerable wrangling, the chair repeatedly calling for order. Finally, after about two hour's hard work, the Executive committee's report was adopted and the delegates seated in accordance therewith. This was a victory for the Plowman men.

G. L. Speer, of Beat 6, then made a motion that the temporary organization be made the permanent organization and this was carried without a dissentient voice.

Mr. Baldwin thanked the convention for the honor and incidentally mentioned his regret at having ever been led astray by the Palmer & Buckner heretics. He stated that in future, if the Democratic party undertook to coin money from Irish potatoes he should support the party.

R. Ehrman made a motion that the chair appoint a committee of one from each beat on rules and order of business. The committee was appointed and adjourned to prepare its report.

W. M. Adams offered a resolution that no proxies be allowed to vote in the convention, but the resolution failed.

While the committee was out another Democratic candidate for congress from Dallas, Percy Clark, was called upon to address the meeting. Mr. Clark made a good democratic speech and favorably impressed the audience. He urged the convention to be more tolerant to each other and come to a harmonious settlement of their differences, and deeply regretted some things he had noticed in the convention.

The committee on order of business reported, the first in order being the election of the five delegates to the Fourth District congressional convention at Talladega Springs on August 9.

T. A. Curry offered a minority report. This was in substance the same as the committee's report with the addition of a recommendation that no nominations be made for county offices. The minority report was tabled by a vote of 38 to 26.

Tipton Mullins moved that the five following-named delegates and five alternates be elected to the district convention: G. L. Speer, J. M. Garner, R. Ehrman, F. B. Baldwin and B. F. Robinson; alternates T. G. Williams, W. H. Merritt, J. P. Givhan, M. A. Pinson, and W. P. White. These were Plowman men, and on vote were elected; the vote for the Plowman delegation being 37 3-11 against 27 8-11 for Robbins. The result was announced with much cheering.

A call for Capt. Plowman was made, and he was introduced by John Garner. The Captain briefly thanked the convention for this the second nomination by Chilton county Democrats and said that he stood squarely upon the Chicago platform.

R. Ehrman made a motion that if Capt. Plowman failed to secure

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Miss Moore did not return to her home in Mississippi last week as she anticipated, much to the delight of her many friends here.

Quarterly conference of the Methodist church was held here last Saturday and Sunday and resulted in much good in many ways. Come again, brethren.

The M. & O. will put on through vestibule trains on the 15th according to the latest reports.

Dr. Urquhart, presiding elder, preached here Sunday and showed up sin in its true form.

The election has passed and results are not yet reliably learned. Some concede the majority to Capt. Plowman, others to Mr Robbins. Both gentlemen are well thought of and no bitter feelings here.

Luck to the BANNER and may she long wave o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Mrs. Bearden and Mrs. Glass have been visiting relatives.

Farmer's spirits have revived with our last refreshing rain. Much attention has been paid side crops, such as small grains, potatoes and gardens; blackberries and plums are ripe and the red wolf is no longer heard howling.

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9:30. At what age or time should students begin the study of English grammar? B. I. Calloway.

10. Sciences in our common schools, L. E. Byrum.

10:30. Alabama's educational needs, Judson Strock.

11. What is Chilton county doing educationally? What should she do? J. Alex Moore.

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Rev. Perry, of Clanton Ford, preached at the Baptist Church Sunday night.

Mr. Pat Cooper visited Montevallo Monday.

Mr McKee, of Selma, was with his family Sunday.

Mr. J. B. Gullahorn, of this city, was in Selma Tuesday.

Mr. Sam Garner was in Selma Thursday.

We regret to say that Mrs. Asburn has been very ill for several days.

Miss Emma Wilson, of Selma, is visiting Miss Martha Ruddick this week.

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T. D. Whitworth, of Prattville, visited relatives and friends here last week.

John Culver and charming sister, Miss Minnie, of Union, came over Sunday.

Messrs. Walter Kendrick and J. W. Pattillo spent a pleasant day in Clanton Saturday.

Miss Maggie Gordon, of Montgomery, is again visiting Mrs. Kendrick.

Messrs. Bird Mitchell, Walter Claughton and Masters Phil Mitchell and Robert Williamson, of Verbena, were visitors here Sunday.

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In Chancery, at Clanton Alabama, Seventh District, Northeastern Chancery Division. June 8 1898

Sarah Watkins, Complainant, vs. W. F. Watkins Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. A. Collier that the Defendant, W. F. Watkins, Defendant to a bill of complainant on file in the Chancery Court for the above named District and Division, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, and that his post office and residence are unknown to affiant, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Banner a newspaper pulished in Clanton once a week for four consecutive week, requiring him the said W. F. Watkins to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 11 day of June 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

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V. B. ATKINS and E. B. MARTIN composing the firm of V. B. Atkins & Co. transferees of mortgages.

by W. A. COLLIER, their attorney.
Clanton, Ala. May 25, 1898.

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PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

Austria is the only empire in the world which has never had colonies, or even transmarine possessions.

That patriotic circus man who tendered twenty-five elephants to the war department for service in Cuba evidently understands the advertising value of printers' ink.

Sometimes the proof-readers build better than they know. The one who passed the statement that "Spain is now looking for an alley" evidently understands his business.

A Frankfort (Ky.) woman can certainly be credited with having enjoyed considerable of the spice of life, provided variety counts. In 1894 she was sent to the insane asylum. In 1895 she was released. In 1896 she was divorced. In 1897 she married again and had a child. In 1898 she goes back to the asylum.

It is learned from the Cincinnati dailies that the street railway company in that town has issued a general order that "from and after this date and until further notice any employe of the Cincinnati Street Railway Company who goes upon duty within twenty-four hours after partaking of onions in any form will be summarily discharged."

That "good men with poor ships are better than poor men with good ships," has ever been a navy motto. Fortunately for the United States, foreign experts all declare she has good men with good ships. And it is this that gives reason for the confidence the Nation displays in its defenders. Men like Dewey, Sampson, Schley and Sigsbee would do wonders with a tugboat.

A Paris paper says that M. Antoine Varicle, of the French Geographical Society, is confident that he will reach the Klondike in his new balloon. It is to be steered by means of a sail and rope, as in the trips he made from Paris to Thenenil and from Paris to Hamburg. The balloon is cylinder-shaped, the sail being below. It is furnished with electric lights and a searchlight, and will carry a total weight of about three tons. The balloon will be inflated with hydrogen at Juneau, where the start will be made.

When American women once start any movement they generally make it a great success. An English teacher, who is spending a well-earned vacation in this country, says that the collections of needlecraft made by the New York Association of Sewing Schools is not only better than the famous collection in South Kensington, but is the best in the world. The compliment means much, when it is remembered that the association is still a young organization, having been started but a few years ago, although, on the other hand, its collections represent the work of at least 2000 different schools and institutions.

It is very proper that indecent books should be excluded from public libraries, and for that matter from private ones also; but touching the former the wrong means are used to accomplish the end desired. Instead of simply excluding the objectionable volume, without comment or discussion, a set of high sounding resolutions must be adopted by the Library Board and published to the world. Curiosity is an inherent attribute of human nature, consequently the public generally, who perhaps would never entertain a thought touching the book, are aroused to hunt it up, and by personal examination satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the judgment of the board. Mr. Edward Everett Hale sums up the whole matter in a nutshell when he says: "Nobody is so happy as the nasty publisher of a nasty book if the director of a public library is foolish enough to say it is nasty." Hereafter, suggests the St. Louis Star, let Library Boards simply exclude the book without comment, and the end will be accomplished without bestowing upon the publisher a class of advertising that money cannot buy.

Salmon as an Army Ration.

The president has authorized canned salmon to be added as one of the meat components of the army rations. Ordinarily fresh beef will be issued to the troops six days in ten; salmon salt meats three days in ten, and canned salmon one day in ten.

Ordered to 'Frisco.

Orders have been received at Denver for the dispatch of the Nevada troops of Colonel Torrey's rough riders, now at Cheyenne, to San Francisco

AMERICAN FLAG OVER CUBA.

Six Hundred American Marines Are Now Holding Guantanamo Bay.

REFULSED SPANIARDS AND BURNED TOWN.

To Captain Clark and Battleship Oregon Belong the Honor of Accomplishing the First Successful Landing Since Declaration of War.

A Saturday's cable from off Guantanamo, Cuba, says: The invasion of Cuba by the American forces began today. Six hundred marines have pitched their tents about the smoking ruins of the outer fortifications, and the Stars and Stripes for the first time float from a Spanish flagstaff in Cuba.

To Captain Clark and the battleship Oregon belong the honor of accomplishing the first successful landing of the war. Forty marines from the battleship went ashore this morning and occupied the left entrance of the bay until the troopship Panther arrived with 600 marines. These, under the command of Lieut.-Col. R. W. Huntington, arrived at 3 o'clock, and within half an hour they had burned the buildings of the Spanish camp and had set fire to the miserable little village which crouched on the beach under the hilltop of Guantanamo. The whole operation of silencing the guns and landing the forces was as easy as placing a Sunday school picnic.

The Marblehead, backed by the Vixen and Dolphin, opened fire on the earthworks yesterday. The shores to the right of the entrance were lined with guns and rifle pits, but the Spaniards stampeded after firing a few shots.

The city of Guantanamo lies four miles up the bay, and a little Spanish gunboat came down to help the shore batteries. But she stayed just long enough to turn around. Numerous shots were fired by the Spaniards, but not one landed, and no Americans were injured. The main fort lies within the city limits and is still to be reduced, but it is not in a difficult position, and American officers say it can be taken in fifteen minutes when desired.

The marines will hold the position until the arrival of the expected troops, in the meantime scouting in the vicinity, with the Marblehead, Vixen and Dolphin lying by to protect him.

Rear Admiral Sampson now has a harbor and a base of supplies on the south side of the island, and troops can be landed at will.

The troopship Panther reached the fleet off Santiago early today.

On her way over the Yosemite fired a dozen shells into the port of Daiquire (Baiquiri) but received no response.

Guantanamo is forty miles east of Santiago, and is a splendid location for a base of supplies for the blockading fleet.

It is understood that the island of Cuba is entirely cut off from cable communication with the outside world. Report here has it that the cable-ship Adaia cut the cable at Santiago Monday, and that the same day the St. Louis cut the cable running from Guantanamo to the Mole St. Nicholas, Hayti. She was interrupted in the work by shells from shore, but the Marblehead sent several shells at the soldiers and scattered them.

Reported Landing is Confirmed.

CAPE HAYTIEN.—Information has been received here by way of Port au Prince that a large force of Americans landed Saturday on the shores of Guantanamo bay, near Lareaimanera, and it is understood the cable terminus at that point is in the possession of the Americans and that every effort will be made at once to reopen communication with New York via Cape Haytien. A force of cable repairers may be sent from Cape Haytien as soon as a steamer can be sent here to take them.

BLANCO HAS LOST CONFIDENCE.

Believed That the Captain General Will Surrender After a Nominal Resistance.

KEY WEST.—Trustworthy information smuggled out of Havana shows that the city has a garrison of 46,000 regulars and half as many volunteers. The interior of Havana province has been abandoned to the insurgents, who make daily attacks on the picket lines in the suburbs of the capital. It is common talk that Blanco will surrender after a merely nominal resistance. He has lost confidence in the volunteers, refusing to arm many independent companies for fear that they would join the insurgents. The reconcentrados and their families are starving in their hovels.

James Nixon was run over and killed by a Central Railway of Georgia train at Tromwell, Ala., Sunday. He was asleep on the track.

Captain Harrington, of the Puritan, and Lieutenant-Commander Everett, of the Mangrove, have succumbed to the strain and hardships of service in Cuban waters and have been removed to the naval hospital at Key West. Captain Frederick Rogers will command the Puritan.

The Terror Was Not Sunk.

The report that United States warships had sunk the Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Terror is now known to have no foundation.

HURRYING PORTO RICO TROOPS.

The President Extremely Anxious to Gain Possession of This Point.

WASHINGTON.—(Special.)—The Porto Rico expedition is to be expedited in every way possible. Orders to this effect have been sent to General Coppinger and Lee who are charged with the formation of this command. It was the intention at first to wait the action at Santiago. This plan has been abandoned and rush orders have been issued to all bureaus of the war department connected with the formation of the expedition.

The command to hurry comes direct from the president. He is extremely anxious to have possession of this important point and has instructed Secretaries Alger and Long to leave all other projects for the present and to work on this one. The quartermaster-general has been instructed to obtain every available vessel for transport purposes. The vessels used in the Santiago expedition will be withdrawn as soon as they land the troops and will be hurried back to Florida to be utilized for Porto Rico.

The information that the president may carry the war to Spain grows stronger each day. This will not be done unless Spain shows that she is not willing to surrender after the capture of Santiago and Porto Rico. The president has no desire to go beyond the limits fixed upon, but it is in his mind to force Spain to terms by attacking her own ports if she does not succumb. He will not favor a lingering war costing millions of dollars when the strife might be ended by attacking Spain at her own doors to teach her a lesson.

THE ARMY MOVEMENT.

Troops Are Now Under Way to Santiago de Cuba.

WASHINGTON.—All the troops destined for the Santiago-Porto Rican expedition are now on their way. The vessels which have been detained at Tampa, owing to the mismanagement of the war department in the handling of men and supplies, sailed Saturday, and General Shafter and his staff went along. The squadron can reach Key West in twelve hours. There most of the transports that have already sailed are rendezvoused, and the convoying fleet is also there awaiting the arrival of the transports from Tampa.

The start for the eastern end of Cuba commenced early Sunday morning. All the troops necessary to invest the town were debarked. Those not needed will accompany the warships to Porto Rico, which, after the reduction of the San Juan fortifications, will be occupied.

ARMY CAMPS MAY BE MOVED.

Soldiers at Coast Points Will Probably Be Sent to High Ground.

Surgeon-General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital service, says that every possible care is being taken to prevent the development and spread of yellow fever anywhere in the South, and that he believes the prompt discovery of the cases at McHenry, Miss., will enable the authorities to keep it confined to that point. Nothing will be left undone to guard against the fever. Congress will provide ample means for protection as a precautionary measure. The war department has under discussion the advisability of breaking the camps on the coast and moving them to higher grounds.

BATTLE IN PROGRESS

Between Spaniards and Rebels at Manila. Dewey Will Prevent Massacre.

A Saturday's special cable dispatch from Hong Kong says that a battle for the possession of Manila is in progress between the Spanish forces and those of Aguinaldo. Admiral Dewey has promised to prevent a massacre should the insurgents capture the city.

The Spanish governor has been notified that unless he withdraws the price put upon the head of the insurgent leader Aguinaldo, he will get no quarter. Otherwise he rules of civilized warfare will be strictly adhered to. As a result of this price being placed on his head, three attempts have been made to take Aguinaldo's life.

Japan Protests Duty on Tea.

Japan has entered a strong protest against the duty on tea provided for in the war revenue bill. The protest is based on the ground that a uniform duty of 10 cents a pound on all teas, cheap or dear, will have the effect of ruining Japan's tea trade with the United States. Japan, it says, would not object to a duty graded according to value.

An Havana dispatch to Madrid says eleven merchantmen, probably bearing American troops, have arrived before Santiago de Cuba. There is little doubt that Shafter's army is ready to land.

Hawaiian Debate Began.

The Hawaiian debate in the house began Saturday. Six speeches were made, covering generally the contentions of the support and opposition to the resolutions providing for annexation. The debate will continue Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and probably forty members will make speeches.

Two New Cases of Yellow Fever.

The Mississippi board of health has been advised that there are two new cases of yellow fever at McHenry, developed since the seven cases were reported. No deaths have yet been reported to the board.

Judicious advertising pays.

YELLOW FEVER BREAKS OUT

Seven Cases Officially Reported at McHenry, Miss.

THE TOWN DECLARED UNDER QUARANTINE.

Active Measures Taken by the State and Federal Authorities to Prevent the Spread of the Disease—All Mississippi Gulf Ports Quarantined.

Gen. J. F. Hunter, secretary of the Mississippi board of health, has made the following statement:

"It having been reported to me by Drs. Haralson and Folkes, sanitary inspectors of this board, that seven cases of yellow fever exist at McHenry, Miss., I hereby declare the town of McHenry under quarantine, in charge of Dr. Haralson, who will observe the quarantine and sanitary rules and regulations adopted by this board.

(Signed.) J. F. HUNTER,
"Secretary Mississippi State Board of Health."

McHenry is a small town in Harrison county, near a Gulf port, and located on the Gulf and Ship Island railway. The place was visited by the fever last year and there were many deaths. The state health officers say every effort will be made to confine the fever to McHenry, and no one will be allowed to leave that place.

WASHINGTON.—There is some apprehension here over the outbreak of seven cases of yellow fever at McHenry, Miss., and steps have been taken not only to check the spread of the fever from McHenry, but to prevent any possibility of an epidemic in the south.

Dr. R. G. Giddings, of the Marine Hospital Service, now stationed at Tampa, has been ordered to proceed directly to McHenry and take charge of Camp Fontainebleu, where the present cases will be confined.

Surgeon Murray telegraphed that he had gone to McHenry and confirmed the diagnosis made by the state authorities. The town is now guarded, and Marine Hospital Surgeon Carter is already there with Surgeon Murray and the federal and state authorities are co-operating.

Will Be No Epidemic.

Dr. Goode, acting state health officer for Alabama, has quarantined all Mississippi gulf ports and so have Louisiana and Florida authorities. Dr. Goode does not believe the fever developed from last year's left-over germs. "McHenry, Miss.," said he, "is within fourteen miles of Ship Island quarantine station, and is was from that point the fever is believed to have been spread last summer. The medical authorities have been watching for it, and the quarantine system is greatly improved. We believe that there will be no epidemic; that the cases, all of a mild type, will be speedily stamped out."

ENGLAND WOULD INTERVENE

If Both Countries Show a Disposition to Negotiate for Peace.

LONDON.—In the house of commons Friday A. J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury and government leader, replying to a question as to whether, "in view of the condition of the population in Cuba and the suffering and evils arising from the Spanish-American war, her majesty's powers have any intention of intervening to secure a cessation of hostilities by inducing one or both belligerents to negotiate treaties of peace," said:

"Her majesty's government will gladly take any favorable opportunity for promoting a cessation of hostilities and negotiations for peace, but any action upon our part for this purpose can only be undertaken if there is reasonable prospect that it will be well received by both parties and of its being likely to lead to an agreement between them. Unfortunately there is not sufficient ground for believing this condition exists."

Lieutenant Hobson Well Cared For.

British Consul Ramsden, at Santiago de Cuba, cables that he visited Lieutenant Hobson and his colleagues, that he found them well and well cared for by the authorities.

May Send Vessels to Coast of Spain.

Seven of the swiftest ships in the American navy are now at Hampton Roads or nearby. They are the Minneapolis, Cincinnati, Newark, Buffalo, Yale, Harvard and Dixie. Every ship is being coaled to its utmost capacity, which leads to the belief that a long trip is planned, possibly as far as the coast of Spain. The appearance of this squadron off the coast of Spain is expected to have a strong influence on Spain in the direction of peace.

It is announced that Senor DuBosc and Lieut. Carranza will sail for Madrid June 25.

Finest Depot in the South.

The city council of Nashville passed the railway terminal bill, and Mayor Dudley will sign it at once. The bill provides that the city shall build approaches to the depot. The structure is to be mostly of marble, and with freight depots, etc., will cost over a million and a half dollars. Work will begin at once. It will be the finest depot in the South.

The war revenue bill became a law Monday.

SPANISH FLEET IS ALL THERE.

Lieutenant Blue Made a Detour of Santiago Harbor and Found All of Cervera's Fleet Inside.

WASHINGTON (Special).—The navy department Tuesday posted the following:

"Mole St. Nicholas, Lieutenant Blue has just returned after a detour of seventy statute miles of observation of the harbor of Santiago de Cuba. He reports that the Spanish fleet is all there. The Spanish attack [illegible] us yesterday at the camp at Guasimas. A outpost of four marines was [illegible] and their bodies mutilated. Hall and Surgeon Gibbs was killed.

"SAMPSON."

The last lingering doubt [illegible] have existed as to the presence of Cervera's fleet in its entirety in Santiago harbor was removed when Admiral Sampson's dispatch, given above, reached the navy department. Up to that time information as to the number and character of the vessels in the harbor, shielded from observation in great part by the hills at the entrance, had been obtained through Cuban sources supplemented by such glimpses as could be had by naval officers from the outside entrance.

Now, however, according to Lieutenant Blue, the ships have been actually seen by an American officer, counted from such points of vantage as were afforded by the high hills surrounding the harbor. The officers here are full of praise of Lieutenant Blue's achievement.

ACUTE SITUATION AT SANTIAGO.

Sampson Preparing to Force the Harbor When the Army Arrives.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA.—The dynamite cruiser Vesuvius, which joined Admiral Sampson's fleet off Santiago Tuesday morning is to be followed by the Ericsson, the Foote and other torpedo boats, and arrival of the torpedo fleet will confirm the opinion that Admiral Sampson intends to force Santiago harbor on the coming of the troops. Every man in the fleet is anxiously awaiting the soldiers, for it is recognized that no decisive movement is possible until the troops effect a landing. Every body in Sampson's fleet is desperately tired of the present disheartening conditions. The tedious manoeuvers, the ceaseless watching and the exasperating inactivity are telling on officers and men. At no place are the troop ships more anxiously watched for than at the sun blistered hill top where Lieutenant Huntington's marines lie in rifle pits under an almost continuous hail of Spanish bullets.

HAVANA'S CONDITION

Is Growing Desperate and Many Persons Are Dying of Starvation.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA (Special).—The British cruiser Talbot has arrived here. She left Havana closely blockaded on Tuesday. The condition of the city was desperate. The last supply of provisions arrived forty-five days ago, and the food supply must fail entirely within thirty days. Many persons are dying of starvation. All the flour in the city has been exhausted, and bread is now made of corn meal. The horses and mules, without grass or corn, are fast being exterminated. It was reported that the Americans had seized a coaling station at Calmanera.

Report That Americans Were Repulsed

CAPE HAYTIEN, HAYTI.—The United States auxiliary cruiser St. Louis and several dispatch boats—so it is reported here—brought to Mole St. Nicholas a story that a landing was effected by the Americans late on Monday very near Santiago. According to this account the Americans took possession of a fortified position commanding a portion of the point, but the Spaniards rallied and attacked the invading force, finally dislodging it and retaking the position.

More Regiments for the Front.

It is stated that orders were received Tuesday at Chickamauga from the department that fifteen of the best equipped regiments in Gen. Brooke's corps be designated for movement to the front. It is understood that 15,000 men are to be taken from the camp to make up the next expedition, which will go to Porto Rico.

Big Demand for Bonds.

The Treasury officials say the indications are that the $200,000,000 loan will be largely over subscribed.

Dan Curran Shot.

Superintendent Daniel D. Curran, of the Queen and Crescent railroad, was shot and seriously wounded by his stenographer, W. J. Reppert, in the company's office at New Orleans. Mr. Curran was formerly superintendent of the Central of Georgia railroad from Columbus, Ga., to Birmingham.

Attachment Against Leiter.

Justice Daly, of the New York supreme court, has issued an attachment against the property of Joseph Leiter, the wheat speculator of Chicago, for $793,925 in favor of Otto E. Lohrke, Wm. P. Callagha and Wm. Knight, grain dealers, for money advanced.

Prefers Occupation by America.

The Vienna Neue Freie Press says Spain has requested the powers to urge the United States to occupy Manila with American troops should the town surrender, and not allow the city to fall into the hands of the insurgents.

Cuba Shut Off From the World.

The Yankee and the St. Louis cut the cable at Guantanamo, sixty miles east of Santiago de Cuba, and Cuba is now believed to be shut off from communication with the outer world.

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SPANIARDS PUT TO ...

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A special from Manila says the auxiliary cruiser ... has arrived there from ... The marines were at Cape ... the St. Louis left, having ... ing up breastworks and ... cations on a hilltop ... main road, where they ... placed for better protection.

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Spain Refused a Loan by ...

PARIS.—Belgian bankers ... fused a Spanish plea for a ... hundred and fifty million ... The bankrupt nation is in ... financial straits. After ... refused a loan by the ... of Paris and the Rothschilds ... sought to get money from the ... of Brussels, offering the monopoly as security.

Embarked at San Francisco.

Thirty-five hundred ... barked Tuesday at San Francisco ... transport steamers which will ... them to the Philippine Islands.

Preparing to Collect the War ...

The officials of the treasury ... ment were busily engaged ... the preparation of circulars ... customs and internal revenue collectors carrying into effect the provisions of the war revenue act signed by the president Monday. In the internal revenue bureau the circulars which go into immediate effect ... those relating to tobacco, cigarettes and beer.

Prize Vessels to Be Sold.

Twenty-three prize vessels ... cargoes, captured during the ... war, will be sold at auction at Key West.

Democrats Opposed to Annexation.

At a caucus of the democratic house immediately after the session of the house Tuesday resolutions were adopted declaring the sense of the democrats of the house to be opposed to Hawaiian annexation as a proclamation that would prove inimical to the interests of the United States, contrary to the long and well established and generally recognized policy of the government.

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The Marine-Politische co... ent, a naval organ closely ... with the government, ... necessity of forceful in... Manila by the German fle... the Lloyd steamer Darm... at Shanghai with 1,400 relief... The reports in Spanish ... Germany is seeking to pre... bombardment of Manila is ... here. The most that has bee... this subject is a hope expr... there will be no bombardm... many will, however, insist ... permitted to protect her sub... eventually other foreigners ... cruelty of the natives.

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...is Conveyed by a Powerful ...by the Battleship Indiana. ...at Santiago on Thurs... ...Morning at Latest.

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GOVERNMENT CROP REPORT.

Less Cotton Planted by Over a Million and a Half Acres.

The final reports of the agricultural department on cotton planting makes area planted 22,460,334 acres against 24,091,394 acres last year, a reduction of 1,631,000 acres or 6.8 per cent. The decrease in the different states as compared with last year is as follows: Virginia, 8 per cent; North Carolina, 7; South Carolina, 8; Georgia, 6; Florida, 11; Alabama, 4; Mississippi, 4; Louisiana, 7; Texas, 8; Arkansas, 7; Tennessee, 10; Missouri, 18; Oklahoma, 2; Indian Territory, 12.

The average condition on June 1 was 89 compared with 83.5 per cent at the corresponding date last year, and with an average the general condition for the last ten years of 87.10 per cent.

The condition by states is as follows: North Carolina, 86; South Carolina, 85; Georgia, 89; Florida, 76; Alabama, 89; Mississippi, 91; Louisiana, 89; Arkansas, 96; Tennessee, 90; Missouri, 96; Oklahoma, 82; Indian Territory, 80. The general condition is highly favorable.

TO SEIZE LADRONES.

The Charleston Said to Be Bound for That Group of Spanish Islands.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Evening Post says that the cruiser Charleston will not go to the Philippine Islands immediately, but her destination is the island of Guahan, in the Ladrone group, which are controlled by the Spanish and which are about 1,500 miles from Manila and 3,500 miles from Honolulu. The chief city of Guahan is exceedingly well fortified for such a small place and affords one of the best harbors and coaling stations in the Pacific. The United States will seize the group and use the island of Guahan for a Pacific coaling station in addition to any others she may seize in the future. The Charleston, the Post continues, was ordered to wait at Honolulu for the first fleet of transports and then proceed to the Ladrones. When captured, the Charleston will go to Manila.

SIXTEEN WARSHIPS ASSEMBLED

At Port Tampa to Serve as a Convoy to Troop Transports.

WASHINGTON.—Another formidable American fleet has been assembled, consisting of sixteen war-ships of various classes, headed by the big battle ship Indiana, which for all around effectiveness stands at the head of the navy. This fleet assembled at Port Tampa, and is to serve as a convoy to the troop transports from that point.

The formation of this formidable convoy fleet is due to the reports, more or less indefinite, that Spanish ships were lurking between Florida and Cuba with a view of intercepting the troop transports. The navy department has not given serious credit to these reports, yet they were more or less circumstantial. In order to avoid the slightest possibility of a dash by some Spanish ships against the troop transports, this new fleet of sixteen war-ships was determined upon.

A Briton Banished From Porto Rico.

Suspected with having furnished the United States with information of the mining of San Juan harbor, Walter Bett, secretary of the British consulate at that port, has received his passports and has been banished from Porto Rico by order of Governor General Macias. The British consul general has made a formal protest to his government and serious international complications are imminent.

Europe Warned Against America.

HAMBURG.—The leading article in The Hamburger Nachrichten on America and Europe, inspired by Bismarck, points out America's increasing preponderance, and warns European governments to take care in time, lest America's triumph over Spain should over-strain the bow. The newspaper also says that France seems ready openly to side with Spain.

Austria Will Not Intervene.

The Austrian government has declined to initiate mediation between the United States and Spain as it wishes to avoid the appearance of making intervention in the interest of the queen regent, which might perhaps give fatal offense.

TO COMPEL CERVERA TO FIGHT.

Plans to Force the Passage Leading to Santiago Will Soon be Ready.

It is believed the navy will follow the landing of troops by forcing the passage of the narrow channel leading to the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, fishing up the sunken mines and compelling Admiral Cervera to make a stand. If the destruction of the Spanish fleet is successfully carried out, it will end the last vestige of Spanish dominion in Eastern Cuba.

The harbor of Guantanamo is completely under the control of the American fleet and the landing of marines at that point is expected to occur simultaneously with the landing of troops at Santiago de Cuba.

Guarding Soldiers From Yellow Fever.

WASHINGTON.—Surgeon-Generals Sternberg of the army and Van Reypin of the navy have taken every precaution to protect the army and navy from yellow fever. They do not feel that the present conditions give ground for serious apprehension, although our troop ships are now in a country infected with yellow fever.

The wheat experts now put the new crop at 775,000,000 bushels, or 150,000,000 more than the largest previous crop.

FOUR BRAVE MEN KILLED

In a Hand to Hand Fight With Spanish Guerillas.

COWARDLY NIGHT ATTACK BY THE DONS.

The Fight Occurred at the Outer Harbor of Guantanamo and Was Continuous for Almost Thirteen Hours—The Marblehead in the Battle.

A Sunday's special from Mole St. Nicholas, Hayti, says: Col. R. W. Huntington's battalion of marines, which landed from the transport Panther on Friday and encamped on the hill guarding the abandoned cable station at the entrance to the outer harbor of Guantanamo, has been engaged in beating off a bush attack by Spanish guerillas and Spanish regulars since 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The fighting was almost continuous for thirteen hours, when reinforcements were landed from the Marblehead. Four of our men were killed and one wounded. The advance pickets, under Lieutenants Neville and Shaw, are unaccounted for.

Among the killed is Assistant Surgeon John Blair Gibbs, of the regular army, who fell in the Custer massacre. His home was at Richmond, Va., but he has been practicing in New York, and he entered the service since the war began. The others killed are Sergeant Charles H. Smith, of Smallwood; Private William Dunphy, of Gloucester, Mass.; Private James McColgan, of Stoneham, Mass.

Corporal Glass was accidentally wounded in the head. The Spanish loss is unknown, but it was probably considerable. The splashes of blood found at the position the Spaniards occupied indicate fatalities, but their comrades carried off the killed and wounded.

The engagement began with desultory firing at the pickets 1,000 yards inland from the camp. Captain Spicer's company was doing guard duty and was driven in, finally rallying and repulsing the enemy at 5 o'clock. The bodies of Privates McColgan and Dunphy were found, both shot in the head, stripped of shoes, hats and cartridge belts and horribly mutilated with machetes. When they were brought in the battalion formed three sides of a hollow square about the camp on the hill top. Below in the bay were the warships at anchor. Inland from the hill camp is a deep ravine and beyond this are high hills. The adjacent country is heavy with a thicket growth. Night fell thick and impenetrable. The Spanish squads concealed in the chaparel cover had the advantage, the Americans on the ridge furnishing fine targets against the sky and the white tents. The Spaniards fought from cover till midnight, discoverable only by flashes, at which the marines fired volleys.

The Marblehead launch, a Colt machine gun in her bow, pushed up the bay, enfilading the Spaniards, and it is thought that some were killed.

The ships threw their searchlights ashore, the powerful electric lights sweeping the deep tropic foliage and disclosing occasionally skulking parties of Spaniards. Each discovery of the enemy was greeted by the cracks of carbine fire along the edge of the camp ridge or by the long roll of the launch's machine guns searching the thickets with a leaden stream.

Shortly after midnight came the main attack. The Spaniards made a gallant charge up the southwest slope, but were met by repeated volleys from the main body and broke one-third the way up the hill. They came so close that at some points there were almost hand to hand struggles. The officers used their revolvers. Three Spaniards got through the open formation to the edge of the camp. Colonel Jose Campina, the Cuban guide, discharged his revolver, and they turning and finding themselves without support, ran helter skelter down the side of the hill. It has during this assault that Assistant Surgeon Gibbs was killed.

The surgeon of the hospital corps then removed their quarters to the trenches about the old Spanish stockade north of the camp. The attacks were continued at intervals throughout the rest of the night, with firing from small squads in various directions.

Merritt Wants More Troops.

Major-General Merritt wants more troops. He is now in communication with Washington on the subject, and hopes to receive word within a few hours that additional forces have been granted him. General Merritt contemplates leaving San Francisco for Manila two weeks from Saturday, and is desirous that his expeditionary forces shall precede him to the Philippines. With the troops present he has a force of about 16,000. It is said the governor-general has been in constant communication with the department and has has finally demanded that the full quota of 20,000 specified by him be filled.

Further Reports of the Massacre.

Steamers which have arrived at Liverpool from Sierra Leon report that a thousand persons were killed in the recent uprising in that district. One hundred and twenty inhabitants of Freetown, most of them traders are known to have been massacred and other colonists were carried into the bush by the "war boys" and undoubtedly met a worse fate. Three hundred friendly natives were killed and besides the white missionaries six colored missionaries of the United Brethren of Christ were murdered.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The state convention of Alabama miners will be held in Birmingham on the 20th instant.

Montgomery inaugurated quarantine against Mississippi and Louisiana gulf port towns Saturday.

Fire at Elyton destroyed the residences of Dr. McCarty, D. O. Watkins and J. H. Holcomb. Loss estimated at $12,000, partially insured.

The new division of the Mobile and Ohio railroad will establish cotton compresses at Tuskaloosa, Centerville and other points along its line.

Thomas J. Lacey, who lives near Powderly, was thrown from a mule, dragged for a hundred yards over the rocky ground and as a result he is now lying at the point of death.

The Alabama Great Southern railroad has begun relaying their sixty-pound steel rail with seventy-five pound steel rails. Twenty-five miles of rail will be laid, beginning at Birmingham and going southward.

General Oates will go to Mobile Tuesday to take charge of his brigade. There appears to be very little doubt but that he and his Alabama and Texas volunteers will be sent to Porto Rico.

By the 15th of the present month through freight trains will be running on the Mobile and Ohio road from Montgomery to St. Louis.

The supreme court has reversed and remanded the cases of Walter Neville and Lewis Thompson, the two negroes who were sentenced to death in Decatur for an alleged assault on little Nellie Lawton several months since.

All of the property of the Southern States Land and Timber company, situated in Baldwin county, Ala., and Escambia county, Fla., was sold Friday at public outcry at Daphne, and was bought by C. F. Brent, of Pensacola. The property consisted of 330,000 acres of timber lands and the cutting right on 11,000 acres additional, with saw mills, stores, stocks of goods, six locomotives, logs, timber, etc. The price paid for the property was $199,570.

Paid Sum Due the State.

J. W. Gray, of Mobile, attorney for the sureties on the bond of Ex-Tax Collector Lott, paid to Treasurer Ellis, $12,000 in full discharge of all indebtedness due the state.

Quarrel Ended in Death.

Foster Cross and Joseph Truss, two well known citizens of Ashville quarreled at church over some trivial matter. Cross pulled a pistol and shot Truss, killing him instantly.

State Campaign Managers Named.

Chairman Robert J. Lowe, of the state democratic committee, Saturday announced the members of the state campaign committee of the democratic party. They are: Chas. M. Shelley, Francis L. Pettus, Wilson R. Brown, Ross C. Smith and E. W. Booker.

Duel With Pistols.

At a picnic at Tank Branch, near Mount Meigs, Montgomery county, Messrs. Charles Lucas, of Waugh, and Charles Perkins, of Cecil, had a trivial difficulty, which resulted in a duel with pistols between them, in which Mr. Lucas was instantly killed and Mr. Perkins shot three times, and it is thought he will die.

Young Lady Burned to Death.

By the accidental overturning of a large parlor lamp during an entertainment at the residence of Mr. Walter Cullers at Opelika, Miss Sallie Wimberly, of Greenville, lost her life and a half dozen others were more or less injured last Thursday night. The parlors were well filled with guests, when early in the evening, at 10 o'clock the awful catastrophe occurred. The lamp exploded at the feet of Miss Wimberly, and in an instant her clothing was ablaze. Some half dozen seized the unfortunate young lady, but their efforts to free her from the flames only inflicted injuries on themselves. The young woman tore away from her companions and rushed into the street, where she fell burned almost to a crisp. The following were injured: F. L. Yarbrough, George Williams, Dr. I. N. Stowe, Mrs. Walter Cullers, Miss Kittie Frazier, E. S. Thigpen and Walter Cullers.

SPAIN DESIRES PEACE

According to Private Advices Received at Vienna.

Private advices received at Vienna show that the situation in Spain is such that peace is speedily and earnestly desired. The finances of the country are threatened, and the famine and intrigues of the Carlists render peace imperative.

The Spanish government is drawing up a memorandum to the powers requesting their friendly intervention. France and Austria are prepared to accede to the request, while Russia and Germany disapprove of intervention.

A Mob's Work in Kansas.

In the public square fronting on the principal business street of Great Bend, Kan., a mobbing occurred Monday by a crowd of 800. It is estimated that at least 1,000 men of Great Bend's population of 2,000 persons witnessed the tragedy. The victim was John Becker, a white man, who on April 8 killed Myrtle Huff-Meister.

Mary M. Force has been appointed postmaster at Selma.

GOVERNMENT IS CAUTIOUS.

Moving to Secure Complete Success Unattended With Disaster

THIRTY-FOUR STEAMSHIPS ARE WAITING.

The Transportation Fleet and Convoy Will Make One of the Most Formidable Marine Processions Ever Witnessed in Any Country or Time.

WASHINGTON (Special).—Out of the maze of doubt and contradiction as to the departure of the first army of invasion to Cuba, the one thing stands out clearly, namely, the government is strong in its present position and plan, is moving cautiously and with deliberation which it believes will assure success unattended with disasters.

With this purpose in view, the army and navy are co-operating toward the dispatch of troops, some 25,000 in number, under escort of a strong fleet of naval convoys made up of sixteen warships, headed by the Indiana. Unattended by the strong fleet, the troops might have left last Friday, when one strong naval convoy was ready for this service. Since then, however, reports have come as to the presence of Spanish ships in the North Atlantic. Realizing that nothing was to be gained by haste and that the war was progressing steadily forward, it was determined not to take one small chance of having our transports menaced by some scouting ship of the enemy. As a result, the troop transports have not proceeded to Cuba, as has been repeatedly asserted. They are in readiness to go, but will not move until the naval convoy is ready to accompany them, assuring safe conduct from Florida to the point of destination.

The administration feels that the time has come when it is of the utmost importance that the precise movements of this invading fleet should not be published in this country and thus heralded to the enemy.

The completeness with which the transports of troops has been planned is shown in the official list of transport vessels given out at the war department. Of this list thirty-four large steamships, varying from 4,100 tons down to 600 tons, are at Florida ports ready to carry our troops to the point of invasion. There are some fifteen other crafts, including vessels suitable for carrying fresh water, stores, etc., and for lightering the troops and supplies from the ships to the beach when the embarkation begins. The entire transportation fleet of about fifty steamships, augmented by the fleet of naval convoys, sixteen in number, will make a formidable marine procession.

SPANIARDS AGAIN SHELLED.

Sampson Pours Shot and Shell Into the Forts at Santiago.

LONDON.—(Special.)—Sampson has shelled the Spaniards again. Bermuda reports that it has cable connection with Havana, and that the Spanish there assert the Americans bombarded the Santiago forts again Friday, a fierce fire being kept up for three hours to cover the landing of troops near the harbor mouth. The Spanish reports declare that they twice repulsed the Americans, but do not go into details nor definitely say that they finally prevented a landing. The bombardment began early and continued until nearly noon, but just where the landing was attempted is not told in the Bermuda dispatch, nor could Bermuda secure any further details from Havana.

Bombarded Bai Quari.

HAVANA.—(Special.)—Several American warships Friday bombarded Bai Quari, some distance east of Aguadores and near the railway line to Santiago de Cuba. Official advices from Santiago say that the bombardment caused no damage. Bai Quari is a mining locality and some of the mines are under American control. At the palace it is denied that there has been any bombardment of the Santiago fortifications.

FORT MONROE EXCITED.

Spanish Warships Reported to Be Lurking Off Cape Henry, Va.

At Fort Monroe intense excitement was caused Friday night by a dispatch received from the signal station at Cape Henry stating that Spanish warships were lurking in that vicinity. A short while later a message was received from Washington instructing the commandant of the fort to be on the alert. Reports as to the number of ships seen conflict. A lieutenant who was seen after midnight said he had been informed that a Spanish battleship, two cruisers and a torpedo boat had been caught under the searchlight at Cape Henry steaming from a northerly direction.

Guanatanamo Has Been Taken.

The navy department Friday posted the following bulletin:

On June 7 Admiral Sampson ordered the Marblehead, Commander McCalla, and the Yankee, Commander Brownsod, to take possession of the outer bay of Guanatanamo. These vessels entered the harbor at daylight on the 7th, driving a Spanish gunboat into the inner harbor and took possession of the lower bay, which is now held by the Marblehead.

ALABAMA TROOPS MAY GO TO THE FRONT.

Orders Received Countermanding the Removal of Men to Mt. Vernon.

A special from Mobile Monday night says: Orders were received about midnight countermanding all orders relative to the movement of troops from here to Mount Vernon. No explanation of the change is obtainable. It is surmised it means that the troops will be sent to the front.

This morning orders were received that the volunteers here, including two Texas, two Louisiana and one Alabama regiment located at Spring Hill, and one Alabama regiment now on the bay shore, the latter to be mustered in today, be transferred tomorrow to Mount Vernon, the old military post established by Jackson as the most suitable for a military station. This post is thirty miles from Mobile, on the Mobile and Birmingham railroad.

SECOND INVADING EXPEDITION

Is Being Hurried at the War Department. Will Select Other Ports.

WASHINGTON.—Arrangements for the second expedition of invasion from the United States for the West Indies are being hurried at the war department. There seems to be no doubt that this expedition, if its number approaches the first, will be sent from the east coast of the United States. The experience in embarking at Tampa has convinced war department officials that other ports where railroad and other facilities are more adequate than at Tampa are much more desirable places for the concentration of troops and their embarkation.

A board of army officers for the past week has been forming various places in the south with a view to their occupation for camping purposes. Fernandina and Savannah are looked upon with favor by the war department officials as suitable ports for the departure of the invading army, and Charleston has been suggested.

Cadiz Squadron Is Unseaworthy.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Chronicle says: "Captain Aunon's reception along the route from Madrid to Cadiz was not very enthusiastic. The reserve squadron is not ready. Indeed, it is doubtful whether it will ever depart. The cruiser Alfonso XIII. is practically eliminated as unseaworthy, and the Princess de Astorias is unfinished on the dock with all her armament incapacitated. Probably Captain Aunon came to see why the Alfonso XIII. is unseaworthy or to avoid awkward questions in the cortes. The military governor of Cadiz is vigilant, and night alarms are frequent. The lighthouses have been destroyed and the forts strengthened, some twenty fresh guns being mounted, of which six are modern."

The Daily Chronicle comments upon the dispatch, and adds: "The bogie man reserve squadron ought no longer to frighten the most timid soul in America."

Egan Opposes Proposed Alliance.

Patrick Egan, former United States minister to Chili, has written a declaration of his views on the proposed Anglo-American alliance. In it he scored Joseph Chamberlain, Chauncey M. Depew and Joseph H. Choate as jingoes, tories and Anglo-maniacs. He warned the republicans and the administration at Washington of disaster unless it adheres more firmly to patriotic American moorings. He praises former Cabinet Minister John Morley for his repudiation of the sentiments recently expressed by the British secretary of state for the colonies.

Bond Subscriptions Asked For.

Secretary Gage has issued a circular to the public explaining the proposed bond issue, and inviting subscriptions from the people of the United States for $200,000,000 of the bonds of the 3 per cent loan authorized by congress. The bonds will be issued in both coupon and registered form, the coupon bonds in denominations of $20, $100, $500, $1,000 and $10,000.

Iowa's Troops to Join Lee.

The Forty-ninth regiment of Iowa volunteers arrived at Jacksonville Tuesday, where they go to join Gen. Fitzhugh Lee's corps. This was the first Iowa regiment to be called out during this war. Another of Iowa's regiments is on its way to San Francisco to join the Manila expedition, another has already gone to Jacksonville, and a fourth to Chickamauga.

Spanish Guerillas Resumed the Fight.

At 9 o'clock Sunday morning fighting was again resumed by the Spaniards at Guantanamo. The fire was promptly returned by the Americans with thirteen rifles and a 3-inch field gun, and in a short time all signs of the enemy had disappeared. No casualties were reported.

Will Raise Flag Over Hawaii.

Senators and representatives who called on President McKinley Monday say that after the house has voted for annexation, if the senate desires to filibuster, the flag will be raised over Hawaii by the president without waiting for the senate's action.

An Important Capture.

The United States cruiser St. Louis captured the British steamer Twickenham off the coast of Jamaica. The vessel had been acting as a coaling steamer for the Spaniards.

Eleven Men Injured in an Explosion.

A disastrous explosion occurred at the smelting plant of the Arkansas Mining Company, near Hatfield, Ark. Eleven men were injured, eight seriously, and some of them cannot recover.

THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

Austria is the only empire in the world which has never had colonies, or even transmarine possessions.

That patriotic circus man who tendered twenty-five elephants to the war department for service in Cuba evidently understands the advertising value of printers' ink.

Sometimes the proof-readers build better than they know. The one who passed the statement that "Spain is now looking for an alley" evidently understands his business.

A Frankfort (Ky.) woman can certainly be credited with having enjoyed considerable of the spice of life, provided variety counts. In 1894 she was sent to the insane asylum. In 1895 she was released. In 1896 she was divorced. In 1897 she married again and had a child. In 1898 she goes back to the asylum.

It is learned from the Cincinnati dailies that the street railway company in that town has issued a general order that "from and after this date and until further notice any employe of the Cincinnati Street Railway Company who goes upon duty within twenty-four hours after partaking of onions in any form will be summarily discharged."

That "good men with poor ships are better than poor men with good ships," has ever been a navy motto. Fortunately for the United States, foreign experts all declare she has good men with good ships. And it is this that gives reason for the confidence the Nation displays in its defenders. Men like Dewey, Sampson, Schley and Sigsbee would do wonders with a tugboat.

A Paris paper says that M. Antoine Varicle, of the French Geographical Society, is confident that he will reach the Klondike in his new balloon. It is to be steered by means of a sail and rope, as in the trips he made from Paris to Thenenil and from Paris to Hamburg. The balloon is cylinder-shaped, the sail being below. It is furnished with electric lights and a searchlight, and will carry a total weight of about three tons. The balloon will be inflated with hydrogen at Juneau, where the start will be made.

When American women once start any movement they generally make it a great success. An English teacher, who is spending a well-earned vacation in this country, says that the collections of needlecraft made by the New York Association of Sewing Schools is not only better than the famous collection in South Kensington, but is the best in the world. The compliment means much, when it is remembered that the association is still a young organization, having been started but a few years ago, although, on the other hand, its collections represent the work of at least 2000 different schools and institutions.

It is very proper that indecent books should be excluded from public libraries, and for that matter from private ones also; but touching the former the wrong means are used to accomplish the end desired. Instead of simply excluding the objectionable volume, without comment or discussion, a set of high sounding resolutions must be adopted by the Library Board and published to the world. Curiosity is an inherent attribute of human nature, consequently the public generally, who perhaps would never entertain a thought touching the book, are aroused to hunt it up, and by personal examination satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the judgment of the board. Mr. Edward Everett Hale sums up the whole matter in a nutshell when he says: "Nobody is so happy as the nasty publisher of a nasty book if the director of a public library is foolish enough to say it is nasty." Hereafter, suggests the St. Louis Star, let Library Boards simply exclude the book without comment, and the end will be accomplished without bestowing upon the publisher a class of advertising that money cannot buy.

Salmon as an Army Ration.

The president has authorized canned salmon to be added as one of the meat components of the army rations. Ordinarily fresh beef will be issued to the troops six days in ten; salmon salt meats three days in ten, and canned salmon one day in ten.

Ordered to 'Frisco.

Orders have been received at Denver for the dispatch of the Nevada troops of Colonel Torrey's rough riders, now at Cheyenne, to San Francisco

AMERICAN FLAG OVER CUBA.

Six Hundred American Marines Are Now Holding Guantanamo Bay.

REFULSED SPANIARDS AND BURNED TOWN.

To Captain Clark and Battleship Oregon Belong the Honor of Accomplishing the First Successful Landing Since Declaration of War.

A Saturday's cable from off Guantanamo, Cuba, says: The invasion of Cuba by the American forces began today. Six hundred marines have pitched their tents about the smoking ruins of the outer fortifications, and the Stars and Stripes for the first time float from a Spanish flagstaff in Cuba.

To Captain Clark and the battleship Oregon belong the honor of accomplishing the first successful landing of the war. Forty marines from the battleship went ashore this morning and occupied the left entrance of the bay until the troopship Panther arrived with 600 marines. These, under the command of Lieut.-Col. R. W. Huntington, arrived at 3 o'clock, and within half an hour they had burned the buildings of the Spanish camp and had set fire to the miserable little village which crouched on the beach under the hilltop of Guantanamo. The whole operation of silencing the guns and landing the forces was as easy as placing a Sunday school picnic.

The Marblehead, backed by the Vixen and Dolphin, opened fire on the earthworks yesterday. The shores to the right of the entrance were lined with guns and rifle pits, but the Spaniards stampeded after firing a few shots.

The city of Guantanamo lies four miles up the bay, and a little Spanish gunboat came down to help the shore batteries. But she stayed just long enough to turn around. Numerous shots were fired by the Spaniards, but not one landed, and no Americans were injured. The main fort lies within the city limits and is still to be reduced, but it is not in a difficult position, and American officers say it can be taken in fifteen minutes when desired.

The marines will hold the position until the arrival of the expected troops, in the meantime scouting in the vicinity, with the Marblehead, Vixen and Dolphin lying by to protect him.

Rear Admiral Sampson now has a harbor and a base of supplies on the south side of the island, and troops can be landed at will.

The troopship Panther reached the fleet off Santiago early today.

On her way over the Yosemite fired a dozen shells into the port of Daiguire (Baiquiri) but received no response.

Guantanamo is forty miles east of Santiago, and is a splendid location for a base of supplies for the blockading fleet.

It is understood that the island of Cuba is entirely cut off from cable communication with the outside world. Report here has it that the cable-ship Adaia cut the cable at Santiago Monday, and that the same day the St. Louis cut the cable running from Guantanamo to the Mole St. Nicholas, Hayti. She was interrupted in the work by shells from shore, but the Marblehead sent several shells at the soldiers and scattered them.

Reported Landing is Confirmed.

CAPE HAYTIEN.—Information has been received here by way of Port au Prince that a large force of Americans landed Saturday on the shores of Guantanamo bay, near Lareaimanera, and it is understood the cable terminus at that point is in the possession of the Americans and that every effort will be made at once to reopen communication with New York via Cape Haytien. A force of cable repairers may be sent from Cape Haytien as soon as a steamer can be sent here to take them.

BLANCO HAS LOST CONFIDENCE.

Believed That the Captain General Will Surrender After a Nominal Resistance.

KEY WEST.—Trustworthy information smuggled out of Havana shows that the city has a garrison of 46,000 regulars and half as many volunteers. The interior of Havana province has been abandoned to the insurgents, who make daily attacks on the picket lines in the suburbs of the capital. It is common talk that Blanco will surrender after a merely nominal resistance. He has lost confidence in the volunteers, refusing to arm many independent companies for fear that they would join the insurgents. The reconcentrados and their families are starving in their hovels.

James Nixon was run over and killed by a Central Railway of Georgia train at Tromwell, Ala., Sunday. He was asleep on the track.

Captain Harrington, of the Puritan, and Lieutenant-Commander Everett, of the Maugrove, have succumbed to the strain and hardships of service in Cuban waters and have been removed to the naval hospital at Key West. Captain Frederick Rogers will command the Puritan.

The Terror Was Not Sunk.

The report that United States warships had sunk the Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Terror is now known to have no foundation.

HURRYING PORTO RICO TROOPS.

The President Extremely Anxious to Gain Possession of This Point.

WASHINGTON—(Special.)—The Porto Rico expedition is to be expedited in every way possible. Orders to this effect have been sent to General Coppinger and Lee who are charged with the formation of this command. It was the intention at first to wait the action at Santiago. This plan has been abandoned and rush orders have been issued to all bureaus of the war department connected with the formation of the expedition.

The command to hurry comes direct from the president. He is extremely anxious to have possession of this important point and has instructed Secretaries Alger and Long to leave all other projects for the present and to work on this one. The quartermaster-general has been instructed to obtain every available vessel for transport purposes. The vessels used in the Santiago expedition will be withdrawn as soon as they land the troops and will be hurried back to Florida to be utilized for Porto Rico.

The information that the president may carry the war to Spain grows stronger each day. This will not be done unless Spain shows that she is not willing to surrender after the capture of Santiago and Porto Rico. The president has no desire to go beyond the limits fixed upon, but it is in his mind to force Spain to terms by attacking her own ports if she does not succumb. He will not favor a lingering war costing millions of dollars when the strife might be ended by attacking Spain at her own doors to teach her a lesson.

THE ARMY MOVEMENT.

Troops Are Now Under Way to Santiago de Cuba.

WASHINGTON.—All the troops destined for the Santiago-Porto Rican expedition are now on their way. The vessels which have been detained at Tampa, owing to the mismanagement of the war department in the handling of men and supplies, sailed Saturday, and General Shafter and his staff went along. The squadron can reach Key West in twelve hours. There most of the transports that have already sailed are rendezvoused, and the convoying fleet is also there awaiting the arrival of the transports from Tampa.

The start for the eastern end of Cuba commenced early Sunday morning. All the troops necessary to invest the town were debarked. Those not needed will accompany the warships to Porto Rico, which, after the reduction of the San Juan fortifications, will be occupied.

ARMY CAMPS MAY BE MOVED.

Soldiers at Coast Points Will Probably Be Sent to High Ground.

Surgeon-General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital service, says that every possible care is being taken to prevent the development and spread of yellow fever anywhere in the South, and that he believes the prompt discovery of the cases at McHenry, Miss., will enable the authorities to keep it confined to that point. Nothing will be left undone to guard against the fever. Congress will provide ample means for protection as a precautionary measure. The war department has under discussion the advisability of breaking the camps on the coast and moving them to higher grounds.

BATTLE IN PROGRESS

Between Spaniards and Rebels at Manila. Dewey Will Prevent Massacre.

A Saturday's special cable dispatch from Hong Kong says that a battle for the possession of Manila is in progress between the Spanish forces and those of Aguinaldo. Admiral Dewey has promised to prevent a massacre should the insurgents capture the city.

The Spanish governor has been notified that unless he withdraws the price put upon the head of the insurgent leader Aguinaldo, he will get no quarter. Otherwise he rules of civilized warfare will be strictly adhered to. As a result of this price being placed on his head, three attempts have been made to take Aguinaldo's life.

Japan Protests Duty on Tea.

Japan has entered a strong protest against the duty on tea provided for in the war revenue bill. The protest is based on the ground that a uniform duty of 10 cents a pound on all teas, cheap or dear, will have the effect of ruining Japan's tea trade with the United States. Japan, it says, would not object to a duty graded according to value.

An Havana dispatch to Madrid says eleven merchantmen, probably bearing American troops, have arrived before Santiago de Cuba. There is little doubt that Shafter's army is ready to land.

Hawaiian Debate Began.

The Hawaiian debate in the house began Saturday. Six speeches were made, covering generally the contentions of the support and opposition to the resolutions providing for annexation. The debate will continue Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday and probably forty members will make speeches.

Two New Cases of Yellow Fever.

The Mississippi board of health has been advised that there are two new cases of yellow fever at McHenry, developed since the seven cases were reported. No deaths have yet been reported to the board.

Judicious advertising pays.

YELLOW FEVER BREAKS OUT

Seven Cases Officially Reported at McHenry, Miss.

THE TOWN DECLARED UNDER QUARANTINE.

Active Measures Taken by the State and Federal Authorities to Prevent the Spread of the Disease—All Mississippi Gulf Ports Quarantined.

Gen. J. F. Hunter, secretary of the Mississippi board of health, has made the following statement:

"It having been reported to me by Drs. Haralson and Folkes, sanitary inspectors of this board, that seven cases of yellow fever exist at McHenry, Miss., I hereby declare the town of McHenry under quarantine, in charge of Dr. Haralson, who will observe the quarantine and sanitary rules and regulations adopted by this board.

(Signed.) J. F. HUNTER,
"Secretary Mississippi State Board of Health."

McHenry is a small town in Harrison county, near a Gulf port, and located on the Gulf and Ship Island railway. The place was visited by the fever last year and there were many deaths. The state health officers say every effort will be made to confine the fever to McHenry, and no one will be allowed to leave that place.

WASHINGTON.—There is some apprehension here over the outbreak of seven cases of yellow fever at McHenry, Miss., and steps have been taken not only to check the spread of the fever from McHenry, but to prevent any possibility of an epidemic in the south.

Dr. R. G. Giddings, of the Marine Hospital Service, now stationed at Tampa, has been ordered to proceed directly to McHenry and take charge of Camp Fontainebleu, where the present cases will be confined.

Surgeon Murray telegraphed that he had gone to McHenry and confirmed the diagnosis made by the state authorities. The town is now guarded, and Marine Hospital Surgeon Carter is already there with Surgeon Murray and the federal and state authorities are co-operating.

Will Be No Epidemic.

Dr. Goode, acting state health officer for Alabama, has quarantined all Mississippi gulf ports and so have Louisiana and Florida authorities. Dr. Goode does not believe the fever developed from last year's left-over germs. "McHenry, Miss.," said he, "is within fourteen miles of Ship Island quarantine station, and is was from that point the fever is believed to have been spread last summer. The medical authorities have been watching for it, and the quarantine system is greatly improved. We believe that there will be no epidemic; that the cases, all of a mild type, will be speedily stamped out."

ENGLAND WOULD INTERVENE

If Both Countries Show a Disposition to Negotiate for Peace.

LONDON.—In the house of commons Friday A. J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury and government leader, replying to a question as to whether, "in view of the condition of the population in Cuba and the suffering and evils arising from the Spanish-American war, her majesty's powers have any intention of intervening to secure a cessation of hostilities by inducing one or both belligerents to negotiate treaties of peace," said:

"Her majesty's government will gladly take any favorable opportunity for promoting a cessation of hostilities and negotiations for peace, but any action upon our part for this purpose can only be undertaken if there is reasonable prospect that it will be well received by both parties and of its being likely to lead to an agreement between them. Unfortunately there is not sufficient ground for believing this condition exists."

Lieutenant Hobson Well Cared For.

British Consul Ramsden, at Santiago de Cuba, cables that he visited Lieutenant Hobson and his colleagues, that he found them well and well cared for by the authorities.

May Send Vessels to Coast of Spain.

Seven of the swiftest ships in the American navy are now at Hampton Roads or nearby. They are the Minneapolis, Cincinnati, Newark, Buffalo, Yale, Harvard and Dixie. Every ship is being coaled to its utmost capacity, which leads to the belief that a long trip is planned, possibly as far as the coast of Spain. The appearance of this squadron off the coast of Spain is expected to have a strong influence on Spain in the direction of peace.

It is announced that Senor DuBosc and Lieut. Carranza will sail for Madrid June 25.

Finest Depot in the South.

The city council of Nashville passed the railway terminal bill, and Mayor Dudley will sign it at once. The bill provides that the city shall build approaches to the depot. The structure is to be mostly of marble, and with freight depots, etc., will cost over a million and a half dollars. Work will begin at once. It will be the finest depot in the South.

The war revenue bill became a law Monday.

SPANISH FLEET IS ALL THERE.

Lieutenant Blue Made a Detour of Santiago Harbor and Found All of Cervera's Fleet Inside.

WASHINGTON (Special).—The navy department Tuesday posted the following:

"Mole St. Nicholas.—Lieutenant Blue has just returned after a detour of seventy statute miles of observation of the harbor of Santiago de Cuba. He reports that the Spanish fleet is all there. The Spanish attacked vigorously at the camp at Guantanamo. An outpost of four marines were killed and their bodies mutilated barbarously. Surgeon Gibbs was killed.

"SAMPSON."

The last lingering doubt that may have existed as to the presence of Cervera's fleet in its entirety in Santiago harbor was removed when Admiral Sampson's dispatch, given above, reached the navy department. Up to that time information as to the number and character of the vessels in the harbor, shielded from observation in a great part by the hills at the entrance, had been obtained through Cuban sources supplemented by such glimpses as could be had by naval officers from the outside entrance.

Now, however, according to Lieutenant Blue, the ships have been actually seen by an American officer, counted from such points of vantage as were afforded by the high hills surrounding the harbor. The officers here are full of praise of Lieutenant Blue's achievement.

ACUTE SITUATION AT SANTIAGO.

Sampson Preparing to Force the Harbor When the Army Arrives.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA.—The dynamite cruiser Vesuvius, which joined Admiral Sampson's fleet off Santiago Tuesday morning is to be followed by the Ericsson, the Foote and other torpedo boats, and arrival of the torpedo fleet will confirm the opinion that Admiral Sampson intends to force Santiago harbor on the coming of the troops. Every man in the fleet is anxiously awaiting the soldiers, for it is recognized that no decisive movement is possible until the troops effect a landing. Every body in Sampson's fleet is desperately tired of the present disheartening conditions. The tedious manoeuvers, the ceaseless watching and the exasperating inactivity are telling on officers and men. At no place are the troop ships more anxiously watched for than at the sun blistered hill top where Lieutenant Huntington's marines lie in rifle pits under an almost continuous hail of Spanish bullets.

HAVANA'S CONDITION

Is Growing Desperate and Many Persons Are Dying of Starvation.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA (Special).—The British cruiser Talbot has arrived here. She left Havana closely blockaded on Tuesday. The condition of the city was desperate. The last supply of provisions arrived forty-five days ago, and the food supply must fail entirely within thirty days. Many persons are dying of starvation. All the flour in the city has been exhausted, and bread is now made of corn meal. The horses and mules, without grass or corn, are fast being exterminated. It was reported that the Americans had seized a coaling station at Calmanera.

Report That Americans Were Repulsed

CAPE HAYTIEN, HAYTI.—The United States auxiliary cruiser St. Louis and several dispatch boats—so it is reported here—brought to Mole St. Nicholas a story that a landing was effected by the Americans late on Monday very near Santiago. According to this account the Americans took possession of a fortified position commanding a portion of the port, but the Spaniards rallied and attacked the invading force, finally dislodging it and retaking the position.

More Regiments for the Front.

It is stated that orders were received Tuesday at Chickamauga from the department that fifteen of the best equipped regiments in Gen. Brooke's corps be designated for movement to the front. It is understood that 15,000 men are to be taken from the camp to make up the next expedition, which will go to Porto Rico.

Big Demand for Bonds.

The Treasury officials say the indications are that the $200,000,000 loan will be largely over subscribed.

Dan Curran Shot.

Superintendent Daniel D. Curran, of the Queen and Crescent railroad, was shot and seriously wounded by his stenographer, W. J. Reppert, in the company's office at New Orleans. Mr. Curran was formerly superintendent of the Central of Georgia railroad from Columbus, Ga., to Birmingham.

Attachment Against Leiter.

Justice Daly, of the New York supreme court, has issued an attachment against the property of Joseph Leiter, the wheat speculator of Chicago, for $793,925 in favor of Otto E. Lohrke, Wm. P. Callagha and Wm. Knight, grain dealers, for money advanced.

Prefers Occupation by America.

The Vienna Neue Freie Press says Spain has requested the powers to urge the United States to occupy Manila with American troops should the town surrender, and not allow the city to fall into the hands of the insurgents.

Cuba Shut Off From the World.

The Yankee and the St. Louis cut the cable at Guantanamo, sixty miles east of Santiago de Cuba, and Cuba is now believed to be shut off from communication with the outer world.

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Spain Refused a Loan by Brussels.

PARIS.—Belgian bankers ... fused a Spanish plea for a ... hundred and fifty million ... The bankrupt nation is in ... financial straits. After having ... refused a loan by the Comptoir ... of Paris and the Rothschilds ... sought to get money from the ... of Brussels, offering the tobacco ... nopoly as security.

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ASHINGTON (Special).—The first of troops to Cuba is now well twenty two transport steam- over 15,000 officers and by battleships, cruis- auxiliary craft, six- having actually sailed West Monday morning at An authoritative statement made at the war de- Monday, setting at rest all the expedition was on its sailed last week.

Shafter, who com- expedition, has with him a officers and 14,564 en- The United States regu- is the greater part of there being but three vol- organizations on the ships, seventy-first New York Infantry Volunteers, the Second Mas- Infantry Volunteers and mounted squadrons of from the First United Cavalry, the regiment Wood" commands, and Theodore Roosevelt is the Colonel.

difficult to prevail upon the regiment to leave their mounts but this was a matter of neces- said, owing to the lack of accommodations for the horses on ship- the best that the department at this time in the way of sup- cavalry contingent for the ex- was to include among the the squadron of the Second Sixth cavalry fully mounted officers and 280 enlisted men. of troops that make up expeditions reported to the war General Shafter, is as Infantry regiments, Sixth, and Seventy-first New York Fourth, Twenty first, Sec- Twenty second and Second Volunteers, First, Twen- Eighth, Seventeenth, Total infantry, 561 and 10,709 enlisted men.

Cavalry. Two dismounted squad- four troops each from the Tenth Sixth, Ninth, First and Tenth and two dismounted squadrons troops each from the First Volunteer Cavalry. To- mounted cavalry, 159 officers, men, mounted cavalry, of the Second, nine offi- enlisted men.

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Fight at Greenville.

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Maria Said to Have Fallen.

Monday's special from Hong The Philippine insurgent Kong claim that Manila occupied by General Agui- his troops, but this has not confirmated.

insurgent filibustering steamer still in the hands of the Kong United States Consul positively declines to inter- It is known here that the Span- governor of Manila has offered re- to surrender the city, but his will not permit it. The fighting all on the defensive, the hope of the Spaniards being in arrival of reinforcements.

The Temerario Must D part.

The government of Paraguay, acting on the representations of the United States consul at Montevideo, has noti- the commander of the Spanish cruiser Temerario, now at Asuncion, that he must disarm that vessel if he wishes to remain in port. The Span- commander refused to do so and upon he was informed that the Temerario must leave Asuncion as soon as the repairs of her machinery are completed, which must be quickly done.

GOVERNMENT CROP REPORT.

Less Cotton Planted by Over a Million and a Half Acres.

The final reports of the agricultural department on cotton planting makes area planted 22,460,334 acres against 24,091,334 acres last year, a reduction of 1,631,000 acres or 6.8 per cent. The decrease in the different states as compared with last year is as follows: Virginia, 8 per cent; North Carolina, 7; South Carolina, 8; Georgia, 6; Florida, 11; Alabama, 4; Mississippi, 4; Louisiana, 7; Texas, 8; Arkansas, 7; Tennessee, 10; Missouri, 18; Oklahoma, 2; Indian Territory, 12.

The average condition on June 1 was 89 compared with 83.5 per cent at the corresponding date last year, and with an average the general condition for the last ten years of 87.10 per cent.

The condition by states is as follows: North Carolina, 86; South Carolina, 85; Georgia, 89; Florida, 76; Alabama, 89; Mississippi, 91; Louisiana, 89; Arkansas, 96; Tennessee, 90; Missouri, 96; Oklahoma, 82; Indian Territory, 80. The general condition is highly favorable.

TO SEIZE LADRONES.

The Charleston Said to Be Bound for That Group of Spanish Islands.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Evening Post says that the cruiser Charleston will not go to the Philippine Islands immediately, but her destination is the island of Guahan, in the Ladrone group, which are controlled by the Spanish and which are about 1,500 miles from Manila and 3,500 miles from Honolulu. The chief city of Guahan is exceedingly well fortified for such a small place and affords one of the best harbors and coaling stations in the Pacific. The United States will seize the group and use the island of Guahan for a Pacific coaling station in addition to any others she may seize in the future. The Charleston, the Post continues, was ordered to wait at Honolulu for the first fleet of transports and then proceed to the Ladrones. When captured, the Charleston will go to Manila.

SIXTEEN WARSHIPS ASSEMBLED

At Port Tampa to Serve as a Convoy to Troop Transports.

WASHINGTON.—Another formidable American fleet has been assembled, consisting of sixteen war-ships of various classes, headed by the big battle ship Indiana, which for all around effectiveness stands at the head of the navy. This fleet assembled at Port Tampa, and is to serve as a convoy to the troop transports from that point.

The formation of this formidable convoy fleet is due to the reports, more or less indefinite, that Spanish ships were lurking between Florida and Cuba with a view of intercepting the troop transports. The navy department has not given serious credit to these reports, yet they were more or less circumstantial. In order to avoid the slightest possibility of a dash by some Spanish ships against the troop transports, this new fleet of sixteen war-ships was determined upon.

A Briton Banished From Porto Rico.

Suspected with having furnished the United States with information of the mining of San Juan harbor, Walter Bett, secretary of the British consulate at that port, has received his passports and has been banished from Porto Rico by order of Governor General Macias. The British consul general has made a formal protest to his government and serious international complications are imminent.

Europe Warned Against America.

HAMBURG.—The leading article in The Hamburger Nachrichten on America and Europe, inspired by Bismarck, points out America's increasing preponderance, and warns European governments to take care in time, lest America's triumph over Spain should over-strain the bow. The newspaper also says that France seems ready openly to side with Spain.

Austria Will Not Intervene.

The Austrian government has declined to initiate mediation between the United States and Spain as it wishes to avoid the appearance of making intervention in the interest of the queen regent, which might perhaps give fatal offense.

TO COMPEL CERVERA TO FIGHT.

Plans to Force the Passage Leading to Santiago Will Soon be Ready.

It is believed the navy will follow the landing of troops by forcing the passage of the narrow channel leading to the harbor of Santiago de Cuba, fishing up the sunken mines and compelling Admiral Cervera to make a stand. If the destruction of the Spanish fleet is successfully carried out, it will end the last vestige of Spanish dominion in Eastern Cuba.

The harbor of Guantanamo is completely under the control of the American fleet and the landing of marines at that point is expected to occur simultaneously with the landing of troops at Santiago de Cuba.

Guarding Soldiers From Yellow Fever.

WASHINGTON — Surgeon - Generals Sternberg of the army and Van Reypin of the navy have taken every precaution to protect the army and navy from yellow fever. They do not feel that the present conditions give ground for serious apprehension, although our troop ships are now in a country infected with yellow fever.

The wheat experts now put the new crop at 775,000,000 bushels, or 150,000,000 more than the largest previous crop.

FOUR BRAVE MEN KILLED

In a Hand to Hand Fight With Spanish Guerillas.

COWARDLY NIGHT ATTACK BY THE DONS.

The Fight Occurred at the Outer Harbor of Guantanamo and Was Continuous for Almost Thirteen Hours—The Marblehead in the Battle.

A Sunday's special from Mole St. Nicholas, Hayti, says: Col. R. W. Huntington's battalion of marines, which landed from the transport Panther on Friday and encamped on the hill guarding the abandoned cable station at the entrance to the outer harbor of Guantanamo, has been engaged in beating off a bush attack by Spanish guerillas and Spanish regulars since 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The fighting was almost continuous for thirteen hours, when reinforcements were landed from the Marblehead. Four of our men were killed and one wounded. The advance pickets, under Lieutenants Neville and Shaw, are unaccounted for.

Among the killed is Assistant Surgeon John Blair Gibbs, of the regular army, who fell in the Custer massacre. His home was at Richmond, Va., but he has been practicing in New York, and he entered the service since the war began. The others killed are Sergeant Charles H. Smith, of Small wood; Private William Dunphy, of Gloucester, Mass.; Private James Mc Colgan, of Stoneham, Mass.

Corporal Glass was accidentally wounded in the head. The Spanish loss is unknown, but it was probably considerable. The splashes of blood found at the position the Spaniards occupied indicate fatalities, but their comrades carried off the killed and wounded.

The engagement began with disultory firing at the pickets 1,000 yards inland from the camp. Captain Spicer's company was doing guard duty and was driven in, finally rallying and repulsing the enemy at 5 o'clock. The bodies of Privates McColgan and Dunphy were found, both shot in the head, stripped of shoes, hats and cartridge belts and horribly mutilated with machetes. When they were brought in the battalion formed three sides of a hollow square about the camp on the hill top. Below in the bay were the warships at anchor. Inland from the hill camp is a deep ravine and beyond this are high hills. The adjacent country is heavy with a thicket growth. Night fell thick and impenetrable. The Spanish squads concealed in the chaparel cover had the advantage, the Americans on the ridge furnishing fine targets against the sky and the white tents. The Spaniards fought from cover till midnight, discoverable only by flashes, at which the marines fired volleys.

The Marblehead launch, a Colt machine gun in her bow, pushed up the bay, enfilading the Spaniards, and it is thought that some were killed.

The ships threw their searchlights ashore, the powerful electric lights sweeping the deep tropic foliage and disclosing occasionally skulking parties of Spaniards. Each discovery of the enemy was greeted by the cracks of carbine fire, along the edge of the camp ridge or by the long roll of the launch's machine guns searching the thickets with a leaden stream.

Shortly after midnight came the main attack. The Spaniards made a gallant charge up the southwest slope, but were met by repeated volleys from the main body and broke one-third the way up the hill. They came so close that at some points there were almost hand to hand struggles. The officers used their revolvers. Three Spaniards got through the open formation to the edge of the camp. Colonel Jose Campina, the Cuban guide, discharged his revolver, and they turning and finding themselves without support, ran helter skelter down the side of the hill. It has during this assault that Assistant Surgeon Gibbs was killed.

The surgeon of the hospital corps then removed their quarters to the trenches about the old Spanish stockade north of the camp. The attacks were continued at intervals throughout the rest of the night, with firing from small squads in various directions.

Merritt Wants More Troops.

Major-General Merritt wants more troops. He is now in communication with Washington on the subject, and hopes to receive word within a few hours that additional forces have been granted him. General Merritt contemplates leaving San Francisco for Manila two weeks from Saturday, and is desirous that his expeditionary forces shall precede him to the Philippines. With the troops present he has a force of about 16,000. It is said the governor-general has been in constant communication with the department and has has finally demanded that the full quota of 20,000 specified by him be filled.

Further Reports of the Massacre.

Steamers which have arrived at Liverpool from Sierra Leon report that a thousand persons were killed in the recent uprising in that district. Quite hundred and twenty inhabitants of Freetown, most of them traders are known to have been massacred and other colonists were carried into the bush by the "war boys" and undoubtedly met a worse fate. Three hundred friendly natives were killed and besides the white missionaries six colored missionaries of the United Brethren of Christ were murdered.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The state convention of Alabama miners will be held in Birmingham on the 20th instant.

Montgomery inaugurated quarantine against Mississippi and Louisiana gulf port towns Saturday.

Fire at Elyton destroyed the residences of Dr. McCarty, D. O. Watkins and J. H. Holcomb. Loss estimated at $12,000, partially insured.

The new division of the Mobile and Ohio railroad will establish cotton compresses at Tuskaloosa, Centerville and other points along its line.

Thomas J. Lacey, who lives near Powderly, was thrown from a mule, dragged for a hundred yards over the rocky ground and as a result he is now lying at the point of death.

The Alabama Great Southern railroad has begun relaying their sixty-pound steel rail with seventy-five pound steel rails. Twenty-five miles of rail will be laid, beginning at Birmingham and going southward.

General Oates will go to Mobile Tuesday to take charge of his brigade. There appears to be very little doubt but that he and his Alabama and Texas volunteers will be sent to Porto Rico.

By the 15th of the present month through freight trains will be running on the Mobile and Ohio road from Montgomery to St. Louis.

The supreme court has reversed and remanded the cases of Walter Nevillo and Lewis Thompson, the two negroes who were sentenced to death in Decatur for an alleged assault on little Nellie Lawton several months since.

All of the property of the Southern States Land and Timber company, situated in Baldwin county, Ala., and Escambia county, Fla., was sold Friday at public outcry at Daphne, and was bought by C. F. Brent, of Pensacola. The property consisted of 330,000 acres of timber lands and the cutting right on 11,000 acres additional, with saw mills, stores, stocks of goods, six locomotives, logs, timber, etc. The price paid for the property was $199,570.

Paid Sum Due the State.

J. W. Gray, of Mobile, attorney for the sureties on the bond of Ex-Tax Collector Lott, paid to Treasurer Ellis, $12,000 in full discharge of all indebtedness due the state.

Quarrel Ended in Death.

Foster Cross and Joseph Truss, two well known citizens of Ashville quarreled at church over some trivial matter. Cross pulled a pistol and shot Truss, killing him instantly.

State Campaign Managers Named.

Chairman Robert J. Lowe, of the state democratic committee, Saturday announced the members of the state campaign committee of the democratic party. They are: Chas. M. Shelley, Francis L. Pettus, Wilson R. Brown, Ross C. Smith and E. W. Booker.

Duel With Pistols.

At a picnic at Tank Branch, near Mount Meigs, Montgomery county, Messrs. Charles Lucas, of Waugh, and Charles Perkins, of Cecil, had a trivial difficulty, which resulted in a duel with pistols between them, in which Mr. Lucas was instantly killed and Mr. Perkins shot three times, and it is thought he will die.

Young Lady Burned to Death.

By the accidental overturning of a large parlor lamp during an entertainment at the residence of Mr. Walter Cullers at Opelika, Miss Sallie Wimberly, of Greenville, lost her life and a half dozen others were more or less injured last Thursday night. The parlors were well filled with guests, when early in the evening, at 10 o'clock the awful catastrophe occurred. The lamp exploded at the feet of Miss Wimberly, and in an instant her clothing was ablaze. Some half dozen seized the unfortunate young lady, but their efforts to free her from the flames only inflicted injuries on themselves. The young woman tore away from her companions and rushed into the street, where she fell burned almost to a crisp. The following were injured: F. L. Yarbrough, George Williams, Dr. I. N. Stowe, Mrs. Walter Cullers, Miss Kittie Frazier, E. S. Thigpen and Walter Cullers.

SPAIN DESIRES PEACE

According to Private Advices Received at Vienna.

Private advices received at Vienna show that the situation in Spain is such that peace is speedily and earnestly desired. The finances of the country are threatened, and the famine and intrigues of the Carlists render peace imperative.

The Spanish government is drawing up a memorandum to the powers requesting their friendly intervention. France and Austria are prepared to accede to the request, while Russia and Germany disapprove of intervention.

A Mob's Work in Kansas.

In the public square fronting on the principal business street of Great Bend, Kan., a mobbing occurred Monday by a crowd of 800. It is estimated that at least 1,000 men of Great Bend's population of 2,000 persons witnessed the tragedy. The victim was John Becker, a white man, who on April 8 killed Myrtle Huff-Meister.

Mary M. Force has been appointed postmaster at Selma.

GOVERNMENT IS CAUTIOUS.

Moving to Secure Complete Success Unattended With Disaster

THIRTY-FOUR STEAMSHIPS ARE WAITING.

The Transportation Fleet and Convoy Will Make One of the Most Formidable Marine Processions Ever Witnessed in Any Country or Time.

WASHINGTON (Special).—Out of the maze of doubt and contradiction as to the departure of the first army of invasion to Cuba, the one thing stands out clearly, namely, the government is strong in its present position and plan, is moving cautiously and with deliberation which it believes will assure success unattended with disasters.

With this purpose in view, the army and navy are co-operating toward the dispatch of troops, some 25,000 in number, under escort of a strong fleet of naval convoys made up of sixteen warships, headed by the Indiana. Unattended by the strong fleet, the troops might have left last Friday, when one strong naval convoy was ready for this service. Since then, however, reports have come as to the presence of Spanish ships in the North Atlantic. Realizing that nothing was to be gained by haste and that the war was progressing steadily forward, it was determined not to take one small chance of having our transports menaced by some scouting ship of the enemy. As a result, the troop transports have not proceeded to Cuba, as has been repeatedly asserted. They are in readiness to go, but will not move until the naval convoy is ready to accompany them, assuring safe conduct from Florida to the point of destination.

The administration feels that the time has come when it is of the utmost importance that the precise movements of this invading fleet should not be published in this country and thus heralded to the enemy.

The completeness with which the transports of troops has been planned is shown in the official lis of transport vessels given out at the war department. Of this list thirty-four large steamships, varying from 4,100 tons down to 600 tons, are at Florida ports ready to carry our troops to the point of invasion. There are some fifteen other crafts, including vessels suitable for carrying fresh water, stores, etc., and for lightering the troops and supplies from the ships to the beach when the embarkation begins. The entire transportation fleet of about fifty steamships, augmented by the fleet of naval convoys, sixteen in number, will make a formidable marine procession.

SPANIARDS AGAIN SHELLED.

Sampson Pours Shot and Shell Into the Forts at Santiago.

LONDON.—(Special.)—Sampson has shelled the Spaniards again. Bermuda reports that it has cable connection with Havana, and that the Spanish there assert the Americans bombarded the Santiago forts again Friday, a fierce fire being kept up for three hours to cover the landing of troops near the harbor mouth. The Spanish reports declare that they twice repulsed the Americans, but do not go into details nor definitely say that they finally prevented a landing. The bombardment began early and continued until nearly noon, but just where the landing was attempted is not told in the Bermuda dispatch, nor could Bermuda secure any further details from Havana.

Bombarded Bai Quari.

HAVANA—(Special.)—Several American warships Friday bombarded Bai Quari, some distance east of Aguadores and near the railway line to Santiago de Cuba. Official advices from Santiago say that the bombardment caused no damage. Bai Quari is a mining locality and some of the mines are under American control. At the palace it is denied that there has been any bombardment of the Santiago fortifications.

FORT MONROE EXCITED.

Spanish Warships Reported to Be Lurking Off Cape Henry, Va.

At Fort Monroe intense excitement was caused Friday night by a dispatch received from the signal station at Cape Henry stating that Spanish warships were lurking in that vicinity. A short while later a message was received from Washington instructing the commandant of the fort to be on the alert. Reports as to the number of ships seen conflict. A lieutenant who was seen after midnight said he had been informed that a Spanish battleship, two cruisers and a torpedo boat had been caught under the searchlight at Cape Henry steaming from a northerly direction.

Guanatanamo Has Been Taken.

The navy department Friday posted the following bulletin:

On June 7 Admiral Sampson ordered the Marblehead, Commander McCalla, and the Yankee, Commander Brownsod, to take possession of the outer bay of Guanatanamo. These vessels entered the harbor at daylight on the 7th, driving a Spanish gunboat into the inner harbor and took possession of the lower bay, which is now held by the Marblehead.

ALABAMA TROOPS MAY GO TO THE FRONT.

Orders Received Countermanding the Removal of Men to Mt. Vernon.

A special from Mobile Monday night says: Orders were received about midnight countermanding all orders relative to the movement of troops from here to Mount Vernon. No explanation of the change is obtainable. It is surmised it means that the troops will be sent to the front.

This morning orders were received that the volunteers here, including two Texas, two Louisiana and one Alabama regiment located at Spring Hill, and one Alabama regiment now on the bay shore, the latter to be mustered in today, be transferred tomorrow to Mount Vernon, the old military post established by Jackson as the most suitable for a military station. This post is thirty miles from Mobile, on the Mobile and Birmingham railroad.

SECOND INVADING EXPEDITION

Is Being Hurried at the War Department. Will Select Other Ports.

WASHINGTON.—Arrangements for the second expedition of invasion from the United States for the West Indies are being hurried at the war department. There seems to be no doubt that this expedition, if its number approaches the first, will also be sent from the east coast of the United States. The experience in embarking at Tampa has convinced war department officials that other ports where railroad and other facilities are more adequate than at Tampa are much more desirable places for the concentration of troops and their embarkation.

A board of army officers for the past week has been forming various places in the south with a view to their occupation for camping purposes. Fernandina and Savannah are looked upon with favor by the war department officials as suitable ports for the departure of the invading army, and Charleston has been suggested.

Cadiz Squadron Is Unseaworthy.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Chronicle says: "Captain Aunon's reception along the route from Madrid to Cadiz was not very enthusiastic. The reserve squadron is not ready. Indeed, it is doubtful whether it will ever depart. The cruiser Alfonso XIII. is practically eliminated as unseaworthy, and the Princess de Astorias is unfinished on the dock with all her armament incapacitated. Probably Captain Aunon came to see why the Alfonso XIII. is unseaworthy or to avoid awkward questions in the cortes. The military governor of Cadiz is vigilant, and night alarms are frequent. The lighthouses have been destroyed and the forts strengthened, some twenty fresh guns being mounted, of which six are modern."

The Daily Chronicle comments upon the dispatch, and adds: "The bogie man reserve squadron ought no longer to frighten the most timid soul in America."

Egan Opposes Proposed Alliance.

Patrick Egan, former United States minister to Chili, has written a declaration of his views on the proposed Anglo-American alliance. In it he scored Joseph Chamberlain, Chauncey M. Depew and Joseph H. Choate as jingoes, tories and Anglo-maniacs. He warned the republicans and the administration at Washington of disaster unless it adheres more firmly to patriotic American moorings. He praises former Cabinet Minister John Morley for his repudiation of the sentiments recently expressed by the British secretary of state for the colonies.

Bond Subscriptions Asked For.

Secretary Gage has issued a circular to the public explaining the proposed bond issue, and inviting subscriptions from the people of the United States for $200,000,000 of the bonds of the 3 per cent loan authorized by congress. The bonds will be issued in both coupon and registered form, the coupon bonds in denominations of $20, $100, $500, $1,000 and $10,000.

Iowa's Troops to Join Lee.

The Forty-ninth regiment of Iowa volunteers arrived at Jacksonville Tuesday, where they go to join Gen. Fitzhugh Lee's corps. This was the first Iowa regiment to be called out during the war. Another of Iowa's regiments is on its way to San Francisco to join the Manila expedition, another has already gone to Jacksonville, and a fourth to Chickamauga.

Spanish Guerillas Resumed the Fight.

At 9 o'clock Sunday morning fighting was again resumed by the Spaniards at Guantanamo. The fire was promptly returned by the Americans with thirteen rifles and a 3-inch field gun, and in a short time all signs of the enemy had disappeared. No casualties were reported.

Will Raise Flag Over Hawaii.

Senators and representatives who called on President McKinley Monday say that after the house has voted for annexation, if the senate desires to filibuster, the flag will be raised over Hawaii by the president without waiting for the senate's action.

An Important Capture.

The United States cruiser St. Louis captured the British steamer Twickenham off the coast of Jamaica. The vessel had been acting as a s ting steamer for the Spaniards.

Eleven Men Injured in an Explosion.

A disastrous explosion occurred at the smelting plant of the Arkansas Mining Company, near Hatfield, Ark. Eleven men were injured, eight seriously, and some of them cannot recover.

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In consequence of the short notice given, the meeting of Editors of the Reform Press called for last Thursday at Birmingham, was postponed until Wednesday, June 22. It is hoped that every Reform Editor in the State will be at Birmingham on Wednesday next, when a vigorous plan of the campaign will be decided upon. The meeting is called for 12, noon, at the Opera House Hotel.

YELLOW FEVER has started early this season, seven cases being reported from McHenry, Miss. Every precaution has been taken to prevent the spread of the disease, and it having been discovered in time it is greatly to be hoped it will be confined to the one locality. Quarantine is strictly enforced against the infected district, and everyone should see at once that their premises are thoroughly cleaned up, then the danger will be reduced to a minimum.

By an unfortunate mistake of the types last week the date of the opening of the state campaign was made to read Monday, June 30, when it should have been Monday, June 20. We want to impress upon the people of Chilton county that this is the first move in the State campaign and in order to give it a good send off every Populist in the county should make a point of being here. Congressman M. W. Howard, of the Seventh district, Hon. G. B. Deans, candidate for Governor, Hon. J. M. Whitehead, candidate for Attorney-General, Dr. G. B. Crowe, chairman of the State campaign committee, and other well-known speakers will be on hand and address the meeting. Don't forget the date, it is NEXT Monday, June 20.

THE Democratic county convention is over and, ignoring the recommendation of their state committee, no nominations were made for our county offices. This amounts to an acknowledgement on the part of our Democratic friends that they realize it is impossible to beat the Populist ticket. Of course, they are glad to see the independent candidates making a fight and to some extent will give them their aid and assistance, but which of the independent candidates will be benefitted by their assistance is rather problematical. There is still some talk of another independent candidate for the Probate Judge's office, but it seems to be mere talk, and we are inclined to think none but those now before the public need be taken into consideration.

POLITICS are stirring these hot days, and from now until August promises to be a warm time. With the public speaking at Clanton on Monday next the campaign is fairly under weigh, and the State will be sytematically canvassed. The great fight is really for and against a constitutional convention. Some of the Democratic party are determined to have a new constitution, but there is a large element of Democratic voters opposed to that policy. Populists and Republicans understand the proposed new constitution is in reality intendid to cut down their voting strength, and their united efforts should be made to elect representatives to the legislature who will oppose the constitutional convention.

THE American flag has been raised on Cuban soil, and the first engagement between American soldiers and the Spanish occured last Saturday. Four Americans were killed, but how many Spaniards were slain could not be definitely ascertained. Fifteen thousand troops have left Tampa, and it is expected they would land at Santiago to-day. An expedition is preparing for Porto Rico, and Dewey will soon be reinforced at Manilla. Stirring events may be looked for.

Spanish Failure in the Philippines.

The Spaniards honestly tried to make Europeans of the Malays and bring them into the bonds of civil life. They failed hopelessly, because the race genius of the Malays is wholly out of tune with European civil life, and because that very civil life, existing for the privileged classes, carries within it the seeds of anarchy which are destined to break forth at home, and which will break forth the more certainly when difference of race aggravates the mischief of difference of caste and privilege.

The Spaniards honestly tried to make the Malays Christians. They totally failed, though they made them so in name. Race genius was against them, and race genius is strong as death. The Anglo-Indians say frankly that there are only two religions in the East, white man's religion and black man's religion and that only fools try to mingle them. And if the English who govern India had their way and were not cowed by public opinion, they would drive out the missionaries to-morrow as a gang of breeders of mischief. But the Spaniards, the Catholic monks and friars, honestly tried to convert the Malays to the Church of Christ, as they understood it. They succeeded to the ear and failed to the heart. And when they saw their failure they lost faith and began to enrich themselves at the Malays' expense. And the Malays turned against this alien church with its privileges, as it was decreed by destiny that they must turn.—From "The Philippines in History," by Charles Johnston, in American Monthly Review of Reviews for June.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption, and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr, King's New Discovery for Consumption, she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, fouud herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at Dr. Johnson's Drug Store. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.00,

The State committee is wise in determining to force a straight party issue in all the counties. There will be no alliances, and no alignments outside the party organization. Democrats must vote straight democrats, and for no others. The leaders of democratic factions are invited to consult and advise with the committee as to the conduct of the campaign, so that there may be a clear understanding and harmony maintained. And all who are democrats will vote the regular ticket, or pass over to the enemy, whatever name he calls himself.—Montgomery Journal.

Late to bed and early, to rise, prepares a man for his home in the skies. Early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. Stanfield & Matthews.

Democratic County Convention.

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the nomination at the district convention, the Chilton delegation be instructed to vote for Rebbins for second choice, provided Robbins carries Dallas county. The motion was agreed to and the delegates so instructed.

A suggestion was then made to go ahead and nominate a Judge of Probate, but before the suggestion was acted upon a motion was made to adjourn sine die, and this being put to the convention was carried and the proceedings closed at 5 p. m.

An Uncertain Disease.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., June 15, 1898

Congressman Jerry Botkin has been recently preaching to the soldier boys encamped near Washington City. Mr. Botkin is said to be as good a preacher as he is a legislator, and the boys in blue were kept awake and benefitted.

Workmen employed on dock work at Key West, Florida have struck because they were being worked over time.

Pay was allowed for the extra hours and then they struck again because some of their favorite bosses were removed for having countenanced the first strike.

Populist Nebraska seems to be a hot place for Pinkerton men. Several of these worthies have been dealt with summarily by Chief of Police Gallagher of Omaha.

A big scandal in regard to the failure to secure legislation in Nebraska unfavorable to the big express companies is coming to the surface. A boodle fund is said to have been dispensed with a lavish hand during the last two sessions of the legislature, blocking all efforts to regulate and limit charges of these rapacious monopolies.

The recent split in the populist ranks in Illinois, as exemplified in the state convention, has been repeated in many county meetings throughout the state.

The employes of the Singer sewing machine works at South Bend, Ind., are striking for a return to the scale of wages of 1892. Over 1,000 workers are out.

Senator Butler's amendment to the war revenue bill, providing for the substitution of a postal savings bank system for the proposed bond issue, was defeated.

The Senate has passed the Republican amendment to the war revenue bill which provides for the issue of $400,000,000 of bonds. The vote was 45 to 31. The bond amendment was really a substitute for the legal tender note feature. All of the Republicans and seven Democrats and one Populist voted for it. The Democrats were Caffery Faulkner, Gorman, Gray, Lindsay, Mitchell and Murphy. Kyle was the Populist.

Senator Pettigrew's amendment to the war revenue bill which was intended to repeal the law of 1875 under which the Secretary of the treasury issues bonds without the authority of Congress, was defeated by a vote of 43 to 31.

A bill passed by the Senate provides that service in the war with Spain on the part of homesteaders, shall be considered as residence and work upon the land and that by enlistment the claim shall not be forfeited.

Ex-Senator Peffer has accepted the Prohibition nomination as candidate for governor of Kansas with the understanding that financial discussions are to be eliminated from the state campaign. It is generally understood that Mr. Peffer still holds a grudge against the Populists of Kansas because they saw fit to retire him to private life.

The election in Oregon resulted in a victory for the Republicans, which fact is heralded by the gold-ite press as an evidence of the decline of the silver "heresy." As purely local issues entered into the campaign the result has little national significance.

A. R.

Every Populist in the county should come to the opening of the State campaign at Clanton on Monday next, June 20. Lots of good speakers. Congressman Howard, G. B. Deans, J. M. Whitehead, Dr. Crowe and other speakers will be on hand.

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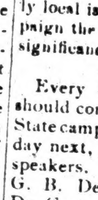

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Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama together with the dwelling thereon and known as the "Foshee old home," and also a one sixth undivided interest in and to the following described real estate, to wit: E ½ of sw ¼ of section 34 township 21, range 13; w ½ of se ¼ and ne ¼ of w 1-4 of sec 26, tp 20, r 13; that part e ½ of se 1-4 of sec 22, tp 21, r 13 that lies south of Mulberry creek containing twelve acres, more or less; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 and 2 acres described as follows to commence at the sw corner of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 thence north the length of 2 acres thence east the length of one acre, thence south the length of 2 acres, thence west the length of one acre to the place of beginning, sec 2, tp 20, r 12; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 27, 7 acres off the south end of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 sec 27, w ½ of sw 1-4 of sec 27, se 1-4 of sec 28, s ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28, 14 acres off the south end of n ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28 a fraction of the se 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 28, the railroad being the line on the west to any branch, and so much of the fraction of the ne 1-4 of the nw 1-4 lying east of the railroad track of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad company and south of Perry Lehoir's line, sec 28, tp 21, r 12; ne 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 9, tp 21, r 14; e ½ of ne 1-4 sec 6, tp 20, r 13; that tract of land bounded as follows, to wit: commencing at a corner between Dr. J. S. Johnson and Bowline, running thence north parallel with Bewline's land to Birds creek, thence east along the run of said Birds creek yards, thence north to Johnson's line, thence west to the place of beginning and containing ten acres; sw 1-4 of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 24, tp 21, r 12; s ½ of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 2, tp 20, r 12; lot no. 15 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county Alabama, together with the dwelling thereon known as the Foshee new dwelling and a lot of the herein before described real estate lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee to and to the above described property, on

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TOWN ITEMS

Commissioners' Court meets second Monday in February first Monday in April, second Monday in June, second Monday in July, second Monday in August and first Monday in November.

NEW GRIST MILL. Mr. C. J. Stewart has put in a fine new grist mill with all the latest improvements, and is now ready to grind your corn in the best style. Mill days are Tuesday and Saturday.

Mr. W. W. Kicker, of Pratt City, is spending the week with friends here.

Mr. Sanford Clark, of Montgomery, and charming daughters, Misses Rose and Laura, are spending a week with Mr. Tom Teel's family.

If you want a first class piano or organ on easy terms the Jesse French Piano & Organ Company will sell you any kind you want, and give you your own time to pay for it. A five year guarantee with every instrument. Will exchange for new one for your old one. Satisfaction guaranteed. Don't wait until you get the money or you may not get the instrument. Write or call on T. J. Arnold, Clanton.

Charlie Merritt is spending vacation at home.

Miss Nellie Merritt is at home for the vacation.

The Cuban question and politics sinks into insignificance when the man who suffers from What he most desires, is relieved. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve relieves. Stanfield & Matthews.

Gaston A. Robbins, of Democratic candidate for came to town Monday and remained until after election on Wednesday.

J. Plowman, of Talladega, Democratic candidate for congress, attendance at the convention yesterday.

Percy Clark, of Selma, Democratic candidate for congress, town yesterday at the con-

One Minute Cough Cure is the preparation I have ever sold and I can't say too much praise.—L. M. Kennen, Odell, Ga. Stanfield & Matthews.

Mrs. J. Watts has opened up millinery in town. Ladies new stylish hats at a let will do well to call on her and Kicker's store.

Cecil Browne, of Talladega visitor at the convention

There will be a protracted meeting at the Congregational church beginning the first Sunday in July. Several preachers will be in attendance.

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Dr. Tuknor is spending a month in his charge in North Carolina with his family here.

Mr. Henley, of Billingsley, amongst our visitors yesterday.

There will be a public installation and a masonic address by R. M. Cunningham at the Methodist church on the night of the 24th when the following officers of Clanton Lodge No. 423 F. & A. M. will be duly installed: Sartor, W. M; C. J. Stewart, S. W; J. W. Stanfield, J. W; Merritt, Treas; A. Aldridge, Sec; W. T. Aldridge, S. D; J. D. Solomon, J. D.

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Mr. Arkansas, mother of Florence is paying a visit to Florence.

Miss Persacola, returned after a visit to Mr. O. Bassett.

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"Arrest Him"

To any lawful officer of Chilton County you are hereby commanded to arrest any person found guilty of not buying goodS from W. D. Lawrence at Maplesville, Ala., while he is offering his entire stock of merchandise at and below cost to close out before going to the Spanish war. By order of the court.

Non-Resident Notice.

In the Probate Court of Chilton County Alabama.

The Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co., a body corporate Petitioner
versus
Unknown owner of a strip of land extending for fifty feet on each side of the center line of the roadway of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad, as the same is located and constructed, on over and across the Northeast ¼ of Northeast ¼ of Section Four Township Twenty-one, Range Twelve of Chilton County, Ala., Respondent.

The owner or owners of the above described strip of land are notified that the Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co. has filed its petition in my office for the condemnation thereof as a right of way for its line of railroad, and that the 27 day of June, and my office in the Courthouse of Chilton County, in the Town of Clanton, Alabama, is the time and place set for the hearing thereof, at which time they may appear and contest the same.

Given under my hand this 19 day of May, 1898. R. M. HONEYCUTT, Judge of Probate.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against D. C. Savage, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said D. C. Savage, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Beginning at the south-west corner of the store-house of T. U. Crumpton, and running south 24 feet, thence east 210 feet, thence north 24 feet, and thence west 210 feet to the point of beginning. Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at the Courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1898.

all the right, title and interest of the said D. C. Savage in and to the said Store-House and Lot in Maplesville, Alabama. Provided, however, that said property will be sold subject to three certain mortgages executed by D. C. Savage and Ida Savage to Howell Cotton Company of Alabama, and by said Company duly transferred and assigned to V. B. Atkins and E. B. Martin, composing the firm of V. B. Atkins & Co.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
Clanton, Ala., May 26, 1898.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of two (2) executions issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton County, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Thomas D. Fite and William Porter out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Thomas D. Fite and William Porter I have levied on the following property, to wit:

East half of south-east quarter, and the south-west quarter of the south-east quarter of section 6, township 23, range 13, and north-west quarter of north-east quarter of section 7, township 23, range 13, and south-east quarter of north-west quarter, and the south-east quarter of south east quarter of section 8, township 23, range 13, and north half of the north-east quarter, and east half of the north-west quarter of north-west quarter of section 16, township 23, range 13, all lying and being in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Thomas D. Fite and William Porter in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 13th day of June. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, I have levied on the following property to wit:

North-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, range eleven, in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Chilton county, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 13 day of June, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19687.
Land Office at Montgomery Ala.,
May 5, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Clanton Ala., on June 22, 1898, viz.: William Hankins, Homestead entry, No 24945, for the se ¼ of sw ¼ Section 32, tp 20 n of R 11 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Nathan Beardin, Thomas Peoples, M. C. Rush, J. N. Bailey, all of Plantersville, Ala.

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Bromo Seltzer	10	07
Bromo Seltzer	25	13
Castoria	50	34
Syrup of Figs	35	24
Syrup of Figs	50	34
Hood's Sarsaparilla	1.00	67
King's New Discovery	1.00	67
King's New Discovery	50	32
Kilmer's Swamp Root	1.00	63
Kilmer's Swamp Root	59	34
Malted Milk	1.00	67
Malted Milk	50	38
Malted Milk	1.00	75
Mellin's Food	3.75	3.00
Mellin's Food	50	34
Mennen's Talcum Powder	25	17
Wine Cardui	1.00	63
Packer's Tar Soap	25	15
Paine's Celery Compound	1.00	74
Pinkham's Compound	1.00	67
Pond's Extract	50	34
Pear's Unscented Soap	15	11
Piso's Consumption Cure	25	17
Scott's Emulsion	1.00	67
Simmon's Liver Regulator	25	16
S. S. S.	1.00	67
S. S. S.	1.75	1.17
Stuart's Dys Tablets	50	34
Rubifoam	25	17
Wampole's Cod Liver Oil	1.00	67
Sozodont	75	50
V. V. V.	1.00	67
Ayer's Hair Vigor	1.00	67
Anti-Catarrh	1.00	50
Mile's Nervine	1.00	67
Mile's Heart Cure	1.00	67
J. Martin's 5-year old rye	1.00	75
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MONEY AND TRADE.

RESTRICT THE FORMER AND THE LATTER IS HURT.

The Policy of the Republican Party Seems to Be to Restrict Both Money and Trade for the Benefit of the Monopolies.

Barter is out of date. It was always an unwieldy system, and during its use trade moved slowly. It was because of this slow movement of trade that the barter system had to be finally abandoned. A general medium of exchange took its place. This medium we call currency. It is valuable just in the degree that it allows business to move freely and quickly. Any restriction of the currency decreases the value of the general system to the public, but increases the value of every unit to the individual possessing it.

Money is a vehicle of transfer as much as a cart or a bushel measure. If a quantity of anything has to be transferred to a certain place the fewer the carts available the longer will it require for the transfer. If a mountain of dirt has to be moved to another place the number of laborers that can be employed in the work will be determined by the number of carts that can be secured for the work. It is not otherwise in the great domain of commerce. When the volume of money is too small for the proper conveying of values the first result is idle laborers. When trade is normal there should be no idle labor. The increase of population should make no difference in this principle, for when a new laborer comes into the field a new consumer of labor comes also. If conditions are right the consumer will always use up all that the producer can make. The world has never been too full of goods if they could only be distributed.

While there have never been in the world more goods than the people could use if they could get them, yet the increase of goods has almost always been more rapid than the increase of the currency. Increase the currency as rapidly as goods increase, and you thereby increase the consuming power of every man, woman and child. Increase the currency as fast as the goods increase and prices keep up, while the volume of exchange increases as rapidly as the goods. Under our civilization money has become the key to material happiness. If we restrict its volume we decrease the happiness of the whole world, for we lay upon all men the necessity of waiting for their share of good things till the carts that are in so great demand get around to delivering to each one a portion of goods. As the carts can never catch up with the work they have to do, nearly all of the people must put up with a small share of what really belongs to them.

In the face of these great truths we find a party in every nation bending its energy to restrict the currency. It proudly tells the world that it is working for a more "valuable dollar," and hopes thereby to benefit mankind. As the only way to make the dollar more valuable is to restrict the number of dollars, the process is easy. If it be true that what hampers trade distresses the people, then there is no figuring out the misery that has been caused by the party of restrictions in the United States alone.

There are to be congressional elections this fall and the people will have the opportunity to declare in favor of the free flow of trade or of its restriction. The man that votes for the party of the gold standard votes to place beyond the reach of himself and family a part of the goods belonging by rights to himself. Only in the party that would coin to their full volume both gold and silver can be found the true developers of trade and conferers of happiness.—H. F. Thurston.

BIMETALLISM.

There is only one side to this question of bimetallism. If you argue from the standpoint of the welfare of the majority there is absolutely not one argument to be advanced, philosophical, historical, or practical, in behalf of a single gold standard that is not susceptible of instantaneous and triumphant refutation; not one.

The only defense for it is the defense that is made in England, where they say, "We admit that the gold standard causes an appreciating money unit; that it grows big while everything else grows little. That is the reason we want it."

They say the rest of the world has to pay England $675,000,000, or thereabouts, tribute every year. How is it paid? In products. One hundred and forty-five millions of pounds sterling of adverse balance of trade in merchandise against Great Britian, offset by six millions, or thereabouts, of exported specie, leave about a hundred and thirty-nine million pounds sterling every year that she must go abroad for, paid to her for interest on the public and private debts that nations, corporations, and individuals in the rest of the world are owing to her.

Harcourt said in Parliament:

"These debts are paid to us in the products of those countries. Shall we therefore accept a policy that will pay us half as many products as now?"

And you and I who furnish the products with which this debt is paid to England are asked to continue a policy which will constantly make us give more of everything that we raise to pay England the same nominal amount of money.

If you argue, therefore, in behalf of the favored class who are out of debt and have debts in gold owing to them, or of a great creditor nation out of debt and having debts owing to it payable in gold or the equivalent of gold in products of labor, then you can defend the gold standard.

C. A. TOWNE.

ALFRED H. LOVE, TRAITOR.

There is a society with headquarters in Philadelphia bearing the flamboyant title of The Universal Peace Union. Its president is an eminent traitor named Alfred H. Love.

Scientists have asserted that love is a disease, but this particular Love is a pestilence. He has written a letter to the Queen Regent of Spain in which he says:

"Our hearts are full of sympathy for you in your no doubt embarrassed position, but the right will sustain you. Our country would receive you if your people rebel in your efforts to avail of any opening to still avert war and meet the demands of humanity, freedom and peace."

This fellow, Love, has free quarters in Independence Hall, Philadelphia, and dates his traitorous letter from that cradle of liberty. In the room of this society a Spanish flag was found ostentatiously displayed.

If the Universal Peace Union continues to occupy a room in Independence Hall the authorities of Philadelphia will be guilty of harboring an enemy to this country. President Love's love letter to the Queen Regent of Spain was stopped in the mail by United States authorities, but Love boasts that he forwarded a copy in a roundabout way.

Love should be sent to join the Spaniards whom he loves. There is no place in the United States for the president of the Universal Peace Union who is also a traitor.

Another fact: This is the same Love that organized a "sound money" parade in the interest of the Republican presidential candidate in 1896. He should be made short work of.

Hancock and Barnum.

A committee appointed by the Rhode Island legislature has just reported that the depression in the cotton industry is the result of overproduction or underconsumption, or both. This is luminous, blinding in its effulgence. The committee does not recommend much of any thing, but suggests that lower duties on machinery and other materials of the manufacturer might be wise. At the same time it is careful to say that the present tariff policy should not be changed. Of course not. Apply the policy except when it hurts us. Never mind the other fellows. But the other fellows are meanwhile appointing wise men to think for them, and counter recommendations may be expected of exactly the same sort, of opposite application. Truly the tariff is a local question. Gen. Hancock was right. Protect our locality, but no other. And while the local and special interests fight each other for exclusive privilege to reap where they do not sow, the people suffer, but sustain the policy. Barnum, too, was right; for the people like to be fooled. —Post-Dispatch.

Fitting Rebuke to Professor Norton.

In spite of Professor Norton's ill-advised attempt to stifle the patriotic spirit among the students at Harvard these young men continue their loyal demonstrations with increasing enthusiasm. His pro-British, pro-Spanish theories do not move the whole number of students. Many of them have already enlisted in the army and navy; dozens of others are eager to do so, and the entire student body has united in presenting a beautiful set of colors to the auxiliary cruiser which has been named in honor of the university. These acts form a stinging rebuke to Professor Norton's un-American utterances. This same Norton almost dislocated his jawbone yelling for "national honor" in 1896. He ought to be given his passports back to Canada.

May Be No Emergency.

Better a fusion with Silver Republicans than a total absorption of the party in a Democratic alliance. Better a straight-out Populist ticket than all—sink or swim by it, and be in shape for 1900, when Fitzhugh Lee, backed by gold Democrats, will try to kill Bryan.—Denver Road.

That's right. Brother Georg, keep the Populists together for emergencies. But have no fear that Fitzhugh Lee or anybody else will run away with the Democratic party. The one good turn that Cleveland did the party was to make it careful whom it shall nominate. Bryan will be just as big a man in 1900 as he is now. The Democratic party will be bigger.—Ed. National Democrat.

A Republican.

Coming up on the train the other day we noticed a very important individual shooting off his mouth in a very self-satisfied sort of a way. "There are too many people," he said, "and it is a good thing to kill off a whole lot of them in the war." There is a political economist for you. We asked him if he was aware of the fact that the killing of these people would make less mouths to feed, and if he was not familiar with the other fact that there is already an over-production of food stuff? The world is full of such political economists, who reason things out on the line of this man who sits at home and urges others to go to the front and get killed.—The New Road.

Forced into defending the nation's honor by the demands of the people, the republican party cannot snatch the glory of a war they were anxious to avoid.

AMERICAN FINANCE.

AS ADVOCATED BY REPRESENTATIVE GUNN.

The Terrible Results of the European Financial System That Will Be Reproduced in Our Country Unless a Halt Is Called.

In debating the bond bill, Representative Gunn, of Idaho, said:

I have ever been an advocate of an American financial system. Why not? When we established our government we abandoned the European governmental system.

It is a common expression among the single standard advocates that we must follow the financial methods that the experience of all civilized nations have proven to be the best. By this is meant European nations. When we look at the conditions in Europe what do we see there that claims our admiration? In time of profound peace huge standing armies eating up the substance of the people; a moneyed class that owns the earth controls the circulating medium, and swarms of human beings living at the lowest round of poverty and destitution. It has been thus on that continent as far back as the memory or the annals of man reach. The money controlled by the few, the masses with a monopoly on nothing but poverty. To me it is a source of surprise that any American would advocate the adoption of a system that has produced such disastrous results.

The men who laid the foundation of our governmental system were not idle dreamers or vain tourists; they were energetic, practical men, who were not afraid to try new theories in government. They made every man equal before the law, placing like opportunities before all. Every nation in Europe declared that the experiment was dangerous and impracticable and would end in disaster.

They adopted a constitutional government based on the free and untrammeled will of the majority; divided governmental functions between three co-ordinate branches—the executive, legislative and judicial—with the powers of each defined and limited by a written constitution. Outside of the United States it might be said that all nations raised their voice with one accord against this innovation in the construction of a government. It was said to be contrary to the experience of all mankind. In every government that then existed the executive was the overshadowing power and the other departments were all subject to it.

We decreed manhood suffrage, free speech and freedom of conscience—all innovations on the established order of things and all against the experience of the human family.

After more than a century we have demonstrated the wisdom of our fathers, and Europe, perhaps unconsciously, pays tribute to their worth, for all nations on that continent, with the exception of Russia and Turkey, have remodeled their governments more or less closely on the lines their fathers rejected one hundred years ago. It is dangerous to say that we must adopt a financial system because other nations have always had such a system. Had this argument prevailed in the days of Washington, Jefferson and Ben Franklin we would not have had a written constitution today, nor would we have had free speech, free press, freedom of conscience, nor any of the other blessings handed down to us by a wise, patriotic and noble ancestry. Therefore, when the argument is used in a discussion of the financial issues that we must adopt European methods, no attention should be paid to it, for it is contrary to the history, traditions and experience of our government.

We adopted European financial methods, it is true, and are endeavoring to perpetuate them, and it is drawing us down to European conditions. The system that produces abject poverty on the other side of the Atlantic Ocean will produce a like state of affairs on this side of the ocean. It should be a patriotic study with every citizen how to substitute improved American methods for the enervating, poverty-breeding system in vogue in the Old World.

Measure the extent of country and count the people who are using money today; then measure the extent of country and count the people who used it one hundred years ago, and you will find that the production is not keeping pace with the demand.

The money of final redemption is gold. It is the sole standard by which values are measured. Of this metal the human family has at its disposal in the shape of coin $4,000,000,000, or about $4 to each inhabitant of the earth using money. This scant supply accounts for the poverty and distress which encumbers the earth; this is why we have periodical famines. The earth always produces enough for man, and with our rapid means of travel all parts of the globe can be easily and speedily reached.

The closing of the mints in British India was followed by a famine the most terrible of modern times. Not less than 8,000,000 of human beings perished. It is true that a drought afflicted a large area of the country. As a consequence there was a short crop in some localities and a total failure in others; yet there were large sections of the country that produced food enough for all.

Julian Hawthorne, an American writer, was sent by the Cosmopolitan Magazine to write up the Indian famine for that publication. In one of his communications he made the following statement (Cosmopolitan Magazine for August, 1897):

"As to sending grain, as I see has already been done, it can only result in harm to the starving persons, for there is at this moment grain enough in India to feed everybody there. This grain is held by native dealers and is sold at the highest possible price. Now, if we import grain and sell it at a low figure or give it away, the course of trade is disturbed, the dealers withdraw altogether from the market, and the condition is far worse than ever. * * * Unless you are willing to take upon your shoulders the whole burden of supplying 300,000,000 people with grain, you are only doing harm by sending any grain at all."

Mr. Hawthorne in the foregoing says there is plenty of grain in India to feed the starving millions, and advises against sending any grain to that country. In the next quotation he tells how to arrest the famine.

"Send money, and it will enable those who need grain to buy it. The dealer will be enriched, no doubt, but the people will be saved. * * * Let each of us remember that $1, properly applied, will keep a human being alive in India a month."

The pitiful sum of $1 was all that was needed to carry a starving wretch over a month, but the poor native did not have the dollar. Thus you see the fact is established that the famine was not caused by want of grain, but by want of money. At the time that starvation was running riot in India the British government closed the mints, added to the dearth of money, and thus accelerated the work of starvation.

We have about exhausted the fertile resources of the English language in the denunciation of General Weyler, but he stands as a white-robed angel alongside of those who created the money famine in British India.

We were all witnesses of strange scenes in the United States but a few years ago. In 1893, when we repealed the Sherman law and so many of the silver mines closed down, thousands of laborers were thrown out of employment. Whole communities were abandoned, families were forced to separate, while the husband, with a roll of blankets on his back, penniless and heartbroken, started out in the world to seek employment and to endeavor once more to build up a home where he could gather his family around him. Too often they sought companionship in the ranks of the "commonweal army," and in bands and small groups of ragged, dirty and half-starved men begged their way from door to door.

These horrible sights were witnessed in the United States at a time when our harvests were so abundant that political theorists found fault with the farmers because they had caused an overproduction. Agricultural products were so cheap that they brought the farmer no adequate return for his labor. To say that his bins were bursting was no figure of speech; it was an actual fact. At this time, strange to say, the land swarmed with men half clad and hungry. This is the condition we came to under the operations of the gold-standard—hungry and ill-fed men in the midst of abundance. Like the poor wretch in India, a dollar would keep him a long time, but he did not have the dollar. Under the gold standard they were scarce. A dearth of money worked just the same in the United States as it did in India.

The Plutocratic Programme.

The financial lords, who have milked the labor and enterprise of the civilized world since Joseph worked his famous corner on corn in Egypt, are keenly alive to everything that affects their interests, and always "view with alarm" any indication that people are likely to learn the true nature of the bunco game that is played upon them. Here is what the London Times said in 1865:

"If that mischievous financial policy which had its origin in the North American republic during the late civil war in that country should become indurated down to a fixture, then that government will furnish its money without cost."

What a calamity—to the usurers—that would be! The Times discerned further doleful conditions resulting from our people creating their own tools of trade—for that is all money is—and continues:

"It will pay off its debts and be without debt. It will have all the money that is necessary to carry on its trade and its commerce. It will become prosperous beyond precedent in the history of civilized governments of the world. The brains and the wealth of all countries will go to North America. That government must be destroyed or it will destroy every monarchy on this globe."

But there was no hope that this government could be destroyed by force of arms. But its statesmen could be corrupted and a financial policy fostered upon it which, in its consequences, would be more disastrous than war, and as effectually subjugate our people as could the most conclusive victory by force of arms.—Cleveland Recorder.

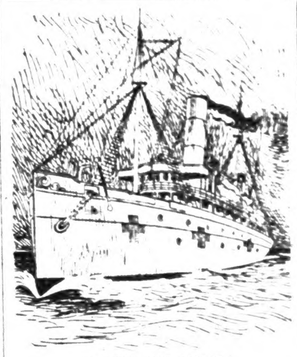
The Patriotic Oil Magnates.

The bankers of Europe have refused to loan Spain any more money. It requires money to carry on a war, and as Spain has chosen war, it is presumed that she has received financial aid from some quarter. It is rumored that on March 23 Spain sold her oil privileges to the Standard Oil company and that the price paid runs into the millions. The Standard has been trying to secure these privileges for some time, and probably took advantage of the situation. We should remember that the Standard stockholders are all American citizens, and that they depend principally upon America for a market. We should also remember that the date of the rumored sale was eight days after the Spaniards blew up the Maine and war between the two countries was an assured fact.—Indianapolis Union.

THE SOLACE A SUCCESS.

Surgeon-General Van Reypen Pleased With the New Naval Hospital Ship.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—Surgeon-General Van Reypen, of the Navy, is back from a trip to New York, where he inspected the naval ambulance ship, the Solace, and saw the sick and wounded brought up from Admiral Sampson's fleet, fifty-four in all. The wounded include those who participated in the engagements at Cardenas, Cienfuegos and Matanzas. The men are doing well, and there



HOSPITAL SHIP SOLACE.

will be no fatalities resulting. One of the men will lose an arm, as that member was so blown to pieces by a shell that amputation above the elbow was necessary. All the other patients will be more fortunate.

Surgical science has made great advances since the Civil War, and there will be no such loss of limbs and other permanent disfigurements as occurred thirty years ago.

The sick men, about forty-four in number, have no signs of contagious diseases, their ailments being chronic, such as consumption, heart disease, etc. They were taken from the fighting ships, as the Northern latitude will aid in their recovery, and also because sickness on board ship has a depressing influence on the fighting crews. The sufferers, both sick and wounded, show their delight when taken aboard the Solace. It is appointed like a modern hospital, with cheerful wards and every facility toward restoring health.

Some of the old tars speedily named the Solace the "ice-cream ship," as the ice-making machine aboard permitted the nurses to give the sick and wounded ice-cream as one of the delicacies. When chicken was served to some of the patients they declared that they were now living in a hotel. The substantials are furnished by the Navy, but many delicacies, such as lemons, oranges, jellies, chickens, etc., have been furnished by private contribution, and are looked upon in the care of the sick as almost essential as solid foods.

As the Solace is a neutral ship, under the Red Cross, all ports are open to her. She has returned to the Key West squadron.

A BRAVE ENSIGN.

Great Courage Displayed by Joseph W. Powell While Aiding Hobson.

Naval Cadet Joseph W. Powell, who ran the launch of the flagship New York up in under the guns of Morro Castle, Santiago de Cuba, and there waited in hope of rescuing the Merrimac's crew, is a native of Oswego, N. Y. He is but twenty-one years

ENSIGN JOSEPH W. POWELL.

old, having been appointed to the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1893 and having been graduated in 1897. He stood third in a class of sixty-two at graduation. At the declaration of hostilities he was taking a supplemental course in the naval construction corps, from which he was assigned to Admiral Sampson's flagship.

The Ensign and those with him in the launch were exposed to the fire of the shore batteries and showed great courage and coolness. Oswego is justly enthusiastic over its son's exploit.

Feud Brings Lawlessness.

Circuit Judge Brown, of Laurel County, who has been holding court at Manchester, Clay County, Kentucky, will call on Governor Bradley for troops to suppress the Howard-Baker feud. The Howards are now strongly intrenched in town, while the Bakers are about twelve miles out in the country. Bitter feeling has existed since the killing of ex-Sheriff White by Tom and Ans Baker.

Kentucky's Fine Wheat Crop.

The crop report issued by Kentucky State Agricultural Commissioner Moore shows the State average for wheat to be the best record in the history of the State. Other crops are proportionately flourishing.

Suicide Because He Was Left Behind.

Private Rich, of the First Regiment, South Dakota Volunteers, committed suicide at Sioux Falls with morphine because he had been left behind by the regiment.

Spain's Shocking Misery.

Countess Casa Valencia, wife of the former Spanish Ambassador to Great Britain, who started a Spanish fund in London, which realized only $5000, has received from Madrid a despatch describing the shocking misery of the Spanish sick and wounded.

Japanese Officers to Go to Cuba.

Secretary Alger granted special permission to Commander Ketsuro Narita, of the Imperial Japanese Navy, and Lieutenant Saneyuki Akiyama, to go with the army of occupation of Cuba.

OUR WAR REVENUE

Congress Passes the B... Funds For Military E...

AN IMMEDIATE BO...

House Adopts the Measure... 151 to 107. Senate by a v... —A Summary of Our N... Tobacco and Tea Tax... Inheritances Takes E...

WASHINGTON, D. C., ... War Revenue ... Congress ... Tobacco ... Sugar Trust Companies.

A stamp tax of one cent ... tickets.

An additional tax of $1 ... beer, ale and porter.

... amounting to $400,000 ... bonds bearing interest at ... per cent., an $100,000,000 ... indebtedness.

An inheritance tax.

A provision for the coinage ... forage in the Treasury at ... 500,000 per month.

A tax of ten cents per pound ... imported into the United States.

A tax on all adulterated ...

A tax on proprietory medicines.

The measure provides that ... collectible from the date ... attached his signature, except ... for which a different date ... bill. The taxes which ... shall go into effect on the ... Its passage are the increased ... on teas, the tax on inheritances, the tariff tax on tea.

All of the special taxes ... including the license tax ... brokers, theatres, etc., and ... on commercial and legal ... proprietary articles, telegraph ... freight receipts and bills ... ing and parlor car tickets ... tax on the gross income ... petroleum refining companies ... line companies in excess ... year will become operative ... day of July.

OUR NEW TA...

Teas, 10 cents per pound.
Flour, 4 cents per barrel.
Oriental.
Tobacco, 12 cents per pound.
Cigarettes, $1.50 per thousand.
Cigars, $3.00 per thousand.
Snuff, 12 cents per pound.
Sugar, ½ of 1 per cent. grading.
Oil, ¼ of 1 per cent. grading.
Beer and Ale, $2 per barrel.
Proprietary Medicines, 2 cents each 25 cents.
Perfumery and Cosmetics, 2 cents.
Chewing Gum, 4 cents per pound.
Palace Car Seats, 1 cent.
Telegrams, 1 cent.
Telephone, 1 cent for each ...
Insurance, 1 per cent.
Conveyance, 10 cents per ...
Stamp duty on sales, ½ of 1 per cent.
Steamship Fares, $1 for each ...
Passage money, ...
Bank Checks or Drafts, 2 cents.
Theatres must pay $10 ...
Bowling Alleys and Billiard ... for each table.
An inheritance tax.
Wines in Bottles, 2 cents.

EVANGELINE CISNE...

The Cuban Heroine Who Helped Rescue...

BALTIMORE, ... pretty young ... Evangeline Cosio y ... known as Senora ...

Miss Cisneros, ... home on the roof ... the loathsome ... bonel escorted ... Miss Cisneros ... of the Visitation ... plete her education.

SENORA EVANGELINE COSIO Y CISNEROS.

The Astor Bat... Bradford Farm, ... having trampled ... marching order, ... barracks. They ... Francisco.

Ensign Palmer ...

Admiral Samp... bravery of Ens... who ran in a l... yards of the Sa... and learned that ... mounting guns.

...ertion that "92% ... in Italy last year ... 1,840 principals ... by his feelings were ...

...arts of New Jersey ... to solve the tra... ...them to make ... ...made tracks.

...New York man droppe... ...heard a musical compo... ...just finished, played ... Coon song composed ...

Life Isn't Worth L... ...who suffers the maddi... ...Terrier and such ... ...from a simple hapless ... ...ever. Every ... ...ily and surely cured by ... ...worth 5 cents to ... ...of Tetterine at drug stores ... ...Sold in camps from J. T. ...

Whalom Smoothing Sy... ...soothes the skin, reli... ...allays pain, cures wind colic ...

...British government is ... ...1,000 annual ... ...Liverpool ... ...Edinburgh ... ...and Hull ...

...Tobacco Spit and Smoke You... ...tobacco easily and for... ...full of life, nerve and vigor... ...wonder worker, that mak... ...All druggists, 50c or $1. ...Booklet and sample fr... ...Remedy Co., Chicago o...

...To Cure a Cold in One ... ...Laxative Bromo Quinine ... ...refund money if it fails ...

...In one of the oldest ... ...have used it for ... ...passes and bronchi...

...Don't know as the wa... ...regular sources of cures, ...He seems to ... ...

...Tone Your Bowels With ... ...Cathartic, cure constipa... ...C C C fail, druggists re...

...hundred drummies ... ...recovered from the ... ...are opened, or must ... ...sides.

...TES DANCE SPASMS ... ...permanently cured ... ...Great Nerve Restore... ...trial bottle and treat... ...Ltd., 931 Arch Street, ...

...cured me of a Throat ... ...three years' standing. ...Ind., Nov. 12, 1896.

...rofula Swelli...

...Was Very Poor But ...saparilla Has Cured ...

...ghter had scrofula sw... ...and her health was ... ...ot obtain lasting ben... ...until she began taki... ...la. Three bottles of ... ...ely cured her and she ... ...bled with scrofula sin... ...in Hood's Sarsaparil... ...er, Ruth, N. Y.

...d's Sarsapa... ...'s Greatest Medicine. $1 ...

...Pills cure all liver ills. ...

...zy Liv... ...e been troubled a gre... ...pid liver, which produced ... ...and CASCARETS to be all ... ...and secured such relief that I ... ...based another supply and ... ...sed. I shall only be too ... ...ascarets whenever the ... ...J. A. SMITH, ...quehanna Ave., Philadelp...

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...EGULATE THE LIVER ...

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...oosley Cycle Compan... ...Dept. P. O. BIRMINGHAM ...

...Columbia ... STANDARD OF THE WORLD 1898 ... ...The Combined Experi... ...ence of 21 Years. ... Columbia ... Bevel-Gear ...hainless Bicycles, $125. ...lumbia Chain Wheels, $75 ...rtford Bicycles, ... 50 ...ss Bicycles, $40 & 35 ...ubines and Prince ... Guaranteed. ... 1897 1896 1895 1894 1893 1892 1891 1890 ... ...ONE FOR ALL ONE FALL. ...Tablets Good. Use ... by druggists. ...MPTION ...

ACE A SUCCESS.

Van Reypen Piloted Naval Hospital Ship.

...special surgeon ...pon of the Navy is back New York, where he ...al ambulance ship, the ...the sick and wounded ...Admiral Sampson's fleet.

The wounded include ...ilated in the engage... ...ecdegas and Matan... ...ding well, and there

RAVE ENSIGN.

Displayed by Joseph W. ...hile Acting Hobson.

Joseph W. Powell, who ran ...the Spanish Navy's ship ...of Morro Castle Santiago ...re waited in ships of resem... ...ge's crew, is a native of ...but has lately been ...

OUR WAR REVENUE B

Congress Passes the Bill to ... Funds For Military Expen...

AN IMMEDIATE BOND ...

House Adopts the Measure by a ... 154 to 107. Senate by a Vote ... —A Summary of Our New Ta... Tobacco and Tea Tax and ... Inheritances Takes Effect At...

Washington, D. C. (Special)—... passed the War Revenue bill ... fest for the vote and it was sen... to the President for signature, ... that the taxes might become ... immediately.

The House of Representative... the senate report on an a... vote of 154 to 107. Five Demo... in the affirmative—Cummings, ... Lentz, McAllen and McClell... and Hitt, of Connecticut, Re... voted in the negative.

The vote adopted the agre... report by a vote of 11 to 22. The ... voting for the bill were Caffer... Mongey, McEnery, Morgan, ... Mitchell and Lindsay. Senators ... and Gray, Democrats, were pai... of the conference report. The bi... will yield, it is estimated, over ... in revenue to the Government.

The main features of the bill ... practically as follows:

A tax of one-quarter of one p... the gross receipts of the Standa... Sugar Trust Companies.

A stamp tax of one cent on ... beer ale and porter.

An additional tax of $1 per ... tickets.

For issuance of $100,000,000 ... bonds, to bear interest at the r... per cent., and $100,000,000 of s... indebtedness.

An inheritance tax.

A provision for the coinage of ... bullion in the Treasury at the ... $4,000,000 per month.

A tax of ten cents per pound ... imported into the United State...

A tax on all adulterated flour...

A tax on proprietary medicine...

The conference provides that t... shall go into effect on the day the ... receives the signature, except ... which a different date is ... The taxes which the bi... shall go into effect on the da... Repeaters are the increased ... on cheques, the tax on inheritan... and the tax on tea.

All of the special taxes and ... including the license tax ... brokers, theatres, etc., and the ... on commercial and legal p... dietary articles, telegrams, ... freight receipts and bills of l... tax and parlor car tickets, ... tax on the gross incomes of ... petroleum refining compani... the companies in excess of ... year will become operative ... day of July.

OUR NEW TAXE...

Teas, 10 cents per pound.

Flour, 1 cents per barrel ... original.

Tobacco, 12 cents per pound...

Cigarettes, $1.50 per thous...

Cigars, $3.00 per thousand.

Snuff, 12 cents per pound.

Sugar ¼ of 1 per cent. gro...

Oil, ¼ of 1 per cent. gross.

Beer and Ale, $2 per barre...

Proprietary Medicines, N...

each 25 cents.

Perfumery and Cosmetics, ...

Chewing Gum, 4 cents on ...

Palace Car Seats, 1 cent.

Telegrams, 1 cent.

Cheques, 1 cent for each ...

Insurance, 1-6th, 10 cents for ...

Conveyance, ½ of 1 per ...

Steamship Fares, $1 for ...

Passage Tickets or Drafts, ...

Express, under $50, pay $100.

Bowling Alleys and Billi... ... for each table.

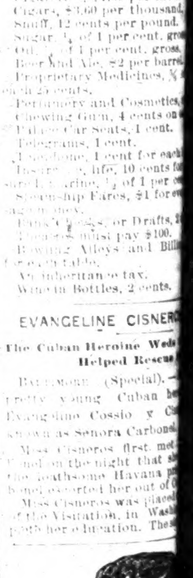
An inheritance tax.

Wines in Bottles, 2 cents.

EVANGELINE CISNER...

The Cuban Heroine Wed... Helped Rescue ...

Barcelona (Special)—... pretty young Cuban he... Evangelino Cossio y C... known as Senora Carbone... Miss Cisneros first met ... on the night that she ... the deaths one Havana p... Lieutenant Carbonell ... Miss Cisneros was placed ... the Visitation, in Washi... both for education. The ...



SEÑORA EVANGELINE ...

...that she was unhappy ...that she desired to ... woman in Havana.

After consulting her ... A. Logan, the sisters ... Cisneros be taken from ... vowed both to see her ... sword with him. Not ... hotel was invited to ... couple is the young ... the parlors of the ...

Astor Bat...

The Astor Bat... Bradford Farm, ... having tramped ... guarding order ... barracks. They ... Francisco.

Ensign Palmer of ...

Admiral Samp... bravery of Ens... who ran in a l... yards of the Sa... Olivette, to go with the army of ... of Cuba.

...ofula Swellings

...n Was Very Poor But Hood's ...saparilla Has Cured Her.

...daughter had scrofula swellings on ... and her health was very poor. ... obtaining benefit from ... ...n taking Hood's ...rilla. Two bottles of this medi... their good work and she has never ...n Hood's Sarsaparilla." Mrs. ... Lake, N. Y.

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...Sarsaparilla Medicine, $1; six for $5.

...e Pills ...ct on liver ills. 25 cents

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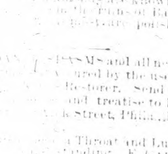

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...suggested that "920 duels were ... Italy last year and only one ... side principals was hurt." ...ly his feelings were wounded.

...ers of New Jersey the farmers ...d to solve the tramp problem by ... them to make roads and they ...nde...cracks.

...a New York man dropped dead when ...d a musical composition, which ...just composed, played for the first ...Coon song composers will please ...

Life Isn't Worth Living

...when the maddening agony of ...ing and such irritating, itching ...es every neighbor of the ... Sample Box to Tetter and Ring... ...ing standing is completely, ...ickly cured by Tetterine. 50 ...ents to you? That's the ...ing stores, or by mail ...ps from J. T. Shuptrine, Sa...

...Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children ...ens the gums, reduces inflamma... ...allays pain; cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

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...ver constipation forever. ...druggists refund money.

...Mason and all nerve ...ured by the use of ... Restorer. Send for ... and treatise to Dr. ... Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

...a Throat and Lung ...ubling. E. CADY, ...1890.

Little 4-year-old Fannie had been given a piece of bony shad for breakfast, but left it untouched upon her plate. "Why, Fannie," asked her mother, "what is the reason you don't eat your fish?" "Because," was the reply, "dis piece is all full of splinters."

Nettie, aged 4, was sitting on the floor crying. Suddenly she ceased and seemed lost in thought and a moment later she asked: "Mamma, what was I cwyin' about jus' now?" "Because I wouldn't give you any more candy," replied her mother. "Oh, yes, I 'member now!" she exclaimed; and the tears began to flow afresh.

Women in Business.

From the Free Press, Detroit, Mich.

A prominent business man recently expressed the opinion that there is one thing that will prevent women from completely filling man's place in the business world—they can't be depended upon because they are sick too often. This is refuted by Mrs. C. W. Mansfield, a business woman of 58 Farrar St., Detroit, Mich., who says:

"A complication of female ailments kept me awake nights and wore me out. I could get no relief from medicine and hope was slipping away from me. A young lady in my employ gave me a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I took them and was able to rest at night for the first time in months. I bought more and took them and they cured me as they also cured several other people to my knowledge. I think that if you should ask any of the druggists of Detroit, who are the best buyers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills they would say the young women. These pills certainly build up the nervous system and many a young woman owes her life to them.

"As a business woman I am pleased to recommend them as they did more for me than any physician and I can give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People credit for my general good health today."

Suddenly Prostrated.

No discovery of modern times has done so much to enable women to take their proper place in life by safe-guarding their health as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Acting directly on the blood and nerves, invigorating the body, regulating the functions, they restore the strength and health to the exhausted woman when every effort of the physician proves unavailing.

For the growing girl they are of the greatest benefit, for the mother indispensable, for every woman invaluable.

For paralysis, locomotor ataxia, and other diseases, long supposed incurable, these pills have proved their efficacy in thousands of cases.

Mother—Mali, I wish you'd never go to Frau Hofrathin's house! Daughter—But why not, mamma? Mother—Because she's always gadding about the streets! Why, she actually has printed on her visiting cards, "At home Mondays from four o'clock!" The Lord only knows where she can be the rest of the time.—Der Floh.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

The Length of the Day.

At London, England, and Bremen, Prussia, the longest day has sixteen and a half hours. At Stockholm, Sweden, it is eighteen and a half hours in length. At Hamburg, in Germany, and Dantzic, in Prussia, the longest day has seventeen hours. At St. Petersburg, Russia, and Tobolsk, Siberia, the longest is nineteen hours, and the shortest five hours. At Tornea, Finland, June 21 brings a day nearly twenty-two hours long, and Christmas one less than three hours in length. At Wardbury, Norway, the longest day lasts from May 21 to July 22 without interruption, and in Spitzbergen the longest day is three and a half months. At St. Louis the longest day is somewhat less than fifteen hours, and at Montreal, Canada, it is sixteen.—Saturday Evening Post.

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GOOD ROADS NOTES.

Instruction in Road-Building.

With the building of better highways there has arisen a demand for practical road-builders and competent highway engineers, not only for occasional work in constructing country roads, but for permanent positions as street superintendents and road commissioners in towns and cities. This demand is beginning to be recognized, and preparations made to meet it, by affording courses of instruction on the subject in various institutions, public exhibitions of the working of road machinery, and in other ways.

As Massachusetts was among the first to improve her highways, so she was about the earliest to provide instruction on the subject of road-building. In the Institute of Technology and the Lawrence Scientific School, Harvard University, complete courses of instruction are given; models, drawings and photographs are used in the the lecture rooms, and visits are made to works in process of construction. Anyone may enroll himself in the course in highway engineering at the Lawrence Scientific School, by the payment of a small fee.

But, however good the instruction furnished to young men in institutions of learning, it will be some years before their training is completed, and more years before they acquire the experience that will make them most valuable. In the meantime, roads must be built, and those engaged in building them, and others who are responsible for the care of them, require practical instruction. To afford this, in connection with the construction of the State highways, has always been a feature of the work of the Massachusetts Highway Commission.

In the last four years the State has expended nearly two million dollars on its roads. The work has been located in 125 different municipalities scattered throughout the State, out of a total of 353, or over one-third of the entire number. Fifty other municipalities have built modern roads, or 175 in all: so that almost exactly one-half of the entire number of towns and cities have had experience in first-class road-building. As towns are given the first choice of taking contracts to construct State highways in their own territory, and many have undertaken it, there are hundreds of men scattered over the State who have had actual experience in building some of the best roads in the world. This alone has proved a valuable means of disseminating information. One result is that good foremen can now be readily secured where, four years ago, it was a difficult task.

High-class road-building, according to the most approved, scientific methods, and the use of modern machinery, in so many widely-separated localities, has afforded town officials, whose duty it is to look after the roads, opportunities for obtaining information that they could get in no other way. These men ordinarily fill other offices and are engaged in business, and have no time to leave home to study road-building theoretically; but, when roads are constructed near their doors, under competent supervision, they are quick to appreciate it.

The Highway Commission employ about sixty resident engineers, one of whom is stationed wherever the State builds a road, to instruct the contractor in the methods to be employed, and he remains on the ground from start to finish. These engineers are, in turn, looked after by five divisional engineers and a chief engineer, to secure uniformity. At the end of the season, all the engineers are called together, and discuss the year's work in detail. The meetings are lively and interesting, and anyone who has attended them will appreciate their value.

Besides this, the Commission holds a public hearing in each county every year. Town officials, and all others interested in the roads, attend them, and views are freely interchanged. An association has also been formed, at whose meetings experiences are interchanged and papers read. By these methods the young and inexperienced man learns both theory and practice, and the older practical man becomes acquainted with modern theories.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

Free Delivery Depends on Roads.

To promote the business, social and educational interests of the people are the objects of the Road Inquiry Bureau and the Postoffice Department of the Government. Having these things in view, they desire to extend the system of free rural postal delivery, and will test it under all conditions. Routes have been selected in New Jersey and Pennsylvania over stone, gravel, clay and dirt roads, and the results in each case will be carefully noted. It is obvious that they must prove most satisfactory where the work can be done most rapidly and regularly in all weathers—that is, on the best roads.

In considering this question, E. G. Harrison, the Government road expert says, "the advantages of delivering letters to factories and other industrial establishments, particularly where large numbers are employed, need not be dwelt upon. The mails left at public schools can be distributed to a great number of families through the pupils living remote from postoffice and carrier routes. Letters brought to the nearest school for mailing can be collected by the rural letter-carrier to the nearest postoffice for mailing. Teachers can use these letters as object-lessons in giving suggestions and instruction in regard to proper, plain and neat addressing, etc. In schools remote from postoffices, the teachers might, with advantage, be made stamp agents, and in this way families far away from postoffices can be supplied with stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards. This will promote letter-writing and use of mails, and will also insure more regular school attendance. The rural districts are anxious for free postal delivery. They need it. It will come with good roads and be a practical advantage which they will realize and appreciate."

Circulation is Life.

The roads and highways of a civil division are as the veins and arteries of the human system, says the Suffern Independent. Life and health, that is, business and prosperity, of each part can be had and secured only by the freest circulation, and the conduits must not be allowed to clog. While the limb would wither if the circulation was interrupted, the heart would also suffer. Where would the proud city of New York be without her magnificent railways, and what would have been her condition if the great blizzard of 1888 had continued a month?

The village with its paved streets and flagged walks may say, "let the farmer build his roads; he is the party benefitted." The lord of the manor who surrounds his grounds with a high wall and morass, and then beautifies his place for his own enjoyment and benefit, may be wise if he has within himself all he requires to satisfy his needs. The village which has placed its streets in perfect condition and has neglected the highways leading thereto, has arranged, like the lord of the manor, to live in seclusion.

Has the village all it requires? Does it depend upon anything or anybody for its existence, growth and prosperity? Is it, not, in fact, most dependent? Does not every village depend upon the extent of the accessible area of which it is the centre and metropolis, and the prosperity of that area?

The village cannot shift the burden upon the farmer, nor the farmer upon his brother farmer. Each is interested, and the contiguity of the highway is but an incident. Suppose the Erie Railroad were abandoned; whose loss would be the greater, that of the farmer living within one-half mile, or the one a mile distant?

Effect of the New York Law.

The road improvement bill passed by the New York Legislature is valuable for what it makes it possible to accomplish, and as opening the way for active work by the State. It depends for actual results, however, on, first, State appropriations to make State aid a reality; second, public sentiment in the counties which shall be strong enough in favor of making improvements to force the supervisors, or property owners, to apply for them; and, thirdly, sympathy with the movement on the part of the State engineer, in order that when applications are made for improvements they may be granted.

The measure is conservative in nature and permissive in form. While opening up great possibilities, it is not mandatory in effect, nor does it force any improvements on any section. A local initiative is required in order to secure State aid and start work in any locality. The people have it strictly in their own hands to decide whether any road work shall be inaugurated. Under these circumstances it seems strange that it should have encountered any opposition. It merely opens the way for work to be done, if the people favor it, and it leaves the people entirely free to say whether they will enter upon it.

It is a long step forward for the Empire State to make practical road improvements possible in this way, but the work does not end here. Public sentiment must be educated up to the point of demanding work, and in order to accomplish this the agitation for better highways must be prosecuted with unabated vigor.

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Shots at Bad Roads.

A Pennsylvania paper says that a Mississippi steamboat could have steamed along the placid bosom of some of the roads in the State recently without fear of grounding.

The State-aid appropriation for roads in New Jersey is $150,000 for 1898. The counties add $300,000 to this, and enough local expenditures are made to foot up a considerable sum.

Many students of the highway question believe that there are more public roads in the country than are needed and that hard roads, in each direction, two miles apart on the average, would meet every possible requirement.

Wheelmen and farmers with advanced ideas in New Jersey have been endeavoring to persuade Governor Voorhees to sign the bill increasing the road improvement appropriation of that State by $50,000. They have not yet succeeded.

The State Organizer of the Missouri Good Roads and Public Improvement Association is a woman. She visits all the county seats, organizes road improvement societies, sees all the voters and secures a good membership list. Her work is reported to be very successful.

A study of sixteen French railroads seems to show that branch lines contribute to the main line gross receipts 1 4-10 times greater than those which the main lines earn. If this be correct the importance to the railroads of good highways is simply enormous, for the country roads are the feeders of the railways.

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THE CAMPAIGN IS ON.

The campaign of '98 was fairly started on Monday, when the opening guns, which were of heavy calibre, were fired at Clanton. Considering the busy season, and how all our people are gladly devoting their whole time to their crops after the late welcome rain, the attendance was larger than we had anticipated. As is usual in all Populist meetings the attention of the audience was directed solely to the words uttered by the speakers, and little demonstration, was indulged in.

Promptly at 11 o'clock Hon. G. B. Deans, our nominee for governor, was introduced to the audience, and prefacing his speech with the remark it was scarcely necessary for him to be introduced to a Chilton county audience, as for the last twenty years he had resided within three miles of our borders and was the state senator from this district, at once commenced. He said, as everyone knew, the opening speech of a campaign was always subjected to the closest criticism of the opposition, and to prevent any wrong quotations he had written his speech down. Then for about an hour he kept the audience engaged in attentively listening while he expounded sound Populistic doctrine, and severely arraigned the Democratic party of Alabama for their misdoings in the past, and pointing out what their purpose was in the immediate future, providing they can again secure themselves in power. He produced lots of evidence of their fraudulent practices in elections, and showed how the Democratic party used the cry of white supremacy merely as a blind to retain possession of office. He advocated an improved educational system in the interests of the people, and opposed the proposed constitutional convention as a device of the Democrats to disfranchise our votes.

Dr. G. B. Crowe, chairman of the state campaign committee, was the next speaker. He said today inaugurates our state campaign. Never before in Alabama has our party been so solidified as it is today. The Democrats were claiming 80,000 majority, but where it was coming from he did not know. The Republicans at their state convention, recognizing a three-cornered fight could not be successful, had declined to put ont a state ticket and they are now with us. The sound money Democrats and others who had furnished the brains of the party had left it. There were counties in the state which we had never carried before we would carry this time. When he called upon the people of Alabama to meet him in Montgomery to assert our rights he knew the men of Chilton county would be there. He cautioned the Chilton Populists not to be led away by independent candidates, but to stand by their organization and regular nominees.

A. P. Longshore, of Shelby, made a stirring speech pointing out the necessity of organization and sticking to it. He dwelt at some length upon the financial question, and promised to speak again some time during the campaign. He advised every Populist to go home and go to work for the election of their ticket.

S. M. Adams next addressed the meeting and poured red-hot shot into the independent candidates who were running for office to save the party by trying to destroy it. He invited all the independent candidates to come out to the public speakings and discuss the issues before the people in public and let the people decide for themselves which was right and which was wrong.

L. H. Reynolds, in answer to calls, came forward. He endorsed all that the previous speakers had said, and was willing and ready to do all in his power to advance the cause of the people in any part of the state, and urged Populists to work to that end.

The opening of the campaign was declared by all present to be eminently satisfactory.

The editor of the Evans City, Pa. Guide, writes, "One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It cured my children after all other remedies failed." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield and Mathews.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Jemison, June 20th, 1898.

Dear Bro. Honeycutt:—I have always regarded you as a good man and a Christian gentleman and I regret exceedingly that the time has come, whe we are on opposite sides politically, and if you are right I am wrong, and I most respectfully invite you to meet me and let us discuss the issues now before the people and do it respecting each other as friends, and when the people have heard then they can judge as to which of us is right.

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S. M. ADAMS.

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Jemison, June 20, '98

Editor BANNER: I wish to say a few words concerning the political outlook in this section of the country. The people were somewhat confused about the time of the primary election. Judge Honeycutt came out in a long letter and intimated that there was about to become great wrongs perpetrated in the primary, and announced himself an independent candidate. Owing to that fact many friends of the People's Party were confused and did not vote in the primary election but as the days go by and people quietly investigate they can see no reason for leaving their party and following any one man, and Judge Honeycutt has thus far failed to show one good reason why the people should leave their party and follow him. I think that when a man gets to the place where he is unwilling to abide by the counsels of the party and the men who have always been his political friends, and comes out as Brother Honeycutt has, independent, insinuating that the People's Party is a party of fraud the time has come to teach that man a lesson that will do him good the remainder of his days, and I am sure that will be done on the first Monday in August.

There is quite a difference between R. M. Honeycutt and J. W. Moore. Honeycutt comes out a month previous to the primary and cries out that the things we have so strongly condemned in others is now to be met in our own ranks.

J. W. Moore went through the primary election and watched with a jealous eye, and after the people spoke declared himself satisfied with the result and pledges his loyal support to the nominees of the party. Behold the difference in the two men. One declaring against the party before it acts and without evidence, the other going through the primary with all the facts before him. J. W. Moore like a true man comes out and advises the people to stand by their party and pledges his support to the ticket, and the people will not soon forget men like Moore. He shows that he understands the People's Party is indeed the People's Party and was not organized to perpetuate one man in office.

If Judge Honeycutt has any information concerning the sins of the People's Party the time has come to let us have the facts. The people will not be satisfied with insinuations. Turn on the light, we are ready and anxiously awaiting.

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Rev. J. F. Price is visiting his people at North Carolina, and did not fill his last regular appointment at Isabella.

Miss Bonnie Flemming has secured a school at Mars Hill and began teaching Monday.

Mr. Honeycutt has completed his grist mill at Benson and is talking of putting in a saw mill.

Miss Geneva Jones, who has been spending some time in Prattville, is now at home.

Mr. Foster Apperson and Mr. Wright, of Billingsley were here last week.

Miss Mamie Young, of Plantersville, visited Miss Celestia Jones recently.

Rev. J. G. Lowery delivered a very able sermon on the subject of dancing at his last appointment at Mulberry.

Mr. Wm. Walker says he has killed fifty-four squirrels in the last five days. Who can beat that?

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FRIDAY 10 a.m. Devotional exercises. Enrollment of teachers.

10:30. Welcome address, J. T. Jones sr. Response, Judson Strock.

11. The word method of teaching reading. Miss John Wilkinson, J. T. Jones jr. Recess.

2 p.m. Algebra, G. L. Speer.

2:30. Child's study—Nature's own text-book, Miss Ollie Garner, R. E. R. Hicks.

3. Geography and History, Miss Celestia Dunlap, S. Thornton.

3:30. Question Box. The Institute.

SATURDAY 9 a.m. Devotional exercises.

9:30. At what age or time should studeats begin the study of English grammar? B. T. Calloway.

10. Sciences in our common schools, L. E. Byrum.

10:30. Alabama's educational needs, Judson Strock.

11. What is Chilton county doing educationally? What should she do? J. Alex Moore.

Anyone wishing conveyance from Plantersville will write J. T. Jones sr. at that place.

The law requires teachers to attend the Institute, and we hope to see many, if not all, the teachers present. J. W. MOORE, Supt.

J. Alex Moore, Judson Strock } Committee.

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Bad management keeps more people in poor circumstances than any other one cause. To be successful one must look ahead and plan ahead so that when a favorable opportunity presents itself he is ready to take advantage of it. A little forethought will a so save much expense and valuable time. A prudent and careful man will keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy in the house, the shiftless fellow will wait until necessity compels it and then ruin his best horse going for a doctor and have a big doctor pill to pay, besides: one pays out 25 cents, the other is out a hundred dollars and then wonders why his neighbor is getting richer while he is getting poorer. For sale by J. S. Johnson Jr.

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AllDay Singing 4th of July.

Verbena, Ala. May 2, 1898.

Editor BANNER. I am requested to ask you to announce that there will be an all day song service at Chesnut Creek church on July 4. A general invitation is extended, and it is hoped that a sense of spirituality will be realized during the service.

HARDY JONES.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING.

The issues of the campaign will be discussed at the following times and places by the nominees of the People's Party, who respectfully invite the independent candidates to meet them and join in the discussions.

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1	Corinth	July 2, 7:30 p.m
1	Union	" 4, 10:00 a.m
2	Providence	" 5, 10:00 a.m
2	Mars Hill	" 5, 7:30 p.m
3	Macedonia	" 6, 10:00 a.m
7	Pleasant Grove	" 7, 10:00 a.m
8	Stanton	" 7, 7:30 p.m
8	Sardis	" 8, 10:00 a.m
6	Esterprise	" 8, 7:30 p.m
9	Pleasant Grove	" 9, 10:00 a.m
5	Evergreen	" 11, 10:00 a.m
5	Coopers	" 11, 7:30 a.m
5	Corinth	" 12, 10:00 a.m
5	Salem Church	" 12, 7:30 p.m
5	Providence	" 13, 10:00 a.m
4	Waxhaw Creek	" 13, 7:30 p.m
4	Cane Creek	" 14, 9:00 a.m
1	Lime Springs	" 15, 10:00 a.m
1	Mt. Zion	" 15, 4:00 p.m
1	New Hope	" 16, 10:00 a.m

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Assessment Book 1898.

Notice is given that the tax book for Chilton county for 1898 is now completed and on file in this office ready for inspection and that Court of County Commissioners will be in session on the 11th day of July, 898, for the purpose of correcting any errors in said book.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.
Clanton Ala., June 21, 1898.

Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }
In Chancery, at Clanton Alabama.
Seventh District, Northeastern Chancery Division. June 8 1898
Sarah Watkins, Complainant, vs. W. F. Watkins Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. A. Collier that the Defendant, W. F. Watkins, Defendant to a bill of complainant on file in the Chancery Court for the above named District and Division, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, and that his post office and residence are unknown to affiant, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Banner a newspaper published in Clanton once a week for four consecutive week, requiring him the said W. F. Watkins to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 11 day of June 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office, in Clanton Alabama, this 8 day of June 1898.

W. T. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.
W. A. COLLIER,
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MONDAY, JULY 25, 1898,

the following described real estate to wit:

Southwest fourth of north east fourth of section twenty-four, town-ship twenty-two, range fourteen, in Chilton county, Alabama. T. V. KNIGHT.
by Wm. A. Collier Jr. attorney.
Clanton, Ala., June 23, 1898.

Administrator's Notice.

The state of Alabama } Probate Court
Chilton County } June 17th 1898

In the matter of the estate of J. L. Beard, deceased it is ordered by given that Letters of Administration of the estate of J. L. Beard, deceased, was granted to the undersigned R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate Court of Chilton County, Alabama, on the 17th day of June 1898. Any person having claims against the said deceased are required to present the same to me within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Administrator of J. L. Beard Deceased

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PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

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A large part of the literature of the world is becoming unintelligible to this generation through lack of ability to understand quotations from the Bible, asserts the Christian Herald. Allusions to sayings and events which our fathers would have understood at a glance now signify nothing to many readers.

"Neither can be on top; they must walk hand in hand." These words of Bishop Potter in reference to capital and labor, the New York Herald thinks, should be inscribed in big letters wherever capital and labor meet. They put in terse form the only solution of the useless and perilous disputes which disorganize both sides.

The Illinois Central Railroad has beaten its record, having delivered 1,000,000 bales of cotton at New Orleans during the current season of eight months beginning September 1, 1897. The one million and first bale was presented by Stuyvesant Fish, President of the railroad, to Colonel H. G. Hester, Secretary of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, and it is to be disposed of for the benefit of the poor of the Crescent City.

"The talk about European intervention in the Cuban affair and a Continental league against the United States has a hollow sound," declares the New York Tribune, "when American control of food supplies is demonstrated so completely. America stands in no dread of a European concert in defense of the worm-eaten Spanish throne, when by withholding food supplies she could menace every Continental State except Russia with bread riots and starvation; nor is it necessary for Americans to be importunate in their wooing for an Anglo-Saxon alliance. England not only speaks the same language and reads Shakespeare, but it also lives on American wheat. Self-interest rather than sentiment is the true basis of an Anglo-American alliance; in future bread is more important than blood relationship."

It has been repeatedly stated in the past few months that the ships of nations at war could not pass through the Suez Canal. That was the common belief, and many people who prided themselves on the accuracy of their general information have been not less confused than surprised to find, on looking the matter up, that they were entirely mistaken. The canal is as free—except for the little detail of tolls—to the navies of every nation and at all times as are the waters of the open sea itself, and this has been the case ever since 1888. Early in that year England, France and Turkey agreed on a convention making the canal a neutral highway, and a few months later all the powers gave their acquiescence. The instrument explicitly permits the transportation of war material and ships of war through the canal, whether peace prevails or not, and only prohibits overt acts of hostility between or within three miles of the termini.

The battleships of modern times are a necessity to any great nation which intends to maintain its rights and protect its interests, believes the Atlanta Journal, but their cost is heavy. An outlay of something like $5,000,000 is required to construct and equip a ship which would take high rank in any modern navy. After such a ship is complete the expense of maintaining it is very heavy. This item for each of our big battleships is now about $1500 a day even when they do no firing. The daily expenses of our navy are now over $50,000 a day. The total annual expenses of a first-class battleship are estimated at $547,000, divided as follows:

Pay of officers, crew and marines	$326,000
Rations	48,000
Equipment	12,000
Navigation charges	6,000
Ordnance	18,000
Construction and repairs	13,000
Steam engineering	82,000
General supplies	,000
Medicine, surgery, secr	
fice and incidental exp	000

The cost of ammunition used during an engagement is immense, but it is of course impossible to estimate this in calculating the expense of a navy. Repair to warships, cruisers and other craft even in time of peace is large, but after every engagement it is necessarily immense, even for the victor. War on a modern basis is a terrific absorber of money, and there never was a time when the importance of money as a factor in war was anything like as great as it is now.

CUBAN INVASION POSTPONED

American Fleet May Be Sent to the Coast of Spain,

SEIZE THE CANARIES AND BOMBARD CADIZ.

Postponement Due to the Effects of the Rainy Season—No Reinforcement Will Be Sent to General Shafter—Gen. Miles Returns to Washington.

A Washington special says: The invasion of Cuba will be postponed until fall and in the meantime the fleets will be sent towards the Spanish coast, seize the Canary islands and bombard Cadiz, if Spain does not sue for peace before then.

The postponement of the Cuban invasion is due largely to the report made to the president by Surgeon General Sternberg to the effect that should the army be thrown into Havana province at this time or during the rainy season that 40 per cent of the troops will die.

In the meantime Santiago is to be made the basis of operations and thoroughly fortified and garrisoned. General Miles said that the expedition to Porto Rico would be pushed forward with great rapidity and that it should be started within two weeks. The reinforcement of 10,000 troops will be sent next week to General Merritt, which will put the army in a position of absolute safety.

General Miles Returns to Washington.

Major-General Miles, general-in-chief of the army, accompanied by Colonel Maus, Major Davis and Colonel Greenleaf, of his staff, arrived in Washington Friday, after having directed the departure of the first army of invasion to Cuba. It had been his intention to remain in the field, directing the succeeding expeditions, which will follow rapidly from this time forward, all of which it can be stated are a part of a well matured offensive campaign.

No Reinforcements for Shafter.

There is little likelihood that a second expedition of 5,000 men to reinforce General Shafter at Santiago will leave within the next few days as has been reported. The necessity of sending these additional forces is questioned by high military officials. The main consideration just at present is the equipment of an expedition of greater dimensions than any heretofore dispatched with Porto Rico as the objective point.

FORMING A THIRD SQUADRON.

Reported That Spanish Warships Are Heading for Boston.

MADRID.—Admiral Camara's fleet, said here to consist of over twenty vessels, is reported to have been divided at sea and to have proceeded to different destinations. Some rumors have it that the warships are now heading for Boston, Mass., with the intention of bombarding New England towns, and others set forth that the Spanish reserve fleet is going to the Philippine Islands.

Work on the fortifications at the different ports of Spain is being actively pushed, and it is asserted that a third squadron of warships is to be formed immediately. Cadiz is to be the rendezvous of this squadron.

It is the general opinion here that a protracted war is ahead, and it is semi-officially announced that the government does not count on the support of any power.

Yellow Fever Situation More Hopeful.

WASHINGTON.—The most encouraging news about the yellow fever situation in the south yet received came in official dispatches to the marine hospital officers Friday. Surgeon Murray, one of the experts at McHenry, Miss., wired an official report that he believed the yellow fever is confined to the town of McHenry. Surgeon Carter, who has been making a thorough investigation in that field, reported that he had nearly completed the investigation of the place and houses along the line running into McHenry south of Hattiesburg, and that there is no fever at any of them. The authorities are very hopeful, but by no means confident that the danger is past.

Cadiz Fleet Going East.

GIBRALTAR—The captain of a German steamer which arrived here Friday morning reports having sighted the Spanish Cadiz fleet off Ceuta, north coast of Africa, about opposite and soventeen miles southwest of Gibraltar. The warships, it is added, were going in an easterly direction. The fleet consisted of two battleships, four large cruisers and four torpedo boat destroyers.

Mississippians Going to Tampa.

One thousand Mississippians, composing the Second regiment, United States volunteers, left Monday for Tampa.

Aguinaldo Will Form a Republic.

MANILA.—Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, has issued a proclamation calling on the natives to assemble at Cavite, and inviting the Americans to be present at the ceremony of a declaration of independence.

Incessant skirmishing goes on in the vicinity of Matabar, Santa Mesa and Melate. The Spaniards are making desperate attempts to regain their lost positions. Under American orders the insurgents are holding back and playing elusive tactics that are cruelly exhausting to the Spaniards.

SANTIAGO AGAIN BOMBARDED.

It Is Believed the Enemy's Loss of Life Was Very Heavy—The Vesuvius in Action.

Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet bombarded the batteries at Santiago de Cuba for the third time at daylight Thursday morning. For hours the ships pounded the batteries at the right and left of the entrance, only sparing El Morro, where Lieutenant Hobson and his companions of the Merrimac are in prison. The western batteries, against which the main assault was directed, were badly damaged. One was utterly destroyed. In others many guns were dismounted.

At first the Spaniards replied passionately and wildly, but impotently. Then most of the guns were deserted. Not a ship was struck nor a man injured in the American squadron. It is believed that the enemy's loss of life was heavy.

As a preliminary to the hammering given the batteries, the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius at midnight was given another chance. Three 250-pound charges of guncotton were sent over the fortifications at the entrance. The design was to drop them into the bay around Angle, back of the eminence of which El Morro is situated, where it was known that the Spanish torpedo boat destroyers were lying. Two charges went, though no reports were heard, a peculiarity of guncotton in water. The third charges exploded with terrific violence on Cayo Smith. From where the fleet lay the entrance to the harbor looked in the black night like a door opening into the livid fire of a Titanic furnace. A crater big enough to hold a church was blown out of the side of the Cayo Smith and was clearly seen from the ship.

Admiral Sampson is highly gratified with the results of the bombardment. He thinks the western batteries are practically demolished. It is judged from a position near the flagship, that probably no fewer than 5,000 projectiles were fired, of a total weight of half a million pounds.

APPORTIONMENT OF SECOND CALL

Alabama Will Furnish Two Battalions of Infantry.

WASHINGTON—Adjutant General Corbin has made public the number of additional regiments, battalions, companies or batteries required from each state under call for volunteers. The organizations from each state—the number of which is herewith given—will be in addition to the number of men which will be enlisted from the several states to fill to the maximum of 106 men to a company, the organizations now in the field.

Of the 75,000 men required under the president's second call, 43,000 will be needed to recruit the existing volunteer regiments up to the maximum strength.

According to the statement made by General Corbin, the new organization will be apportioned among some of the states as follows: Georgia, one regiment of infantry; South Carolina, two battalions of infantry; Alabama, two battalions of infantry; Louisiana, three light batteries of artillery; Mississippi, six companies of infantry; North Carolina, seven companies of infantry; Tennessee, one regiment of infantry; Texas, one regiment of infantry; Virginia, two battalions of infantry; West Virginia, one regiment of infantry.

Florida having under the first call furnished in excess of its quota, will not be called upon to furnish any new organizations under the second call.

TO TAKE POSSESSION OF HAWAII.

Annexation Within the Next Two Weeks Now Considered Certain.

A special from Wasnington says: Vigorous efforts are to be made to get the Hawaiian annexation resolution through the senate by the end of this week. Annexation within the next two weeks is now considered so certain that the administration is considering plans for formally taking possession of the islands and raising the American flag over them. This duty is to be entrusted to Rear Admiral Miller, commanding the Pacific squadron, and extraordinary haste is being made to prepare the cruiser Philadelphia for sea, so that he will have a creditable flagship when he goes to Honolulu.

It is understood that the president will appoint President Dole to be the first governor of the island.

HOBSON'S PROMOTION.

The Hero of the Merrimac Wants to Be a Line Officer.

At the request of the Alabama delegation and the friends and relatives of Naval Constructor Hobson congress has held up the promotion of the hero of the Merrimac. The president on receiving the report of Admiral Sampson on the bravery of Hobson promptly sent a recommendation to the senate to return a vote of thanks to him and at the same time to advance him ten numbers in the construction corps, which would be equal to about 250 numbers were it in line.

Friday morning Senator Morgan, in the senate, and Representative Underwood in the house, each offered a resolution tendering to the hero of the Merrimac the thanks of the American congress and authorizing his transfer from the construction corps to the line of the navy, with the rank of lieutenant commander.

Sir Edward Burne-Jones Dead.

Sir Edward Coley Burne-Jones, the painter, died in London last week, aged 66 years. He was knighted in 1894.

MANILA'S SURRENDER NEAR.

Insurgents Are Gaining Everywhere and Now Surround the City.

8,000 SPANIARDS TAKEN PRISONERS.

Aguinaldo's Men Almost Force an Entrance to Manila—Food Supplies Nearly Exhausted—Dewey Can Take the City in 24 Hours.

A special cablegram from Hong Kong says:

The most severe and important battle since Admiral Dewey's annihilation of the Spanish fleet has occurred at Manila. One thousand insurgents attacked 2,000 Spaniards, inflicting heavy losses and almost forcing an entrance to the city.

The insurgents under General Aguinaldo and the American sailors and marines of Admiral Dewey's fleet completely surround Manila. The foreign residents have fled to the ships.

Admiral Montejo and Governor Augusti have placed the women, the children and priests in the forts for safety.

General Augusti is reported to be willing to surrender to the Americans in order to prevent the insurgents from capturing the capitol, setting it on fire and killing the Spaniards. The Archbishop, however, is opposed to surrender, and has overruled Augusti.

The success of the insurgents is wonderful. The Spaniards taken prisoners in the two weeks' campaign aggregate 3,000, including 2,000 soldiers of the regular army. Prominent among them are Generals Garcia and Cordoba. The governors of the provinces of Cavite, Balucan and Bataan were also made prisoners.

Two million rounds of cartridges were seized in the fortified cathedral of old Cavite. The large garrison of old Cavite has surrendered, thus giving the insurgents command of the shore of the entire bay.

All enterior sources of supply are now cut off from the Spanish forces in Manila. The Americans can take Manila within twenty-four hours after the arrival of the troops. The city is now at the mercy of the American fleet. Admiral Dewey's conduct during the blockade has been admirable. A great fire is raging north of Manila.

The insurgents have captured the water works, of which the supply of the city depends.

General Augusti has issued an order declaring all males above the age of 18 shall join the army and do military duty.

It is now officially admitted at Manila that the lack of food supplies has become a serious matter. Gunboats conveying volunteers sent into the lagoon to search for food for the city returned and reported the total failure of their mission.

LATER—It has now been officially admitted that the troops have been thirty-six hours without food. The insurgents are gaining everywhere and are now firing into Manila itself.

The commanders of the gunboats also report that every lagoon and town is hostile and that their garrisons have probably been massacred.

DEWEY HEARD FROM.

Admiral's Advices Show That 2,500 Spaniards Have Been Taken Prisoners.

WASHINGTON.—The navy department has received the following from Admiral Dewey:

"Cavite, June 5, via Hong Kong, June 17.—There is little change in the situation since my telegram of June 3d. Insurgents continue hostilities and have practically surrounded Manila. They have taken 2,500 Spanish prisoners, whom they treat most humanely. They do not intend to take the city at the present time. Twelve merchant vessels are anchored in the bay with refugees on board under guard of neutral men-of-war; this with my permission. The health of the squadron continues excellent. Three German, two British, one French and one Japanese men-of-war now in port. Another German man-of-war is expected. The following is a correct list of the Spanish vessels captured and destroyed: Destroyed—Two protected cruisers, five unprotected cruisers, one transport, one serving vessel, both armed. Captured—The transport Manila and the gunboat Calloa."

Captain-General's Family Captured.

The Hong Kong correspondent of the London Times says:

"According to Manila advices, dated June 13, and brought here by H. M. S. Linnet, the rebels have captured the family of Captain-General Augusti. In most cases the desertion of native regiments has been accompanied by a massacre of officers."

Populists and Democrats Fuse in Kansas.

The Kansas populist state convention renominated the entire state ticket headed by Governor Leedy. The platform is for free silver. The democratic convention at Atchison also nominated the populist state officials.

Germany Will Remain Neutral.

BERLIN.—The Cologne Gazette publishes a note understood to be semi-official, which reads as follows:

"According to trustworthy information all conjectures in the press and political circles in Spain, which are being built on the supposed intention of Germany to abandon her neutrality in the Philippines question are entirely baseless. In official quarters the arrival of German men-of-war at Manila is regarded as perfectly natural, for the great German interests there demand protection."

RECEPTION AT HONOLULU.

Transports Well on Way to Manila—Attempt to Blow Up City of Pekin.

Advices per steamer Miowara, from Honolulu, say:

The United States transports City of Pekin, City of Sydney and Australia arrived here together on the 1st inst. The voyage was pleasant, and the vessels traveled abreast most of the way, although it was necessary for the Pekin and Australia to slow up and wait for the City of Sydney. Eight mild cases of measles broke out on the Australia. As soon as the three vessels were sighted all Honolulu turned out to welcome the soldiers. The docks were lined with people, and as the vessels entered the harbor the spectators yelled themselves hoarse. Such a scene of enthusiasm had never been witnessed in Honolulu as when the vessels docked. During the day they were given the freedom of the city. A committee of citizens furnished free cars and other conveyances. At noon President Dole and his cabinet received the officers of the expedition.

Attempt to Blow Up the Pekin.

HONOLULU.—The Hawaiian Star of June 3 publishes the following story regarding an attempt to blow up the United States ship City of Pekin while that vessel was in port here:

"If the report which is in circulation is true, Honolulu came near being the scene of as frightful a disaster as that of the Maine, and in much the same way. The story is that nothing more nor less than an attempt to blow up the Pekin's magazine was frustrated just in time. An enlisted man, it is said, was caught just in the act of arranging a fuse connecting with the magazine. The magazine contains 400 tons of powder, and has been guarded closely. The dastard, it is said, is now under the closest guard, and when the Pekin gets out on the high seas will be hanged at the yard arm. The greatest secrecy concerning the matter is being maintained, for fear it would mar the spirit of the present occasion. The alleged culprit is said to be half-Spaniard."

Military officers on the ship denied the truth of the story, but there are many corroborative features which tend to prove the truth of the report, which was first circulated by enlisted men. Others admitted that the Spanish half-breed was on board of the Pekin.

ADOPTS VIGOROUS CAMPAIGN.

Efforts Will Be Made by War Department to Speedily Prepare the Army for Active Service.

WASHINGTON (Special).—The original plans of campaign for the conduct of the war against Spain will be adhered to and will be pushed with vigor. That decision was reached at a war council Saturday, at which were present President McKinley, Secretaries Alger and Long, General Miles, Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn, Admiral Sicard and Captain Mahan. Of course there will be some slight modifications, made necessary by the changes that have occurred since the beginning of hostilities, but these, after all, will not affect the general plans of operations.

The official declaration that the campaign is to be pushed with vigor does not necessarily mean an immediate attack upon Havana, although such advice has been tendered. It does mean that the very best efforts are to be put forth to put the army in condition where it can be used with overwhelming effect at almost a moment's notice. To this end troops now in camp are to be thoroughly trained and hardened. With such an army at command, numbering no less than 100,000, the fate of Havana cannot long remain in doubt when once this army is hurled upon it. Meanwhile the smaller expeditionary movements are to go forward uninterruptedly. When Santiago is captured, the trained regulars who do the work there will be pushed on to Porto Rico.

England Will Give China a Navy.

LONDON.—In the house of lords Friday the Marquis of Salisbury, replying to Lord Connemaria, conservative, said her majesty's government was communicating with the Chinese government respecting the reorganization of the army and navy of China. The premier added that negotiations respecting the navy reorganization were well advanced, and that there was every hope that a distinguished British officer would make arrangements with the Chinese government whereby he would renew his help to reorganize the Chinese navy.

Mistrust American Intervention.

A dispatch to the London Times from Havana says: "There is a decided tendency towards reconciliation manifested by a large section of the insurgents, who mistrust American intervention. A proclamation has been issued controlling the sale of provisions and fixing the food tariff."

British to Leave.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA—It is understood that the British warship Talbot which brought thirty-four refugees from Havana five days ago, sailed from Port Royal for Havana to bring away the British subjects who are desirous of leaving the Cuban capital.

CANADIANS' CLAIMS

For Seizures in Behring Sea Amounting to $473,000 Paid.

The claims of Canadian sealers, arising out of seizures made by the United States in Behring sea, have been settled by the payment to Sir Julian Pauncefort, the British ambassador, of approximately $473,000, being the full amount of the claims as settled under an agreement between the United States and Great Britain.

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...y Morning, Guantanamo Bay (By ...—The Spaniards who made matters ...tle unpleasant for the marines ...ed here and who displayed their ...l bravery and upheld the much ...ed reputation of their army by barbar...mutilating the bodies of some of the ...ades they had shot, have had the ...tables turned on them, and scores upon ...s are lying dead out in the ...as a result of their army by barbar... for three days had ...ed their camp from which to take ...ts at the little band of marines ...gallantly held their own against ...verwhelming odds. ...

United States marines under Lieu... ...W. Huntington made ...aggressive movement against ...Spaniards Tuesday and com... ...ir camp. ...

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...TRINCHA.

...Fifteen bodies were found scattered through the bush, but the Americans were unable to examine the spot where their firing had been most deadly.

When the Cubans had received permission to finish what was left of the fleeing enemy, the tired marines marched to a Spanish blockhouse on the seaward side of the hills. A few Spanish soldiers who were stationed there made a feeble resistance. After seven or eight of them had been killed the others cleared out and took to the bush as rapidly as possibly. They were followed, but the marines were too tired to put much life into the chase, and the Spaniards escaped.

A number of rifles and several thousand rounds of ammunition were taken from the blockhouse, and the place was then set on fire. Next the water tank and the wind-mill which pumped the water into it were destroyed.

Meanwhile the Cubans were yelling victoriously and following what was left of the Spanish force, driving them back and forth over the hill and slaying them remorselessly. Their bravery was phenomenal. Without the slightest fear of bullets they rushed with joyous cries to hand-to-hand encounters. The Spaniards, as they fled panic-stricken before them, cried "Don't kill us, brothers." The Cubans answered these appeals with cries of "Viva Cuba libre," "Viva los Americanos," and showed the same mercy to the Spaniards as would have been shown to them had the conditions been reversed.

While the Americans were destroying the blockhouse, tank and windmill the Cubans rounded up a Lieutenant and seventeen Spanish privates. These were spared and compelled to surrender.

Then the men started back for the camp, almost completely exhausted, but jubilant over their victory. Captain Spicer was overcome by the heat, and Lieutenant Neville sprained his ankle. Several of the privates were overcome by the heat.

Our loss was two Cuban soldiers killed. The wounded were: Private Walker, Company D, slight wound of ankle; a marine, not reported, and four Cuban soldiers.

DYNAMITE CRUISER A SUCCESS.

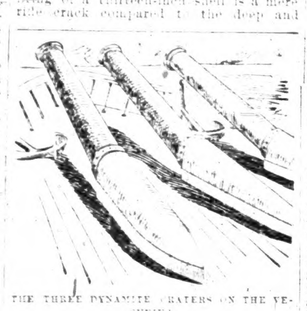
The Vesuvius Hurls Earthquakes at Santiago's Forts.

MOLE ST. NICHOLAS, Hayti (By Cable).—The first use in naval warfare of shells containing high explosives and hurled through the air by pneumatic power was made by the United States dynamite cruiser Vesuvius at the entrance of Santiago Harbor.

The Vesuvius dropped three shells, each containing 200 pounds of gun-cotton, on the western headland at the entrance to Santiago. Only a terrific convulsion of nature had ever before produced such an effect.

There was no noise, no smoke, no flash when the Vesuvius discharged her guns. Each mightily destructive missile started on its flight in silence, and silently arose, sped, fell. But as it struck the land shook, waves were raised as by an earthquake, the warships outside the harbor careened. The report of the explosion was deafening, tons of rock were hurled in air, clouds of powdered rock rolled up.

The ships on the blockade lines, two miles away, shook with the explosion. The firing of a thirteen-inch shell is a mere ripple of a crack compared to the deep and



THE THREE DYNAMITE CRUISERS ON THE VESUVIUS.

mighty roar. Clouds of earth thrown up from the hills seemed to stand against the black sky.

Another package of gun-cotton was dropped on the other side of the battery, and may possibly have struck the torpedo-boats anchored below. Before the echoes of the second died away the Vesuvius sent a third charge hissing out. It fell right on the brow of the hill where the battery seemed to lie. Into the air flew tons of earth and the smoke covered the land for half a mile.

The Vesuvius retired at a sixteen knot rate. Two flashes lighted the hill and two Spanish shells flew beyond the cruiser.

The test was regarded as highly satisfactory, and there is intense interest in the fleet over this first trial in war of a dynamite cruiser.

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Shakers to Have a Colony in Georgia.

The Shakers colony of Union Village, Ohio, is interested in a deal closed for 51,000 acres of land in Pierce, Charlton and Ware Counties, Georgia. The Shakers intend to colonize a large part of the land. Their holdings will be devoted to stock raising and breeding purposes. The remainder will be sold to Northwestern farmers.

Rifle Inventor Henry Dead.

Benjamin T. Henry, the famous inventor of the Winchester repeating rifle, died a few days ago, at New Haven, Conn.

THE ISLANDS WHICH THE HOUSE HAS VOTED TO ANNEX.

VOTES TO ANNEX HAWAII.

The House Adopts the Joint Resolution by 209 to 91.

A SURPRISINGLY LARGE MAJORITY

Only Three Republicans Vote Against It—Twenty-seven Democrats, Populists and Silverites Vote For It—Speaker Reed Would Have Voted No—Vigorous Fight Against the Theory of Expansion.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The annexation of Hawaii to the United States by joint action of Congress and the Executive before the adjournment of the present session was made certain by the House of Representatives when, by a vote of 209 ayes to 91 noes, it passed the joint resolution reported from the Committee on Foreign Affairs. The friends of annexation were jubilant when the result of the vote was announced, and they gave free vent to their joy.

The Republicans presented practically a unanimous support to the resolutions, but three Republican members voting in opposition. In the Democratic ranks the division upon the question was more marked, eighteen Democrats voting for annexation.

The vote in support of the resolutions was made up of 179 Republicans, 18 Democrats, 8 Populists and 4 Fusionists, the vote against annexation comprising 77 Democrats, 3 Republicans, 7 Populists and 4 Fusionists.

Prior to announcing the vote, Mr. Dalzell, who, in the absence of Mr. Reed, was presiding, said:

"The Speaker of the House is absent on account of illness. I am requested by him to say that, were he present, on this proposition he would vote 'No.'"

The announcement was applauded by the opposition to annexation. Mr. Dalzell then announced the vote—yeas, 209; nays, 91; absent, 5.

The announcement of the vote was cheered upon the floor and applauded generally by the spectators.

The resolutions adopted, in a preamble, relate the offer of the Hawaiian Republic to cede all its sovereignty and absolute title to the Government and crown lands, and then by resolution accept the cession, and declare the islands annexed. The resolutions provide for a commission of five, at least two of whom shall be resident Hawaiians, to recommend to Congress such legislation as they may deem advisable. The public debt of Hawaii, not to exceed $4,000,000, is assumed; Chinese immigration is prohibited, all treaties with other powers are declared null, and it is provided that until Congress shall provide for the government of the islands all civil, judicial, and military powers now exercised by the officers of the existing Government shall be exercised in such manner as the President shall direct, and he is given power to appoint persons to put in effect provisional government for the islands.

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The men still linger in a Spanish prison, but when they return again to their ships their promotions will be awaiting them. The orders sent to Admiral Sampson direct the promotion of the men as follows:

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George Cherette, gunner's mate, to be a gunner, from $50 a month to $1300 a year.

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Personals.

The Sultan of Turkey has presented a fine Arab mare to the Prince of Wales.

The Western University of Pennsylvania has conferred upon Admiral Dewey the degree of LL. D.

There is said to be no truth in the story that the Emperor of Austria wants to have his little fourteen-year-old granddaughter, the Archduchess Elizabeth, marry the King of Spain.

Gilbert Parker, the writer, has been elected an honorary member of the Royal Society of Canada, and has received the degree of D. C. L. from Trinity University, Toronto.

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Diplomats say that the expiration of Cuba ends all hope of a speedy peace.

President McKinley has decided not to recommend promotion for Lieutenant Hobson until the latter can be consulted as to what line of promotion he desires.

The German Ambassador called on Secretary of State to say that Germany will not make any naval demonstration, nor in any other way depart from her settled policy of strict neutrality.

The exports of domestic merchandise for the month of May were valued at $108,634,733, an increase of $22,399,058 compared with May, 1897.

The imports for May were valued at $53,350,947, a decrease of $26,039,300 compared with those of May, 1897.

Secretary Alger decided to assign Major General J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio, to a command with Major General Lee, of the Seventh Corps, now stationed at Jacksonville.

Secretary Alger transmitted to Congress through the Treasury Department the following additional estimates: Regular supplies, Quartermaster's Department, $3,000,000; army transportation, $10,000,000; contingencies of the army, $100,000; secret service, $100,000; total, $13,200,000.

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General Miles has requested the Governor of Massachusetts to give his son a commission in a volunteer regiment.

Work on the dismantled cruisers Chicago and Atlanta at the Brooklyn navy yard is rapidly nearing completion. The Topeka is also nearly ready for sea.

Everett White, of Hallowell, Me., was shot and killed by his wife. The White family lived about three miles from Hallowell.

A head-on collision at Eastmans' switch, near Newark, Ohio, resulted in the death of Engineers William Mullin and Edward Floyd and the serious injury of Brakeman Ellsworth Henry. Both trains were freights. The collision was caused by a mistake in orders by Engineer Floyd.

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A "Swell's" Dangerous Post.

Hallett Alsop Borrowe, a New York "swell," of Roosevelt's Rough Riders, volunteered to handle the gelatine gun, the most dangerous arm in the service, and was accepted. Before he arrived at Tampa nobody could be found to take the position.

SANTIAGO DEFENSELESS.

Sampson Bombarded Forts Until the Spaniards Deserted Their Guns.

LAST EARTHWORKS SWEPT AWAY.

Success of Our Fleet's Third Attack on the Harbor that Holds Cervera's Ships—Shell From the Texas Struck a Magazine—None of Our Ships Hit—The Enemy's Loss Must be Very Heavy.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA (By Cable).—Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet bombarded the batteries at Santiago de Cuba for the third time at daylight Thursday morning.

For hours the ships pounded the batteries at the right and left of the entrance, only sparing El Morro, where Lieutenant Hobson and his companions of the Merrimac are in prison.

The western batteries, against which the main assault was directed, were badly wrecked. One was utterly destroyed. In others many guns were dismounted. At first the Spaniards replied passionately and wildly, but impotently. Then most of the guns were deserted.

Not a ship was struck nor a man injured on the American side. It is believed that the enemy's loss of life was heavy.

The ships steamed in five-knot speed to a 3000-yard range, when they closed up, broadside on, until a distance of three cable lengths separated them. They were strung out in the form of a crescent, the heavy fighting ships in the centre, the flagship on the right flank, and the Massachusetts on the left flank. The line remained stationary throughout the bombardment.

The Vixen and Scorpion took up positions on opposite flanks, close in shore, for the purpose of enfilading any infantry that might fire upon the ships.

The New York opened with a broadside from her main battery at the works on the east of the entrance to the harbor. All the ships followed in red streaks of flame. The fleet, enveloped in smoke, pelted the hills and kicked up dirt and masonry. It was a magnificent spectacle.

The measured crash of the big thirteen-inch guns of the battleships sounded above the rattle of the guns of the secondary batteries like thunder claps above the din of a hurricane. The enemy responded spiritedly at first; but their frenzied, half-crazed fire could not match the cool nerve, trained eyes and skilled gunnery of the American sailors. Our fire was much more effective than in preceding bombardments.

In fifteen minutes one western battery was completely wrecked. The Massachusetts tore a gaping hole in the emplacement with a thousand-pound projectile, and the Texas dropped a shell into the powder magazine. The explosion wrought terrible havoc.

The batteries on the east of Morro were harder to get at, but the New Orleans crossed the bows of the New York to within 500 yards of the shore, and played a tattoo with her long eight-inch rifles, hitting them repeatedly, striking a gun squarely muzzle on, lifting it off its trunions, and sending it in sweeping somersaults high in the air.

When the order came to cease firing, every gun of the enemy had been silenced for ten minutes; but as the ships drew off some of the Spanish courage returned and half a dozen shots were fired spitefully at the Massachusetts and Oregon, falling in their wakes.

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Texas, Marblehead and Suwanee Batter Fortifications on Guantanamo Bay.

CAMP MCCALLA, Guantanamo Bay (By Cable).—The brick fort and earthworks at Caimanera, at the end of the railroad leading to the city of Guantanamo, have been demolished by the bombardment of the Texas, Marblehead and Suwanee. The bombardment lasted one hour and thirty minutes.

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MORE TROOPS OFF FOR MANILA.

General Greene With 3500 Men Goes to Reinforce Dewey.

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From nearly all the Southern and from several of the Western States earnest protests are coming against the increase of the numerical strength of the regiments because it deprives them of so many officers.

In honor of the name of their old university given to the transformed cruiser Harvard the alumni of the university living in and around Boston have bought a six-pound Nordenfelt gun, which the Navy Department will order mounted on the man-of-war the first time she enters port.

Of the additional army of 75,000 men called for by President McKinley 42,000 will be required to bring the regiments already in the field up to the standard the law demands.

Detective William W. Williams, who was in the Secret Service of the War Department during the Civil War, and who was conspicuous in the work of ferreting out the conspiracy which resulted in the death of President Lincoln, is dead.

The War Department has found material suitable for uniforms to be worn in the tropics, and a few contracts have been made.

The operation of the law preventing the payment of money for extra duty does not affect the allowance of one-fifth additional to officers and enlisted men in time of war. Privates will receive $15.60, and not $13, the amount paid in time of peace.

General Merritt has been directed to examine the vessels of the Pacific Steamship Company, and, if they are suitable for transports, to impress them. The War Department says there will be no more delay through extortionate demands by owners or agents of vessels, and ships needed by the Government will be taken.

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IT is to be presumed that all the independent candidates are now before the people of Chilton county. The advent of two new candidates for Probate Judge it appears to us has rather had the effect of clearing the situation. There is no doubt but that during the last week or two all the old time Populists have become more firmly united than any time since 1892, and in the process of unification have attracted a very considerable number of those whose political affiliations have hitherto been with the opposition. The outlook now is that the Populist majority in August will be largely in excess of any majority in the last two elections.

A FEW colored voters met Mr. H. A. Wilson at Clanton last Saturday and endorsed Judge Honeycutt's candidacy for judge of probate. This action on their part is rough on the Judge. At the same time it effectually disposes of Mr. Wilson' possible candidacy. We never thought that there was any serious intention of his becoming a candidate, and it emphasizes the fact that the people should not be led away by reported candidacies of any one. Unless a man comes out publicly before the people you can depend upon it he is seeking to delude you. Take no notice of any other candidates than those whose announcements you can read in THE BANNER. Other candidates, if there are any, are a delusion and a snare.

THE meeting of editors of the Reform Press of Alabama held yesterday at Birmingham was a decided success and promises good results to the cause. It means, among other things, concerted action by Populists throughout the State. Some highly interesting information was given, and from every quarter the most cheering news was received. The object of the meeting was to devise a plan, and it was agreed to appoint a committee at campaign headquarters, with Dr. Crowe at its head, who will every week furnish the Reform press with about two columns of campaign matter. J. M. Woods, of the Cullman Progress, was elected chairman of the meeting, and Thos. Cureton, of the Clayton Banner, secretary.

THE war progresses slowly but surely. At the present some few thousand American troops have landed in the neighborhood of Santiago. If the Spaniards meet them there there may be a decisive battle fought within the next few days. If they should evacuate Santiago and retreat towards Havana it may be some time before a battle takes place.

THOMAS HARRISON.

THE candidacy of Mr. Thomas Harrison, of Jemison, for the office of Probate Judge has been talked of for some little time past, and his announcement, which appeared in our last issue, came in too late for our accustomed introductory notice. Mr. Harrison is a gentleman well known to a large number of our citizens and favorably spoken of by all who know him. He has lived in our county since his boyhood's days, having for several years been connected with the saw mill business. For some years he has been one of Jemison's prominent merchants and was postmaster for the past four years. He was twice justice of the peace in his district and is a man of mature years and good business experience, and if elected to the important office to which he aspires will doubtless make an efficient and worthy officer.

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Mr. P. Ketcham of Pike City, Cal., says: "During my brother's late sickness from sciatic rheumatism, Chamberlain's Pain Balm was the only remedy that gave him any relief." Many others have testified to the prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

Study these two extracts from Democratic papers.

From the Montgomery Advertiser.

Are we to have a repetition of past scenes in the Fourth congressional district? This early in the game the Selma Times is publishing that a majority of Chilton county delegates were elected to support Mr. Robbins, but that when counting time has come Mr. Plowman waltzed off with the delegates. The Fourth district democrats ought not to give the opposition so much material with which to wage a contest for the seat in congress.

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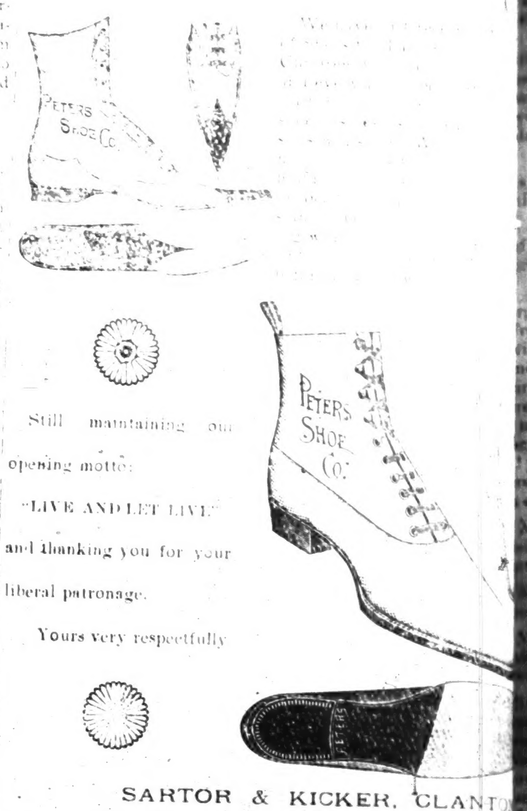

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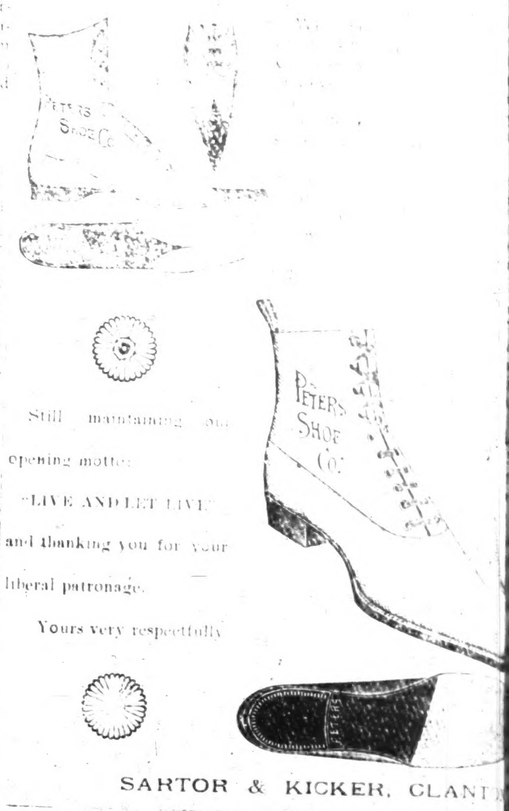

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Stanton

Providence has once more smiled on us by bringing good rains, thus ending a drought of about six weeks duration. The crops though small at this season, bid fair for a good harvest.

The Gregory Coe Lumber Co. has lost a great deal of time the last two weeks on account of having to do some repairing on their machinery.

Friday is the day for the big masonic dinner and we expect a large crowd with well filled baskets. After the installation of officers, Prof. W. A. Kelly, the renowned musical manipulator, and "one man band" will furnish music for the afternoon pleasure at the Academy.

It will be quite a treat for those who have never heard him play to see one gifted with such ambidexterity and it might be well for those who enjoy dancing to avail themselves of this opportunity.

Miss Carrie Day, of Camden, is visiting Mrs. Prichard.

Mr. Kent Coe was up on business last week.

Arthur Mahone, our handsome and accomplished operator, always takes the cake when he goes to Plantersville.

Mr. E. E. George, of Selma, paid us a flying visit Monday. BILL.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against D. C. Savage, out of a certain store house and lot in Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama, and known as the Savage Store-house, and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the south-west corner of the store-house of T. C. Crumpton, and running south 24 feet, thence east 210 feet, thence north 24 feet, and thence west 210 feet to the point of beginning.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at the Courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1898,

all the right, title and interest of the said D. C. Savage in and to the said Store-House and Lot ... Provided ... property ... certain mortgages ... Savage and ... Company of Alabama ... V. B. Atkins and ... J. T. COGLEY, Sheriff.
Clanton, Ala., May ..., 1898.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of two (2) executions issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton County, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Thomas D. Fite and William Porter out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Thomas D. Fite and William Porter I have levied on the following property, to wit:

East half of south-east quarter, and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section ..., township 23, range 13, and north-west quarter of north-east quarter of section 7, township ..., range ..., and south-east quarter of ... west quarter, ... southeast quarter of south east quarter of section 8, township 23, range 13, and north half of the north-east quarter, and east half of the north-west quarter of north-west quarter of section 16, township 23, range 13, all lying and being in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Thomas D. Fite and William Porter in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 13th day of June. J. T. COGLEY, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, I have levied on the following property to wit:

North-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, range eleven, in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Chilton county, Alabama.

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Mennen's Talcum Powder	25	17	Richmond Club 8-year old Rye	1.25	1.6[illegible]
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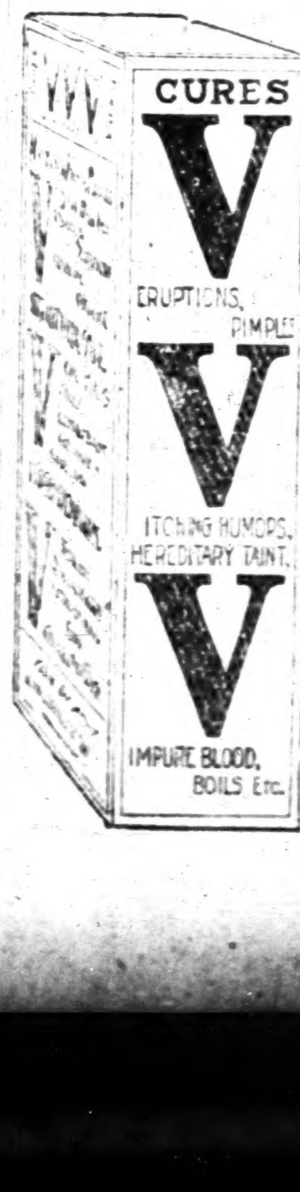

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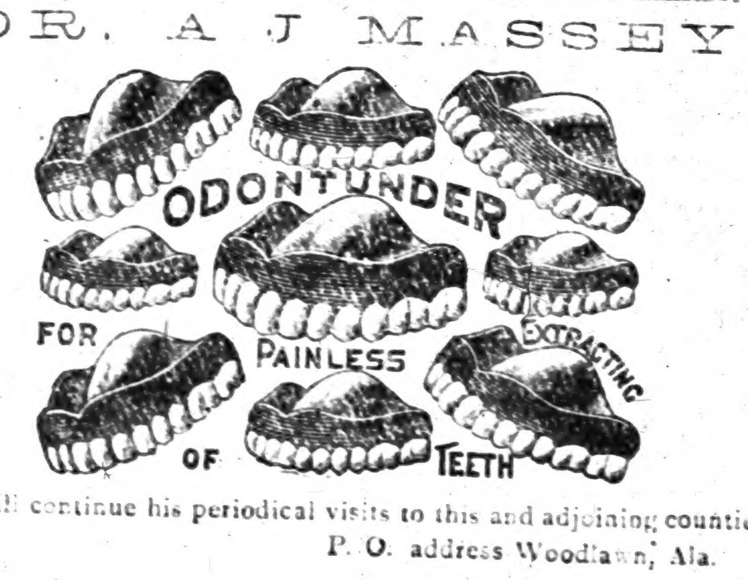

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TENT LIFE AT TAMPA.

SNAP SHOTS DESCRIBING THE DOMESTIC SIDE OF CAMPING.

FULLY a mile and a quarter north of the Court House on Franklin street, in a grove of Florida pines, lies the camp of the United States forces in Tampa.

The Northerner reaching Tampa at night now can hardly realize that he left New York or Washington so short a time before. The real color of this first impression is given by the brown-faced, roughly clothed troops, who tramp up and down, and gossip in the doorways—men who show in their faces the grit and daring that have led to victory since Cæsar's time, and in their bodies the endurance of Indians and the strength of a 'Varsity rush-line. At first the carelessness of their attire creates an unfavorable impression. Half of them parade the streets in their shirts. Every man seems to have an individual way of wearing his hat. Some stick the top straight up, others jam it flat, and the rest wear it as sane people always thought it should be worn. Their leggings are of undressed leather, neat and serviceable. For the most part their chins are covered with the fuzzy beginnings of campaign beards.

Electric cars run from the camp. Once on the camping-ground the visitor finds the soft shade of the pines in place of the white glare of the open he has left. He sees the new Krag-Jorgensen rifles stacked down the company streets, and the ammunition belts, each carrying two hundred cartridges, hung over them. The new bayonet is a knife-like weapon several inches shorter than those of the old triangular form, and furnished with a haft.

SHOWERY WEATHER.

Most of the men, when at leisure, go into town, the others lounge in their tents, reading and talking. A reasonable amount of good-natured horseplay is seen among them. Among the men nothing but words of praise are to be heard for their officers, and among the officers nothing but good things of their men.

The officers know that in battle the troops under them will do as they are ordered, to the letter; and the men know that they will be told to do the right thing at the right time.

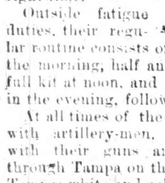
AFTER THE RAIN.

Outside fatigue duties, their regular routine consists of drill at six in the morning, half an hour's march in full kit at noon, and "guard mount" in the evening, followed by "retreat."

At all times of the day troop-trains with artillery-men, and pack-trains with their guns and horses, pass through Tampa on their way to Port Tampa; white and colored fly through, followed by cheers and blessings. Then the last car swings out of sight, and we know that in half an hour another battery will be under canvas in the neighboring camp, and that another pawn is moved to help in the checkmating of Spain.

In the camp there is drill every morning at seven; regimental drill and brigade drill. As an instance of how regiments are scattered among the cramped army posts of the United States, it is to be noted that many officers have now seen regimental drill for the first time. Brigade drill is a still greater novelty. After morning drill the men are allowed and expected to loaf. In this hot weather loafing is, in fact, a part of the regimen. The camps look like very sleepy places by noonday, though all as they should be.

On Sundays there is still greater relaxation. Many go to the long railway piles and docks at Port Tampa, where a breeze may be had if waited for long enough. One excursion is to Battery Point, on the other shore of the stubby peninsula which supports Port Tampa. In the foreground is the high hulk of a vessel left to strand there several years ago under yellow fever quarantine, and since used for storage purposes by a phosphate company. The vessel is or was the Osceola, of Buenos Ayres. Blue-shirted soldiers fishing for suckers and occasional pompano from her rotting decks or stripping and swimming in the shade of her uplifted bilge are among the exotic sights in Tampa these days.



CAMP FORAGERS CAPTURE A PRIZE.

The camp of a regiment is laid out like a little village and is a model of neatness and order. Not a scrap of paper or vestige of debris of any sort is seen through its length and breadth.

EVERY SOLDIER HIS OWN "WASHERWOMAN."

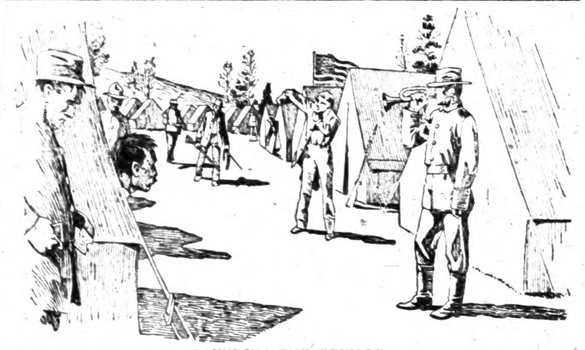
STORY-TELLING AROUND THE CAMP-FIRE.

The men in camp usually smuggle in some kind of a pet or "mascot," which is not always left behind when the order comes to move, unless it may be into action.

AFTER THE RAIN.

night are patrolled by sentries who have two hours on and four off alternately. Near the company street are the kitchens—the tents where the 'grub" is cooked for the men, and for the officers as well, who have theirs served in the "mess tent," where two or three have gathered together to be served as one set instead of eating separately. Not only do the officers thus have one another's society, but clubbing together cuts down expenses, for whatever an officer has in mess outside of the commissary provision he pays for from his own pocket.

There are always several "messes" (the work strikes civilian ears most unpleasantly) through the regiment, and those officers who are known to be bons vivants under all conditions are eagerly besought to take into theirs those who are not so expert in providing the goods of life even when they have the money and inclination. The officers' "line" is always a little away from the men's tents, which are under the immediate charge of the first seargeant and corporals of each company, and at the top of the "line" is "headquarters," where the colonel and his staff are established.



SOUNDING THE REVILLE.

and the men who "police," or clean, go over the field as a New England housewife picks threads from her carpet. All the work of this sort in a regiment is done by its prisoners—men who are under short arrest for misdemeanors or for some breach of military regulations; and, clad in brown, they go about in detachments of two or three under guard of a sentry, who bears a loaded rifle and who is responsible for the prisoners he is in charge of.

When a regiment is going into camp the busiest and most harassed person in it is the quartermaster. He it is who has charge of all camp equipage and who is responsible for the transportation of it. Also he must stand ready to supply any deficiency, from feed for horses or mules to a coat for some private who is suddenly minus his; and he and the commissary sergeant, his right hand man, think not of themselves until the regiment is installed under cover. Each officer carries his own camp outfit—tent, blankets and mess chest—and sees to it before he leaves garrison. There his responsibility practically ceases and falls upon the shoulder of his "stryker"—not a socialist, but a servant provided an officer by army regulations. The stryker is a sort of general factotum, and is usually a man from the officer's own company or troop. He is a jack of all trades, and good at them, too; and when the regiment reaches camp he makes at once for his own particular officer and looks after him. It is the stryker who pitches the tent and unpacks what luggage his superior may have after he has first extracted it from the pile of regimental impedimenta. He fetches water and puts the towels by the hand basin, and sometimes he even builds a bed.

In the meantime, while officers' tents are going up, those for the companies are being pitched with perfect order, and in an incredibly short time are taut and fast. They are laid out in sets of two lines on what are called the "company streets," and day and

The Sailors' Hen Coop.

A sailorman is fond of pets, but a ship is no place for animal life. However, there are few ships, sail or steam, that do not carry out of port a coop of hens and a rooster. These seem to be for company, or association, or something of that sort, for the oldest mariner never heard of one of the hens being killed for the mess, and a hen at sea absolutely refuses to lay eggs; and small blame to them.

The hen coop is generally placed on the forward deck, near the fo'c'sle, in which the sailors live. They have a box of sand in which to roll and are made as comfortable as possible. After one or two voyages the hens become excellent sailors, and it is a queer sight to see them balance themselves on their sea-legs when the ship tosses and rolls.

When the ship is in dock the fowls are always driven into their coop and kept there until the ship is at sea, when they are released and given the freedom of the deck. At night they seek the shelter of their coop of their own accord.—Kansas City (Mo.) Star.

A Runaway Star.

There is in the constellation of the Great Bear a famous little star which has been called a "runaway," because of the extraordinary speed with which it is moving. But it is so far away that the effect of its motion can only be noted by careful astronomical observations. Professor Simon Newcomb has said of this star, which bears the name "1830 Groombridge," that the united attractions of the entire known universe could not have set it going with such velocity and would be unable to arrest it. Now Professor Kapteyn announces the discovery of a telescopic star in the southern hemisphere, in the constellation Pictor, which appear to be moving considerably faster yet. What its real velocity is, however, can only be told when its distance is known.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Elastic Shoestrings.

Our English cousins have added a great convenience to the toilet in the form of elastic shoestrings, elastic corset laces and other similiar articles. They are far superior to the old styles of elastic cords, which are made both there and here. They are remarkably strong and durable, and give a play to the muscles and joints, which prevents stiffness and discomforts. For low shoes they are simply delightful, as they enable one to have a laced shoe, which is the neatest and trimmest of all footwear, and at the same time to have the give and yielding quality which is the chief charm of elastic gaiters.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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CHAPTER III.

"A sudden jar and the boy Detective was thrust violently from his dangerous perch."

CHAPTER II.

"Without an instant's hesitation he plunged headlong into the ley water."

CHAPTER IV.

"Rushing up the stairway and groping through the smoke, Dick, the bold boy, hammered vigorously at the door."

CHAPTER I.

"Projected by her father's boot Claud pitched headfirst down the stairs and through the portieres."

—Brooklyn Life.

PHILIPPINE INSURGENTS DECLARE INDEPENDENCE.

General Aguinaldo Elected President—Will Not Oppose American Protectorate.

A special cable to the Chicago Record, from a staff correspondent with Dewey's fleet, reads as follows:

"HONG KONG.—General Filipino officially proclaimed a provisional government in old Cavite on June 12. There were great ceremonies, and a declaration of independence was read renouncing Spain's authority. General Aguinaldo was elected president and General Parindo vice-president. The insurgent government will not oppose an American protectorate or occupation.

"The rebels have captured the Spanish governor and the garrison of 300 men at Bulacan.

"The governor and garrison at Pampanga are surrounded, and the governor and garrison of 450 men have been captured at Batangas.

"On June 9 the family of Governor-General Augusti fled to the interior for safety.

"The Spaniards in Manila are reported as having shot thirty cabineros for attempting to desert to the rebels. Aguinaldo sent an ultimatum to the governor that if more were executed he would retaliate on Spanish prisoners.

"The Baltimore has sailed to meet the Charleston and troopships."

erican Troops Expected.

MANILA, via HONG KONG.—The situation here is unchanged. The insurgents are unable to take Manila owing to their lack of field guns. They could not take it even if Admiral Dewey permitted, which he will not. All the foreigners are leaving on neutral ships.

CALL FOR ALABAMA TROOPS.

The State's Quota Will Be Raised Among the Negroes.

MONTGOMERY.—The call from Washington for troops from Alabama was received at the governor's office Monday. In the notice it is recommended that a preliminary examination of the men be had in order to save the government the cost of transportation, etc. The call is for two battalions of troops and it is known to be the purpose of the governor to organize both battalions of Alabama negroes already in camp at Mobile into a full negro regiment with Alabama West Pointers as field officers and high class white men, preferably members of the National Guard, as line officers. Eight or ten companies of negroes have already been organized in the state in anticipation of this call and it is believed the full quota can be put into camp within a week.

To Build the Canal.

senate committee on the Nicaraguan canal Monday agreed to report a bill providing for the construction of the Nicaraguan canal, but on lines very different from those of bills previously reported. The bill practically provides for the construction of the canal by the United States. The Maritime Canal Company is to be continued in existence, but all the stock is to be held by the governments of the United States, Nicaragua and Costa Rica. The bill provides for the payment of $5,000,000 to the present stockholders for the work already performed.

Why Hobson Is Not Exchanged.

A Madrid correspondent of the London Times says: "Spain's refusal to exchange Lieutenant Hobson and his companions of the Merrimac is easily explained, and is justified. Without any intention of acting as spies, they must have seen many things in and around Santiago about which the American naval and military authorities would gladly have for information.

May Require a Ransom.

KINGSTON.—S. G. Ramsden, the British consul at Santiago de Cuba, who is acting for the United States in the negotiations with the Spaniards for the exchange of Lieutenant Hobson and his companions of the Merrimac expedition, has suggested to the officials at Washington that a ransom might be paid to secure the prompt release of the American prisoners.

Ex-Queen Natalie as a Nurse.

A special dispatch from Belgrade, Servia, says ex-Queen Natalie is organizing an expedition to go to the seat of war between the United States and Spain in order to nurse both Americans and Spaniards.

Two New Cases of Yellow Fever.

Two new cases of yellow fever have broken out at McHenry, Miss., the quarantined town, and were reported to Surgeon General Wyman, of the marine hospital service Monday. The official dispatch announcing the fresh developments in the yellow fever situation located the new cases in the same houses where the first seven cases occurred.

Bryan Will Serve Under Lee.

It is regarded as probable that Col. Wm. J. Bryan and the Nebraska regiment under him will be assigned to the army corps commanded by Major-General Fitzhugh Lee.

Accidentally Killed.

As the result of a scuffle for a pistol Will Gibson, a 16-year-old colored boy, was accidentally shot through the head and instantly killed by Sam Stillman, colored, Monday in Birmingham.

Second Mississippi.

The Second Mississippi regiment, under Colonel Montgomery, arrived at Jacksonville, Fla., Tuesday, and will go in General Lee's command. Forty-six cars were required to transport them.

EXPEDITION AT SANTIAGO

General Shafter's Army Arrives at the Seat of War.

GREAT REJOICING AMONG SAMPSON'S MEN

The Troops Will Be Landed and a Combined Attack by Land and Sea Will Be Made on the City of Santiago.

OFF SANTIAGO, VIA PORT ANTONIO.—Shafter's troops arrived here Monday on board the fleet of transports and were greeted with enthusiastic cheering on the part of the crews of the warships. General Shafter boarded the flagship and had a long conference with Admiral Sampson with regard to the landing place for his troops. This is not yet, so far as learned, been decided upon, but it is expected that Guantanamo will receive the larger part of the troops. Other landings will be made in the vicinity of Santiago and when the army is ready a combined attack will be made by land and by sea.

VOLUNTEER TROOPS TO MOVE.

Ordered From Mobile to Miami, Fla.—Colored Troops Mustered In.

MOBILE.—(Special.)—The six regiments of Alabama, Louisiana and Texas volunteers, comprising the First division, Fourth army corps, have received orders to prepare to move to Miami, Fla. By the last of this week all the regiments will have started for the extreme southern part of Florida, near Key West. At headquarters it is believed that they are destined to reinforce General Shafter's army at Santiago, for the reason that Washington dispatches indicate Fernandina and Jacksonville as the points of concentration of the Porto Rican expedition, for which there is no especial hurry. It is evidently an emergency order and contemplates a call from General Shafter for reinforcements.

The troops are now equipped with everything except canteens and underclothing, and these articles are supposed to have arrived at the army depot warehouses. While no order has been issued, it is understood from an authentic source that Brigadier-General Wheaton has been transferred to the Seventh army corps at Jacksonville and that Wm. C. Oates will at once succeed to the command of the brigade composed of the First Alabama, First Louisiana and First Texas regiments. Gen. W. W. Gordon, of Georgia, will remain in command of the Second Alabama, Second Louisiana and Second Texas.

The first muster of colored volunteers in the United States army took place here Monday, when the four companies of the Alabama battalion of colored troops were taken into the service. The companies are A, B, C, and D, from Montgomery, Mobile, Huntsville and Troy, respectively, averaging eighty men and officers.

RETENTION OF COLONIES

Is Spains Only Condition of Peace Declares the Cabinet.

A Monday's special from Madrid says: The newspapers say the cabinet at its meeting yesterday discussed the "peace tendencies in the United States and in certain personages in Spain," but added that Spain will "unanimously repudiate unworthy conditions," holding that peace is only possible "if the conditions are honorable and include the retention of the colonies."

Government circles admit satisfaction in Cuba, but in regard to Manila the belief is expressed that Captain General Augusti will ask the foreign warships to land detachments to occupy Manila on the ground that he is no longer able to resist the insurgents.

Troops Believed to Have Been Poisoned.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—From twenty to thirty members of Company L, First Wisconsin Regiment, were taken seriously ill Monday. There is every indication that the men are suffering from the effects of poisoning. The food at dinner is the only cause that can be attributed. The men ate canned beans, bread and potatoes.

Camara Conveying 4,000 Troops.

A special from Gibraltar says: It is asserted here that six Trans-Atlantic liners, having on board 4,000 Spanish troops, accompanied Admiral Camara's fleet.

MADRID.—It is confidently believed here that Admiral Camara's fleet is going to Manila, and that this may prevent the dispatch of American troops there, and at least postpone the loss of the Philippine islands.

McArthur in Command.

It is now definitely announced that the third expedition to the Philippines will be commanded by Brigadier-General Arthur McArthur.

Returns of German Election.

BERLIN—Complete returns of the elections for members of the reichstag show that there have been returned sixty-eight conservatives, ten imperialists, eighty-five centrists, five candidates of the reform party, ten national liberals, one radical union candidate, one candidate of the radical peoples' party, one agrarian leaguer, thirty-two social democrats, thirteen Poles, one Dane, nine independents and three peasant league candidates. The second ballots will be necessary in 138 districts.

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Yellow Fever Among Mar[illegible]

MADRID.—According to [illegible] grams received here from [illegible] fever is raging among the [illegible] infantries encamped near the [illegible] Guantanamo bay, and several [illegible] the disease are reported [illegible] curred on the ships of the [illegible] The telegrams describe [illegible] terrible and says the [illegible] of the ground has prevented [illegible] the carrying out the military [illegible] in the vicinity of Santiago.

Merritt Will Go With [illegible]

SAN FRANCISCO.—[illegible] announced that all of the [illegible] at Camp Merritt, the [illegible] 1,500 artillery stationed [illegible] ordered, are to go to Manila. [illegible] and Washington [illegible] with reinforcements [illegible] Merritt [illegible] to accompany [illegible] the Colon of Iowa.

Call for More Troops.

Governor McLaurin, [illegible] will call out six additional companies of two battalions under [illegible] from Secretary Alger.

Three Killed in a Wr[illegible]

A passenger train on the [illegible] and Western railroad [illegible] near Shawnee, Va., Sunday. Engineer Al Horner, Fireman [illegible] dler and Mail Clerk A. S. [illegible] were killed. Several others [illegible] ly hurt.

Lee's Stenographer K[illegible]

James T. Gatewood, [illegible] tary to General Fitzhugh Lee, [illegible] in bathing at Pablo Beach, Jacksonville, Fla., was struck by a [illegible] and instantly killed.

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OOPS TO MOVE.

TO BURN THE CITY.

Inhabitants Intend to Destroy Caimanera and Flee to the Hills.

Cuban scouts reported to the ... boats at Guantanamo ... that the inhabitants of Caimanera ... strewn the streets with straw and ... with the intention of destroying ... town and fleeing to the hills. Caimanera is ... miles up the bay ... Camp McCalla, under the guns of ... American ... and the situation ... desperate. Starving and ... convinced of the final triumph of the American arms, and ... faith in the protection of the Spanish soldiery, the people are ... determined to leave ... behind them and ... safety in the mountains of the ... The scouts declare that the ... and say that every building of the town is being rapidly prepared for the torch.

The situation of the besieged ... a fearful one. The people are ... horses and mules and are scouring ... for fruits.

Occasionally brief bombardment ... the American fleet leave the ... terror stricken, no preparations for defense being made.

It is also stated that the Spanish gunboat at Caimanera has been ... with inflammables and will be ... with the city, her commander declaring that she will never become an American prize.

LINED WITH SPANISH TROOPS

Are Shores Around Santiago—Sampson Will Clear the Way for Army.

OFF SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—Several attempts to find landing places for the United States troops within a distance of two miles west of Santiago have demonstrated along with previous inquiries to the eastward, that the shore for fifteen miles is lined with Spaniards. While this will not prevent a landing close to Santiago, it may entail considerable delay, as the surrounding country must be thoroughly shelled and cleared before the troops can land in safety. When Rear Admiral Sampson received advices that upwards of thirty transports would be here Saturday he sent word that they should stand to the ... ten miles and be there until a landing place had been secured.

Two Lieutenants from Alabama.

Adjutant-General Corbin has made public the names of the 195 young men who have been selected to be second lieutenants in the regular army to fill vacancies created by the act of Congress adopting the three battalion organization for the infantry service, and the introduction of one second lieutenant to all batteries when ... to war strength. Among the appointments from Alabama are: William Bankhead, graduate captain ... corps, University of Alabama; ... Clark, undergraduate Agricultural and Mechanical College of Alabama.

Yellow Fever Among Marines.

... According to private ... grams received here from Cuba, yellow fever is raging among the American marines encamped near the entrance of Guantanamo bay, and several cases of the disease are reported to have ... curred on the ships of the squadron. The telegram describes the ... terrible and says the swampy condition of the ground has prevented the ... the carrying out the military operations in the vicinity of Santiago.

Merritt Will Go With Third Expedition.

SAN FRANCISCO.—It is now ... that all of the 11,000 ... Camp Merritt, together ... stationed at the ... to go to Manila. The ... Washington regiments ... this coast. ... third expedition.

Manila at the Rebels' Mercy.

... Hong Kong correspondent ... London Times says: The ... Manila ... at rebels' mercy, but ... the Spanish capital ... Sing reports ... United States troops ... the morning of the ...

Loss $1,000,000.

... business portion of ... was burned to the ground ... Sunday. Loss estimated at $1,000,000.

Captain John Martin Dead.

Captain John Mason Martin, ... Tuskaloosa, died suddenly at ... Ky., last Thursday. ... Captain Martin was a successful ... of the bar in Birmingham ... number of years, and at one time ... this section in congress ... served five years in the state ... three of them as president ... of that body.

Call for More Troops.

Governor McLaurin, of Mississippi, will call out six additional companies of two battalions under instructions from Secretary Alger.

Three Killed in a Wreck.

A passenger train on the ... and Western railroad was wrecked near Shawnee, Va., Sunday. Engineer Al Horner, Fireman ... and Mail Clerk A. S. S. ... were killed. Several others were ... ly hurt.

Lee's Stenographer Killed.

James T. Gatewood, private secretary to General Fitzhugh Lee, ... in bathing at Pablo Beach, near Jacksonville, Fla., was struck by ... and instantly killed.

Oldest Piece of Glass.

... the oldest piece of ... glass ... bears ... a lion's head. ... name of an Egyptian ... dynasty.

One Bank Failure.

... the little republic in the ... that it's up to ... a bank failure and arrest ... directors for fraud.

... born to love and he ... fights it out on that line.

... knows where he got ... when it comes to his umbrella, that's another story.

That Everlasting Irritating Itch.

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Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.
To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

... usually has the buttons ... a woman's on the left. ... German authority, the ... composed of 300,000,000 nerve ...

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

... computed to ... England yearly through ...

... butter is the most nutritious ... with bacon a ...

... No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. ... $2 trial bottle and treatise free. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

... men to every 100 men in ...

... because the blood vessels ... are so small that ...

... "Pick Leaf" smoking Tobacco ... 2 ounces and cigarette papers. Try it.

... who visit London are ... the most novel sights of ... that of the pigeons round ...

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

... the freedom of a city ... is now a mere compliment ... does not confer any substantial privileges.

... Clarie Scott, writes: "I ... Cure a valuable remedy."

... Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

... had given me up, I was ... RALPH ERIEG, Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 22, 1893.

Hip Disease

And Five Running Sores Could Not Walk Without Crutches.

"... from hip disease and had five running sores on one of my hips. I could not walk without crutches. I was confined to bed for weeks at a time. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and it has given me a perfect cure. I am ... have no trouble from impure blood." ... 49 Fourth Street, ... Remember

Hood's Sarsaparilla

... Medicine. $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills cure biliousness, indigestion.

Biliousness

"I have used your valuable CASCARETS and find them perfect. Couldn't do without them. I have used them for some time for indigestion and biliousness and am now completely cured. Recommend them to every one. Once tried, you will never be without them in the family." EDW. A. MARX, Albany, N. Y.

CANDY CATHARTIC Cascarets TRADE MARK REGISTERED REGULATE THE LIVER

Pleasant, Palatable, Potent, Taste Good, Do Good, Never Sicken, Weaken, or Gripe. 10c, 25c, 50c.

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PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. CONSUMPTION

MAMMOTH STEEL PLANT.

Birmingham to Have One of the Greatest Industries in the South.

The Alabama Steel and Shipping company was organized at Birmingham Saturday as an off-shoot of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company, with a capital stock of $490,-000, and with authority to issue bonds to the amount of $1,100,000. This company will build and operate a $1,000,000 steel plant at Ensley City, six miles from Birmingham. The following directors were elected at a meeting of the stockholders; J. K. McDowell, N. E. Barker, P. H. Earle, Walker Percy, G. B. McCormack, Rufus N. Rhodes and J. H. Barr. The directors elected these officers: President, N. E. Barker; vice-president, J. K. McDonald; secretary and treasurer, P. G. Shook. The entire capital stock and issue of bonds have been subscribed for. Among the subscribers are the Louisville & Nashville railroad for $200,000, the Southern railway for a like amount, James T. Woodward, president of the Hanover National bank of New York, $150,000, and Moore & Schley, of New York, $100,000.

The contract for the construction of the plant has been let to the Wellman-Seaver Company of Cleveland, O., and the management announces that work on the plant will begin within the next thirty days. Citizens of Birmingham take $150,000 of the bonds. The new steel plant will embrace twelve open hearth furnaces with a capacity of fifty tons each per heat and adequate blooming mill capacity to break down to four-inch billets, a total of 1,000 tons of eighteen-inch ingots per day. In addition to the steel mill, 3,000 dwelling houses will be erected at Ensley City for the occupation of the employes of the plant, who will number several thousand, including those who work at the coke ovens, iron furnaces, etc.

MOB LYNCHED FOUR NEGROES.

Troops Sent from Montgomery to Wetumpka, But Arrived Too Late.

Last Tuesday night Wm. Carden, wife and brother-in-law were murdered, robbed and burned at their home, about seven miles north of Wetumpka. Four negroes were arrested suspected of having committed the crime, and were lodged in jail at Wetumpka. Thursday night a large mob from the country assembled and battered down the doors of the jail, broke open the steel cages and took the men out to the scene of the crime. There were about 1,100 men assembled, and after a confession of guilt by two of the negroes and a statement that implicated the other two, the infuriated mob took the negroes to a neighboring tree and swung them to a limb. The four were Sol Jackson, Lewis Speir, Jesse Thompson and Camp Reese. Troops were sent from Montgomery but did not arrive in time to prevent the lynching.

Negro Republican State Ticket.

The Alabama negro republican leaders met in convention at Birmingham the past week and nominated a full state ticket, headed by Rev. A. J. Warner, of Birmingham, for governor. This action was taken by the leaders, who are discontented with the action of the regular state convention in failing to put a republican ticket in the field.

A Ten Years' Sentence.

The jury in the case of Thomas Collins, charged with the murder of J. L. Howell at Bessemer, returned a verdict finding the defendant guilty of manslaughter in the first degree and fixing the punishment at ten years in the penitentiary.

To Establish State Quarantine.

The state board of health was in session at the capitol Friday, State Health Officer Sanders, of Mobile presiding. It was resolved to request the governor to establish a state quarantine against yellow fever, and under the provision of the law the governor will accede to that request.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Jacob Sennell was struck by lightning and killed at Oneonta.

The Cumberland Presbyterian church at East Lake was struck by lightning and afterwards blown down.

H. J. Harrison, of Huntsville, has been commissioned by Colonel H. H. Sargent, of the Fifth United States Volunteers, composed of immunes from Alabama and Mississippi to raise a company of men in his section.

Resumed Bombardment of Guantanamo.

MOLE ST. NICHOLAS.—News from Guantanamo bay shows that naval operations there continue most active, and with the advantage on the side of the Americans. Friday the American vessels resumed bombardment of Guantanamo town, and in the course of one and one-half hours threw into it seventy shells, a great majority of which appeared to have been effective.

Facing Starvation.

An intercepted report of the Spanish commander in eastern Cuba shows that the troops in and around Santiago are facing starvation.

Pope Proposed to Treat for Spain.

ROME.—The pope has proposed to Spain to negotiate peace on the basis of independence of Cuba and the retirement of Americans from the Philippines. The pope will agree to treat with the United States on behalf of Spain.

The smallpox in Prattville has begun to spread, and the town authorities have begun to stamp it out. There are four cases in town and one has recovered, making five cases in all.

IN A HAMMOCK SHROUD.

When my turn comes, dear shipmates all,
Oh! do not weep for me;
Wrap me in my hammock tight
And put me into the sea;
For it's no good weeping
When a shipmate's sleeping,
And the long watch keeping
At the bottom of the sea.

But think of me sometimes and say:
"He did his duty right,
And strove the best he knew to please
His captain in the fight;"
But it's no good weeping
When a shipmate's sleeping,
And the long watch keeping
Through the long, long night.

And let my epitaph be these words:
"Cleared from this port, alone,
A craft that was stanch and sound and true—
Destination unknown;"
And it's no good weeping
When a shipmate's sleeping,
And the long watch keeping
All alone, all alone.

And mark this well, my shipmates dear,
Alone the long night through,
Up there in the darkness behind the stars
I'll look out sharp for you;
So it's no good weeping
When a shipmate's sleeping,
And the long watch keeping
All the long night through.

—Barrett Eastman, in Chap Book.

PITH AND POINT.

"How could Penelope marry that bow-legged man?" "She doesn't mind it; he matches her dachshund."—Chicago Record.

Tourist (in railway car)—"I understand you have very good drinking water in Munich." Municher—"So I hear."—Fliegende Blatter.

First Office Seeker—"Reading a novel?" Second Office Seeker—"Yes; I was attracted by the title, 'Put Yourself in His Place.'"—Puck.

"Fweddy, why don't you let your mustache grow?" "Why don't I let it? Good heavens! deah boy, I do, but it won't."—Chicago Tribune.

The Teacher—"What happens when a man's temperature goes down as far as it can go?" The Smart Boy—"He has cold feet, ma'am."—Yonkers Statesman.

When Hamlet said: "But I have that within which passeth show," it is believed that he had in his pocket a complimentary ticket to the circus."—Harlem Life.

Evasive.—"Does your cook make any trouble when you presume to go in the kitchen and tell her how to do things?" "Oh, she doesn't mind."—Indianapolis Journal.

Papa—"Well, did the photographer succeed in making the baby look pleasant?" Mamma—"No; the baby succeeded in making the photographer look unpleasant."—Puck.

"Snigsby's friends feel greatly worried about him." "What's the reason?" "He went fishing last week, and admitted he didn't catch a fish."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

She—"I don't see you and your bicycle on the road as much this season as I did last." He—"No; I'm on the bicycle more now. I ride better, you know."—Illustrated American.

Minnie—"Papa informed me that he was very much opposed to George." Violet—"And what did you say?" Minnie—"I notified Papa that intervention would mean war."—Puck.

Jack—"I hear that she speaks every known language." Tom—"Must be a mistake. Last night I asked her to give me a plain English 'yes,' and she said she couldn't."—Brooklyn Life.

Kitty—"Why not ask for papa's consent to-night, dear? You will have to face the music some time." Jack (gloomily)—"It's not the music, but the musician I'm afraid of."—Brooklyn Life.

Scrap of Ancient History.—The aspiring monkey looked at his eldest born, lying idly in the shade of a cocoa-palm, and shook his head. "I have tried to make a man of you," he sighed, "but I suppose I am about 5,000,000 years too soon!"—Chicago Tribune.

THE MONTEVALLO SCHOOL HAS A RECORD UNSURPASSED.

Three Hundred and Sixty-eight Pupils—Money Made in the School—Both Literary and Practical Education Given.

In this day of progress in educational methods the Girl's Industrial School of Alabama under its able management has taken advanced ground in many respects. It has surpassed any record as a school ever known in the history of our country.

It has five music teachers, twenty-seven pianos, a large and experienced corpse of literary teachers, a splendid department of art and china painting, a commercial department including telegraphy, stenography, typewriting, etc; a domestic science department, consisting of scientific cooking, sewing and dress making, millinery, etc. This school has demonstrated the fact never before attempted, that the girls of Alabama can, during school hours, be taught how to earn money. The dress making and millinery department having had actual counters, show cases, ribbon cases, cash drawers, saleswomen, bookkeepers, shipping clerks, etc. The amount of cash taken in by these departments was over $2,000.

Three hundred and sixty-eight pupils were enrolled from over fifty counties in the state. The cost for the expenses is lower than ever known in any school of such reputation. Eighty-seven dollars covers the cost of board, laundry, tuition, use of all text books, lights, fuel, etc. This, too, is divided up in installments of four payments so it may come within the reach of all. Each county in the state is entitled to its quota of pupils at these rates. The Girl's Industrial school is indeed a blessing to the girls and Montevallo and the entire state should be proud of it. A handsome catalogue illustrating the school will be issued soon.

A Fatality Avoided.

From the Democrat, Goshen, Ind.

When neuralgia is accompanied by a dull, heavy pain near the heart, frequently becoming intense, it generally terminates fatally. Mrs. Nancy Flynn, who lives near Goshen, Indiana, survived such an attack and her advice is worth heeding.

"In the fall of '92," she said, "I began to have trouble with my heart. There was a sharp pain in my breast which became rapidly worse. The doctor was puzzled and put me under the influence of opiates. These sharp attacks followed one another at intervals and I became weak and had a haggard look. I was constantly in pain, seldom slept and had no appetite.

"At the end of two years I was confined to my couch most of the time and the doctors agreed that my death was only a matter of a short time.

A Serious Time.

"One day I noticed in a newspaper an item about a woman having been cured of neuralgia of the heart by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and I concluded to try them.

"When I had finished one box I noticed an improvement in my condition, and when I had taken twelve boxes I was completely cured. 'Those pills have done for you what we could not do,' said one of my physicians, 'they have saved your life.'

"That was two years ago and my heart has not troubled me since. I believe I owe my life to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and I take pleasure in telling others about them."

Among the many forms of neuralgia are headache, nervousness, paralysis, apoplexy and locomotor ataxia. Some of these were considered incurable until Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People were formulated. To-day thousands testify to having been cured of such diseases by these pills. Doctors frequently prescribe them and all druggists sell them.

New Zealand Colored Race Is Fast Succumbing Before the Whites.

The Maoris of New Zealand seem to be doomed to extinction in spite of the fact that all the conditions surrounding them appear to be favorable to their survival. The quarrel between the races is ended, and large tracts of land are reserved for them. The young men are educated, 90 per cent. of them being able to read and write. Their chiefs in many cases derive large incomes from rents of land, and are represented in the legislature. A great Maori college stands at Te Auti, Hawke's Bay, and not a few of the cleverer Maori youths have passed through the classes of the New Zealand university. And yet the Maoris, under that mysterious law which makes a colored race vanish before the breath of the all-conquering whites, are passing away.

A conference of educated Maoris was held a short time ago, and papers were read on the condition and prospects of the race. These are now published in pamphlet form, and make a very melancholy bit of literature. It is declared that 90 per cent. of educated Maoris go back from their schools to mere savagery. The race, these representative Maoris declare, is lower both in morals and in vitality than it has ever yet been, and threatens to perish. Yet physically and intellectually the Maori is—or was—the finest colored race in the southern hemisphere.—New York Evening Post.

Prayers for Columbus.

Prof. Park of Andover figures rather amusingly in the reminiscences of the late Prof. Schaff, just published. In 1842 Schaff, being a privat-docent at Berlin, introduced Park to his German friends, among the rest to Kahnis. He relates that, under the continuous pelting of Park's questions, Kahnis finally exclaimed in despair: "God forgive Christopher Columbus for discovering America!"

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.
Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Among flowers the chrysanthemum is said to live the longest after being cut.

Signals used by ships at sea date from 1665. They were invented by the Duke of York, afterward James II.

B. B. B. Cures Mercurial Rheumatism.
Scrofula, syphilitic Rheumatism in its worst form. Try it. $1.00 per large bottle, 3 for $2.50 at druggists, or sent on receipt of price, express paid, by Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Books of wonderful cures sent free.

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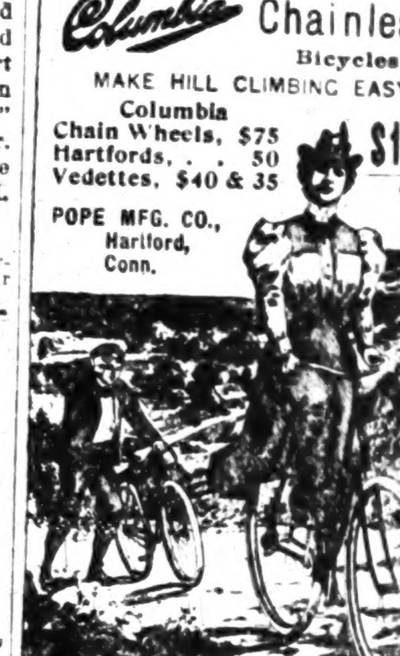

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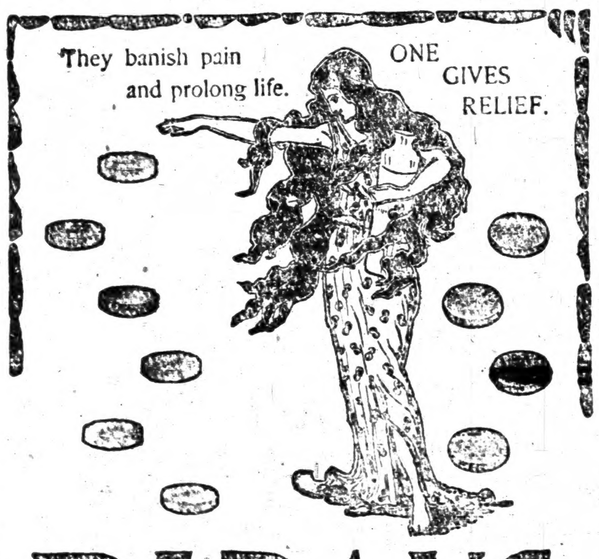

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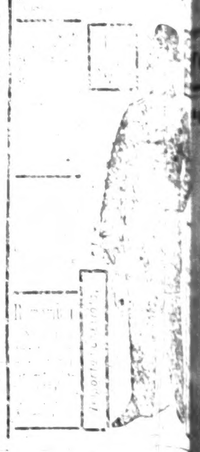

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ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that a General election will be held at the various voting places in Chilton County, Alabama, on

MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 1898.

for the election of Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Superintendent of Education, Commissioner of Agriculture, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, Chancellor, Judge of the Circuit Court, Representative in the General Assembly, Judge of Probate, Clerk of the Circuit Court, County Superintendent of Education and to vote upon an amendment to Section seven of Article eleven of the Constitution of Alabama and known as the "Birmingham Amendment" as provided for by an Act of the General Assembly of Alabama approved February 16th, 1898.

Witness my hand this the 29th day of June, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY,
Sheriff of Chilton County, Alabama.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

This is to certify that we the undersigned Judge of Probate, Sheriff and Clerk of the Circuit Court, as provided for by law, have this day selected and appointed the following named persons as inspectors and Returning Officers for the various voting places in Chilton county, Alabama, for an election to be held in said county and state on Monday, the first day of August, 1898; to wit:

Beat 1 (Mineral Springs) Inspectors, J M Robinson, T J Dorminey and W H Conway. Returning Officer, H M Mahan.

Beat 2—box 1—Providence Inspectors G B Armstrong, W H Shaw, John Lowery jr. Returning Officer, W A Sims.

Beat 2—box 2—Jemison, Inspectors, A J Atkinson B M Gentry and F M Langston. Returning Officer, Geo W Shaw.

Beat 3—box 1—Benson. Inspectors H W Vardiman, Clayton Edwards and A F Sims. Returning Officer, Calvin Jones.

Beat 3—box 2—Maceda, Inspectors Y O Freeman, Z J Jones and S E Waudrup. Returning officer, W R Dawson

Beat 4—Clanton. Inspectors, W M Wilson, A A Ayres and J W Littlejohn. Returning Officer, J F Goodgame.

Beat 5—box 1—Coopers. Inspectors, I H Thomas E G Rollins and Moses Popwell. Returning Officer, Dock Jacks.

Beat 5—box 2—Verbena. Inspectors, H B Oliver, E L Manning and Albert Thompson. Returning Officer, John A Strock.

Beat 6—Kincheon. Inspectors, W C Dickerson, J R Vinson and W L Popwell Returning Officer, E H Smith

Beat 7—box 1—Maplesville. Inspectors, R H Martin, C J Cobern and J D McGee. Returning Officer, G W Fox.

Beat 7—box 2—Lathams. Inspectors, J H Shoults, Sanford Kelly and J P Gentry. Returning Officer, Dolby Adkinson

Beat 8—Dixie. Inspectors, E W Bailey G W Fox Thos. G Milling. Returning Officer, D M Martin.

Beat 9—Strasburg. Inspectors, Sam Pate, A F Childress and J M Mims. Returning Officer, G S Collins.

Witness our hands this the 29th day of June, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT, Probate Judge
J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
J. P. VANDERVEER, Circuit Clerk

Clanton, June 30, 1898

Editor Banner. Please publish the following and oblige. Seeing the letter in your last weak's issue from Hon. S. M. Adams to myself I prepared an answer to it a copy of which I mailed to Bro. Adams at Jemison last Monday, asking him to inform me whether he would be willing for me to publish the same in the Banner or not. He declines, of fails, to answer me in the matter. Hense I conclude that he is not so anxious for the issues to be discussed or for both sides of the question known as some may think. Respectfully

R. M. HONEYCUTT.

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All Day Singing 4th of July

Verbena, Ala. May 2, 1898.

Editor BANNER. I am requested to ask you to announce that there will be an all day song service at Chesnut Creek church on July 4. A general invitation is extended, and it is hoped that a sense of spirituality will be realized during the servine.

HARDY JONES.

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Bob Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver tronble. Stanfield and Matthews

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Jemison, June 20, '98.

Editor BANNER:—With due regards for all the candidates, we must say, hats off for S. M. Adams and L. H. Reynolds. Mr. Adams has spent the most of his life in the interest of the people, and we must aim to engage him for Probate Judge. He is the best man in the county for that office; we defy contradiction. He is for the People's Party, for the people's rights: he is true to principle; has been tried and and has never been found wanting. Come along, brothers, all to the polls for Hon. S. M. Adams, we must have the right man and must not be defeated by scheming. Our interest is the same as the sacred interest of a family. Think of it!

Next, we must elect Hon. S. H. Reynolds for representative. He is the man that will represent and defend our rights. We want a man who will not be hired to serve a few landlords, who are boasting their four hundred and five hundred dollars to pay legislators to procure the stock law in Chilton county. The poor, honest people are greatly in the majority, and they are not ready for the stock law by several years. God is feeding our cattle in the woods over half the year and said God causeth the grass to grow for the cattle. What does it mean, all this talk about paying for legislation? The few against the many. May a higher intervening power protect the rights of the industrious farmer and his cattle. On to the polls, brothers, vote for Mr. Reynolds, who will protect your summer woods pasture.

How can any one afford to be without the BANNER? I would split rails by moonshine to pay for the noble BANNER.

E. R. FLETCHER.

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Editor BANNER—Will you allow me space to say a few words in behalf of our ticket? Now, brother Populist, I don't think we have any reason to be parleying over candidates; the people have spoken and let us stick to what was done on the 29th day of April. I don't think that we can afford to let this opportunity slip; let us be steadfast. I don't say this because I am such an all-fired Adams man or Deason man or Reynolds man or Strock man, but it is because I am a Populist. I want to tell you about a conversation which occurred between two Democrats in this county. One said that he was a Democrat and always had been, that he never had voted anything but the straight Democratic ticket but he believed in a free vote and a fair count. The other fellow said it that is what you want you are not a Democrat, you are nothing in the world but a Populist. Now you see what it takes to be a Democrat. I believe there are enough in this county who want a free vote and a fair count to elect our ticket. I see what it takes to be a Populist in elections and that is one reason why I am such an all-fired Populist, because they believe in fairness.

UNCLE IKE.

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Clanton, June 28, '98.

Editor BANNER—I desire to state to the public that I am not a candidate for representative of Chilton county in the next General Assembly of Alabama. A. C. SMITH.

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Editor BANNER—Please give notice that there will be a picnic at Sardis church on the 9th day of July and everybody is invited to come and bring their basket and it well filled with grub. There will be preaching at half-past ten and we especially invite S. M. Adams and R. M. Honeycutt to be with us on that day and address the people in the afternoon, also all the candidates are invited.

WE ALL AND US.

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To the Voters of Chilton County.

June 26, 1898—I was invited a short time ago to attend H. A. Wilson's so-called Republican meeting at Clanton, and for self-protection and for the good of the

(Continued on 4th col 1 page 4.)

Lily.

The rains in this immediate section have been light as yet, though crops are looking well and are generally clean.

Misses Mary Hubbard and Mamie Ward accompanied by Mr. Felix Fitz and the writer, attended an all day singing in Bibb the third Sunday.

Mr. J. C. Edwards and family paid his mother, at Oakmulgee, a visit last week.

Messrs. E. J. Hayes and J. L. LeNoir visited their uncle, Mr. Corlins, at Oakmulgee recently.

Miss Mamie LeNoir is on the sick list.

Miss Ollie Garner is at home after a siege of eight months teaching.

Mr. S. K. Rasberry is all smiles—a young visitor is at his house.

Squirrels are about ripe and are being gathered by some.

Miss Lizzie Jones is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Seals, near Randolph.

The Fourth will soon be here and all are planning to have a pleasant time.

The young people enjoyed a musicale at Mrs. Davenport's last Saturday afternoon. TNLIC.

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E. C. Blanks, of Lewisville, Texas, writes that one box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was worth $50.00 to him. It cured his piles of ten years standing. He advises others to try it. It also cures eczema, skin diseases and obstinat esores. Stanfield & Mathews.

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From Our Soldier Boys

The following letter addressed to Mr. Henry W. Tickner is of such general interest at the present time we gladly give it room:

U. S. Camp, Mobile, Ala., June 21.

Friend Henry: You ask me to tell you how camp life is. I will tell you plainly without flowering it in the least.

We, the volunteers, have as good a time as could be expected. We have all the the necessities of living so why should we object? Our rations consists of such as the average man would receive at home. It is true our drills are hard, but in case a man gives out he has the privilege of dropping out of ranks any time and returning to his quarters for rest. We are not under as strict dicipline as the regulars, for they are in the business for a living and we (the volunteers) for principle. I do not mean to say that the regulars as a whole are non-patriotic, for there are some who love the stars and stripes as well as we, but generally speaking I think the volunteers are preferable. The boys who mostly raise objection to our fare are those who receive less at home and you never hear of a patriotic boy complaing of our fare. We are here at no expence to ourselves getting a good living and receiving $15.60 per month with chance of promotion; so why should we object?—there's no room for objection whatever and my advice to all who have the blood of patriotism flowing through their veins is to join the U. S. Volunteer servicee. I have experienced it and I know what it is; therefore I am in a position to speak plainly.

In case any of us at any time gets homesick we have the chance and privilege of securing a furlough and returning home. But strange to say after a boy arrives at camp he forms such an attachment to the boys that he does not care to return, though he has the privilege. In short, I will say it is much better than I anticipated. Regards to all. Your friend, R. K. BLACKSHEAR

Corporal, Co. A, 2nd Ala. Vol.

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Bad management keeps more people in poor circumstances than any other one cause. To be successful one must look ahead and plan ahead so that when a favorable opportunity presents itself he is ready to take advantage of it. A little forethought will also save much expense and valuable time. A prudent and careful man will keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house; the shiftless fellow will wait until necessity compels him and then run his best horse going for a doctor and have a big doctor bill to pay, besides; one costs but 25 cents, the other is out a hundred dollars and then wonders why his neighbor is getting richer while he is getting poorer. For sale by J. S. Johnson Jr.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

The issues of the campaign will be discussed at the following times and places by the nominees of the People's Party, who respectfully invite the independent candidates to meet them and join in the discussions.

Beat			
1	Corinth	July 2,	7:30 p.m
1	Union	" 4,	10:00 a.m
2	Providence	" 5,	10:00 a.m
2	Mars Hill	" 5,	7:30 p.m
3	Macedonia	" 6,	10:00 a.m
7	Pleasant Grove	" 7,	10:00 a.m
8	Stanton	" 7,	7:30 p.m
8	Sardis	" 8,	10:00 a.m
6	Enterprise	" 8,	7:30 p.m
9	Pleasant Grove	" 9,	10:00 a.m
5	Evergreen	" 11,	10:00 a.m
5	Coopers	" 11,	7:30 p.m
5	Corinth	" 12,	10:00 a.m
5	Salem Church	" 12,	7:30 p.m
5	Providence	" 13,	10:00 a.m
4	Walnut Creek	" 13,	7:30 p.m
4	Cane Creek	" 14,	9:00 a.m
1	Lime Springs	" 15,	10:00 a.m
1	Mt. Zion	" 15,	4:00 p.m
1	New Hope	" 16,	10:00 a.m

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Assessment Book 1898.

Notice is given that the tax book for Chilton county for 1898 is now completed and on file in this office ready for inspection and that Court of County Commissioners will be in session on the 11th day of July, 898, for the purpose of correcting any errors in said book.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.
Clanton Ala., June 21, 1898.

Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In Chancery, at Clanton Alabama. Seventh District, Northeastern Chancery Division. June 8 1898

Sarah Watkins, Complainant, vs. W. F. Watkins Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. A. Collier that the Defendant, W. F. Watkins, Defendant to a bill of complaint on file in the Chancery Court for the above named District and Division, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, and that his post office and residence are unknown to affiant, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Banner a newspaper published in Clanton once a week for four consecutive week, requiring him the said W. F. Watkins to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 11 day of June 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office, in Clanton Alabama, this 8 day of June 1898.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.
W. A. COLLIER,
Complainant's Solicitor.

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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by I. E. Gilchrist and wife on the 7th day of November, 1895, and duly recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county Alabama in Vol 30 pages 250-4, and which said mortgage has been duly transferred and assigned to I. V. Knight, the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JULY 25 1898,

the following described real estate to wit:

South-west fourth of north east fourth of section twenty-four, township twenty-two, range fourteen, in Chilton county, Alabama.

I. V. KNIGHT.

By Wm. A. Collier, his attorney.

Clanton, Ala., June 23, 1898

Administrator's Notice.

The State of Alabama } Probate Court
Chilton County } June 17th 1898

In the matter of the estate of J. L. Beard, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters of Administration of the estate of J. L. Beard deceased, was granted to me by the Hon. R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate Court of Chilton County, Alabama, on the 17th day of June 1898. All persons having claims against the said estate will present the same to me within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

C. A. BEARD
Adm'r. est of J. L. Beard, dec'd

You Dont Have to Swear Off

when the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture in an editorial about No-To-Bac, the famous tobacco habit cure. We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac. One a prominent St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by druggists everywhere. No cure, no pay. Book free sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

Now that the English army under Sir Herbert Kitchener is approaching Khartoum, the memory of Gordon's fate returns to English minds, and naturally the thought of giving him a monument in the city has found expression.

Philadelphia public school authorities have been much vexed by the question whether a new school should be named for the late Judge Joseph Allison. Finally local pride has prevailed, and the school is to be known by the name of the judge.

The days of chloroform seem to be numbered. Frederic W. Hewitt, anæsthetist to the London hospital, states in a recent article in the Lancet, that it was administered in only 677 cases out of the 6657 cases anæsthetized at that institution during 1897.

Not long ago a Western orator said that for every foot of military road from Puerto Principe to Havana a Cuban patriot has yielded up his life in battle. The Atchison Globe figures up that the road contains 11,080,000 square feet, and says that such a large number of fatalities out of a total population of less than 2,000,000 is appalling.

A general rule arrived at is that the modern steel gun should not be fired more than 100 times. After that, it matters not what the emergency may be, it is safer to dismantle the gun and send it back to the shop than to risk firing it, for the explosion of a gun is a decidedly and extensively dangerous occurrence to all in its immediate locality. The firing of a gun causes the steel to crystallize, and thereby become as brittle as a file.

One of the ideas offered by inventors to the Washington authorities is to build tanks to contain crude petroleum at convenient places near the entrances of exposed harbors, so that the surface of the water may be flooded with oil in a few minutes when warning is given of the approach of the fleet of the enemy. Then with rockets this oil may be set on fire in various places, and offer a barrier of flame, which the invader cannot cross without inviting his own destruction.

The enterprising managers of the Oregon River and Navigation company will test this year the agricultural possibilities of the country in which it is located. They have secured land in Umatilla county, Oregon, for an experiment station, and have made arrangements for irrigation. They will test the soil and climate with cotton, tobacco, sweet potatoes, peanuts, amber cane, sweet corn, and Mercer corn. All the products will be prepared for market in the usual way, and the station will be provided with a canning outfit, with a mill to crush the cane, and with an evaporator. In addition to this central experiment station there will be several subsidiary posts. Tests will be made in several places of various grasses, and at others crops that seem best suited to the soil will be tried. The Mercer corn mentioned is a new variety, which is said to yield 100 bushels to the acre, and to be ready for harvest seventy-five days after planting. It makes excellent meal for bread, and is also a superior food for live stock, the stalks as well as the grain being used for cattle.

A feature of the postoffice department display at the Omaha exposition that is expected to attract much attention in these war days will be an exhibit of photographs of soldiers taken during the civil war, which miscarried and landed in the dead-letter division of the postoffice department. There are about 16,000 of these old pictures, and they form a most interesting collection for a variety of reasons. During the civil war it was a common thing for soldiers in the Northern armies who happened to be near a town to have their pictures taken to send to wives, sweethearts, parents, or friends at home. In thousands of cases the addresses were defective in some particular or became entirely separated from the picture in the course of the rough handling to which some of the mails were necessarily subjected at times, and the postoffice authorities were unable to deliver them. They were preserved, however, and have now become a valuable collection from a historical standpoint. There were many thousands of them originally, but large numbers of them were claimed from time to time, and the number has now been reduced to about 15,000.

FLEET ORDERED TO SPAIN.

Commodore Watson Ordered to Join Admiral Sampson at Santiago.

WILL THEN PROCEED TO COAST OF SPAIN.

Two Strong Battleships, Three Cruisers and Three Colliers Will Make Up His Fleet, Which Starts at Once.

WASHINGTON.—The navy department Monday posted the following bulletin: "Commodore Watson sails today in the Newark to join Sampson, when he will take under his command an armored squadron with cruisers and proceed at once off the Spanish coast."

The navy department also posted the following bulletin showing Commodore Watson's squadron. It is designated the eastern squadron and is as follows:

Flagship Newark, battleships Iowa and Oregon, cruisers Yosemite, Yankee and Dixie, and the colliers Scendia, Abarenda and Alexander. The start will be made at once off Santiago.

The purpose is to bring the Spanish people to a realizing sense of the hopelessness to continue the present struggle, and to destroy or capture the Cadiz fleet by a bold stroke and then take up the work of harrassing the Spanish at home, providing that the blow does not suffice to bring about peace.

SPAIN'S INTERNAL TROUBLES.

Hunger and Misery Bringing the Country to the Verge of Revolution.

LONDON.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "Spain is in a state of ferment without equal during the present century. Troubles of the most serious kind are brewing all over the provinces. The political and social institutions are threatened in turn, and the least nervous among far-sighted politicians apprehend complete debacle.

"But the failure of the national defense is not alone accountable for this. Incredible as it may seem, the majority of Spaniards have absolutely no interest in the war, and even display a willingness to forget the past and to endeavor to rub along without colonies.

"Hunger and misery are making themselves felt throughout the country. There will soon be 35,000 unemployed in Catalonai, and everywhere else there are similar accounts of distress, going from bad to worse day by day.

"The government is painfully conscious and is now taking energetic measures, but all of these are of a coercive character. Troops which might have successfully defended the Philippines are being massed at all the centers where starvation protests are likely to assume an aggressive form, while money is being wasted on warships that will never fire a shot."

REWARD FOR NAVAL HEROES.

Wants Hobson Thanked and Transferred to the Line.

President McKinley sent a message to congress Monday recommending that Assistant Naval Constructor Hobson receive the thanks of congress for valiant conduct in sinking the Merrimac in Santiago harbor, and further recommending that he be transferred to the line of the navy and promoted to such position therein as the president by and with the advice and consent of the senate may determine.

A Second Message.

A second message from the president Monday recommends that, in recognition of the signal act of heroism of First Lieutenant Frank H. Newcomb in the battle of Cardenas, the thanks of congress be extended to him and to his officers and men of the Hudson; and that a gold medal of honor be presented to Lieutenant Newcomb, a silver medal of honor to each officer, and a bronze medal of honor to each member of his crew who served with him at Cardenas.

NOT BLOCKED

Is the Entrance to Santiago Harbor—Confirmed by the Vesuvius.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from Port Antonio says:

It has remained for the staunch dynamite cruiser, the Vesuvius, to demonstrate that the entrance to Santiago harbor was not completely blocked by the sinking of the Merrimac. While poking her nose about the entrance to the harbor a few nights ago the Vesuvius discovered ample room in which to pass the wreck of the Merrimac. She went in, made the observations along the inner harbor and then came back to sea, getting around the wrecked collier without difficulty.

Miners' Demands Rejected.

The demands adopted by the Alabama miners' convention at Birmingham were presented to the officers of the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad company and the company rejected them, agreeing, however, to grant an advance of 2½ cents after July 1, but refusing the other proposition. The Sloss Iron & Steel company has a twenty years' contract and proposes to stand by it. A compromise on 2½ cents is probable.

MORE TROOPS LEAVE TAMPA.

Nine Thousand Men Under Brigadier-General Snyder D part for Santiago.

WASHINGTON.—Orders have been issued for the departure of another large army expedition from Tampa, composed of about 9,000 men of the second division of the Fourth army corps, under command of Brigadier-General Snyder, and six batteries of artillery, three light and three heavy. The preparations have been proceeding quietly for some days, and although the stores have been going aboard at Tampa, a rigid censorship at that point prevented any word getting out as to the expedition.

The actual departure from Tampa is expected by the war department to occur Wednesday, although there may be unavoidable delays.

The plans of the movement have been thoroughly determined upon. Twelve transports are to carry the expedition. They will move first to Key West, at which point a strong naval convoy will meet them and escort the expedition to Santiago. This will bring Shafter's army up to about 30,000 men.

SITUATION AT MANILA.

Twenty-five Thousand Rebels Surround the City.

MADRID (Special).—The government has received the following dispatch from Captain-General Augusti, dated Manila, June 23:

"The situation is still grave. I continue to maintain my position inside the line of blockhouses, but the enemy is increasing in numbers as the rebels occupy the provinces, which are surrendering. Torrential rains are inundating the entrenchments, rendering the work of defense difficult. The number of sick is increasing, making the situation very distressing and causing increased desertions by the native soldiers.

"It is estimated that the insurgents number 30,000, armed with rifles, and 10,000 who are armed with swords, etc.

"Aguinaldo has summoned me to surrender, but I have treated such proposals with disdain, for I am resolved to maintain the sovereignty of Spain and the honor of the flag to the last extremity.

"I have over 1,000 sick and 200 wounded."

Captain-General Augusti's family is still in the hands of the insurgents.

General Pen, with 1,000 soldiers, has surrendered.

The rebels who are besieging Manila exceed 25,000 men. The city is completely isolated, and the arrival of the Spanish squadron is anxiously awaited, for the position of Manila is untenable.

BLOCKADE EXTENDED.

Southern Coast of Cuba and San Juan Have Been Included.

WASHINGTON.—The President has issued a proclamation extending the blockade of Cuba to the southern coast from Cape Frances to Cape Cruz, inclusive, and also blockading San Juan, Porto Rico.

By proclamation the Government is to assume the formidable task of blockading about 500 miles of Cuban coast line in addition to the section already blockaded. This increases the extent of the blockade fully ten fold, it having been confined heretofore to a stretch of a little more than 100 miles on the north and the single port of Cienfuegos on the south coast of the island.

The vessels for the additional blockade service will be supplied almost entirely from the patrol fleet which, under Commodore Howell, has been guarding the North Atlantic coast from Maine to South Carolina.

THIRD CALL WILL BE ISSUED.

One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Men Will Be Asked to Enlist.

WASHINGTON.—The president will issue early next week a third call for troops. The exact number to be called for is not determined, but there seems to be no doubt that at least 150,000 will be invited to enlist.

The war department estimates that 50,000 troops will be needed in Santiago province, 125,000 in Havana province, 20,000 in Cienfuegos and vicinity, 30,000 in Porto Rico, and 60,000 in the Philippines. A reserve force of 100,000 is held to be essential for retention in this country. The president is convinced that the estimates of American strength needed for subjugating Cuba have been short.

BATTLE EXPECTED WEDNESDAY

The Army Near Santiago Ready to Make a Forward Movement.

A Tuesday's dispatch from Washington says: According to telegraphic dispatches a battle may occur at Santiago tomorrow, as the army will be ready to make another forward movement, assisted by the navy. It is expected that Commodore Watson will be ready to sail with his expedition to Spain in a week. No uneasiness is felt in cabinet circles for Admiral Dewey. The fourth Manila expedition, it is expected, will leave San Francisco about July 9. During the next two weeks 25,000 men will be added to the army in Cuba.

Gen. Merritt Goes to Manila.

SAN FRANCISCO. — Major-General Merritt has abandoned his headquarters at the Phelan, and formally turned over the office to General Otis. General Merritt notified his staff officers that they must have all their baggage aboard the steamer Newport Tuesday and clerks and messengers attached to the various offices of General Merritt's department were ordered to go aboard the steamer. General Merritt announced that he would embark at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning on the Newport.

MORE TROOPS FOR SHAFTER

An Expedition of 6,000 Men to Leave Tampa This Week.

37,000 SPANISH TROOPS IN EASTERN CUBA.

War Department Will Take No Chance of a Serious Reverse at Santiago. Drafts on Chickamauga Will Probably Be Made at Once.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary Alger and General Miles held several conferences Saturday, not so much to go over the struggle of Friday as to give every military preparation for the great struggle yet to come. As a result heavy reinforcements will go forward at once, both from Tampa and Newport News. An expedition of 6,000 men is expected to leave Tampa within the next three days. It comprises the command of Brigadier-General Snyder, the Third division of the First army corps. The stores are already going aboard the transports, and the start of the expedition only awaits the arrival of the naval convoy. Part of the warships sent over with General Shafter's expedition have been released from Admiral Sampson, and are now on their way back to Tampa to escort the additional troops. Others will follow, and the formidable marine procession will start across the Gulf to Cuba. There will be several warships as well as lighter craft, to give safe conduct to General Snyder's division. Simultaneous with this General Henry's division will be moving along the Atlantic coast and thence to Santiago. In all the reinforcements from Tampa and Newport News will be in the neighborhood of 12,000 or 14,000 men.

Drafts on Chickamauga are likely to follow soon, as the hurry orders recently given have led to the full equipment of the several commands. The war department is acting on the theory that it is not politic to take any possible chance of a serious reverse near Santiago.

The latest information reaching here shows that the Spanish army is larger than has been estimated thus far. Lieut. Joyce, of the regular army, reported to General Miles Saturday, giving much information as to the number and location of the Spanish troops. Before Joyce entered the United States army he had served with General Garcia, and had traversed a good part of Santiago province. He was on the ground only a few weeks ago, leaving there in April, and at that time he had opportunities to get an accurate idea of the Spanish forces at the eastern end of the island. He reports the number as 37,000, of which 12,000 are at Santiago, 10,000 at Holguin and 15,000 at Manzanillo. Once concentrated at Santiago this would make a formidable army.

EN ROUTE TO MANILA.

Sagasta Announces Destination of Camara's Fleet.

A dispatch from Madrid says Senor Sagasta informed the chamber Thursday that Camara's squadron is on the way to the Philippines.

PALERMO.—The Giornale di Sicilia publishes a dispatch from the island of Pantellaria, southwest of Sicily, announcing that Admiral Camara's squadron, consisting of seven war ships, including three torpedo boats and conveying five transports, passed there on Tuesday, June 21, going in the direction of Suez.

That the Spanish Cadiz fleet is proceeding steadily eastward is no longer doubted at Washington. Trusted agents of the government on the shores of the Mediterranean are watching every movement of the ships and availing themselves of every reliable source of information.

Still Possible to Save Philippines.

MADRID.—A declaration by General LeChambre, deputy governor of the Philippines under General Polloviado, has been issued, in which he declares against an immediate peace, on the ground that Spain at present would have to accept all or most of America's conditions. He considers, despite the military situation there, it will still be possible to save the Philippines, providing diplomacy is conducted skillfully and energetically.

GEN. WHEELER'S SEAT.

Special Election to Fill the Alleged Vacancy Will Probably Be Held.

Regarding the truth of the report that Attorney-General Fitts has rendered a decision declaring the seat of Representative Joseph Wheeler for the Eighth district in congress vacant, because he accepted a major-general's commission and absented himself from Washington, Governor Johnston admitted a decision had been rendered, but declined to divulge its purport. He said he would take the matter up in a few days, and if a special election was ordered it will probably be called for the same date as the state election, on the first Monday in August

Transports Haven't Reached Manila.

MANILA, via HONG KONG.—Up to the time this dispatch is sent (June 23) the transports from San Francisco having on board American troops intended to reinforce Rear Admiral Dewey have not arrived here, and there is no change in the situation.

The insurgents have not made any further advance, and the Spaniards have been continuing the construction of sandbank fortifications and sharpening bamboo around Manila for the purpose of stopping the insurgents' advance.

REIGN OF TERROR AT HAVANA.

Those Dissatisfied With the Government Will Be Shot.

KEY WEST, FLA.—The most authentic and reliable news yet obtained of the true condition of affairs in Havana was furnished a representative of the Associated Press by a British subject, who left Havana on board the British cruiser Talbot and who arrived here Monday. He says a reign of terror exists at the Cuban capital.

Captain-General Blanco has issued a proclamation announcing that any one daring to express an unfavorable opinion of, or suspected of being dissatisfied with the present policy of the government, will be summarily shot without trial or investigation.

Famine it seems is imminent, and the stories of the arrival of supplies at Havana by the way of Banataba are pronounced to be untrue.

The informant of the Associated Press thinks Havana cannot possibly hold out six weeks longer. The city is pronounced to be panic-stricken, its inhabitants expecting every moment to be bombarded by the American fleet, as they realize that Captain-General Blanco releases the United States from the obligation of giving the usual bombardment notice. Riots are daily expected at Havana, as the troops are suffering from hunger and the volunteers are seeing their wives and children dying for want. Under such conditions the captain-general cannot much longer keep the military forces in check, and a rebellion is likely to devastate Havana before the city is captured by the Americans.

Captain-General Blanco admits the situation is desperate. He recognizes, it is pointed out, his inability to control his troops goaded by hunger, much longer, and he is reported to have said that he will never leave Havana alive, as he is prepared to take his own life when the outbreak occurs.

Referring to the strength of the Spanish forces, the Briton says there are 120,000 men under arms at Havana, but the great majority of them are ready to surrender rather than die of hunger.

TO SECURE PEACE.

Sagasta Planning to Provoke a Crisis and Form a Coalition Ministry.

According to a special dispatch from Madrid, published in London Monday, the Spanish government is actively preparing to dispatch reinforcements to Porto Rico by the fastest available trans-Atlantic liners.

Continuing, the dispatch says: "It is reported now that the cortes are closed, and that Premier Sagasta is planning to provoke a crisis and form a coalition ministry drawn from the different monarchial parties, including Marshal Campos and General Polaveija. The new ministry will proclaim the whole peninsular in a state of siege, will reinforce the garrisons in the Carlist and republican centers, and then appeal to a friendly nation, probably France or Russia, to secure terms for peace."

CAMARA FORBIDDEN TO COAL

At Port Said and Will Remain There Pending Deliberations.

PORT SAID.—Upon the application of the United States consul here orders have been issued forbidding the coaling at this port of Admiral Camara's fleet, which is there until further orders.

Egypt Refused.

NEW YORK.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Cairo, Egypt, says "Admiral Camara has asked to be allowed to purchase 10,000 tons of coal for the Spanish fleet at Port Said, but the Egyptian government refuses to permit the ships to coal in Egyptian waters. Pending deliberations, which are likely to last a long time, the fleet intends to remain at Port Said."

Resolution Providing for Negro Troops

Representative McDonald, of Maryland, has introduced a joint resolution authorizing the president to muster into the United States service as volunteers one regiment of colored troops composed of the following independent companies: Two companies from Virginia, one from District of Columbia, four from Maryland, two from Mississippi, one from Alabama, and two from West Virginia. The subaltern officers are to be selected by the captains and the field and staff and captains under the war department regulations.

Alarm Grows on Spains Coast.

MADRID.—In view of the American threat to send a fleet to the peninsula, the government deems it advisable to be prepared for eventualities. The lights at certain ports have been extinguished, torpedoes have been prepared, and additional guards have been mounted.

Voted to Accept Compromise.

The coal miners of the Birmingham district have voted to accept an advance of 2½ cents per ton for mining coal during the next fiscal year beginning July 1. This action was in the nature of a compromise, the miners having demanded an advance of 5 cents per ton.

Populist Nominations.

The populists, in convention at Birmingham, have nominated candidates for judge of the Tenth circuit and chancellor of the Northwest chancery division. They are: For circuit judge, W. H. Smith, Jr.; for chancellor, Robert Chisholm.

Jones Renominated for Governor.

The democratic state convention met at Little Rock, Ark., and renominated Dan W. Jones for governor.

TROOP TRAIN W

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TORREY'S FOUR RIDERS

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injured, though not seriously.

The chief fatalities occur
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first section, which carried
from Laramie, Wyo. This
completely telescoped, and the
within were jammed and
neath masses of timbers,
seats and other debris. The
section one baggage car was
into the ditch several feet
but in this train few were
more dangerously.

The fault of this accident
lies with the engineer of the
section, who was running
near the first section. The
name is Rawls, and he has disap
The soldiers have threatened
him, if found.

Later.—Private Mapes is
dying condition. The engine
was reported missing, was
night, but was unable to take
ceived internal injuries that
caused several hemorrhages
completely overcome on account
deplorable affair.

A SPANISH CRISIS COM

Believed That Marshal Campos Will Proclaim a Dictatorship.

LONDON.—Special.—The
vices from Madrid indicate that
is ground for the apprehension
Marshal Martinez de Campos will
issue a pronunciamento and
a dictatorship. Minute
have been sent to the Austrian
ambassador at Madrid,
Dubsky, regarding the personal
of the queen regent. The
so serious that several cabinet
ings have been held in a desperate
tempt to avert a crisis.

The government is exceedingly
ious and ministers do not
their belief that the situation
gravest character. The
has called the attention of the
to the fact that Admiral Dewey
tively favoring the insurrectionary
table robber bands.

The torpedo boat destroyer
has safely finished repairs
Juan. Camara's squadron will
two days in traversing the Suez

Advocates Direct Negotiations

MADRID.—El Imparcial
cle which has created a
urges direct negotiations with
for peace when the time arrives
ground that Spain can get
from America's generosity
ica will be only too delighted
pense with European
The article reflects the
sentiment against the powers

Senor Sagasta Saturday
rumors about peace negotiations
the conditions for ending
are utterly groundless. The
not arrived for speaking of peace

MARCHING TO SANTIAGO

Five Thousand Men Will Be Under General Lanares.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA.—A Cuban
who has arrived at Falmouth, Jam
in an open sail boat, after a
passage from the vicinity of Manz
reports that 5,000 Spanish troops
Manzanillo and the westward
marching toward Santiago to join
the Spanish soldiers there.

Illusions Should Be Abandoned

The Paris Temps says: "The
has struck for the Spaniards to
don all illusions, and to serve
country by strong measures."

Colored Companies Called Out.

Governor Johnston Friday issued
proclamation calling for eight
tional companies of colored volunteers
which will be consolidated with
negro battalion now at Mobile
formed into a regiment. These
teers will constitute Alabama's
under the president's second call.

New Steel Bridges.

The Alabama Great Southern
way has let the contract for the
struction of three steel bridges
tween Birmingham and Meri

CUBA INV

Shafter's Troops Dis
Under Fire Without
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A CLEVER NAVAL

War Ships Rained Shells
and Cubans Pounced on
lands, While the
West Ashore.

General Calixto Garcia,
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that every possible
Spanish forces was

Spanish Resistance

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as they retreated before
of our land and sea
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ops landed, they set fire
Cuba, including the
son, two of which
of Baiquiri village
and repair shops
stroyed. They contained
drives.
summed up, the result
erations is that the
was taken.

A Clever Rus

Daybreak saw the counter
streaming to the west and
transports in the east, the
of Baconao. One battleship
the gunboats Huiena, Louis
several auxiliary yachts
cover the landing.

Demand For British

British flags seem to be
ar in the United States
from the present large dem
Ont., for them. Local ma
that city are booking man
from American firms and ar
receipt of requests for
prices.

Pension For Gridley

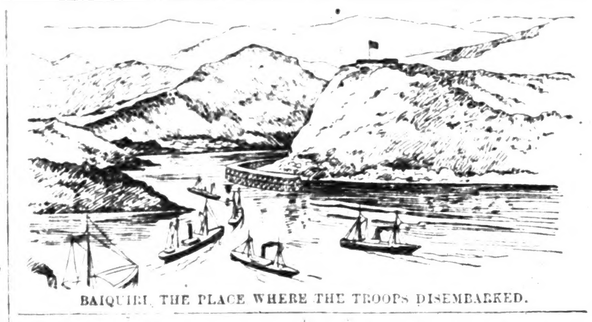
Representative Davenpor
vania, has introduced a bill
at Washington, granting a
month to Harriet V. Grid
Captain V. Gridley, who co
flagship Olympia in the batt

CUBA INVADED AND FIGHTING BEGUN

...ter's Troops Disembarked ...Fire Without the Loss of a Man.

CLEVER NAVAL RUSE.

...Shore Raised Shells on Forts, ...Cavalry Pounced on the Span... ...Work While the Invaders Went Ashore.



BAIQUIRI, THE PLACE WHERE THE TROOPS DISEMBARKED.

...Conflict occurred at Baiquiri, Which ...Connected by a Fair Road, Seven... ...Miles Long, With Santiago—A ...Cubans Were There and ...Firing With That of the Fleet. ...Spaniards at a Distance— ...Feeble Resistance to the Debarkation ...Fooled the Enemy With ...Transports.

...via Kingston, Jamaica ...Army for the invasion ...10,000 magnificently ...now firmly intrenched ...within striking distance ...task of landing them ...without a hitch or the ...

...of the United States ...Navy and their Cuban allies was ...well laid were the plans of ..., Admiral Sampson, and

...Garcia and so exactly ...ed, or even to the minutest ...possible move on the part ...ness was forestalled.

Spanish Resistance Feeble.

...of the landing was of the ...the Spanish garrisons con... ...with a half-hearted re... ...before the combined ...and sea forces. ...they evacuated Baiquiri ...a little inland from the ...same name where our ...set fire to a portion of ...the magazines of the ...which were blown up. ...village the railroad round... ...shops were set on fire and ...they continued several loco...

...The result of the two days' ...delivery of Santiago with ...hard tumbles resulted, but nobody was hurt.

At the end of the pier the companies and regiments quickly lined up and were marched away.

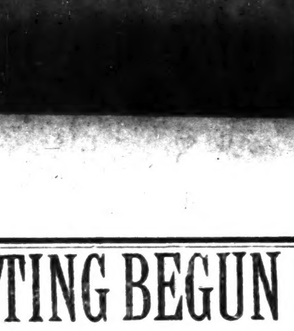
General Lawton threw a strong detachment, for the night, about six miles west, on the road to Santiago, and another detachment was posted to the north of the town, among the hills. The rest of the troops were quartered in the town, some of them being housed in the buildings of the iron company.

Others of the troops were quartered in deserted houses, while others still preferred the shelter of their tents in the adjoining fields.

The morning's fire had destroyed the roundhouse, the repair shops and several small dwellings.

The Deserted Town.

The town was deserted when the troops landed, but women and children soon ap-



GENERAL CALIXTO GARCIA.

(In command of the Cuban insurgents who are co-operating with General Shafter.)

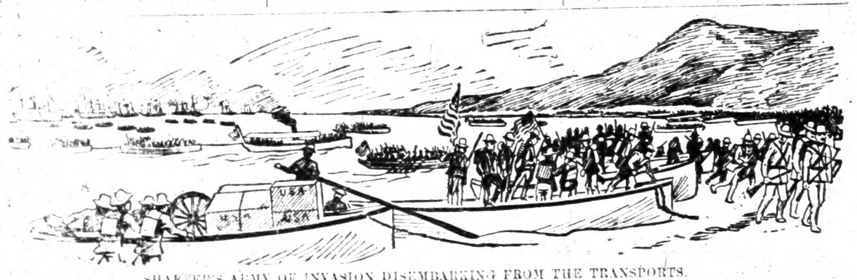
peared from the surrounding thickets and returned to their homes.

The sun-bronzed soldiers, in their slouch hats and service uniforms, quickly searched the buildings and beat up the thickets after landing in search of lurking foes, and marched into the unknown country beyond at nightfall with long, swinging stride and the alert bearing of the old frontier army men, ready to fight the Spaniards Sioux fashion or in the open wherever they could be found.

The cheers of their comrades still waiting on the transports and of the bluejackets, and the strains of "Yankee Doodle" from the bands on the troop ships, greeted them as they disappeared from view over the hills of Baiquiri.

No Men Killed.

The landing was accomplished without loss of life, the only casualty being the wounding of an insurgent on the hills by a shell from one of the warships. He will lose his arm. The insurgent troops at Baiquiri are commanded by General Castillo, and number a thousand men.



SHAFTER'S ARMY OF INVASION DISEMBARKING FROM THE TRANSPORTS.

...fficers and Admiral ...ted long riding help... ...the harbor are sure... ...and Ashcroft, on the ...of Cuban soldiers, ...an army of 10,000 ...ment and provide ..., between the ...the coast, is General ...eagerly looking ...when real hard fight... ...ranged in a great cres... ...to the harbor are ...command Schley. ...He began to ...ing on the day af... ...Santiago, at Baiquiri, ...the Bay of Baconao, ...east of Santiago,

Shots Over the Landing.

...were doing landed Al... ...shells bombarded several ...to cover the ...forces and ...a joint land and water ...same time to create a ...direction.

...was successfully made, and ...led by his staff, and directed the formation ...of the line of operation.

The Eighth Regular Infantry was the first regiment to land, followed by General Shafter's old regiment, the First Infantry. Then came the Twenty-fifth Infantry, the Twenty-second Infantry, the Tenth Infantry, the Fifteenth Infantry, the Seventeenth Infantry and the Twelfth Infantry, the Second Massachusetts Regiment and a detachment of the Ninth Cavalry.

The boats rushed forward simultaneously from every quarter, in good-natured rivalry to be the first, and their occupants scrambled over one another to leap ashore.

The Task of Getting Ashore.

As the boats tossed about in the surf breaking against the pier, getting ashore was no easy matter, and the soldiers had to throw their rifles on the pier before they could climb up themselves. Some

...on the transports, not a very agreeable outlook in such hot weather as now prevails here. Besides, the men are anxious to begin active land operations against the enemy, and it would have been especially trying to them to remain cooped up on the troopships with the Spaniards ashore in sight. Never did soldiers spring more gladly to their work than did those who were selected to be the first to land.

In five minutes the sea was alive with flotillas of small boats, headed by launches, speeding for the Baiquiri pier. Some of the boats were manned by crews of sailors, while others were rowed by the soldiers themselves. Each boat contained sixteen men, every one in fighting trim and carrying three days' rations, a shelter tent, a gun and two hundred cartridges, ready to take the field on touching the shore should they be required to do so.

The firing of the warships proved to be a needless precaution, as their shots were not returned and no Spaniards were visible.

General Shafter, on board the Seguranca, closely watched the landing of the troops.

Brigadier-General Lawton, who had been detailed to command the landing party, led the way in a launch, accompanied by his staff, and directed the formation of the line of operation.

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The Cuban insurgents under General Garcia assisted materially in protecting the debarkation. The Cubans numbered 5700 men, and were stationed in the region surrounding Santiago, with a view of cutting off any possible advance of Spanish soldiers to attack the troops while landing. The Cubans held positions on the north, east and west of the city. General Garcia will have about 10,000 men ready to co-operate with the American forces within a short time, or as soon as a decisive blow is struck at Santiago.

After our men had landed, the Cubans up on the hill, under General Castillo, attacked the Spaniards in the block house and fort. Indeed, hard though desultory fighting is going on in the mountains on all sides of Santiago.

While this was going on several transports proceeded westward twelve miles, and troops were landed to co-operate directly with the Cuban forces marching upon the doomed city in that direction. From hills back of Santiago nine hundred Cubans have appeared and are harassing the enemy.

Spaniards Repulsed.

Two bodies of Spaniards were driven from the hills in this direction back upon Santiago. This was only done after a desperate fight, in which twenty-five Spaniards are said to have been killed and twice that number wounded.

The Spaniards have plenty of ammunition, but show the effects of the terrible strain they must have been under since the appearance of the American troops.

Cubans who have come out of Santiago report that the city is suffering terribly. Hunger is encroaching upon citizens and soldiers alike. The citizens of Santiago are already petitioning the Governor that surrender be made without further fighting.

Advancing the Heavy Guns.

The force at Baiquiri began to advance immediately after landing. Already the engineers have bridged gulleys and prepared a roadway for the passage of the heavy siege guns and artillery.

They have moved up the hill without waiting for reinforcements.

COPPINGER'S CORPS

Consisting of 18,000 Men, Will Soon Leave Tampa, With Gen. Miles, for Santiago.

WASHINGTON.—General Miles has made all arrangements to leave Washington at once for Tampa to embark there as soon as possible with General Coppinger and the Fourth army corps, of about 18,000 men, for Santiago, that point being definitely announced as the chief outlying base of supplies for subsequent military and naval operations against the enemy in the West Indies. General Shafter has been directed by cable to get all the supplies out of his transports as quickly as possible and hasten them back to Tampa for General Coppinger's troops. General Coppinger's force is composed almost altogether of the brigades which were originally selected to participate with General Shafter, and it has the advantage of thorough and compact organization.

A PEACE "FEELER."

Probable Attempt to Ascertain American Sentiment.

MADRID.—Special.—The Correspondencia, of the city, published a report Saturday to the effect that the peace conditions suggested by the government of the United States include the possession of the United States of the Island of Porto Rico, the independence of the Island of Cuba, under the protectorate of the United States, the establishment of a naval station for United States warships in the Philippines and the establishment of a coal depot for the United States warships in the Canary Islands.

A Denial From Washington.

WASHINGTON.—The announcement from Madrid that the United States has suggested peace conditions with Spain was received here with great interest, for the reason that the report was regarded as a feeler set down for the distinct purpose of developing the state of public feeling in America as well as Europe. There is no basis of fact for the report, and was met at the state department with a prompt and unqualified denial.

WHEELER COMMANDED CAVALRY

The Alabamian Has Had His Most Cherished Wish Fulfilled.

WASHINGTON.—General Wheeler has had one wish fulfilled. He has commanded the first cavalry charge on Cuban soil. The Alabamians in the city were jubilant as the reports came into the department showing that General Wheeler was commander of the regulars and Rough Riders in the fight which took place Friday.

At the department the greatest interest was manifested; especially was this so around General Miles' headquarters. General Miles was greatly pleased that General Wheeler had the command, for he has all along predicted great achievements for the little leader. It was under his orders that General Wheeler accompanied the first expedition.

SHELL EXPLODES ON THE TEXAS

Killing One Man and Wounding Eight Others—Lively Exchange of Shots.

PLAYA DEL ESTE, GUANTANAMO BAY.—While shelling the batteries of Santiago de Cuba, the battleship Texas was struck by a six-inch shell, which passed through her port side, killing R. R. Blakely, an apprentice, and wounding eight others.

The Texas, with a number of transports, was making a feint west of the entrance of Santiago harbor and was shelling the woods. A Spanish battery on the hill west of the harbor opened on the warship and for three hours there was a lively exchange of shots.

The Spaniards shot wildly, but the last shell struck the Texas just above the gun deck and exploded. Blakely, who was standing directly in the path of the shell, was cut to pieces.

Captain McFarland Dead.

Capt. Roland C. McFarland, editor of the Florence Ala.) Standard-Journal, died from injuries received in a fight. The fight occurred in the probate judge's office in the court house, Captain McFarland and James McClure, son of Probate Judge McClure, being the participants. McFarland's skull was fractured and he was unconscious, except at brief intervals, until his death.

Camara Will Not Go to Manila.

A Madrid special says: Admiral Camara's fleet will not go to Manila, but to another port in the Philippines to land troops in order to hold a strong position. The fleet will then be ready for action and Admiral Dewey will thus have to leave the bay unprotected or divide his fleet.

Spanish Fleet May Make a Sortie.

Officers on the blockading vessels on the north coast of Cuba infer from movements on small Spanish vessels in the harbor of Havana, that the Spaniards contemplate a sortie with the best fleet that they can get together within a day or two.

Bodies Not Mutilated.

In response to a telegram from the navy department requesting definite information concerning the alleged mutilation of the bodies of the four marines killed in the outpost of Guantanamo, Admiral Sampson has wired Secretary Long as follows:

"Playa del Este.—Replying to your dispatch I have to report that a careful investigation has been made and it is reported to me that the apparent mutilation was probably due to the effect of small caliber bullets fired at short range, and I withdraw the charge of mutilation."

ROUGH RIDERS AMBUSHED

Roosevelt Led a Stirring and Victorious Charge on the Spaniards.

FIGHT LASTED OVER AN HOUR.

Spanish Troops Were Hidden in the Tall Grass on the Road to Santiago and the Rough Riders Were in the Advance—A Deadly Fire Poured Into Our Troops—Spaniards Were Put to Flight.

ARAMORES, Cuba, via Playa del Este (By Cable).—The Theodore Roosevelt's "Rough Riders," First Regular Cavalry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and a detachment of Cubans fought a bloody fight with the Spaniards eight miles from Santiago. It was the first pitched battle of the American invading army.

Ten of the rough riders were killed in the engagement with the Spanish forces that ambushed them. These troops had requested that they be sent to the front at

LIEUTENANT COLONEL THEODORE ROOSEVELT, WHO LED THE CHARGE OF THE ROUGH RIDERS.

ance, and they were ordered to march over the foothills from Baiquiri.

The troops sent out in advance were commanded by General Young. The rough riders were on his flank several miles further inland. They were guarding him from a surprise. Of the cavalry there were in the expedition several troops of the First and Tenth Cavalry, and eight battalions of the rough riders, all dismounted. There were not 1200 men in all. They found 2000 Spanish in a thicket and finally drove them back to the defenses of the town. Fourteen dead Spaniards were found, but this does not measure the Spanish loss. The last resistance of the Spanish was at a blockhouse, which was stormed and carried. Four regiments of infantry, including the Seventy-first New York and some of the Ninth Cavalry, were hurried forward as a reinforcement.

After a forced march the troops dismounted. They were then eight miles distant from Santiago. They heard the Spaniards felling trees a short distance from them, and they were ordered to advance upon the enemy.

The country about is covered with high grass and chaparal, and in this a strong force of the Spaniards was hidden. As the Americans moved forward they were met by a withering fire.

Colonel Leonard Wood and Lieutenant Colonel Roosevelt led the charge with great bravery. They scorned to hide themselves in the grass or underbrush as the enemy did, and ultimately drove the enemy back toward Santiago, inflicting heavy losses upon them.

The rough riders were supported by the Second Massachusetts Volunteers and the First regular cavalry.

The Killed.

Captain Allyn Capron, First Artillery, U. S. A.

Sergeant Hamilton Fish, Roosevelt's rough riders.

Captain Luna.

Private Tillman, Private Docherty, Private James Crews, Private Edward Culver, Private Erwin, Private Dawson, Private Harry Heffner, of Troop G.

In the First Cavalry the following were killed: Corporal Wheeler and privates Kolbe, York, Dixon, Lennark and Burlin.

Thirty-seven men were wounded, ten of them fatally, according to first reports.

A number of Cubans took part in the fighting, and forty of them were killed.

Edward Marshall, a correspondent of the New York Journal, was at the front with the rough riders, and he was seriously wounded.

The enemy received reinforcements from Santiago, who brought with them ten field pieces. They fortified the hill at Savilla, which commands the road to Santiago.

The rough riders have received high praise from General Shafter for the gallant style in which they defeated the Spaniards. The enemy was utterly routed.

General Castillo, with 2000 Cubans, reports having defeated the Spaniards at Guasima with heavy loss. The Cuban losses were less than fifty.

The insurgents captured two railroad trains laden with food supplies and a hundred tons of coal.

Hamilton Fish, third, one of the killed.

Casualties at Baiquiri.

General Van Horne, commanding the First Division, was hurt by a fall while making the landing at Baiquiri, Cuba. Two enlisted men of the Tenth (colored) Cavalry were crushed between a lighter and the pier. Captain O'Neill, of "Teddy's Terrors," heroically leaped into the sea and tried to save the men at the risk of his own life.

Buried at Sea.

F. W. Blakeley, the naval apprentice who was killed by a Spanish shell on the Texas, was buried at sea as soon as the engagement was over.

AN IRRESISTIBLE ADVANCE.

The Americans Marched to Santiago as the Spaniards Retreated.

Our forces in Province of Santiago de Cuba, By Cable.—Two days' work in the disembarkation at Baiquiri by the troops of the American Army resulted in the capture of Aserraderos and in which the harbor of Santiago de Cuba lies. Here seven miles from Morro Castle as the crow flies, the vanguard of the army pushed forward, and the Spaniards were in full retreat toward Santiago de Cuba.

General Lawton's brigade, which had rested four miles west of Baiquiri, resumed its march at daylight. Before it was the brigade consisting of the Twenty-second Infantry, the First Infantry, the Second Massachusetts Volunteers with a squadron of the Eighth Cavalry and a troop of the Tenth Cavalry and several companies of the Twenty-fifth Cavalry, a mounted brigade, five miles beyond, and the American flag was hoisted there.

The Spaniards doggedly resisted before the advance, which was covered by the Cuban skirmishers, burning the blockhouses as they went.

The Cubans drove the Spaniards back eight miles from the coast. A dozen Spanish blockhouses were burned by the troops as they advanced.

Three hundred Spaniards were routed out of Altares and the Americans are in possession.

Five thousand Cubans, under General Babi and General Garcia, were landed on transports at Aserraderos, west of Santiago, and landed at Altares to join in the general movement on Santiago from the east. Very picturesque was the landing of the Cubans under the protection of the fleet's guns, with the Spaniards falling back before them.

The plan is to put the Cubans in control of Santiago when the city has been taken, and leave the American troops free for Porto Rico and other operations.

Surgeon Lagarde, Color Sergeant Wright and Trumpeter Platt, of Roosevelt's rough riders, planted the American flag on the summit of Mount Losiltires, in full view of the American fleet. It was a magnificent spectacle as Americans and Cubans cheered the colors, while the vessels of the fleet joined in with joyous blasts from their whistles.

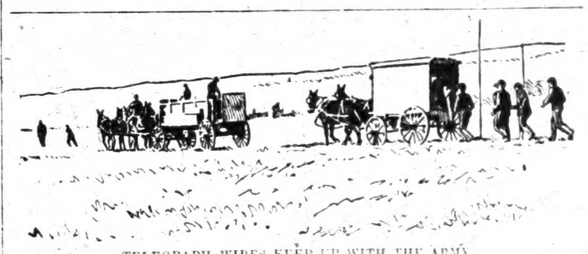
Siege guns and heavy artillery are in good position. The Spanish troops destroyed everything in the surrounding country before retiring to Santiago.

TO RAVAGE SPAIN'S COAST.

If Camara Enters Suez Canal Schley Will Bombard Barcelona.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The definite news that Camara's squadron was sailing east through the Mediterranean Sea for the Philippines resulted in the prompt planning of a naval campaign of offence. If Spain sends the Cadiz fleet through the Suez Canal to attack Dewey in the Philippines, before the last Spanish vessel has passed through the canal an American squadron will be steaming at full speed across the Atlantic straight for the coast of Spain. Confident that Dewey, who will be soon reinforced, can serve that fleet as he did Montojo's, the Government plans to send our best warships to bombard the Spanish coasts as soon as Camara's squadron is fairly inside the Suez Canal.

The German Ambassador at Washington has given assurance that his Government



TELEGRAPH WIRES KEEP UP WITH THE ARMY.

(As the troops moved forward from Baiquiri men of the signal corps began stringing wires from the palm trees. An army telegrapher, sitting in an office in a wagon, now sends a dispatch from General Shafter that passes over the wires to Guantanamo, thence to Mole St. Nicolas, in Hayti, thence direct to Coney Island, where the message is relayed to General Miles or Secretary Alger at Washington.)

will not interfere in any objectionable manner with our occupation of the Philippines.

THE CORTES DISSOLVED.

Infanta Eulalie Gone to Vienna on a Confidential Message.

MADRID, Spain (By Cable).—The Queen Regent signed a decree suspending the Cortes, and the Parliament adjourned without the customary cheers for the throne. When the Cortes closed martial law was proclaimed.

THE INFANTA EULALIE.

The Infanta Eulalie, who was Spain's representative to the United States at the time of the World's Fair, has gone to Vienna, Austria, on a confidential mission for the Queen Regent. It is supposed that she is to make arrangements for the Queen's safety in case of an uprising in Spain.

Killed Two, Then Himself.

Charles Smedley and his wife were shot down by William Cooper at Fulton, twelve miles from Oswego, N. Y., after which he killed himself with the revolver. The man was drunk and got into a quarrel with the fatal results.

A Private's Heavy Sentence.

John Dumas, a private in the ... Alabama Regiment, was tried by ... court-martial at Mobile and ... ten years' imprisonment for ... perior officer.

...OR AT HAVANA.

...ith the Government ... shot.

...A. The most im... news yet obtained ... affairs in Ha... ...representative ... Press in a Bulle... ...board the ... arrived ... on board ... has passed ... morning that any ... an unfavorable ... feel of being dis... ...penalty of the ... summarily shot ... ...

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...the Associated ... could possibly ... ...ther. The city ... ...seen, it ... ...every moment ... the American ... that Captain ... ...the United ... ...of giving ... ...to the Rough ... Houston as the ... ...ing and ... ...wife. Under ... ...captain gathered ... ...the military ... ...in rebellion is ... ...to fire the ... ...

A SPANISH CRISIS COMING.

Believed That Marshal Campos Will Proclaim a Dictatorship.

LONDON, Special.—The latest ... from Madrid indicate that ... is entering for the apprehension ... Marshal Martinez de Campos will ... a pronunciamiento and ... a dictatorship. Minute direct... have been sent to the Austro-Hu... and ambassadors at Madrid, C... Hints regarding the personal s... ...The situation ... several cabinet m... ...be held in a desperate ... ...crisis.

...The circumstances exceedingly ... ...the ministers do not disp... ...believe that the situation is ... ...serious character. The govern... ...has in the intention of the pos... ...to treat Admiral Dewey's ... ...Dewey has ... the insurrection of the ... ...Islands.

...The report that a boat destroyer ... ...has been diminished ... ...repairing a ... ...Cadiz squadron is ... ...steaming ... ...traversing the Suez Ca...

Advocates Direct Negotiations.

...Madrid to the ... In general it may be ... ...the press is divided ... ...which the ... ...between the ... ...the coast, is General ... ...eagerly looking ... ...which will be consolidated with the ... ...negro battalion now at Mobile ... ...formed into a regiment. These volun... ...forts will constitute Alabama's ... ...under the president's second call.

New Steel Bridges.

The Alabama Great Southern rail... ...way has let the contract for the con... ...struction of three steel bridges be... ...tween Birmingham and Meridia...

Demand For British Flags.

...Signs seem to be somewhat popu... ...United States cities, to judge ... ...present large demand at Ottawa. ... Local manufacturers in ... ...looking many large orders ... ...flags and are continually in ... ...requests for quotations of ...

Pension For Gridley's Widow.

...Representative Davenport, of Pennsyl... ...introduced a bill in the House, ... granting a pension of $100 ... Harriet V. Gridley, widow of ... Gridley, who commanded the ... Olympia in the battle of Manila.

Nicaragua Canal Feasible.

Professor Haupt of the Nicaragua Canal Commission, was before the United States Senate Committee on the Nicaragua Canal. He expressed the opinion that the canal, as proposed, was entirely feasible, and placed the cost of construction at between $90,000,000 and $95,000,000.

Utah Remembers Her Hero.

The State of Utah will present a sword to Ensign Pearson, of Admiral Dewey's flagship, the Olympia, for his coolness and bravery in the fight in Manila Bay. Ensign Pearson went into the service from Utah

Five Drowned in Michigan.

By the capsizing of a boat in which a party was rowing on Flint River at Flushing, Mich., Chauncey Cook, aged eighteen; Lulu Loup, aged fourteen; Adalina Loup, aged sixteen, and Mildred Packard, aged two years, were all drowned. Arthur Maxwell, twenty years old, in attempting to rescue the party, was also drowned.

Oklahoma's Wheat Crop.

The crop outlook in Oklahoma is as good as it could possible be, and the Territory will harvest at least 30,000,000 bushels of wheat and, in all probability, a corn crop largely in excess of last year.

TROOP TRAIN WRE...

...Four Soldiers Killed and ... Twenty Injured.

TORREY'S ROUGH RIDERS ON THE ...

Second Section Crashed Into the ... Tupelo, Miss. Fault of Engi... of the Second in Running Too Fast.

A Sunday's special from ... Miss., says: A railway acci... curred at this place at 5:10 ... this afternoon in which four ... lost their lives and others ... fatal injuries. Following is a ... the killed: Willie Ballard, Tro... Sam Johnson, Troop C; ... Gunther, Troop L; ... Gordon, Co. "G" Grimby, Co... Cornelius Lenahan, Troop C; ... Henry S. W... Troop C both legs cut off, pro... in abdomen. Twenty others ... seriously injured in the wreck.

Colonel Torrey's regiment of ... Rough Riders from Cheyenne, Wyo., ... this place this afternoon by the ... City, Memphis & Birmingham ... The first section had stopped ... water and had whistled to st... when the second section ... entire train just before the town is re... and dashed into it. In the rear ... first section was the sleeper "Se... containing a mental stall, ... General Le... This car was ... pletely demolished, yet stra... enough every inmate escaped ... scratched, except the colonel, w... injured, though not serious.

The chief fatalities occurred ... couch which stood in the center ... first section, which carried Tro... from Laramie, Wyo. This car ... completely telescoped, and the s... which were jammed and burst... mouth masses of timbers, broke... seats and other debris. On the ... car, next to the engine car was th... the other several hundred ... but in this car few were hurt ... more seriously.

The cause of this accident ... to the engineer of the ... section of the ... running too fast ... the next section. The engin... name is Ewell, and he has disappe... The soldiers have threatened to ... him, if found.

Later: Private Mapes is now ... dying condition. The engineer, ... was reported missing, was seen ... night, but was unable to talk. He ... received internal injuries that ... caused several hemorrhages. H... is probably overcome on account ... terrible affair.

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THE celebration of the Fourth seems to be more general this year than usual. All over the county preparations are in progress, and on Monday next picnics, barbecues singings and gatherings of all kinds are the order of the day.

CONGRESSMAN W. F. Aldrich has introduced two bills in the House of Representatives this week which it is much to be hoped will become law. The first is "a Bill to retire the United States legal tender and Treasury notes, and to substitute therefor Treasury certificates, and for other purposes." The other is entitled "A Bill to create the army and navy supply board, to define its duties, and for other purposes." We will refer more fully to these bills at some future time.

THE Birmingham Times, in a despairing cry, says "the Republicans of Alabama do not support their papers," presumably meaning the Times. This is not at all surprising when such inaccurate reports as the following are given out in its columns:

The Republican county committee of Chilton county, met at Clanton on last Saturday and decided that, as there were two Populist tickets and two Independent Democrats in the field for Probate Judge, they would not put out a ticket, but would endorse such candidates as would serve the county the best, which resulted in their endorsing R. M. Honeycutt, the present Probate Judge, for re-election, and W. A. B. Falkner for clerk of the circuit court. At a future time candidates for Representative and Superintendent of Education will be endorsed by the committee.

In the first place, the half dozen colored men who met Mr. H. A. Wilson at Clanton are not recognized as the "Republican county committee of Chilton county." In the second place, there are not two "Populist tickets in the field" There is but one Populist ticket and never has been more than one, and that ticket will undoubtedly be elected in August. The action of this little meeting of Mr. Wilson's attracted no attention in the county, for the simple reason it has not the slightest influence on the election. What little influence Mr Wilson ever had has always been used in the interests of the Democratic party, and if he had any now it would go in the same direction. The gentleman endorsed by Mr. Wilson's meeting are to be commisserated, for such an endorsement only diminishes their chance of success.

It is the business of the Annapolis naval academy, and of the West Point military academy to produce men like Hobson. It is the privilege of men like Hobson to set the type for the imitation of the youth of the country. Of course training does not give capacity; that comes through hereditary privilege. And of course the first bent which capacity takes, its direction and in good part its purpose, are acquired in the home. But every people has its standards—what may be called its ethical and practical ideals—which its schools impress and develop. Hobson was the typical conscientious student of Annapolis, the type of the young American of capacity, conscience, and country who can be relied upon in the new emergencies when the policy of expansion will test it.—Review of Reviews.

The Democrats are very much torn up on account of Senator Dean's speech at Clanton last week. It was published in full in the Montgomery Advertiser and Birmingham Ledger and contains about 3,500 words. There are a few broad minded Democrats who are honest enough to admit that Mr. Dean's speech was a frank and open presentation of the whole issue before the people. But truth and frankness is just what the Democratic party does not want. They can't stand it. We hope to arrange for the publication of Mr. Dean's speech in full and from time to time shall refer to his interesting review of conditions in Alabama.

Grover Cleveland has been heard from again. This time he is talking against this country acquiring any more territory. He is opposed to our holding the Phillipine Islands, Cuba, Porto Rico or anything else we have captured or may capture. This is not surprising. Cleveland has never been in favor of anything the people wanted. It does not concern him that it will cost this country the lives of many good and brave men and many millions of dollars to stop the cruelty of Spain, and check the advance of European interests, through the money power, against free government. And Cleveland cannot see where he can come in on any bond deal.

Governor Johnson is getting ready to say something about the Fourth of July, we are told. He is to make a speech at Florence on the glorious Fourth. If the Governor will tell the people what he has done for them during the past two years, we shall be glad to hear it. If he will show that he has redeemed one promise that he ever made to the people, he may be able to make some one believe that there is an excuse for his asking to be Governor again. But the Governcan do nothing. He has done nothing for the people. His administration has been a failure, the most complete failure of any since the war.

Beats the Klondyke

Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville Tex, has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondyke. For years he suffered untold agony from consumption, accompanied by hemmorhages; and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with this marvelous cure; would have it even if cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, Bronchitis and all throat and lung affections are positiyely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Trial bottles free at Dr. J S. Johnson's Drug Store. Regular size 50 cts. and $1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

Governor Johnston will soon drop his silver talk. No one who knew him ever had any confidence in Governor Johnston's professions of interest in the fight against the money power. His talk was gotten up to catch Populist voters. His whole record in private and public life has been against the people and he has always been in league with the enemies of the people.

Mr. P. Ketcham of Pike City, Cal., says: "During my brother's late sickness from sciatic rheumatism, Chamberlain's Pain Balm was the only remedy that gave him any relief." Many others have testified to the prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

Nothing has been done in the direction of securing honest elections. The public school administration is in the most deplorable condition that that department has been in since the war. It is the worst in the U. S. It is a disgrace to the State of Alabama and an outrage upon the people.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., June 29, 1898

Representatives of an English syndicate are in this country making bids on all the fishing interests of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence region. It will require many millions to consolidate such colossal industries but no one doubts the triumph of British gold or that the transfer will make the American pay a much higher price for his fish. Yet we are constantly admonished not to drive away foreign capital if we would see better times here.

The passing of Ignatius Donnelly from Minnesota politics is recorded in the papers of that state. At the recent People's Party State convention at Minneapolis he was decidedly worsted in a conflict with Owen, his old time enemy. The war of words between the two is said to have been most dramatic and the convention up to the time of the bolt of the middle-of-the-roaders was one of the noisiest and exciting in the history of the party.

The middle-of-the-road Populists, led by Milton Park of Texas and Wharton Barker of Philadelphia, met, after the adjournment of the national committee at Omaha last week, and issued a call for a convention to meet at Cincinnati, Ohio, September 1.

The Omaha Bee reported an attendance of thirty four members at the Reform Press meeting that preceded the meeting of the "Reorganization committee" at Omaha.

It is rumored that Mrs. Mary Ellen Lease has transferred her place of residence from Greater New York to Oregon. The rumor is as yet unconfirmed by Mrs. Lease.

Populist congressman Jerry Botkin of Kansas, was one of the most instructive and entertaining speakers at a recent Chautauqua assembly at Carthage, Missouri. His subject was silver but he touched with his usual vigor on many other needed reforms.

Let the war go on. Gold Bug Russell Sage has been lamenting to representatives of the press that the war is ruining the business of Wall street. He also asserts that this country could easily take care of a debt of one hundred billions, and is greatly pleased at the prospect of an Anglo-American alliance. It is a good idea to note what such fellows are approving so that the "way-faring man though a fool" may know what not to approve.

The co-operation of the silver forces in Michigan is assured in the coming campaign. The ticket represents an equal distribution among the three parties. The ticket was ratified in joint convention.

Col. William Jennings Bryan's company has been assigned to that portion of the army commanded by General Fitzhugh Lee and will, in all probability, be sent to Cuba after the rainy season is over.

A. R.

The editor of the Evans City, Pa. Guide, writes, "One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It cured my children after all other remedies failed." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield and Mathews.

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country, I attended, it being my first time, and also promised a part of all the parties that I was going through the whole show and if I found anything wrong I would report the cause. I promised our courteous editor that I would make my letter short, I cannot go into full details. I know no name for it, I will give it a name, to-wit: a little floating band of conspirators conspiring against the best interests of good government. I searched the inner courts and could get no information. I then searched the outer and got the desired information as follows: By the copious use of money contributed in the way of fare that any aspirant for office could have a smooth ride upon Wilson's potitical train with palace sleepers attached if desired, regardless of party proclivities. I learned from one of our leading Populists that he was asked if he did not think Barbour was bought, from the fact of my having attended Wilson's meeting. I remarked if I had I sold cheap, and showed him the contents of my pocketbook, which contained a single nickle. I will now say to him and to all the people of the county, that I have sold out many years ago and God grant that every official in the U. S. would sell out and receive in payment the kind of script that I received and don't exactly get that from my own men. This same man said that the party thought it hard of me for desertion. My pay is intended that a good name is to be chosen rather than great riches. Loving favors rather than silver and gold. Some time in the near future I will ask the candidates of all the parties to join me in a request to have their executive committees call a mass meeting of every voter in the county. This is the people's business and not that of a few office-seekers.

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By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama together with the dwelling thereon and known as the "Foshee old home," and also one sixth undivided interest in and to the following described real estate, to wit:

E ½ of sw ¼ of section 34 township 21, range 13; w ½ of se ¼ and ne ¼ of nw 1-4 of sec 26, tp 20, r 13; part e ½ of se 1-4 of sec 22, tp 21, r 13 lost lies south of Mulberry creek containing twelve acres, more or less; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 and 2 acres described as follows to commence at the sw corner of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 thence north the length of 2 acres thence east the length of one acre, thence south the length of 2 acres, thence west the length of one acre to the peice of beginning, sec 2, to 20, r 12; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 27, 7 acres off the south end of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 sec 27, w ½ of sw 1-4 of sec 27, se 1-4 of sec 28, s ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28, 14 acres off the south end of n ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28 a fraction of the se 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 28 the railroad being the line on the west of said branch, and so much of the fraction of the ne 1-4 of the nw 1-4 lying east of the railroad track of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad company and south of Perry Lenoir's line, sec 28, tp 21, r 12; ne 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 9, tp 21, r 14; e ½ of ne 1-4 sec 6, tp 20, r 13; that tract of land bounded as follows, to wit; commencing at a corner between Dr. J. S. Johnson and Bowline, running thence north parallel with Bowline's land to Birds creek, thence east along the run of said Birds creek yards, thence north to Johnson's line, thence west to the place of beginning and containing ten acres; sw 1-4 of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 24, tp 21, r 12; s ½ of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 2, tp 20, r 12; lot no. 15 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county Alabama, together with the dwelling theron known as the Foshee new dwelling and a lot of the herein before described real estate lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above-described property, on

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[illegible] Kanter went to Birmingham Sunday.

[illegible] who has been [illegible] few months here, [illegible] this home in Texas, [illegible].

[illegible] Miller, of Birmingham, [illegible] daughter, Mrs. [illegible] Ashorn, here, and renewing [illegible] acquaintances.

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[illegible] visiting the [illegible] Lowery, of [illegible].

[illegible]dridge has [illegible] to the regret [illegible] them.

[illegible] visiting [illegible].

[illegible] who has [illegible] Mrs. W. [illegible] home.

[illegible] been issued [illegible] Judge to [illegible].

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E. E. Estes, of Deatsville, was a visitor here last week.

Miss Vena Pyron has returned from a visit to the Misses Butler at Deatsville, much to the pleasure of her many friends here.

Prof. J. C Pattillo will take charge of his school at Pleasant Cherry July 5.

Prof. P. M. Connell jr. of Cross Roads will take charge of the literary school at this place July 5. Let all the patrons send the first day that can.

At this writing I am sorry to say that Rev. Mr. Taylor is at the point of death. His daughter at Prattville has been notified and will be here soon as possible

Mrs. Goss and son J. N. Goss are on the sick list which we are sorry to note.

The Fourth of July is nearly here and may it be a gala day with everybody.

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East half of south-east quarter, and the south-west quarter of the south-east quarter of section 6, township 23, range 15, and north-west quarter of north-east quarter of section 7, township 23, range 13, and south-east quarter of north-west quarter, and the south-east quarter of south east quarter of section 8, township 24, range 15, and north half of the north-east quarter, and east half of the north-west quarter of north-west quarter of section 16, township 23, range 13, all lying and being in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Thomas D. Fite and William Porter in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 13th day of June. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, I have levied on the following property to wit:

North-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, range eleven, in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Chilton county, Alabama.

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SHASTA.

The Romance of a Trail that Was Scented with Roses.

BY JOAQUIN MILLER.

CHAPTER I.

An artist in Yreka! The time and place were unreasonable, for it was 1854 in Northern California. Yet there he was—Arthur Bantry, a man whose forty years looked more like fifty, as reckoned by the record of sorrow which they had lined in his face. He had come to the Pacific coast with the multitude of gold hunters, and he had handled the pick and shovel more than the brush and palette since his desertion of art for ore. But in his cabin, one day, I found him at work, in the clear light of a northward window, on a portrait of a girl. The original sketch had been made long before, as the worn condition of its leathern case showed. There was a sweet and delicate face, about one-fourth the size of life, and Bantry was carefully touching it here and there with the veriest tip of a fine brush. I saw that he was deftly adding slightly to the apparent age of the subject, and I laughed at this.

"It can't be a portrait, Arthur," said I, "or you'd be taking off the maturity instead of putting it on."

Instead of answering me, he gazed

"HE GAZED BEYOND ME."

beyond me, with an arm on the rude table, and his body leaned forward as though he saw, or was trying to see, the original of the picture. Distraught moments in the conduct of my friend had previously puzzled me, and I had guessed that some deep affliction had affected his manner, if not his mind. Now I realized that the likeness had something to do with the matter, and I hastily apologized for my ill-timed levity. At this moment the cabin mate of the artist entered.

Nelson Garth was as handsome a fellow of 25 as ever gave distinction to the tough garb of an early California adventurer, or preserved the signs of culture in the transition to the manners and customs of the wilderness.

"Ah, my sweetheart!" he exclaimed, on seeing the picture; and thus he, too, perceived that the occasion was not one for careless comment. "I didn't mean to be disrespectful," he added, "and I'm in dead earnest about my regard for that girl. The face is lovely. I admire it—somehow feel that it is a presence—that it is something tangible."

Arthur Bantry straightened up in his chair and said: "Boys, that is a portrait of my wife and daughter both." As we lifted our eyebrows in surprise and inquiry, he gravely continued: "I was a pioneer in these parts, as you know, long before the forty-niners came. A roving disposition, and a desire to find wild and unused subjects for pictures brought me here. That was excusable. The bad thing that I did was to let my wife and child accompany me. The mother was as adventurous as I in pursuit of picturesque Nature, and together we ventured recklessly into the wilderness of Indians. Our child, Rose, was then only four years old. One day I was sketching at the edge of a forest, while the mother and child plucked wild flowers. I had outlined a landscape, and into it I meant to introduce the figure of the child. For that purpose I had separately sketched her face, and was giving it the final touches when, in sport, she scampered away. Her little hands were full of wild roses, and as she ran she scattered the leaves along her trail. 'Chase me, papa,' she cried, 'follow the rose leaves.' The mother pursued the runaway, and together they disappeared behind an immense tree at the border of the woods. Instantly I heard the exultant yells of Indians, and the affrighted shrieks of my wife and child. I rushed to their rescue, but it was too late, even had I been able single-handed to cope with a band of twenty. I only saw and heard the captives departing from me into the forest, and that was the last of them to me. This portrait is the one that I made that day. But from year to year I have added to the age of the child's face. That was my only way to keep her with me. In doing this I have been guided by the well-remembered face of my wife, whom the little girl resembled wonderfully at the time I last saw her, and who may have preserved the likeness until now, if she be alive. I have made every possible effort to find a trace of them, but with no success whatever. Whether they are alive in miserable captivity, or happily have been killed by their captors, I do not know."

That was the story told by the artist at Yreka, and it introduced the girl of the picture to us as vividly as a living creature. Upon Nelson Garth this singular acquaintance with Rose Bantry palpably had an impressive effect. He had already whimsically fallen in love with the picture, and now he became engrossed in thoughts of the original.

Let that stand for a prologue to the historical melodrama which I am to write. Half a year later there was an expedition against the early Modocs, through the gleaming snows and under the somber pines of majestic Mount Shasta. And why this expedition? Because the Indians rose up one night and massacred every white person, with the single exception of myself, in all the vast region now comprised in Modoc County. I was not in my own cabin at the time, but had taken a party of young Indians and gone a day's journey deeper into the mountainous wilderness on a grand annual elk hunt. Possibly my absence from home had something to do with the sparing of my life. But I think not. My insignificance both as a boy and holder of property saved me perhaps.

Our great elk hunt had been wonderfully successful. My excuse for killing thirteen huge cows with my own hand at that time is found in the fact that a friendly tribe of Indians down the mountains near my own house was literally starving. I at once sent back a runner to bear the good news and to bring the famishing tribe to devour the tons of meat where it lay. It was the return of this runner, with hundreds of hungry Indians creeping on after him up the mountain and through the dense woods, that brought me my first news of the terrible massacre. It seemed incredible; it seemed utterly impossible that I should now be the only living white person in a place that only the season before was teeming with happy and hopeful settlers. I took two fine and faithful young Indians, and descending almost with the rapidity of shot on our snow-shoes to the flumes and green grasses of the far-off valley, I found only dead bodies and burned ruins. Believing myself to be the first white man to learn of the massacre, I hastened on alone to the nearest white habitation. This was the now famous Soda Springs, the property of perhaps the wealthiest man in the world, Senator Stanford. I was a part owner of the Springs at this early date. We had a little mountain hotel, my two partners and myself, and took stock to winter at our ranch deeper in the mountains. And this was what I was doing at the time of the massacre away over the spurs of Mount Shasta to the East. I chose to take care of the stock and live with only Indians about me, simply because I liked solitude, and the silent dignity of the Indian was always more decent to me than the garrulous white man.

I hastily told the terrible news, and then threw myself into the saddle, arms in hand, and set out through the tortuous and tedious mountain trail for Yreka. This city of Yreka was at that time a sort of capital of Northern California; a populous and most prosperous mining town, with banks, miles of brick houses, hundreds of hotels. A great city was Yreka in the days of old. I had a ride before me of more than seventy miles. The narrow, snow-bound, steep and stony trail was simply terrible. But I was splendidly mounted. My horse had all the gathered strength of a winter's rest in his strong and supple legs, and he continually bounded along like a ball. I fell from my horse into the arms of friends at Yreka.

When Arthur Bantry heard the news, he cried: "Now for a campaign of extermination against the Modocs."

That was the general sentiment at Yreka. But Nelson Garth and I knew that Arthur Bantry hoped, forlornly yet ardently, to search once more for the lost trail of the rose leaves.

CHAPTER II.

The motley army which set out from Yreka contained no more eager men than Arthur Bantry, who sought to learn the fate of a wife and daughter, and Nelson Garth, who was actuated as really by love of an unacquainted sweetheart as though he had wooed her. And I had been able to impart a faint gleam of tidings from Rose. A year prior to this time some halt hostile and wholly wild Indians had visited my camp with a white girl, whom they proposed to sell for two horses. The girl could not talk to me or understand a word. She had been a captive since a mere child, and as she did not want to come to me, and as I would have surely been misunderstood I did not buy her, but waited, hoping some white men might come my way and help me with their presence and advice. And that was all; I had never seen her any more. But I had kept up constant inquiry for her and had sent word to Lieut. Crook, now Gen. Crook, and famous in many wars, who was then in charge of the nearest military post, of the fact about this poor white girl prisoner. Of course, when the massacre took place, the first question in my mind was as to the fate of the white girl who was a prisoner among that nomadic band of savages.

When I saw the portrait of Arthur Bantry's daughter, even though he had made her grow to womanhood in the picture so strangely, I recognized her as the captive. Desiring to learn more before exciting him, I had worked slow; but now I told him all. Beautiful she was as any dream of beauty. She was sad and silent, piteously sad. She had stood pulling at the tasseled tops of some tall grass at the side of the trail, as the Indians sat on their ponies bartering. That was all she did, and said nothing. She only looked at me once, out of her great, sad eyes that nearly all the time kept looking down. And she did not speak, in any tongue, when I spoke to her. And she would not come to me when I asked her to. Nor did she give me her hand when I offered her mine. And so she went away. But I thought, after she was gone that night, she did not dare show any concern or emotion. I thought, and I thought a thousand things, indeed. I offered my young Indians the two horses for her. Finally I offered to give two horses for even any information about her. Let the fact be at once and frankly confessed that it is doubtful if I should have gone down into the valley of death after the massacre but for the memory and the hope of this beautiful, sad and silent girl.

As the expedition camped for its first night under the somber pines and fir and cedar trees that dotted the mountain slope, it was as motley a set of men as ever grouped about any camp fire on this earth. Could Shakspeare have but seen that gang! Perhaps twenty-five of the men had lost brother, father, friend, fortune in the massacre. These were sober and quiet enough. Perhaps a like number had lost nothing, having nothing to lose, and were now merely adventurers—on their way out to plunder the dead, possibly. Perhaps a like number were of the lowest form of hunianity, for the jails had been given a holiday.

As we stood at breakfast, a tin cup of coffee in the right hand and a sandwich of dough and burnt bacon in the other, two tall and comely Indian warriors stood over like silhouettes against the rising sun on the crest of the snowy mountain before us. Instantly I knew them for my two young friends who had gone down into the valley of death with me when we had first heard of the massacre. Take a map and trace the route of my travel since leaving my own camp, and you will see that in three days I had made almost the entire circuit of the grandest and sublimest snow peak in all the world. I was now not forty miles from my own camp, my own Indians, my own cattle and horses. These swift and splendid young fellows had kept promise, and were coming to tell me how things now stood. Their information, whatever it might be, was of the greatest importance. Did the compact with the Modocs still hold good? Was Pitt River and Modoc and Shasta still friendly, or had they quarreled over the plunder, after the fashion of white nations? All this was important to know.

But such a panic! Pistols in the air instantly! A dozen, forty, fifty shots! The two tall and shapely figures melted back and away as they had come. And that was all—all except a "stampede" of horses, cattle, mules, men! The cattle first took fright at this apparition—those two shapely and shadowy savages on the steep, deep snow under the pines that lifted before us—and they, like the men in the early morning, started for the world below! Then the mules, madly braying, followed the bellowing cattle. Then the horses. Then the men dashed bravely down the mountain after their horses. And they never came back—cattle, horses, mules or men!

Ike Rodgers, the banker, whose father had fallen in the massacre, pulled the remnant of men together that afternoon, had what few cattle butchered that had lodged in the snow, and as night came on, and the crust of deep snow hardened, the little band set forward, silent, slowly, in single file, through the great solemn woods to cross the Sierras. Each man had a horse and drew a sled. The sled was often only the hide of a bullock with blankets, bread, bacon, arms, ammunition, anything indeed that fell to the lot of the man who drew the sledge in the general distribution of provisions. Here were stout, daring, audacious hearts now. Napoleon on the Alps, the hunchback Hannibal before him were simply luxurious robbers in comparison with this sobered and earnest little string of men on their tortuous way through the pines to recover a kingdom that had been lost to civilization. Cortez drawing his ships by piecemeal over the isthmus knew nothing half so terrible in that warm and luxurious land. For here with us on the very first night nearly every man had feet, face, or hands badly frozen. And the wolves? Before it was yet quite full dawn we were compelled to form a solid circle with our faces to the wolves; our sleds and horses in the center. And such beautiful teeth! We sat down on our sleds facing the wolves. The wolves promptly sat down right before us, their great red tongues lolling out of their hungry mouths, their beautiful white teeth glistening in perilous contrast. Two sleds of beef had already been captured and instantly devoured.

"Look here. I've cut myself somehow," whispered one of the men who had lost a sled. We only discovered that he was hurt by the blood that made the white snow red. This poor fellow was reputed to be a professional pickpocket when at home in the enjoyment of civilization and liberty. But he was a good soldier here, and did not even cry out when a wolf tore away a handful of flesh from his leg; but he merely laid it to some accidental awkwardness of his, had his leg bandaged as we all sat there, shivering and looking down into a thousand hungry throats, waiting, praying for sunrise. But had that poor pickpocket by sign or sound indicated that the wolves had begun to eat our men as well as our provisions, there would probably have been a two-second panic. Then some few white bones on the bloody snow—the red epitaph over the common grave of the "Army of Northern California."

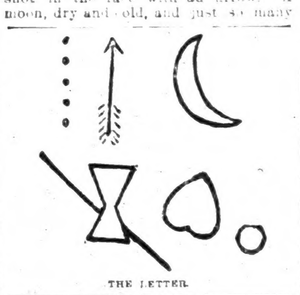
When light came and the wolves went back a little from our faces we made roaring fires and broiled, or rather burned, our beef, so that it would be less heavy, and, finally, less attractive to the wolves in these terrible marches at night. While this was being done I posted on alone with Capt. Rodgers, whom I had come to know and greatly respect, if not to quite yet trust, to see, if possible, if there was any abatement in the tremendous depth of snow, for our sleds were now all worn and broken, our horses were weak and failing for want of food. After an hour or so we

"WE CROSSED A HUGE BEAR TRACK."

crossed a huge bear track, or rather what Rodgers called a bear track. It was simply the track of about twenty Modocs on the war-path! They were going toward my own camp. But I kept my own counsel. There was no turning back now. To tell the worn and half-hearted band of men that the Modoc was also with us would have insured a sort of paralysis. It was push on now or perish.

This "bear track" at this time and place could mean but one thing—and how you need a map of the whole thing here—and that was now between the three Indian tribes that hovered about the base of Mount Shasta. Either this or the Modocs were merely on their way to my camp for cattle. This broad bear track was pointing direct for either my cattle or the scalps of my Indians. In either case the only immediate danger to the little army was the danger of a panic. But this is the most fearful danger that any man has to meet in war, especially in the wilderness, where the wild beasts, where even the elements, conspire to destroy.

Captain Rodgers sat down to rest and I went on alone to the top of a bold and tremendous mountain of snow, from which the grasses and flowers of the desolated valley could be seen. It was here that I had rested with my two young Indians both on going to and returning from the scene of massacre. We had left a letter here in Indian characters, and as these two Indians who had created the panic before mentioned had probably passed this way I hoped to find a new letter from them here. I was not disappointed. It took some patient search, some circuitous and tedious delay, which I have not time to set down, but a letter I found on the inner side of a scale of sugar-pine bark. Bear in mind that the sugar-pine tree is always used by the Shasta Indians. You might search the forests in vain for any sign on any other tree than the sugar-pine. It was written in sign language. In the first place an arrow, the arrow is my name. Five dots to the left were merely complimentary adjectives, as if to say "My five times brave and upright and five time faithful brother." The arrow was given me as the sign of my name because I had once been dangerously shot in the face with an arrow. A moon, dry and old, and just so many



THE LETTER.

days old, was the date of the letter. And now here is all the news, and most important it was, as you will see. The sign of the Modoc is the reed, or rather the tule; a long slim line represents the tule. This shows the early history of the Modoc and his "floating islands" among the reeds and tules of the lakes. An awkward figure, looking like a demoralized hour-glass, represents the Pitt River Indians. You see they come by time round from an immemorial custom by keeping a continual girdle of blind pits drawn around the edge of their vast and fertile valley. As these blind pits had sharpened elk and deer antlers at the bottom, to say nothing of deadly pointed spears set upward, you may well understand that they were terrible enough to give a name to any people. And in the latter the tule or reed, although badly broken, is thrust downwards entirely through the pit. So I easily read that the battle was a bloody one, and that many Modocs were killed, as well as many more of their enemies.

And what did an awkward and helpless and overturned heart mean? And what was the round and helpless little circle for? Ah, me! This postscript of the Indians' letter on a bit of sugar-pine bark, may be briefly translated thus: "As for the matter of the beautiful girl, we can only say that we have learned nothing at all; and all our search and inquiry has ended where we began, in this narrow little circle."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

UNFORTUNATE DENTON.

He Was a Natural Genius, but Died on the Gallows.

What living man has ever heard of the unfortunate Denton? asks Walter Besant, in the Queen. His life was written and published in a newspaper—name and date unknown—the day after his execution. This fact shows the nature of the misfortune which befell this unhappy person. The biographer truly remarks that the history cannot but "excite a sigh in every feeling heart." Indeed, yes. The unfortunate Denton was a tinman who got some education, found that there was no happiness for him except in the society of books, and became a bookseller in York. He presently removed to London, where he developed extraordinary powers; for, seeing a speaking automaton—was it like a speaking image exhibited about fifteen years ago?—brought over by certain ingenious foreigners, he proceeded to construct one for himself, which spoke admirably. This machine he exhibited. He also made a writing automaton—one wonders what has become of these puppets. He studied chemistry; he translated Pinetti's "Book of Deceptions;" he carried on a business of plating coach harness together with his trade of bookselling. He made mathematical instruments, pentagraphs, etc., and was, in short, a most ingenious, clever and accomplished creature. And then—why? Was it in order to get rich? I think it was rather in order to gratify his conceit—just to prove to himself how clever he was—this successful man actually began to coin base money. He was found out, however, and was tried, sentenced, and duly hanged. On the scaffold he behaved with great levity, laughing at the devotion of his fellow sufferers, and, in a truly scientific spirit, directed that his body should be converted into phosphorus, which was done. And so, to misquote a famous passage,

The hand that once made puppets speak and write,
Now lips a match the kitchen fire to light.

Unfortunate Mr. Denton.

Playing Tricks with Vegetables.

Some very pleasant surprises for children may be obtained by getting fruits to grow inside of glass bottles. Some, especially of the cucumber family, can be inserted into the narrow mouths of bottles attached to the branch, and after full growth it will be a mystery how these fruits got inside of the bottles or jars. Besides the pleasant surprises many a youthful lesson on plant growth can be furnished by these tests. It is stated that King George III., of England, in the earlier stages of the insanity which subsequently overtook him, used to express his surprise to those who were dining with him as to how the apple got inside the dumpling, but with these fruits in glass jars the surprises to even sane people are quite as interesting as the apple dumpling was to this unfortunate monarch.—Meehan's Monthly.

Oklahoma Is Against Gambling.

Oklahoma is drawing the lines of morality rather sharply for a frontier territory. A law recently passed at Guthrie makes any kind of gambling a felony, and even prohibits progressive euchre parties where prizes are offered.

THE FIRST ALABAMA LEAVES FOR THE FRONT.

Great Enthusiasm Prevailed Among the Troops—Will Probably Form a Part of Shafter's Army.

Friday afternoon the First Alabama regiment left Mobile for Miami, Fla., and no doubt in a short time, possibly a fortnight, will form a part of Shafter's army at Santiago, or somewhere in that neighborhood. Up to date ten regiments have moved out of Mobile to the front, eight of the regular army and two volunteers.

Colonel Higdon's gallant command made the eleventh and of the whole not none displayed as much enthusiasm upon leaving as did those North Alabamians.

At 5 o'clock tents were struck and heavy baggage loaded with mules and wagons on long freight trains. This task was completed in short order and at noon the first section pulled out in charge of Captain Wallace, of Decatur. The Birmingham battalion, under Major Smith, and a portion of Major McLad's battalion followed. The remainder, Major Kyle's section, carried Colonel Higdon, Lieutenant Colonel McDonald and staff.

Great enthusiasm prevailed, cheer being answered by cheer, and as the trains pulled out the chorus: "We are the Alabama Boys Who Fear No Harm," came from the coaches, at every window of which appeared a smiling, tanned face.

THE ENSLEY STEEL PLANT.

The Bonds Have Been Taken and the Great Industry Assured.

The New York Times says: "One of the most encouraging signs of the resumption of industrial development of the south is the assured state of the movement which has been in progress for some time to establish an important steel-producing concern at Ensley, Ala., a short distance from Birmingham. The strong financial support which the project has received has removed all doubt of the speedy realization of the plans of its promoters.

"An organization was effected a short time ago under the name of the Alabama Steel and Ship Building Company, and Moore & Schley, bankers of this city, were engaged as financial agents.

"It was decided to issue $1,000,000 of 6 per cent bonds, $440,000 of 6 per cent preferred stock, and $500,000 of common stock, the bonds and preferred stock being guaranteed by the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Company. No difficulty was experienced in disposing of the bonds. The plant, which is to be enacted by the company will have a capacity of 1,000 tons of steel per day.

"Among the various projects under discussion is one for the erection of a wire rod mill, near the steel plant, which will absorb 300 tons of steel per day. A consumer for 250 tons per day is likely to be found in a company which proposes to manufacture ship plates for export. One of the principal features of the business, however, will be the manufacture of steel rails.

"The Wellman-Seaver Engineering Company, of Cleveland, O., have been engaged as the engineers and metallurgists for the plant, and will have charge of the construction of the works."

STATE NORMAL COLLEGE.

Valuable Information as Presented in Announcements of this Institute.

The college has two plans of instruction: "Attendance," that best suited to young people lacking both scholarship and professional training and experience, "Full session," or in absentia, largely designed for those who have age, experience and more or less scholarship. Tuition is $5.00 per term and incidentals same, ten weeks a term. Alabama students taking the obligation to teach pay no tuition, but incidentals merely. A nomination may be made by each senator and representative of the Alabama legislature, outside of the county in which the college is situated and outside of each county having a state educational institution for whites, for a scholarship granting special advantages, and said nomination approved by the county superintendent of education of the proper county, may be appointed by the state superintendent of education for two years, if he approves, preference being given to such candidates as appear to have the greatest worth and qualification for teachers, as indicated by the county superintendent's testimonial.

Board can be had at $6 to $8.50 per month, or students can rent furnished or unfurnished rooms and board themselves much less per month.

Good literary society and young people's Christian association advantages are offered. The president has many scores of calls for trained teachers annually and graduates of the college easily find situations. Young men capable to act as superintendents and principals of schools, and young ladies who can teach art or music and scholastics, too, are in great demand, by school officers asking for teachers. Scores of our students are thus located annually. Address E. R. Eldridge, President, Troy, Ala.

Brained With Baseball Bat.

At Centre Point, Ark., William Kelly killed his brother, Patrick, by braining him with a baseball bat. After being locked in jail, William Kelly committed suicide.

A knot is a nautical mile, equal to 1.15 statute miles, or about 6,080 feet.

...Mice are fond of mu... get as close to it as they ... that out and I'll ... in the next flat.—Yonkers Statesman.

...Cover It.—Hojack—Give me ... "All is fair in love and ... The tactics permissible ... are equally allowable af...

...is too near to mine ... miles away; and that's ... thousand miles. She (pout) ... wouldn't be for some ...—Harlem Life.

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...Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. ...C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

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"What a beautiful specimen of inlaying!" exclaimed the guest. "Yes," replied Mr. Cumrox, as he put his hands behind and tiptoed complacently; "but that isn't anything. You ought to have seen the outlay it represents."—Washington Star.

The Cautious One—I wouldn't go to the Klondike. Already more money has gone in there than has been taken out. The Sanguine One—You don't say! If the place is getting richer like that, I think I'll go as soon as I can.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Spread of the English Language.

Mr. Gladstone lately expressed himself as believing that English is to be the language of the future. Mr. Gladstone's reasons are based on what has happened within his own lifetime. When Mr. Gladstone was born English was spoken by 30,000,000 of people. It is now spoken by 120,000,000. The number of people in the earth who speak English is doubled every forty years. This forms the basis of a very simple calculation as to when the entire population of the earth shall speak English. The two great English-speaking countries are Great Britain and the United States. Wherever Great Britain goes she carries the English language, and whoever comes to the United States learns it.

His Idea.—"Is the water you get at your boarding house pure? Egbert—No; there seems to be a lot of milk in it.—Yonkers Statesman.

Jack—Yes, ancestors certainly help to give a person social prestige. Tom—Especially when they are wealthy and one lives with them.—Life.

Quick Work.—Jones—I married my wife a month after she accepted me." Brown—And I married mine three days after she refused me.—Puck.

From Two Points of View.—Minnie (admiring her new ring)—Isn't it a dear little thing? Jack (who bought it)—Indeed it is!—Jewelers' Weekly.

Mrs. Ferry—Are your new neighbors well-to-do? Mrs. Terry—I think they are. The children have such awful manners.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"I wish to establish a fine private library. What book is the best to start on?" "I would advise a pocketbook."—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco does not make every mouth as sweet as a rose, but comes "mighty nigh" does give every one a most delightful smoke. Try it.

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Clergyman's Experiment.

A laudable attempt on the part of a Notting Hill clergyman to practically illustrate to the working class portion of his flock the combined benefits of religion and a tankard of beer has, we regret to hear, proved unsuccessful. The Rev. Prebendary Denison started, for the social pleasure of his congregation, a club, where the reverend gentleman or his curate went, after dispensing theological pabulum in the church, and served the members with beer and other corporeal refreshments. The idea was to keep them away from public houses and to afford them honest recreation with a reasonable amount of tipple. By the rules no man could be served with liquor more than three times in the course of a night. But the clergyman was unaware of the degree if not of original sin at least of bibulous ingenuity among the rougher classes of Notting Hill. They evaded the rule by clubbing together their twopences and treating each other, so that in the course of the evening a member was able to obtain half a dozen, or even more, drinks, instead of three. The result was sometimes unpleasant, and the Prebendary has therefore reluctantly determined to give up the experiment.—London Telegraph.

A LIVING WITNESS.

Mrs. Hoffman Describes How She Wrote to Mrs. Pinkham for Advice, and Is Now Well

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Before using your Vegetable Compound I was a great sufferer. I have been sick for months, was troubled with severe pain in both sides of abdomen, sore feeling in lower part of bowels, also suffered with dizziness, headache, and could not sleep. I wrote you a letter describing my case and asking your advice. You replied telling me just what to do. I followed your directions, and cannot praise your medicine enough for what it has done for me. Many thanks to you for your advice. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured me, and I will recommend it to my friends.—MRS. FLORENCE R. HOFFMAN, 512 Roland St., Canton, O.

The condition described by Mrs. Hoffman will appeal to many women, yet lots of sick women struggle on with their daily tasks disregarding the urgent warnings until overtaken by actual collapse.

The present Mrs. Pinkham's experience in treating female ills is unparalleled, for years she worked side by side with Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, and for sometimes past has had sole charge of the correspondence department of her great business, treating by letter as many as a hundred thousand ailing women during a single year.

THE GREAT BATTLE IS NEAR.

The American and Spanish Troops Are Almost Face to Face.

A Sunday's special from off Juragua says: Troops of the United States and Spain are almost face to face and less than four miles apart.

Tonight the picket lines at certain points are within hailing distance of the enemy. It seems certain that the battle of Santiago must come within a week.

The troops are all ashore here and at Baiquiri with the exception of a few scattered companies that have gone forward. The supplies are sufficient to enable the army to sustain a week's campaign at both landing points.

There is a continual procession of small boats riding on to the beach through the pounding surf, and it is believed all the supplies will be ashore by the 28th.

The landing of the troops, horses and supplies has been extraordinary. Without steam barges and compelled to depend upon treacherous small boats, General Shafter has landed over 16,000 men, horses and mules and thousands of dollars worth of supplies and only two men have lost their lives. No more than fifty animals have been drowned and scarcely a package of supplies has been lost.

The officers generally are surprised at the small loss of life and property. General Shafter said to a correspondent of the Associated Press today:

"I am well satisfied with the progress that is being made. The disembarkation is slow, but considering the limited facilities and the exposed nature of the landing places the men have done well. I only await the landing of sufficient supplies to begin the movement on Santiago. I am unable to say when it will take place. I am much pleased with the gallant conduct of our men in the action at Sevilla yesterday, and with the cool and veteran-like work. The victory was complete."

General Wheeler, in his official report, estimates the number of killed at Sevilla at twenty-two and the wounded at between seventy and eighty. No attempt has yet been made to prepare an official list of the dead and wounded. The high grass and bushes of the battleground made it difficult to find the bodies, but an official list will probably be prepared tomorrow.

The bodies of thirty-nine Spaniards have been found, and the Spanish loss in killed and wounded was doubtless much heavier than the American.

GROWS WORSE DAILY.

People of Havana Said to Be Almost Starving.

KEY WEST.—Food conditions in Havana grow worse daily. General Arolas, the military governor, published June 16 an edict forbidding wholesale transactions in foodstuffs, and only allowing them to be sold at retail and at prices fixed by the government. Importers were compelled to furnish within twenty-four hours a list of the stocks they have on hand. This edict was directed against the wealthy merchants who had stored up huge supplies and were selling for enormous prices.

Two refugees said that they came by railway from Havana to Cienfuegos. The people of Havana are almost starving. Provisions of all kinds are very scarce.

The Opposing Forces.

OFF SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—The situation as regards the disposition and location of the American, Spanish and Cuban forces is as follows: General Shafter's army of 17,500 men is massed to the eastward of Santiago de Cuba, at Baiquiri and Juragua. General Castillo, with 1,300 men, is at Baiquiri, and Colonel Aguirre, with 200, of Juragua. These are to be joined by General Garcia with 4,000 men. Three thousand of General Garcia's men hold 11,000 Spaniards in Holguin, and General Rabi, with 1,000, threatens 2,000 Spanish troops at Manzanillo. In Santiago there are believed to be 9,000 Spanish soldiers, with such reinforcements as are hastened by the concentration movement now in progress.

Urge Peace.

BARCELONA.—The Society of the Friends of Peace, consisting of members of leading commercial and economic industries, have unanimously adopted resolutions urging upon the Spanish government to negotiate for peace.

No New Cases of Yellow Fever.

No new cases of yellow fever have been reported to the marine hospital service at Washington and Dr. Wyman, surgeon-general, said he considered the situation encouraging. Advices from surgeons engaged in the inspection of a number of southern points as a matter of precaution show all points so far inspected to be free from any suggestion of infection.

Miss Wheeler Going to the Front.

Miss Annie Wheeler will leave Tampa Thursday night for Key West. From there she will go to the battlefields in the capacity of nurse. Miss Wheeler is a daughter of "Fighting Joe Wheeler."

Buried on the Field of Action.

With the exception of Capron, all the rough riders killed in Friday's battle near Santiago were buried on the field of action. Their bodies were laid in one long trench, each wrapped in a blanket. Captain Capron's body was buried at Juragua.

The Great Western distillery, at Peoria, Ill., the second largest in the world, was struck by lightning and everything was burned except the bonded warehouse. The loss is estimated at $300,000, fully covered by insurance.

Literary Hacks.

A good word is spoken for the literary hack by Andrew Lang. Man cannot live by literature alone, he says, nor can the publishers. If he and his publishers were to get together and produce only works of scholarship they would both die in poverty. Mr. Lang prefers to live in comfort. He might have added that there is a justification for this position of his which has nothing to do with the butcher's bill, comments the New York Tribune. We refer to the value of good hack work to the world. Such work is of course despised by those who succumb to the cant of letters. But has it never occurred to those austere censors that they are perpetually admiring the mediaeval craftsman because he did just what the modern hack tries to do, he put good work into the trifles of his every-day occupation? Hack work is not necessarily bad. It can be magnificent. De Quincy was a sublime hack. Leslie Stephen is a hack. It is no dishonor to be a hack. The notion that the only men who are producing literature are secluded university dons is pure nonsense. Matthew Arnold wrote for the magazines. Everybody has written for the magazines since they were invented. How short-sighted it is to tell a writer that he is not a man of letters because he condenses an essay into a thousand words! How futile it is to tell him that he ought to retire to his study and write "a great work!"

Beaver in Europe.

It is possible that the beaver will survive longer in Europe than in America. It is said that a few individuals are still to be found on the Elbe, the Rhine and the Danube, and Prof. Collett, of Christiania estimates, according to the Cosmos, that there are now 100 individuals living in Norway, whereas the number in 1880 was estimated at 60. Prof. Collett recommends that government protection be afforded to prevent their extermination.

A Naval Hero's Story.

From the Times-Herald, Chicago, Ill.

Late in 1861, when President Lincoln issued a call for volunteers, L. J. Clark, of Warren, Trumbull Co., Ohio, was among the first to respond. He joined the mortar fleet of Admiral Porter just before the memorable operations on the Mississippi River began. It was at the terrific bombardment of the Vicksburg forts that the hero of this story fell with a shattered arm from a charge of schrapnel.

After painful months in the hospital, he recovered sufficiently to be sent to his home at Warren, Ohio. Another call for troops fired his patriotic zeal and Clark soon enlisted in Company H, of the 7th Ohio Volunteers. In the army of the Potomac, he was in many engagements. Being wounded in a skirmish near Richmond he was sent to the hospital and thence home.

A Wounded Hero.

Soon afterward he began the study and then the practice of veterinary surgery. Seeking a wider field than the Ohio village afforded, he went to Chicago where he now has a wide practice, is a member of Hatch Post, G. A. R., and lives at 4935 Ashland Ave.

Several years ago Dr. Clark's old wounds began to trouble him. He grew weak and emaciated, and his friends despaired of his life. He finally recovered sufficiently to be out but was a mere shadow, weighing only 90 pounds. The best medical attendance failed to restore his lost strength and vigor.

"A friend gave me a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," said Dr. Clark, "and they helped me so much that I bought a half dozen boxes and took them. I soon regained my strength, now weigh 190 pounds and, except for injuries that can never be remedied, am as well as ever.

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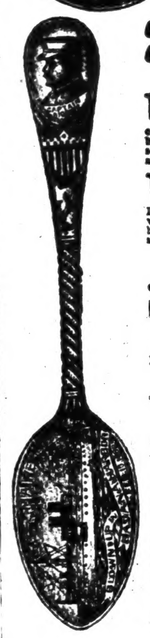

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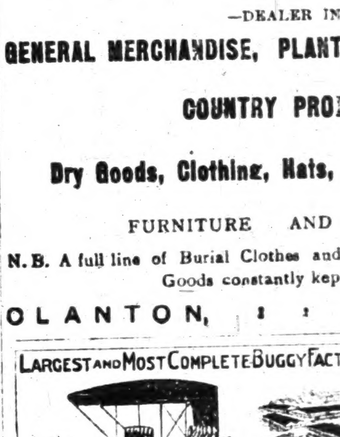

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Beat 3—box 1—Benson. Inspectors H. W. Warden, Clayton Edwards and A. F. Mims; Returning Officer, Calvin Johns.

Beat 3—box 2—Maccdonia, Inspectors, Y. O. Freeman, Z. J. Jones and S. E. Waldrup; Returning officer, W. R. Dawson.

Beat 4—Clanton. Inspectors, W. M. Wilson, A. A. Ayres and J. W. Littlejohn. Returning Officer, J. F. Goodgame.

Beat 5—box 1—Coopers. Inspectors, J. H. Thomas, E. G. Rollins and Moses Popwell. Returning Officer, Dock Jacks.

Beat 5—box 2—Verbena. Inspectors, H. B. Oliver, E. L. Manning and Albert Thompson. Returning Officer, John A. Strock.

Beat 6—Kinchcon. Inspectors, W. C. Dickerson, J. R. Vinson and W. L. Popwell. Returning Officer, E. H. Smith.

Beat 7—box 1—Maplesville. Inspectors, R. H. Martin, C. J. Coburn and J. D. McGee. Returning Officer, G. W. Fox.

Beat 7—box 2—Lathams. Inspectors, J. H. Shoults, Sanford Kelly and J. P. Gentry. Returning Officer, Dolby Atkinson.

Beat 8—Dixie. Inspectors, E. W. Bailey, G. W. Fox, Thos. G. Milling. Returning Officer, D. M. Martin.

Beat 9—Strasburg. Inspectors, Sam Pate, A. F. Childress and J. M. Mims. Returning Officer, G. S. Collins.

Witness our hands this the 29th day of June, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT, Probate Judge.
J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
J. P. VANDERVEER, Circuit Clerk.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine, and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Canton Drug Store and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

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Southern Union Singing Convention.

Will meet at Pleasant Grove, eight miles west of Clanton on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July, and will continue two days.

R. T. GRANT, Secretary.

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Bob Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver trouble. Stanfield and Matthews.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Jemison, July 1, 1898

Hon. R. M. Honeycutt.

Dear Sir: Yours of June 27 received on the 29th of the same month, and I also saw your note in the BANNER. I did not hurry to answer your letter for two reasons. First, because I did not consider I had anything to do with the question of the latter's publication. You are responsible, and since my note to you was published, I knew no law of courtecy that should have directed you to ask my permission to publish a reply.

Second. I did not answer because there is not one line in your letter germane to the proposition I made to you in my note. I stated clearly that we were on opposite sides, politically and you know that it is the political issue that I want to discuss with you, and you go off in your letter and take up your official record, when you know that it is not an issue. You also take up the harm that would be done to the church we try to represent. You play on the vilification, and misrepresentation that would be indulged in, and you know that all that sort of thing was excluded in proposition to debate your position before the people.

I notice also that you say in your published note, that you have concluded since I did not answer your letter at once that I am not so anxious for the issues to be discussed, as both sides of the question to know as some may think. You make this statement when you know there is not one word in your letter accepting my challenge to discuss the issues. Do you seek to make the impression on the people that after I have made this challenge I am ready to back down? I cannot understand that statement in any other light. In order that I may not be misunderstood, I renew my challenge that we debate your position politically, not your official, or religious life, neither the church.

You may have done your duty as an officer with the help you have had, but your political position is questionable, and it is that which we should consider, and whether you meet me or not it will be considered. There will not be half as much wrangle if you will be present as there will be if you are not. So I ask you again to meet me and let us settle this question face to face and before the people.

Respectfully,
S. M. ADAMS.

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Our baby has been continually troubled with colic and cholera infantum since his birth, and all that we could do for him did not seem to give more than temporary relief, until we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Since giving that remedy he has not been troubled. We want to give you this testimonial as an evidence of our gratitude, not that you need it to advertise your meritorious remedy.—G. Law, Keokuk, Iowa. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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The people met at the Littlejohn school house near Clanton, last Monday to celebrate the Fourth of July with singing the beautiful songs of Zion, speaking etc. Mr. Dock Ayers was elected chairman. The leaders in the music were J. A. Hogan, J. E. Littlejohn, W. Q. Childress, E. Foshee and J. C. Veazey, the latter served as organist also.

At eleven o'clock Rev. L. B. Pounds addressed the people with a short, but very appropriate speech for the occasion.

Then came the hour for everyone to enjoy dinner. And such a bountiful dinner, good enough for a king. The afternoon was spent as the morning, in singing. We had the best of order all the way through. And the singing reasonably good. The class at that place ranks with the best in the country with just one or two exceptions. So the day was spent pleasantly and we hope profitably at this place.

TYRO.

Maplesville.

Amid the gloom of our late war news we have had refreshing showers to cheer our farmer folks with prospects of good crops and fruits.

Providence is ever mindful of us and now we are so much in need of soldiers. Mrs. Crumpton has presented our friend, T. U. Crumpton with a fine soldier boy in proper time.

Many of our citizens enjoyed the Masonic dinner at Stanton.

Miss Lizzie Gunlock, of Demopolis, is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. Garner.

Mrs. Mary Rasberry, of the Mulberry neighborhood, is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Blalack.

Miss Cosby, of Perryville, has been on a visit to Miss Ethel DuBose.

Miss Jessie McGee has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Perry.

Mrs. R. H. Martin has been treated to a visit from her brothers, Messrs. Frank and Will Kelley, of Selma.

Our railroad business is much increased, trains are running day and night. It is a sad sight to see so many train loads of soldiers going past.

We are glad to have Mr. Latham with us again. SUBSCRIBER.

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E. C. Blanks, of Lewisville, Texas, writes that one box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was worth $50.00 to him. It cured his piles of ten years standing. He advises others to try it. It also cures eczema, skin diseases and obstinate sores. Stanfield & Mathews.

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Lily.

A heavy and much needed rain fell here last Sunday evening.

Mr. O. O. Caffee, lost a good horse last Sunday by lightning while hitched at Isabella. Some of the boys are helping liberally to buy him another one, so we hope his loss will not be so heavy.

Miss Mamie Ward and Mr. Brown, of Randolph, was here last Sunday.

Mr. James Atchley and Miss Ida Houston, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony last Sunday, Rev. W. J. Ruddick tied the nuptial knot. We wish the happy couple much success.

Miss Collins, of Oakmulgee, and Miss. Mamie Latham, of Maplesville, is visiting Miss Geneva Jones.

Miss Lizzie Gunlock, of Demopolis, is visiting Miss Ollie Garner.

Miss Lizzie Jones is at home after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Seals, of Randolph.

The names of those that attended the picnic at Stanton, the 4th, are too numerous to mention.

Mr. E. B. Deason was with us last Sunday. Come again old boy.

Rev. J. G. Lowery failed to fill his appointment at Mulberry last Sunday on account of his health. Rev. S. M. Adams preached for us on Saturday.

Mr. Robt. L. Veazey has secured a school at the Deason school house, and began teaching last Tuesday. We would love to hear from "Old Mike" again.

I SEE.

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Persons troubled with diarrhoea will be interested in the experience of Mr. Wm. Bush, clerk of Hotel Dorrance, Providence, R.I. He says: "For several years I have been almost a constant sufferer from diarrhoea, the frequent attacks completely prostrating me and rendering me unfit for my duties at this hotel. About two years ago a traveling salesman kindly gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy; much to my surprise and delight its effects were immediate. Whenever I felt symptoms of the disease I would fortify myself against the attack with a few doses of this valuable remedy. The result has been very satisfactory and a most complete relief from the affliction. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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It was a good Populist meeting at Union last Monday.

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An Uncertain Disease.

There is no disease more uncertain in its nature than dyspepsia. Physicians say that the symptoms of no two cases agree. It is therefore most difficult to make a correct diagnosis. No matter how severe, or under what disguise dyspepsia attacks you, Browns' Iron Bitters will cure it. Invaluable in all diseases of the stomach, blood and nerves. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

The issues of the campaign will be discussed at the following times and places by the nominees of the People's Party, who respectfully invite the independent candidates to meet them and join in the discussions.

Beat			
1	Corinth	July 2,	7:30 p.m.
1	Union	" 4,	10:00 a.m.
2	Providence	" 5,	10:00 a.m.
2	Mars Hill	" 5,	7:30 p.m.
3	Macedonia	" 6,	10:00 a.m.
7	Pleasant Grove	" 7,	10:00 a.m.
8	Stanton	" 7,	7:30 p.m.
8	Sardis	" 8,	10:00 a.m.
6	Enterprise	" 8,	7:30 p.m.
9	Pleasant Grove	" 9,	10:00 a.m.
5	Evergreen	" 11,	10:00 a.m.
5	Coopers	" 11,	7:30 p.m.
5	Corinth	" 12,	10:00 a.m.
5	Salem Church	" 12,	7:30 p.m.
5	Providence	" 13,	10:00 a.m.
4	Walnut Creek	" 13,	7:30 p.m.
4	Cane Creek	" 14,	9:00 a.m.
1	Lime Springs	" 15,	10:00 a.m.
1	Mt. Zion	" 15,	4:00 p.m.
1	New Hope	" 16,	10:00 a.m.

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Assessment Book 1898.

Notice is given that the tax book for Chilton county for 1898 is now completed and on file in this office ready for inspection and that Court of County Commissioners will be in session on the 11th day of July, 898, for the purpose of correcting any errors in said book.

R. M. HONEYCUTT,
Judge of Probate.
Clanton Ala., June 21, 1898.

Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In Chancery, at Clanton Alabama. Seventh District. Northeastern Chancery Division. June 8 1898

Sarah Watkins, Complainant, vs. W. F. Watkins Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of W. A. Collier that the Defendant, W. F. Watkins, Defendant to a bill of complainant on file in the Chancery Court for the above named District and Division, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, and that his post office and residence are unknown to affiant, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Banner a newspaper published in Clanton once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him the said W. F. Watkins to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 11 day of June 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against him in said cause.

Done at office, in Clanton Alabama, this 8 day of June 1898.

W. E. STEWART,
Register in Chancery.
W. A. COLLIER,
Complainant's Solicitor.

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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by T. E. Gilchrist and wife on the 7th day of November, 1895, and duly recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county Alabama in Vol. 36, pages 231-4, and which said mortgage has been duly transferred and assigned to T. V. Knight, the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JULY 25, 1898,

the following described real estate to wit:

South-west fourth of north-east fourth of section twenty-four, township twenty-two, range fourteen, in Chilton county, Alabama.

T. V. KNIGHT,
by Wm. A. Collier, his attorney.
Clanton, Ala., June 24, 1898.

Administrator's Notice.

The State of Alabama } Probate Court
Chilton County } June 17th 1898

In the matter of the estate of J. L. Beard deceased notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration of the estate of J. L. Beard, deceased was granted to me by the Hon. R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate Court of Chilton County, Alabama, on the 17th day of June 1898. Any person having claims against the said estate will present the same to me within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

A. E. AKIN,
Administrator of J. L. Beard deceased.

You Don't Have to Swear Off

says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture in an editorial about No To-Bac, the famous tobacco habit cure. We know of many cases cured by No To-Bac, even prominent St. Louis architect, smokers and chewers of twenty years' standing, who have come so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No To-Bac sold and guaranteed by druggists everywhere. No cure, no pay. Booklet free. Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

The war, by checking the coasting traffic, has reduced the shipments of ice that would otherwise be made (by schooner) from Maine to the Gulf ports, and therefore a special demand has arisen in the Southern States for ice-making machinery.

It is gratifying to learn that the men of Admiral Dewey's fleet are entitled under the law to $100 each as prize money. For their gallant conduct they have already received medals and their country's praise, but, while these were assuredly acceptable, it is highly desirable that they should also receive a more substantial reward.

Now that American beef has advanced a penny a pound in England, there are amazed thousands who learn for the first time that the "roast beef of old England—none of your foreign stuff, I'll have you know"—which they have been consuming with pleasure to their palates and profit to their ribs, was "made in America."

The annual report of the Italian State lotteries shows a total revenue of nearly $13,200,000, which, after the deduction of $7,600,000 for prizes and expenses, leaves a total gain to the exchequer of nearly $5,500,000, or an increase of $35,145 as compared with last year. It is fully recognized by many enlightened Italians that this form of revenue is pernicious, but the impossibility of replacing the money thus obtained by any equally popular source of income makes them despair of ever being able to abolish it.

The Jacksonville (Fla.) Metropolis says: "The war with Spain promises to have at least one good effect—it has frightened Southern farmers into planting food crops, instead of all cotton crops, as heretofore. Reports from every section of the South indicate that the acreage of corn, oats, wheat, potatoes, etc., is larger than was ever known, while more attention is being paid to raising cattle and hogs. In many sections, it is said, farmers have actually plowed up a portion of their cotton crop and put in corn instead."

"Pauperism is the result of so many different causes that it is unjust to try, as one of the speakers at the National Charity Conference does, to throw the chief responsibility for it upon church charity," says the New York Commercial Advertiser. "Undiscriminating charity of every kind, no doubt, has a tendency to breed pauperism among a certain class, but this is more than offset by the relief from want and suffering it brings and the renewed hope and encouragement with which it often inspires recipients. In any event it is better that charity should be sometimes misdirected and abused than that it should be withheld altogether. An ideal system of charity would be that which went hand in hand with measures for helping destitute persons to help themselves. Something of this kind will some day take the place of indiscriminate almsgiving."

The most remarkable personality that has appeared in the public life of the United Kingdom during the last half century, and one of the most striking figures in the long line of English statesmen, passed into history when William Ewart Gladstone breathed his last at Hawarden. It is somewhat startling to recall, muses Bradstreet's, that a man who made his entry in public life at the era of the the Reform bill, survived to be the Prime Minister of the nation nearly sixty-two years afterward. Mr. Gladstone's public life has presented many surprises. Hailed in his youth as the hope of the unbending Tories, he lived to be in his old age the leader of the radicals among the Liberals. Engaged almost without cessation in the exacting toil of political life, he remained throughout his life an earnest student of literature, which he enriched with several productions of his own. An unsurpassed master of financial detail, he became easily the greatest orator among the statesmen of his time. Throughout his whole course in public life he struck with unfailing certainty a note of moral enthusiasm, to which the nation of which he was at his death the most shining ornament and exemplar, seldom failed to respond. His death has closed the greatest career in the parliamentary history of England since the days of Pitt. He so easily overshadowed all the other statesmen of his party, even after his formal retirement from public life, that no successor to his influ-

DESTRUCTION OF CERVERA'S FLEET IS COMPLETE.

The Enemy's Ships Made a Bold Dash for Freedom.

CERVERA WAS CAPTURED; 1300 PRISONERS TAKEN.

Only a Few Shapeless Hulks Lying on the Santiago Beach Remain of the Once Powerful Spanish Squadron—The Spaniards Fought Bravely to the Last, But Were Unable to Escape Under the Terrific Fire of the American Men of War.

OFF SANTIAGO, Sunday.—Admiral Cervera's fleet, consisting of the armored cruisers Cristobal Colon, Almirante O'quendo, Infanta Maria Teresa and Vizcaya, and two torpedo boat destroyers, the Furor and the Pluton, which had been held in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba for six weeks past by the combined squadrons of Rear Admiral Sampson and Commodore Schley, lies today at the bottom of the Carribbean sea, off the southern coast of Cuba. The Spanish admiral is a prisoner of war on the auxiliary gunboat Gloucester, and 1,000 to 1,500 other Spanish officers and sailors, all who escaped the frightful carnage caused by the shells from the American warships, are also held as prisoners of war by the United States navy.

The American victory is complete, and, according to the best information obtainable at this time, the American vessels were practically untouched, and only one man killed, though the ships were subjected to a heavy fire from the Spaniards all the time the battle lasted.

Admiral Cervera made as gallant a rush for liberty and for the preservation of his ships this morning as has ever occurred in the history of naval warfare. In the face of overwhelming odds with nothing before him but inevitable destruction or surrender if he remained any longer in the trap in which the American fleet held him, he made a bold dash from the harbor, at the time the Americans least expected him to do so, and fought every inch of his way. Even when his ship was ablaze and sinking he tried to escape the doom which was written on the muzzle of every American gun trained upon his vessels.

The Work of Destruction.

The Americans saw him the moment he left the harbor and commenced their work of destruction immediately. For an hour or two they followed the flying Spaniards to the westward along the shore line, sending shot after shot into their blazing hulls, tearing great holes in their steel sides, and covering their decks with the blood of those killed and wounded.

At no time did the Spaniards show any indication that they intended to do otherwise than to fight to the last. They showed no signals to surrender, even when their ships commenced to sink and the great clouds of smoke pouring from their sides showed they were on fire. But they turned their heads toward the shore less than a mile away, and ran them on the beach and rocks where their destruction was soon completed. The officers and men on board them escaped to the shore as well as they could, with the assistance of boats sent from the American ships, and threw themselves upon the mercy of their captors, who not only extended to them the gracious hand of American chivalry, but sent them a guard to protect them the murderous bands of Cuban soldiers hiding in the bush in the hillside eager to rush down and attack the unarmed, defeated but valorous foe. One after the other Spanish ships became the victims of the awful rain of shells which the American battleships, cruisers and gunboats poured upon them, and two hours after the first vessel went out of the harbor, three cruisers were destroyed, smoke and flame pouring from every part of them and covering the entire coast line with a mist which could be seen for miles. Heavy explosions of ammunition occurred every few minutes, sending carls of dense white smoke a hundred feet in the air and causing a shower of broken iron and steel to fall in the water on either side.

The bluffs on the coast line echoed with the roar of every explosion and the Spanish ships sank deeper and deeper into the sand.

Cervera a Prisoner of War.

Admiral Cervera escaped to the shore in a boat sent by the Gloucester to the assistance of the Infanta Maria Teresa, and as soon as he touched the beach he surrendered himself and his command to Lieutenant Morton and asked to be taken on board the Gloucester, which was the only American vessel near at the time, with several of his officers, including the captain of the flagship. The Spanish admiral, who was also wounded in the arm, was taken to the Gloucester and was received at her gangway by her commander, Lieutenant Commander Richard Wainwright, who grasped the hand of the gray-bearded admiral and said to him:

"I congratulate you, sir, upon having made as gallant a fight as was ever witnessed on the sea."

Lieutenant Commander Wainwright then placed his cabin at the disposal of the Spanish officers.

At that time the Spanish flagship and four other Spanish vessels had been aground and burning for two hours and the only one of the escaping fleet which could not be seen at this point was the Cristobal Colon. But half a dozen curls of smoke far down on the western horizon showed the fate that was awaiting her.

The Cristobal Colon was the fastest of the Spanish ships, and she soon obtained a lead over the others after leaving the harbor, and escaped the effect of the shots which destroyed the other vessels. She steamed away at a rapid speed, with the Oregon, New York, Brooklyn and several other ships in pursuit, all of them firing at her constantly and receiving fire themselves from her aft guns. There seemed no possibility whatever for her to escape, and while her fate is not definitely known at this hour, it can be readily imagined from the words of Captain Evans of the Iowa, who returned from the westward with 340 prisoners from the Vizcaya just as the Associated Press dispatch boat Wanda was leaving the Spanish flagship: "The Oregon was giving her hell."

Under the Terrific Fire of the Oregon.

In answer to an inquiry, he shouted through the megaphone, "I left the Cristobal Colon far to the westward an hour ago, and the Oregon was giving her hell. She has undoubtedly gone down with the others, and we will have a Fourth of July celebration in Santiago tomorrow."

Captain Evans, who had been in the thick of the engagement up to the time he took the Vizcaya's officers and crew from the shore, said that to the best of his knowledge not one American ship had been struck.

The torpedo boat Ericsson made a similar report, saying it was believed no man was injured on board the American ships, though another report had it that one man was killed on board the Brooklyn, which could not be verified as this dispatch was sent out.

There is no means of telling now what the Spanish loss was, but it is believed to have been very heavy, as the prisoners in custody report their decks strewn with dead and wounded in great numbers, and besides there is a statement that many bodies could be seen fastened to pieces of wreckage floating in the sea. A large number of Spanish wounded were removed to the American ships. There can be no doubt that Cervera's plan to escape from Santiago harbor was entirely unexpected by Admiral Sampson and the best evidence of this is the fact that when the Spanish vessels were seen coming out of the harbor the flagship New York was seven miles steaming to the eastward toward Juragua, the military base.

The New York was out of the fight altogether at the early stage, but she immediately put about and followed the others.

General Joe Wheeler Is Better.

SANTIAGO.—General Joe Wheeler, who was ill yesterday from heat prostration, is better today.

Reinforcements to Be Hurried.

WASHINGTON.—Reinforcements are to be hurried to General Shafter as rapidly as steamships can carry them, notwithstanding the fact that additional troops are not now so badly needed as was indicated by the developments of Friday and Saturday. The dispatch received by the war department from General Shafter show a confidence in his present ability to control the situation. In fact, he says that he is master of the city of Santiago, which his troops entirely surround. The position he occupies makes it impossible either for the Spanish forces to evacuate the city or for General Pando's troops to reinforce them.

Spaniards Will Not Give Up.

A special dispatch from Madrid quotes Premier Sagasta as saying in an interview that he thought the Americans would "get the reinforcements they had required, which would enable them to take Santiago de Cuba."

The premier is said to have added: "Though the American warships may destroy our warships in the harbor, yet we will pursue the war. There are in Cuba 100,000 men ready to die in its defense, but they will not yield."

Narrow Escape of Birmingham Boys.

A wholesale drowning in the ranks of Company A, First Alabama, at Miami, Fla., was narrowly averted Saturday evening. Lieutenant Going, Sergeants King and Buckley, Corporals Turner, Thompson, Geo. Brown, Dick Brown and Barrow, and Privates Swanson, Creas and Perkins, while out in a sail boat was struck by a heavy squall, which capsized her. The soldiers managed to hold on to the upturned keel until Sergeant King swam ashore and obtained another boat, into which most of the men climbed and were rescued. Lieutenant Going and Corporal Brown, being exhausted, were rescued by diving.

Spain Advised to Negotiate for Peace.

PARIS.—The Temps says: "The capture of Santiago de Cuba is an irreparable blow for the Spaniards." The paper concludes its article by saying: "Spain has not an hour to lose to negotiate for peace."

Pando's Reinforcements at Santiago.

A special dispatch from Playa del Este to the New York World quotes General Garcia as authority for the statement that General Pando has entered Santiago with 6,000 soldiers, reinforcing General Linares.

CHRISTOBAL COLON SURRENDERED

After a Chase of Sixty Miles the Brooklyn and Oregon Overhauled the Vessel.

OFF SANTIAGO.—After a chase of sixty miles to the westward, the Brooklyn, closelyn followed by the Oregon, overhauled the Christobal Colon after she had run ashore and had hauled down her flag. Captain Cook of the Brooklyn went on board of her, and the commander of the Spanish armored cruiser came forward to surrender and was taken on board the New York, which came up in their after the Brooklyn and Oregon had completed the capture of the Christobal Colon. The latter was not seriously damaged, though she was struck several times by shots from the Brooklyn and Oregon.

During the chase a clever maneuver of Commodore Schley's in heading the west to Cape Cancy, while the Christobal Colon had taken a more southerly direction with a much greater distance to cover, relieved the Spaniards escape impossible.

There seems to be no doubt that the Christobal Colon and perhaps the other three Spanish armored cruisers would have escaped had it not been for the prompt action of Commodore Schley. The Brooklyn, his flagship, alone was in a position to attack the Spanish vessels as they left the harbor and the commodore steamed directly towards them and engaged all four cruisers, inflicting great damage upon them.

The Oregon was the first to join the Brooklyn, and afterwards the Iowa, Indiana, Texas and Vixen closed around the Spaniards, all pouring in a deadly fire, but from the beginning to the end of the fight the Brooklyn, Oregon and Gloucester took the most important part in the destruction of the enemy.

One man, George Henry Ellis, was killed on board. His head was blown off by a shell.

The Brooklyn was struck half a dozen times, but no injury was done to any of the American ships.

OUR LOSSES IN THE FIGHT.

The Per Centage Considering the Number Engaged Was Very Heavy.

The fighting during the last two days at Santiago has cost the American army 1,700 men. This estimate is made by the surgeons at division headquarters after careful figuring by the surgeons at the hospitals. The list of wounded, as made up at division headquarters, is very large in proportion to the list of those killed outright. "Probably less than 100 all told of the number wounded have died, making the total number of deaths in the neighborhood of 150. The remainder of the wounded will probably recover.

Considering the fact that not over 12,000 men were engaged on our side and that not all of these were actually under fire, the per centage of loss is very heavy. The slaughter was brought about mainly by the gallant with which our troops advanced into the open ground in the face of a heavy fire from the Spanish entrenchments and rifle pits.

The Spanish have fought with great determination and bravery. The returns show that a number of regiments suffered very heavily, the Seventy-first New York being the worst cut up of the volunteer regiments, and the Thirteenth and Sixth regiments of the regulars suffering most with the Seventh and Sixteenth infantry close in the race for glory. In some companies of the Thirteenth regiment one-third of the men are gone and there are companies in that regiment now entirely without officers. In the Sixth infantry more than one-third of the officers are gone, only one field officer, Major Miner, being left.

ENTHUSIASTIC SPANIARDS.

Madrid Overjoyed Over the Report That Cervera's Squadron Has Escaped.

MADRID.—Almost indescribable enthusiasm continues to prevail upon the supposed escape of Admiral Cervera and his squadron from the harbor of Santiago. The Admiral's name is on every tongue and it is claimed that it was he who saved Santiago de Cuba by "adding to General Linares' handful of soldiers his brave sailors to man the guns ashore and repel the Americans under General Shafter."

Such is about the exultant eulogy of Admiral Cervera heard, on all sides, this state of feeling being due to the official announcement from Santiago of Cervera's escape.

Sagasta Acknowledges a Defeat.

Senor Sagasta, the premier, has announced officially that Admiral Cervera's squadron has been defeated, that the Almirante Oquendo was burned and the Infanta Maria Teresa sunk and that Admiral Cervera himself is a prisoner of war.

Reinforcements Have Arrived.

LONDON.—An official dispatch from Madrid announces that the Manzanillo column of 6,000 men with a large quantity of supplies has reached Santiago de Cuba. It is believed that directly Admiral Cervera heard these reinforcements were at hand he considered the presence of the squadron no longer necessary.

Gen. Fred F. Ferguson Resigns.

General Fred S. Ferguson, commander of the Alabama division, United Confederate Veterans, has tendered his resignation, to take effect immediately after the reunion, which will be held in Atlanta the latter part of this month.

Troops Sail From Tampa.

Seven transports have sailed from Port Tampa within the past week, carrying large quantities of war munitions, horses, light artillery and about 3,800 men to reinforce General Shafter at Santiago.

SHAFTER ATTACKS SANTIAGO

The American Army Opens the Spanish Forces Into Action.

NOW OCCUPIES THE ENEMY'S OUTWORKS

The American Loss Is Over a Hundred Killed and Wounded—Lawton's Brigade Began the Attack—Both Fleets Engaged in the Fight.

WASHINGTON.—The war department has received the following from General Shafter, dated Siboney, July 1:

"Had a very [illegible] today, which lasted from 8 a.m. until sundown. We have carried the outer works and are in possession of the [illegible]. The enemy is now about three miles from the city. By pushing the [illegible] entrenched and considerable [illegible] of forces will be [illegible]. Lawton's division, supported by [illegible] brigade, which [illegible] the day in carrying El Caney, will [illegible] a complete line at 4 p.m. well in front of Santiago during the night. I regret to say that our casualties will be over 400; of these, not many killed.

"SHAFTER."

The Battle Described.

PLAYA-EL-ESTE, Province of Oriente, Cuba.—The long expected battle at Santiago opened Friday morning. At 7 o'clock General Lawton's advance opened the firing and pushed forward by successive rushes to capture the fortified positions of vantage about Caney. The Spaniards replied vigorously, and soon the wounded began coming in on stretchers. They reported that the enemy had been driven out of Cabona, a suburb of Santiago, and one of the positions which it was intended to secure. The men from the front also told of how the Cubans were aiding Lawton's men and bearing the brunt of much of the fighting. The advance was continued from Cabona, and the firing became fast and furious.

Cervera's Ships Turned Loose Their Shells.

Meantime Cervera's ships turned loose their shells on the American line. The shells made no impression on the advance, but Kent's command, which was going south to attack the Spaniards at the mouth of the San Juan, is reported to have lost heavily, as Cervera's guns had a clean sweep at him.

A great thundering to seaward told that the American fleet was attacking Morro. An occasional explosion of exceptional violence indicated that the Vesuvius was hurling her dynamite projectiles. Amid the smoke of the land battle the great shells from the warships could be seen exploding about Morro castle and the other small forts adjacent thereto. By noon the entire American line had been engaged and were slowly driving the Spaniards from one entrenched position to another. Many Spaniards fled into the city itself, and in some instances there was no opposition when an American division charged a line of earthworks. In other instances the Spaniards fought heroically, and the number of Americans wounded grew rapidly.

The army was formed in front of Santiago in lines extending almost due north and south. At daybreak General Lawton was on the right in front of El Caney; General Wheeler was in the center, and General Kent commanded the left wing south of Wheeler.

Wheeler to Advance Slowly to Center.

General Lawton had been instructed to attack and take El Caney and move slowly from the northeast toward Santiago. General Wheeler was to advance slowly to the center.

Lawton's movements were intended as a feint, which would prevent General Kent to execute a flank movement.

Kent's objective point was not Santiago to his left front, but almost due south toward the mouth of San Juan river, opposite which part of the Spanish fleet was stationed. Kent had the serious purpose of the day in view. The movements of Lawton and Wheeler were chiefly to constitute a "blind."

On the west side of the San Juan river, at the railroad bridge, the Spaniards had been stationed in force. To dislodge them was imperative. They guarded the easterly landing place to Morro Castle. This was to be Kent's task.

MANZANILLA FIRED UPON

By Four American Ships—Spaniards Claim One of Our Ships Was Disabled.

A Madrid dispatch says: Four American warships at 4 o'clock Friday morning opened fire upon Manzanille, province of Santiago de Cuba. The dispatch adds that the firing which lasted an hour, was answered by the Spanish gunboats in the harbor, and it is further said "the Americans retired with one vessel seriously injured, as she was towed with her fires extinguished."

Continuing the dispatch to the Imparcial asserts that only one Spaniard peasant was wounded during the bombardment.

Camara's Ships Enter Suez Canal.

The following bulletin was posted at the state department in regard to Admiral Camara's fleet Saturday afternoon:

"Spanish ships Colon and Corodonga entered Suez canal yesterday. Rest, with the exception of one, repairing, left harbor coming from their transports."

Watts, the sender of this telegram, is the deputy consul at Cairo, who has been at Port Said for several days observing the operations of the Spanish fleet.

SHASTA.

Romance of a Trail that Was Scented with Roses.

BY JOAQUIN MILLER.

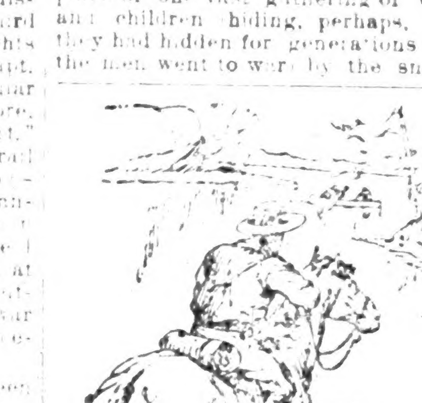
CHAPTER III.

[illegible] regularly all [illegible] the Indian sign, [illegible] that on the [illegible] third month we [illegible] seventeen feet [illegible] four miles distance [illegible] that on the third [illegible] had four flights [illegible] plain, [illegible] popular [illegible] he wore, [illegible] white shirt." [illegible] trail [illegible] human- [illegible] to these [illegible] to work at [illegible] last most- [illegible] reinforce- [illegible] had been [illegible] pines [illegible] we set out [illegible] This [illegible] of at [illegible] being literally [illegible] and [illegible] the wolves [illegible] in the high [illegible] them from [illegible] And now we [illegible] the gar- [illegible] greedy bird of [illegible] white and parti- [illegible] increasing in [illegible] we first began [illegible] the Sierras. And [illegible] weather they were [illegible] first this noisy and [illegible] on the backs of [illegible] their backs were [illegible] them alive, [illegible] grown so audacious [illegible] even the best [illegible] peck at their eyes, [illegible] and blindfold our [illegible] them from being [illegible] these magpies. I [illegible] that the winter [illegible] incredible severity, [illegible] some sort for [illegible] as well as wolves, [illegible] to pull ourselves [illegible] summit of that high, [illegible] the green sea of [illegible] at its base, [illegible] was this glad face [illegible] long and continued [illegible] and inglorious con- [illegible] of man! Never shall [illegible] any flowers, the per- [illegible] came up to us in the [illegible] and open hearts, [illegible] yellow on the [illegible] the great green valley, [illegible] and myriads of [illegible] buttercups! And [illegible] Away out in the [illegible] where the two [illegible] from the melting [illegible] waters from the [illegible] the valley, [illegible] of snow-white [illegible] hyacinth is o [illegible] in its beauty, [illegible] white sea of [illegible] slowly rose the [illegible] The Indians [illegible] and taken up [illegible] of the many [illegible] battlefield [illegible] itself at- [illegible] and that [illegible] me was [illegible] think of that, [illegible] of hard and [illegible] I wanted [illegible] peace, rest, [illegible] once more see [illegible] that silent [illegible] to me [illegible] before. If [illegible] only see her [illegible] that the hard [illegible] coarse and brutal [illegible] remembered as a

[illegible] spring when [illegible] flowers at the [illegible] spurs of Mount [illegible] spotted with wild [illegible] The horses, [illegible] rolled on the [illegible] threw their [illegible] on the third day; [illegible] began to grow im- [illegible] nights I find re- [illegible] Indians began [illegible] were tighten- [illegible] drawing their num- [illegible] to a solid cir- [illegible] back in their fear- [illegible] The singular good [illegible] army in escaping [illegible] made it insolent, [illegible] battle before the [illegible] events. That night [illegible] election, and [illegible] captain. This time [illegible] of their own num- [illegible] number, it is true, [illegible] praise of the new [illegible] good many shots, and [illegible] up many arrows [illegible] in return. But [illegible] most desired was [illegible] Indian, and who [illegible] near re-enforce- [illegible] tell the strength [illegible] hostile camps. And, [illegible] a live Indian in [illegible] not at all a com- [illegible] his election to office [illegible] and taking after [illegible] his own hand. After [illegible] was utterly out of the [illegible] we were now on [illegible] A secure camp was [illegible] and we sat down [illegible] reinforcements.

[illegible] days' siege, starvation, [illegible] among ourselves [illegible] savages that hovered [illegible] about—the long ex- [illegible] reinforcements came from the [illegible] then we feasted. And [illegible] a little among ourselves, [illegible] of the new men, as it [illegible] another election; then [illegible] For the new com- [illegible] captured a small camp of [illegible] we learned that there was [illegible] a prisoner on one of the [illegible] great valley. The hearts [illegible] Garth and myself were in [illegible] Was it really she? What [illegible] the desolated valley and the dead! Only time and the god of battle could tell.

Let us pass hastily over the three first battles by land, or rather massacres. Their bloody details would sicken you. At length we detected the hiding-place of one vast gathering of women and children hiding, perhaps, where they had hidden for generations while the men went to war by the smell of



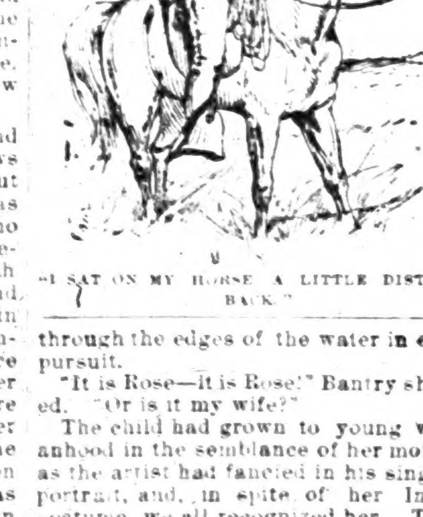
STORMED THE ISLAND ON HORSEBACK.

burning yew wood. The Indian stronghold was more than twenty miles above us on the river. One night as we sat by our guns waiting for dawn the pleasant smell of burning yew wood, the sandalwood of old, perhaps, drifted down the deep waters of the river from the camp-fires of the Indians. This scent was followed up, the Indians found and butchered. But we could find no trail of rose leaves.

The melting snow had made the Indians on the islands more than secure up to this time, for we had no boats; but now the waters had flowed on, and the low and fast subsiding condition of the spring freshet was making the place accessible to horses. On the last days of April we surrounded and "stormed" the island on horseback. In most places the water was too deep, and the men only lost their arms and their temper while floundering in the water. But two places were found where horses could keep their footing. A second charge was ordered, the mounted men taking only a single pistol this time in hand or on head so as to be secure from water, and at the same time many men firing at long range out of the tall grass. This second charge was repulsed also, and not at all by the continued storm of arrows, but because our horses suddenly came upon spears and elkhorns and sharp sticks that pointed outward from the island. The water was made bloody and ruddy from their wounds, and they refused to go forward. At the third and final onslaught the men stripped to the waist, and waded to their necks, advancing from every side and firing their pistols only, while the men in the grass still kept firing at long range with larger artillery.

As for myself, I sat on a horse a little distance back directing the fight. Suddenly I saw a great commotion. Then bolts shot out from every side. It was a cunning and a most carefully planned scheme, and brilliantly conducted on the part of the Indians. It was at once seen that they had lost all hope of defense, and had raised the old cry, "Save who can!" At first our men in the water fell back. Then they rallied and fought desperately hand to hand, often up to their necks in the water. Let it be confessed after forty years that it was a great satisfaction to see so many canoes filled with women and children and old men dart through that band of naked besiegers, and escape to the wider waters, the willows, the grass. But for all that the water was red. It was like reading over again the bloody page of Prescott, the Aztec, Cortez and his boats on Tezcuco—the bloody water!

All through the slaughter we three—Arthur Bantry, Nelson Garth, and I—kept close together. We took no part in the massacre. Our anxiety was to see some possible sign of the captives. After a while we saw a boat which filled us with concern. It consisted merely of two bales of dry weeds lashed together. It held a female figure, which from our distance could only be distinguished as slight and supple. We hurried our horses along the shore and



"I SAT ON MY HORSE A LITTLE DISTANCE BACK."

through the edges of the water in eager pursuit.

"It is Rose—it is Rose!" Bantry shouted. "Or is it my wife?"

The child had grown to young womanhood in the semblance of her mother, as the artist had fancied in his singular portrait, and, in spite of her Indian costume, we all recognized her. There was only one other person in the boat, a bent old Indian. Guided by the girl's strong, sure hand, the strange craft got through the besieging party and came to land a few hundred yards from where we were, the girl landing first, stooping low, running forward leading the decrepit man, almost dragging him in her swift run through the long, green grass. We plunged forward. Our horses sank to their bellies in the marsh. Then we took to our feet. The old man was badly shot and made the water in which the rank grass stood bloody as they ran. He fell on his back as a fierce pursuer came up, and kicked at him, trying to keep him back for the girl to escape.

"Spare her," Bantry yelled.

His outcry seemed only to alarm her afresh, and, realizing that she could do no more for her dying companions, she fled. We saw her standing irresolute for a moment, evidently making up her mind which way to likeliest escape from her father, her lover, and me, whom she mistook for enemies. Before we could regain our horses, and on their backs renew the pursuit, she was out of sight, and we were dismayed by the probability that we might never see her again. But we rode furiously through the woods, clear away from our comrades of the expedition, but without overtaking the object of our chase.

Suddenly Arthur Bantry made a joyful outcry.

"See that!" he said, pulling up his horse and pointing to the ground.

A roseleaf lay in the grass and fluttered gently in the breeze. The man was distracted by this sign of that scented trail which, years before, had led his wife and daughter away from him. Garth and I were not less agitated.

"Look yonder!" Garth exclaimed; "there's another leaf."

"With more beyond," I said, seeing that, indeed, a roseleaf trail was before us.

We followed it as swiftly as our horses could be guided in and out among the trees and bushes, and soon we came upon the poor frightened girl.

"Rose, Rose," her father cried, dismounting and clasping her in his arms; "don't you know me?"

She understood the name, but no more, for she was ignorant of English. A subtle something in the parent's embrace partially reassured her, however, and she submitted quietly to the detention.

"We are friends," I said, in the Indian tongue. "We will save you from all danger."

In an hour we knew from Rose Bantry that she remembered, very vaguely, her capture by the Indians, but it seemed to have been followed immediately by the death of her mother, and so the girl knew, only in a shadowy way, that she was somehow different from the Indians with whom she grew up. The old man, whom she defended in the boat, had defended her against all harm.

"And why did you scatter rose leaves along your trail?" I asked.

"Because it is nearly all I remember of my mother," was the pensive reply, "that she told me to strew rose leaves in my path whenever peril pursued me. 'I will follow you in spirit,' she said, 'and who knows but the Great Spirit might waft the scent of them to your father.'"

"And so it has come true," Bantry exclaimed.

His words, and much more, were translated to her by me. Slowly, yet surely, she comprehended.

Out from the great rich valley of grasses and flowers the army of Cali-

STANDING IRRESOLUTE FOR A MOMENT.

fornia rode on the first day of May, leaving not one living Indian behind. Some of their horses were hung with scalps, as if they had been fringed in black for a funeral. The army of Northern California as it rode through the glorious pines was literally loaded down with scalps. But there were three happier men who brought out from the shadow of Shasta a daughter for Arthur Bantry, and a surely prospective bride for Nelson Garth.

THE END.

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An Accomplished Southern Girl

A Southern paper publishes the following advertisement: "Wanted—By a young lady, aged 19, of pleasing countenance, good figure, agreeable manners, general information and varied accomplishments, who has studied everything from the creation to crochet, a situation in the family of a gentleman. She will take the head of his table, manage his household, scold his servants, nurse his babies, check his tradesmen's bills, accompany him to the theater, cut the leaves of his new book, sew on his buttons, warm his slippers, and generally make his life happy. Apply in the first place to Miss ——, Hickory Grove, Ga., and afterward to papa, on the premises."

The Proper Course.

Most people are aware, says Life, that it is the custom of turf gentlemen to settle their accounts every Monday at Tattersall's. It was on one of these occasions that a backer, by an oversight, paid his bookmaker a betting debt which he had settled already. This put the "bookie" in a mental fix as to what would be the best course for him to take. "Shall I rob my wife and family," he argued with himself, "and return the money; or shall I keep it and go about with a seared conscience?" Unable to decide the point himself, he sought the advice of a brother professional of greater experience. "Paid you twice over, did he?" said the latter. "Ask him for it again!"

He Was a Citizen.

A certain Desaugiers, at the time of a popular uprising in Paris, when the people took possession of the Tuileries, hastened to the palace at midnight to see what was going on. At the gate he was stopped by two revolutionists of ominous appearance. "Why do you not wear a cockade, citizen? Where is your cockade?" they asked. A mob gathered about him and demanded, fiercely: "Citizen, where is your cockade?" Desaugiers took off his hat, turned it around and around, looked at it on all sides, and then said, in a tone of mild surprise: "Citizens, it is strange, very strange! I must have left it on my nightcap."

SURRENDER OF SANTIAGO

Demanded by General Shafter, But Meets Refusal.

BOMBARDMENT BEGINS TUESDAY AT NOON

Twenty-four Hours Given the Non-Combatants to Seek Places of Safety. Foreign Consuls Ask for More Time From Americans.

WASHINGTON.—The following is the correspondence of General Shafter in demanding the surrender of Santiago:

To the commanding General of the Spanish forces, Santiago De Cuba:

Sir—I shall be obliged, unless you surrender, to shell Santiago De Cuba. Please inform the citizens of foreign countries and all women and children that they should leave the city before 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. R. SHAFTER,
Major-General U. S. Army.

Toral's Reply.

His Excellency, the General Commanding the Forces of the United States, San Juan River:

Sir—I have the honor to reply to your communication of today written at 8:30 a. m. and received at 1 p. m., demanding the city, and that I advise the foreign women and children that they must leave the city before 10 o'clock tomorrow. It is my duty to say to you that this city will not surrender, and that I will inform the foreign consuls and inhabitants of the contents of your message.

Very respectfully,
JOSEPH TORAL.
Commander-in-Chief Fourth Corps.

The British, Portuguese, Chinese and Norwegian consuls have come to my line with Colonel Dorst. They ask that non-combatants can occupy the town of Caney and railroad points, and ask until 10 o'clock of the 5th inst. before the city is fired on. They claim that there are between 15,000 and 20,000, many of them old, who will leave. They ask if you can supply them with food, which I cannot do for want of transportation to Caney, which is fifteen miles from my landing. The following is my reply:

To the Commanding General of the Spanish Forces, Santiago:

Sir—In consideration of the request of the consuls and officers in your city for delay in carrying out my intention to fire on the city, and in the interest of the poor women and children, who will suffer very greatly by their hasty and enforced departure from the city, I have the honor to announce that I will delay such action solely in their interest until noon of the 5th, providing during the interval your forces make no demonstration whatever upon those of my own.

I am, with great respect,
Your obedient servant,
W. R. SHAFTER,
Major-General United States Army.

SPANISH WARSHIPS DESTROYED

By the Mosquito Fleet During a Hot Engagement Near Manzanillo.

OFF SANTIAGO.—On the morning of July 1 the Hist, Hornet and Wampucket destroyed a Spanish gunboat near Cape Cruz. On the afternoon of the same day these members of the mosquito fleet destroyed another war vessel at Manzanillo. At the latter place a hot engagement ensued between the three small American craft and nine Spanish vessels supported by land batteries and troops ashore.

One large Spanish torpedo boat was disabled, three Spanish gunboats were seriously injured and a pontoon full of Spanish troops was sunk, the enemy escaped in boats. The Hornet was temporarily disabled, but the only casualties on our side were three men slightly scalded by escaping steam.

The Spanish loss in troops and sailors is believed to be large.

Watson Confirms the News.

At 11:20 o'clock Monday the navy department posted translation of a cablegram received from Commodore Watson. It is similar to that received from Admiral Sampson, but contains the additional information that 350 Spaniards were killed or drowned, 160 wounded and 1,600 captured.

Sampson Made a Commodore.

The president Monday sent these nominations to the senate:

Navy—Commodore Frederick V. McNair to be rear admiral; Captain William T. Sampson to be a commodore; Commander Felancis W. Dickins to be a captain; Lieutenant (junior grade): H. A. Field to be a lieutenant; Ensign Albert L. Norton to be a lieutenant; Lieutenant Commander William S. Cowles to be a commander.

Troops Ordered to the Front.

The Western and Atlantic and the Southern railways have received orders to transport six regiments of infantry from Chickamauga to Charleston

Cubans to Cut Off Reinforcements.

An official dispatch received at the war department confirms the press report that General Shafter has sent back on transports to Ascerraderos, whence they came, 2,000 of Garcia's Cubans. The purpose is a double one—first, to prevent reinforcements coming into Santiago from Manzanillo on the west; and second, to prevent the retreat in that direction of the Spanish garrison.

Canadians assisted all along the frontier in the celebration of the Fourth of July.

THE POWERS TO TAKE ACTION.

Germany, France and Russia Will Combine to Prevent American or English Possession of the Philippines.

BERLIN (Special.)—On the best authority the correspondent here of the Associated Press is informed that Germany, France and Russia have reached an understanding relative to the Philippine islands. It is said that these powers do not intend to actually interfere until hostilities cease, after which they will combine to prevent the United States or Great Britain gaining possession of the whole of the Philippine islands.

When the war is over an international congress will be proposed, similar to the Berlin congress of 1878, to settle all questions connected with the war. All the great powers will be invited to join, including the United States and Spain. It appears certain that Germany will then demand a slice of the Philippine islands or other compensation in the far east.

SOUGHT THE OPEN SEA.

Cervera's Dash Was Picturesque But Was Fatal to Spanish Hopes.

A Sunday's special from Washington says: Admiral Cervera made a last characteristic and picturesque dash. Early this morning four warships lying in the harbor made steam and headed for the mouth. Three were run hard on the beach at the entrance, and were fired by the crews. The magazines, exploding, made total wrecks of them. The fourth ship, supposed to be the Vizcaya, with Cervera aboard, passed the Merimac wreck and reached the open sea. Ships from the blockading squadron at once started in pursuit, and there is not one chance in one hundred for her escape.

The dispatch containing the foregoing sensational information was received from Colonel Allen at Playa del Este early this morning, prior to the reports from Shafter of his demand for the surrender of the city. Colonel Allen's dispatch was meagre.

DEWEY'S REINFORCEMENTS.

United States Troops at Cavite Have Taken the Ladrone Islands.

A Sunday's special from Hong Kong says: The United States dispatch boat Zafire, which left Cavite, Manila harbor, July 1, has arrived here. She reports that the American troops in the transports City of Sydney, City of Peking and Australia, convoyed by the Charleston, arrived at Cavite on June 30, having taken the Ladrone islands on the way and having left men there.

The Spanish governor and other officials captured were brought to Cavite.

The United States troops commenced to disembark at Cavite at once.

Shafter Asks for Medical Assistance.

WASHINGTON.—Owing to the many conflicting reports of the losses of the American troops in Friday's engagement, it has been thought best by the war department officials to make public the text of General Shafter's last dispatch. It was as follows:

SIBONEY.—Adjutant-General, Washington: I fear I have underestimated today's casulties. A large and thoroughly equipped hospital ship should be sent here at once to care for the wounded. The chief surgeon says he has use for forty more medical officers. The ship must bring a launch and boats for conveying the wounded.

Miles Says It Was a Drawn Battle.

General Miles says the result at Santiago appears to be a drawn battle. He also said that the withdrawal of General Shafter to the highlands of Siboney, near the sea, would be temporary, leaving the troops to rest and prepare for future work. General Shafter would probably give up El Caney and the plain not far from Santiago.

General Miles said tonight that 50,000 men would be sent to Cuba at once, and if necessary he would send 75,000.

General Linares Wounded.

MADRID. — (Special.) — General Blanco reports to the government under date of July 1 that the Americans have taken San Juan and that the Spaniards were about to save their artillery, though half the troops were placed hors de combat. General Linares was severely wounded in the left arm, and relinquished his command. El Caney is also conceded to be lost. The Spanish losses were heavy.

THE GERMANS REFUSED.

Spaniards Asked Admiral Diedrichs to Interfere at Manila.

The following dispatch has been received from Hong Kong: According to the trustworthy intelligence from Manila the Spanish governor-general had a few days ago at his own request a meeting with Admiral Diedrichs (the commander of the German naval forces in the far east) in order to propose, in behalf of the Spanish government that Manila should be handed into the provisional charge of a neutral commander. The proposal was rejected by Admiral Diedrichs in view of the American blockade.

Philippine Insurgent Successes.

HONG KONG.—According to private letters from Cavite, dated June 27, the insurgents occupy the whole of Bulucan province. Occasional skirmishes occur. The insurgents captured the Spanish ship Behul in Kayabo bay while she was landing 500 troops. A stubborn fight occurred, in which the Spanish commander, a lieutenant-colonel, was killed. The insurgents have captured the governor of Bulucan, together with his wife and children.

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Work Will Commence at Once and the Steel Plant Will Materialize Soon—A New Era in Iron and Steel Manufacturing Confronts Alabama.

The last details of the organization of the Alabama Steel and Ship Building Company have been perfected, and the great $1,100,000 steel plant to be located at Ensley, six miles from Birmingham, is no longer a myth, but a certainty. Actual work will begin this week, and within a few [illegible] one thousand tons of steel billets will be produced daily. With the steel plant will be a steel rail mill and many [illegible] industries [illegible] steel [illegible] timated that the [illegible] will add [illegible] people to the population of Birmingham.

The Official Story.

The following statement by Mr. James Bowron, vice-president and treasurer of the Tennessee Company, has been made public:

"I am in receipt of advice from New York that signatures have been obtained completing a syndicate which will guarantee the subscription for $925,000 of bonds of the Alabama Steel and Shipbuilding company, indorsed by the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company. The action, therefore, assures to Birmingham [illegible] construction within its borders [illegible] $1,100,000 steel plant as soon [illegible] citizens subscribe for such part of the remaining $175,000 as may be left [illegible] to their subscription after [illegible] have been first offered to [illegible] holders in the Tennessee [illegible] and Railroad company, of [illegible] subscription ample and satisfactory assurances have been given [illegible] citizens conversant with the temper and ability of our people."

"In pursuance of this information the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company has subscribed for and paid in cash for the common stock of the Alabama Steel and Shipbuilding company, which is now legally [illegible] and is preparing to issue the [illegible] delivery upon the above [illegible] scription.

"The engineers will arrive [illegible] to take charge of the work [illegible] tion. It has been carefully [illegible] that for the purpose of con[illegible] this plant and the homes for the [illegible] tives who will be employed there, and for supplying the necessary materials for its consumption from the various blast furnaces, ore mines, coke ovens, and collieries in the district, there will be sufficient additional workmen employed to make up together with their families, on an ordinary basis of computation, 25,000 additional population.

"Negotiations that have been waiting will now be taken up actively for the purpose of locating at Ensley additional enterprises, which will become in their turn consumers of the [illegible] to be produced there. It would be [illegible] mature at present to speak of [illegible] nature or of their scope."

Wages Advanced in Birmingham District.

Fifteen thousand men in the Birmingham district are now working at an advance of wages. The miners of Jefferson, Bibb and Shelby counties, 7,000 strong, begin the new mine year with satisfactory adjustment of all wage questions and an advance of 2½ cents per ton or 7 per cent. The 2,000 miners of Walker county have been working at an advance of wages for several months. The restoration of 50 per cent of the 10 and 20 per cent cut in wages on the Louisville & Nashville railroad, made in 1896, went in effect July 1. This advance affects 3,000 men in the Birmingham district.

New Industries for Florence.

The location at Florence of a large cotton seed oil mill and large machine shops is now practically assured. The cotton seed oil mill will be one of the largest plants of the kind in North Alabama. This plant will be established in time to use next fall's crop of seed. The machinery for the mill will cost from $15,000 to $20,000, and will be modern and up to date.

Montgomery's Colored Troops.

A surgeon of the United States army is in Montgomery examining the negroes who have enlisted in Dr. J. J. Hunter's company. There are 150 of them and they are a well selected lot. The officers of the company will be as follows: Captain, J. J. Hunter; First Lieutenant, Taylor Scott; Second Lieutenant, J. Albert Dillard. Gaston Hunter's company is also ready for examination. George McGough is rapidly filling up his company, which will be the third negro company from Montgomery under the second call. His lieutenants are Messrs. Will Screws and James Drakeford.

Receiver for the Elyton Land Company.

F. M. Billing, of Montgomery, the largest stockholder, has been appointed receiver for the Elyton Company, successor of the Elyton Land Company, which founded Birmingham. The refusal of certain bondholders of the old company to exchange their holdings for bonds in the new company led to the receivership.

Recruiting Officers Ordered to Miami.

All the recruiting officers of the First Alabama were ordered Sunday to return to Miami, Fla.

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THE Fourth was spent in a thoroughly patriotic manner throughout the county, and the glorious news of the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago helped to swell the enthusiasm.

HON. Gaston A. Robbins has secured the delegation from Dallas to the Democratic congressional convention. This makes it an interesting fight between Robbins and Plowman, with the odds slightly in favor of the latter gentleman.

THE expulsion of Warner and the other negroes comprising the colored ticket from the Republican party should be highly commended. The Republican party is well rid of them, and should go a little farther and expel any white reputed Republican who aids and abets them in any way.

THE gallant Alabamian, Richmond P. Hobson, is again a free man and among his shipmates of the fleet. He and his brave comrades have been exchanged for Spanish prisoners, and when they passed into the American lines they received an ovation. A feeling of relief is experienced that these gallant heroes are once more in safety.

GREAT progress has been made with the war this last week. Cervera's fleet, which has been cooped up in the harbor of Santiago for the last six weeks, is now at the bottom of the sea, Admiral Cervera prisioner,as well as about 1500 of his countrymen. They are now on their waw to Boston where they will be confined. Like: Dewey's victory at Manila, our ships escaped with scarcely a scratch, and only one seaman was killed. The troops investing the city of Santiago had heavy fighting on Saturday, and our loss was heavy. It it reasonable to assume the city will be taken in a very short time. An American fileet under Commodore Watson is ordered to the coast of Spain, and will soon dispose of the remnants of the Spanish warships. Altogether, with the exception of the loss of the brave Americans who have lost their lives, this has been a most satisfactory week, and hastens the end of the war.

GOVERNOR JOHNSTON, in his speech at Tuscumbia, said:

But the leader of the Populite party is not alone in his opposition; he has a running mate in the person of one Rev. A. J. Warner, a plotter in brick, who is quite as much opposed to the continuance of Democratic supremacy as Mr. Peters. They are political Siamese twins, united by the so-called election frauds, and the opponent of democracy must be happy in the opportunity he now has to select between these two reform leaders the quality and color of the reform he prefers.

It is pretty generally believed that the colored ticket is brought out especially to help the Democratic party, and most assuredly it has received no encouragement from the Populist party or from the Republican party. The assertion has been made that the idea of the straight colored ticket is to find the Democratic ticket a handsome majority in the black belt then to give Warner a big black belt vote, and set up the claim that nearly all the Populists in the State have voted for Johnston and all the negroes for Warner. This is a very pretty program, but we do not believe it will prove successful.

POPULIST TICKET ENDORSED

The Republican state executive committee, headed by chairman William Vaughn, met in Birmingham Saturday and formally indorsed the candidacy of G. B. Deans the Populist nominee for governor and the rest of the Populist ticket. The action of the negro Republicans in putting out a state ticket was declared irregular and the leaders of the movement were expelled from the party and its councils. There was twenty-two members present, and C. F. Johnson, of Mobile, was elected secretary. The question of endorsing the Populist ticket came up for discussion and resulted in the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas, The state convention of the Republican party on the 7th day of June, 1898, passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That under the existing conditions in the state it is unwise to nominate a state ticket.

Be it Resolved, That this convention recommends and direct the Republican county committees to use their best judgment and earnest efforts to nominate and endorse anti-Democratic candidates for judicial and county officers and for the legislature who are pledged to honest elections and against a constitutional convention."

Therefore in order to carry out the purposes of the foregoing resolution be it

Resolved, By the Republican state executive committee that we recomend and urg the Republicans of Alabama to vote for and support the Populist state ticket headed by G. B. Deans for governor.

The state ticket headed by A. J. Warner, which was put out by the colored Republicans in Birmingham, contrary to the action of the state convention of the recognized party, was vigorously discussed and the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, It has come to our notice that one Andrew J. Warner, William J. Stevens, Thos. J. Ellis and a few others, politically irresponsible, colored men, have set up a state ticket composed entirely of colored men and labelled the same Republican, which, if carried out in sincerity, would bring injury to the colored race and the Republican party, and,

Whereas, As it is known to the party and people that these individuals are in the employ of the Democratic party for pay, and,

Whereas, This ticket is intended to confuse the colored voters so that the next legislature shall be sufficiently Democratic to call a constitutional convention, therefore be it

Resolved, That A. J. Warner, W. J. Stevens, T. J. Ellis and their allies are hereby expelled from the Republican party and its councils.

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Death of Mrs. Peter Parker

Died at her home at Clanton on the 4th inst. Nettie wife of Mr. Peter Parker, aged 40. The deceased lady was a victim of consumption, and has been sick for several months, death coming to her relief on Monday. For the greater part of her life she was a consistent member of the Baptist church. Her husband and five children mourn a fond wife and devoted mother. The funeral took place on Tuesday at the cemetery at Clanton, many friends of the family being in attendance.

The Weekly Crop Bulletin reports Cotton is making good stalk, taking on plenty of squares, fruiting nicely, and is in generally good condition, except that it is becoming grassy on lowlands; corn continues to improve and is earing and filling well; cane, peanuts, sorghum, second crop of Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, and field peas are all doing well. Late planted gardens are beginning to grow, and good hay crops are being made. Wheat is about all thrashed, with an excellent yield. Peaches are being marketed, but are rather small. Watermelons and cantaloupes continue to ripen slowly, and very few have been marketed as yet. Grapes continue very promising.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., June 29, 1898.

"Are the issues to be changed for the next campaign" is the all absorbing question among politicians. Many claim the bond issue will but emphasize the great need of financial reform and make the campaign of 1900 form along the same lines of that of '96; while others regard war for conquest and territorial extension the coming questions that will divide the voters.

Although the condition of the troops is wonderfully improved, scandals as to the contracts that have been filled are too gross to be passed over in silence. All efforts of the Populists and silver Democrats in congress to have an investigating committee appointed have failed so far.

Dr. Elisha Benjamin Andrews of Brown University is a candidate for the superintendency of the public schools of the city of Chicago. It was generally understood that his retention at the goldbug university, after the great scandal over his having dared to declare himself in favor of silver, was only a temporary makeshift to silence public criticism.

Our large list of Populist exchanges show widespread and scathing criticism of the leaders of the recent bolt at Omaha. The papers in those localities where each is best known, add much interesting history in regard to several gentlemen whose reputations were already sufficiently unsavory. Wharton Barker, would-be Presidential nominee, is shows up in a light that renders his eligibility for any office most doubtful. The failure of Mr. Barker to get out the usual edition of his paper the week the Omaha meeting has caused much witty comment.

The proposition to get up a company composed of congressmen and senators was the cause of a most exciting wrangle between Messrs. Allen, Allison and Bailey, June 29. Reference to the divided condition of the Democratic party made by the last named gentleman raised a breeze that was refreshing to the spectators.

The usual amount of suffering among the laboring classes exists during the present summer, although almost nothing is heard of it in the din of war news. Indeed an unusual number of strikes are now on; especially is this true throughout the north and northwest.

Although he has not yet given it out over his signature, chairman Marion Butler does not contradict the press rumors that he has in his possession positive proof that the whole scheme of the recent effort to force the action of the Populist national committee at Omaha, and the holding of a national convention during the next year originated in the brain and bank account of the Hon. Mark Hanna. Such a convention, precluding all possibility of any union of his enemies in the next presidential campaign would save that worthy much effort when he is busy dodging bribery indictments and trying to prove that there is to be no war.

A. R.

Fatal Accident to Mr. Ed Boyd

Mr. Ed Boyd, whom everyone in Clanton remembers, was knocked off a train by a tree during a storm on Tuesday between Charleston and Savannah, and was instantly killed. The remains were shipped to his old home here and were buried to-day. He was thirty years of age, and leaves a young widow and one child to lament his untimely death. The sympathies of all are with the bereaved family

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CORRESPONDENCE

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Jemison, Ala., July 5, 1898

Editor BANNER. Please allow me space in your valuable paper to say that a statement made July 4, at Union by B. F. Robinson to the effect that I told him (B. F. Robinson) that I heard S. M. Adams say he helped stuff a ballot box in beat seven is positively false and without foundation, for I never told B. F. Robinson any such thing, nor did S. M. Adams ever to me any such thing.

L. W. ROBINSON.

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The editor of the Evans City, Pa. Guide, writes, "One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It cured my children after all other remedies failed." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield and Mathews.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

With much pleasure we note the splendid progress made by Columbia Lodge, No. 178, Knights of Pythias. This Lodge was organized but a short time since and has now grown to a healthy condition, numbering among its members our most prominent citizens. The Lodge met at its castle hall on the evening of June 28th when the following officers were elected: W. H. Sartor C. C.; H. I. Honeycutt V. C.; J. W. Stanfield P.; J. P. VanDerveer K. R. & S. & M. F.; G. P. Aldridge M. of E.; E. M. Pinckard M. of A.; J. M. Potts M. of W.; E. C. McMorries I. G.; W. M. Adams O. G.; Guy Higgins L. D. G. C.; W. E. Stewart P. C. C. The regular meetings of the Lodge are the second and fourth Tuesday nights.

The revival meeting at the Congregational church now in progress is not evoking as much enthusiasm as was hoped for it.

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Rev. L. B. POUNDS.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama together with the dwelling thereon and known as the "Foshee old home," and also a one sixth undivided interest in and to the following described real estate, to wit:

E ½ of sw ¼ of section 31 township 21, range 13; w ½ of se ¼ and ne ¼ of sw 1-4 of sec 26, tp 20, r 14; that part of ½ of se 1-4 of sec 22, tp 21, r 13 lying south of Mulberry creek containing twelve acres, more or less; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 and 2 acres described as follows to commence at the sw corner of sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 thence north the length of 2 acres thence east the length of one acre thence south the length of 2 acres, thence west the length of one acre to the place of beginning sec 2, tp 20, r 12; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 27, 7 acres off the south end of nw 1-4 of sw 1-4 sec 27, w ½ of sw 1-4 of sec 27, se 1-4 of sec 28, s ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28, 14 acres off the south end of n ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28, a fractional tract of 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 28, the railroad being the line on the west to any branch, and so much of the fraction of the ne 1-4 of the nw 1-4 lying east of the railroad track of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad company and south of Perry Lenoir's line, sec 28, tp 21, r 12; ne 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 9, tp 21, r 14; e ½ of ne 1-4 sec 6, tp 20, r 13; that tract of land bounded as follows, to wit; commencing at a corner between Dr. J. S. Johnson and Bowline, running thence north paralell with Bowline's land to Birds creek, thence east along the run of said Birds creek yards, thence north to Johns on's line, thence west to the place of beginning and containing ten acres; sw 1-4 of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 24, tp 21, r 12; s ½ of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 2, tp 20, r 12; lot no. 15 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county Alabama, together with the dwelling thereon known as the Foshee new dwelling and a lot the herein before described real estate lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above-described property, on

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Turn-Round Topics.

The sad news of the accident at Mr. N. J Calloway's near Salem on the morning of the Fourth, reached us soon after, and was indeed a great shock to all their friends here. A team was standing in readiness to convey these beautiful and accomplished young ladies and Messrs. Frank Higgins and W. A. Calloway to the singing at Coopers. Just as the ladies and Mr. Higgins were seated, the team started in a run, Mr. Calloway not having time to get in. In spite of every effort Mr. Higgins could not stop the team. One by one all jumped from the wagon, Miss Annie White fell head foremost, bruising her head and skinning her face very badly, while her sister, Miss Eva, was not hurt much. The wagon ran over the body of Miss Bettie Calloway, though she was not seriously hurt. Mr. Higgins also escaped receiving any serious injuries. We missed them very much at Coopers and feel assured they would have enjoyed the day.

Are You Weak?

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The Alabama delegation of the Baptist Young People's Union have decided on the Louisville & Nashville R. R. as the official route to the Convention which will be held at Buffalo, N. Y. July 14th, to 17th, 1898. The above railroad on this account will sell round trip tickets to Buffalo and return at one regular first class fare July 11th, 12th, and 13th limited to July 20th. These tickets can be extended to August 3rd, by depositing them with the Joint Agent at Buffalo not earlier than the 17th or later than the 19th of July. A very pleasant route has been mapped out for this occasion which will afford a delightful trip for all that go along. All conveniences have been arranged for in the way of sleeping cars etc.

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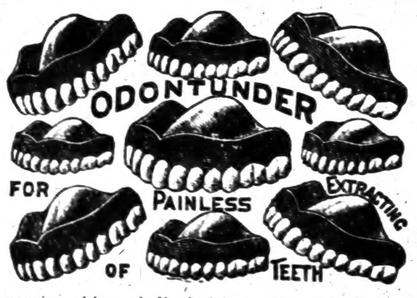

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of two (2) executions issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton County, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Thomas D. Fite and William Porter out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Thomas D. Fite and William Porter I have levied on the following, property, to wit:

East half of south-east quarter, and the south-west quarter of the south-east quarter of section 6, township 23, range 13, and north-west quarter of north-east quarter of section 7, township 23, range 13, and south-east quarter of north-west quarter, and the south-east quarter of south-east quarter of section 8, township 23, range 13, and north half of the north-east quarter, and east half of the north-west quarter of north-west quarter of section 16, township 23, range 13, all lying and being in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Thomas D. Fite and William Porter in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 13th day of June. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, I have levied on the following property to wit:

North-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty one, range eleven, in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Chilton county, Alabama.

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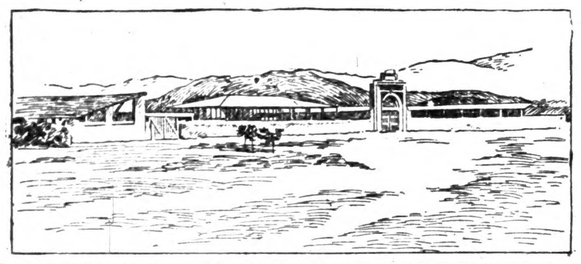
SANTIAGO DE CUBA.

Features of the City and the Province.

The town of Santiago de Cuba is situated at one side of the harbor and about six miles from its entrance and overlooks it at the widest part. The entrance to the harbor is very narrow, not more than about 150 feet wide, and the channel is winding until it reaches Punta Gorda, after which it widens into a beautiful harbor. At one side of the entrance is Morro Castle, a very old fort. "Morro" is a typical name given to all these coast fortresses. On



THE FAMOUS SANTIAGO SLAUGHTER HOUSE WHERE THE VIRGINIUS CREW WERE SHOT BY THE SPANIARDS.

the opposite side of the harbor is Socapa.

The town of Santiago is low, but rises as the ground slopes up from the coast towards some ranges of hills. It was quite a business town before the war, and there are three companies there that have handled a great deal of ore, one of them as much as a thousand tons a day.

The houses are mostly one story high on account of the liability to earthquakes, but there are some of two stories. The dwelling-houses are surrounded by spacious verandas, which look on beautiful gardens filled with a wealth of gorgeous tropical flowers. The poinsettia, with its heads of brilliant scarlet leaves which people in the North cherish in little flower-pots and in greenhouses, is there a large tree, and other trees with their clusters of gaudy fragrant flowers make these gardens a fairy scene.

There are various insects among the flowers and mosquitoes innumerable, but none of the insects are poisonous. There is a large spider about the size of one's fist, whose bite produces a swelling and a slight fever, and a scorpion whose bite causes some irritation, but is not deadly. There are no venomous reptiles in the island. There is one enormous variety of boa, called the Maja, of immense strength. It is perfectly black, as thick as one's arm, and capable of swelling itself out to nearly five times its natural size, and has a blood-red mouth—all of which sounds very alarming until you find out that he is a lazy fellow and does not trouble himself about human beings, being satisfied with pigs and goats and even small game. There is a small snake called the jubo, and some other varieties, but they are not venomous.

The repose of the streets is not disturbed by the rush of cable or trolley cars. The usual conveyance,

STREET SCENE IN SANTIAGO.

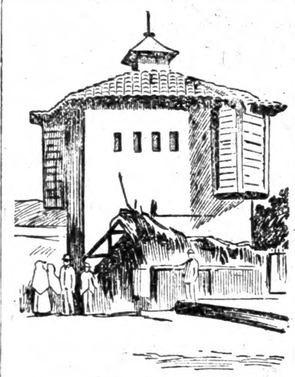
the volante, is a long-bodied vehicle on two wheels.

The town of Santiago is the see of the Archbishop, and contains the largest cathedral in the island—the Cathedral of Nuestra Senora de la Caridad del Cobre. Here is also the Theological Seminary of San Basilio.

In this region is the highest land in Cuba. A mountain range called the Montanos de Maestra or Cobre extends from the Punta de Maisi on the eastern extremity to Cape Cruz on the opposite side. Pico de Turquino, the highest elevation, rises 7670 feet above the ocean. These mountains are very rich in ore, and the Cobre copper mines, some twelve miles distant from the city, have yielded fifty tons a day, the higher grades being shipped to Europe, and the inferior grades smelted at the mines. All this work has stopped since the war became serious. These mines were worked as early as the seventeenth century, and were then abandoned for more than a hundred years. Iron is also found there, and gold and silver have been taken out, but not in sufficient quantities to make it profitable. However, none of these mines have yet been fully developed. Bituminous coal is found which gives out a high degree of heat and leaves scarcely any ashes or cinders. Near the coast it is often found in semi-liquid masses resembling petroleum or naphtha. There are some very extensive caves in these mountains, which have never been thoroughly explored.

There are forests of mahogany, Cuban ebony, cedar, and other hard woods in this province, among them one called the quebra hacha or axe-breaker, and the jucero, which does not even decay after long submersion. The marqueterie work in the room occupied by Philip II. of Spain, in the Escurial, was made from these woods, of which the Spaniards know the value, and they are exported from the island in large quantities.

There are no wild animals, properly speaking, except wild dogs, which play havoc in the poultry yards. A small animal called jutia that resembles a coon and probably belongs to the same family is found in great



JARAYO BLOCKHOUSE, ONE OF SANTIAGO'S DEFENSES.

numbers, and has furnished many a good meal to the hungry Cuban soldiers, who trap it by the dozen. When eaten with a relish of garlic and onion it is delicious—to those who like garlic.

The city of Bayamo, in the western part of the province, was very important a century or more ago, and a great stronghold of the insurgents—for there have always been insurgents in Cuba. But of late years business has moved to Santiago and other coast cities, and Santiago now has about 45,000 inhabitants, while Bayamo has only 10,000. It was a lawyer of Bayamo, Charles M. de Cespedes, who, in 1868, at the head of 128 wretchedly armed men, rose in rebellion at Yara, and in a few weeks was at the head of 15,000 resolute though badly armed fighters. The Hymno de Bayamo, the revolutionary hymn of the Cuban patriots, originated in Bayamo. This was the Marseillaise to which music Maceo marched. Santiago de Cuba was the birthplace of the brothers Maceo.

On the opposite side of the province from the town of Santiago is the Bay of Nipe. The Bay of Cienfuegos is said to be one of the most magnificent harbors in the world, both for area and depth of water; but it is surpassed by the harbor of Nipe, which embraces sixty-five miles of deep water.

THE MARKET PLACE IN SANTIAGO.

A New Range-Finder.

An Italian artist in London is said to have just perfected a new range-finder, which, it is claimed, will be of immense service both in peace and war. It is said to be a great improvement on all range-finders now in use. The distance of any object can be ascertained by a mere glance through the instrument, it being shown on a little dial the moment the object is focused.

True love is not so common as to swell locksmiths up with the idea that they are funny men.—Puck.

DEWEY PLANS AN ATTACK.

The Reinforcements Have Arrived—Augusti Asked to Surrender.

CAVITE, via Hong Kong.—There was wild enthusiasm among the men on Dewey's fleet when the Charleston and transports City of Pekin, Australia and Sydney steamed into this harbor June 30 and dropped their anchors. The soldiers on the transports showed no less enthusiasm than the men on the fleet.

Admiral Dewey immediately began to plan an attack on Manila. He will summon Augusti to surrender on July 4, and if the demand is not complied with the city will be bombarded by the fleet. At the same time the American troops and insurgents will attack it on land.

The insurgents will co-operate with the Americans in the assault on Manila, which will be made on July 4, the American Independence day. They will make an invincible force. Thousands of foreigners, including the Chinese, are fleeing from the city and taking refuge on the foreign ships in the harbor. The bombarding of the forts may commence in forty-eight hours. The excitement in Manila has almost reached the panic point.

The movements of the German warships are still suspicious. Five powerful ships are now here.

Admiral Dewey and General Anderson are conferring. Results will soon follow. Troops are landing at Cavite.

The small Spanish gunboat Leyte, carrying 183 Spanish officers and men, was captured June 29 by the Americans. The gunboat was driven from the Pampangas river. There were several Spanish colonels and officials on the Leyte, and they were imprisoned at Cavite. They are the first prisoners taken by the Americans.

DEATH-DEALING TORNADO.

Great Loss of Life and Property at Hampton Beach, N. H.

HAMPTON, N. H.—A tornado struck a section of Hampton Beach Monday afternoon, causing immense damage to the beach property and great loss of life. Cottages were blown flat, horses lifted off their feet, vehicles carried many feet, barns unroofed, large trees snapped off at their roots, while others were torn up bodily. Twenty cottages were torn down, and several small hotels were completely wrecked. The greatest loss of life was connected with the demolition of the old skating rink near Levitts. Here from 175 to 250 persons were seriously injured, an unknown number slightly wounded, and seven persons are already dead.

A yacht was sailing off the beach and was in the path of the storm. In it were nine persons, and of these five were drowned.

London Times on Sampson's Victory.

LONDON.—The Times remarks editorially Monday morning:

"Admiral Sampson's brilliant exploit was as complete as Admiral Dewey's was. Nothing but the conviction that his plight within the harbor was hopeless could have justified Admiral Cervera's attempt to leave. Had he been able to judge correctly of what was passing in General Shafter's mind, doubtless he would have remained. The difficulties of navigation probably caused him to make a bold effort by daylight.

"It is not too early at this moment to foresee the wide consequences of the unchallenged supremacy of the American fleet in Cuban waters. Overpowered after an heroic defense, her only course is—her friends even in the French press urge her—to seek peace, which, even if onerous, cannot be dishonorable."

Taking Observations With Balloon.

WASHINGTON.—General Greely has received the following dispatch from Siboney:

"Saw balloon up near Santiago last night from flagship of Admiral Sampson, where I was observing it.

"ALLEN."

The balloon that is now in active use and sailing over the beleaguered city of Santiago and in plain view of 25,000 Spaniards and 17,000 Americans, was shipped from Tampa with Shafter's forces, together with the submarine cables and other field equipment now being used by the signal corps of the regular army in Cuba. The cable is used as a telegraph and telephone conductor, and the occupants of the balloon transmit to the ground their observations.

Falling Bridge Causes Death.

A bridge crossing the Mohican river at Shelly, O., fell Monday with 1,000 people. Four were killed outright and a hundred injured, some seriously. A public patriotic jubilation was being celebrated on the bridge as one of the features of the celebration. The bridge went down with a crash, precipitating the people a distance of eighteen feet.

No Third Call Soon.

It can be stated positively that the president does not contemplate issuing a third call for volunteers within the next two weeks.

Cable Repaired.

The French cable, cut some time ago near Guantanamo by the United States auxiliary cruiser St. Louis, has been repaired. Friday a connection was established between General Shafter's headquarters at Baiquiri and Guantanamo, the line being used for government business so far. A telegraph and telephone station has been established at a point within two miles of the city of Santiago.

In 1892 the banner wheat crop of this country was grown, 612,000,000 bushels. Present crop 10 per cent more

BOMBARDMENT POSTPONED.

Cabinet Decided to Allow Gen. Shafter to Use His Discretion in the Matter.

A Tuesday's dispatch from Washington says: The bombardment of Santiago has been postponed. Cabinet decided to allow General Shafter to use his discretion in regard to the matter. General Alger said at the cabinet meeting: "General Shafter and Admiral Sampson have been advised to hold a conference before any movement is made."

It is therefore not known in Washington whether General Shafter will wait for reinforcements, which are now being rushed to him, or whether he will co-operate with Admiral Sampson and bombard the city from land and sea. There is a great deal of feeling at the war department today in regard to the action of the Cubans and their seeming failure in stopping General Pando with his reinforcements from entering Santiago. Admiral Sampson's fleet has not entered the harbor of Santiago, the reason being that the truce was not up until noon today, and he is evidently awaiting instructions from Washington before making the attempt.

There is no intention of exchanging Admiral Cervera for Hobson, but the cabinet, as well as the officials, were of the opinion that if Admiral Cervera was kept in the vicinity of Santiago it might have a moral effect upon the treatment of Lieutenant Hobson and his crew by the Spaniards. Admiral Cervera will be treated with the greatest courtesy and consideration due an officer of his rank.

SCHLEY THE REAL HERO.

Representative Berry Proposes "Honor to Whom Honor is Due."

WASHINGTON.—Representative Berry, of Kentucky, a member of the house committee of foreign affairs, introduced the following joint resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of congress and of the American people are hereby tendered to Commodore Schley, of the United States navy, and the officers and men under his command, for their heroic and distinguished conduct in destroying the Spanish fleet in Cuban waters on the third of July last.

Mr. Berry, in speaking of his resolution, said: "I propose that the officer to whom the glory is due shall be recognized. Schley is the real hero of the incident. He and the brave band of officers and men under his immediate direction are the ones who achieved the victory and all honor should be given them. Sampson commands the fleet in these waters, but it was Commodore Schley in command when Cervera and his fleet made their plucky attempt to escape and it was under Schley that every one of the Spanish fleet met its destruction. Schley and his men have performed a notable feat that will go down in history hand in hand with that daring forcing of Manila harbor by Dewey on May 1. Congress should be prompt in recognizing their services and there should be no delay in tendering its thanks and those of the country to the real hero of Santiago."

LADRONE ISLANDS CAPTURED.

The Charleston on Her Way to Manila Raised the Stars and Stripes Over Another Spanish Possession.

MANILA, Via Hong Kong.—The United States troops on the transports City of Sydney, City of Pekin and Australia, convoyed by the United States cruiser Charleston, have arrived here. On her way here the Charleston called at Guahan, the largest in the Ladrone Islands, the group in the Pacific which belonged to Spain, took possession of the whole group, made prisoners of Governor-General Marin, his staff and the entire military force and raised the stars and stripes over the ruins of Santa Cruz fort in the harbor of St. Luis DeLapaz.

The annexation of the Ladrones was marked by a ludicrous incident. The Charleston entered the harbor of Guahan and fired seven guns at the forts. The governor, thinking this was a salute, sent word that he regretted his inability to return it, as he was without powder. When informed that he was a prisoner of war he indignantly protested, saying that he had no idea that war had broken out.

An American citizen residing in the town was appointed provisional governor of the Ladrones.

Disorder Spreading in Spain.

A Madrid correspondent of the London Telegraph says: "Disorder is spreading among the military, the crowds in the city are getting riotous, and every where signs are apparent that the population is arming for civil war. Marshal Martinez de Campos and the captain general of Madrid have held long consultations as to the ways and means of preserving order."

Two Recruits Killed.

At Key West Ben Killman and Alvin Harper, two recruits of the First Artillery, were instantly killed by the premature explosion of a powder charge in a gun.

Killed on the Reina Mercedes.

An official dispatch from Havana says that the in the fight of July 2, three men were killed and seven wounded on board the Reina Mercedes. Of the troops disembarked by Admiral Cervera, seventy-one were rendered hors de combat.

For British Subjects.

The British warships Pallas and Alert have left Kingston, Jamaica, for Santiago de Cuba in order to bring British subjects who are desirous of leaving that city.

STATE NORMAL COLLEGE.

Valuable Information as Presented in Announcements of this Institute.

The college has two plans of instruction: "Attendance," that best suited to young people lacking both scholarship and professional training and experience; "Extension," or in absentia, largely adapted to those who have age, experience and more or less scholarship. Tuition is $5.00 per term and incidentals same—ten weeks a term. Alabama students taking the obligation to teach pay no tuition, but incidentals merely. A nomination may be made by each senator and representative of the Alabama legislature, outside of the county in which the college is situated and outside of each county having a state educational institution for whites, to a scholarship granting special advantages, and said nomination approved by the county superintendent of education of the proper county, may be appointed by the state superintendent of education for two years, if he approves, preference being given to such candidates as appear to have the greatest worth and qualification for teachers, as indicated by the county superintendent's testimonial.

Board can be had at $8 to $10 per month, or students can rent furnished or unfurnished rooms and board themselves much less per month.

Good literary society and young people's Christian association advantages are offered. The president has many scores of calls for trained teachers annually and graduates of the college easily find situations. Young men capable to act as superintendents and principals of schools, and young ladies who can teach art or music and scholastics, too, are in great demand, by school officers asking for teachers. Scores of our students are thus located annually. Address E. R. Eldridge, President, Troy, Ala.

ABOUT WEDDING PRESENTS

Gifts to Hymen Peculiar to Different Nationalities.

From early times and in all nations it has been customary to send the bride away from her father's house laden with beautiful gifts for her house plenishing or her own adornment. In our own day wedding presents may be chosen from a great variety of articles; and, in fact, one can hardly go wrong in choosing an article of beauty or grace for the pleasure of a bride.

Silver perhaps presents itself as of more than ordinary appropriateness because it is so durable. A beautiful piece of silver, whether chafing dish, soup tureen, platter, goblet, basket or anything else, a set of forks or spoons, or a single fork or spoon, may be so treasured in its beauty of shape that it will be passed on for years, and finally become an heirloom in the family. Next to silver, cut glass, with its prismatic luster and beauty of shape and the many uses to which it can be put, invites the attention of the person who is choosing a wedding present for a friend. A very simple piece of cut glass will be prized and cared for among the treasures which the bride will always regard as her personal possessions. Pressed glass should never under any circumstances be given as a present.

China affords a field for gifts of almost endless choice, from the beautiful tea set, unique in coloring and shape, to the single vase or plate or bit of bric-a-brac; from the dainty Sevres to the satin finish of royal Worcester or the bit of Limoges, all through the various styles of rich and exquisite china, there is the opportunity for endless diversity.

China no longer belongs only to the table. It has its place in the cabinet, the library, and the drawing room, and one may be quite certain that her friend will be delighted if on her wedding day she receives something lovely in this line.

A chest of linen is so rich a present that a family or a group of friends may well combine in making it for a bride. Here may be included an outfit of linen sheets and pillow slips, daintily hemstitched, and finished with the bride's monogram. To this may be added tablecloths and napkins of satin smoothness and perfection of finish, while, to crown the whole, there may be added centerpieces, doilies and bits of needlework which are simply ravishing in their delicate beauty.—Harper's Bazar.

Saw a Train for the First Time.

A country boy who was brought up in a remote region of Scotland had occasion to accompany his father to a village near which a branch line of railway passes. The morning after his arrival, when sauntering in the garden behind the house in which they were staying, he beheld with wondering eyes a train go by. For a moment he remained staring at it with astonishment and then running into the house, he said: "Fayther, fayther, come oot here! There's a blacksmiddy shop ran off wi' a row of houses, and it's awa' doon by the back o' the town."

To Call Out Negro Volunteers.

Senator Hawley, from the committee on military affairs, reported favorably Saturday a bill authorizing the president to call out not to exceed 20,000 negro troops to serve under the volunteer act of April 18, 1898, the officers to be appointed by the president with the advice and consent of the senate.

Big Fire in Louisville.

The immense plant of the Globe Refining Company, on the outskirts of Louisville, was burned Saturday, entailing a loss of $200,000.

Gen. Brooke for Military Governor.

It is believed that Major-General Brooke will be appointed military governor of Porto Rico.

GENERAL NEWS

The president has ... bill Friday.

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It is said there ... Marquis of Salisbury ... Wednesday night was ... limit to the power ... is in sympathy with ... and it is intimated ... by Germany's ... Philippine question.

The suggestion is made ... military quarters that Colonel ... and Lieutenant-Colonel ... the Rough Riders, may be ... the rank of brigadier-general ... recognition of the recent ... pilots of this body of men ... vance on Santiago.

BRIEF ALABAMA NEWS.

At Attalla John Young, a miner, was killed by parties ...

Birmingham contractors ... ceived a contract to lay $25,000 ... of sidewalks and curbing in ... Miss.

Hon. I. F. Culver, commissioner of agriculture, has made requisition for 1,250,000 fertilizer tags for the year of 1898-'99.

At Smith's mines, Jefferson county, West Foster, colored, was cut with a razor and instantly killed by Jim Davis, also colored.

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GENERAL NEWS SUMMARY.

The president signed the bankru[illegible] bill Friday.

The democrats of Maine have nominated Mayor Lord, of Saco, for go[illegible]

Nine negroes were drowned Lapre Miss., La., by the upsetting a skiff.

At Macon, Miss., Henry Will[illegible] colored, has been hanged by a mob the Wabash bridge.

The German warship Gier, it is announced, left Havana on Wednesday her way to Santiago de Cuba.

None of the English papers published in Chicago Saturday, ow[illegible] to a strike among the stereotypers.

The Minnesota republican state convention nominated a full ticket, hea[illegible] by W. H. Eustis, of Minneapolis, [illegible]

The senate has passed the bill all[illegible] volunteers pay from date of enl[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] San Antonio [illegible] President McKinley to be [illegible] the battleship Texas.

John L. Finnegan, president of Wisconsin Federation of Steam E[illegible] died at the county hosp[illegible] Chicago as the result of an a[illegible] upon him by some men suppose[illegible] members of the Stonecutters' Union.

It is said there is no doubt Marquis of Salisbury's speech Wednesday night was intended [illegible] that Great Bri[illegible] sympathy with the United Sta[illegible] intimated was called for by Germany's [illegible] attitude in Philippine question.

The suggestion is made in military quarters that Colonel W[illegible] and Lieutenant Colonel Roosevelt the Rough Riders, may be raised the rank of brigadier-generals recognition of the recent daring ploit of this body of men in the vance on Santiago.

BRIEF ALABAMA NEWS.

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Excessive Mirth.

[illegible] "just nothing [illegible]" [illegible] you are way off [illegible] wrote yesterday and $17." [illegible] "at happen?" [illegible] a big man on the "Hello Patty!" [illegible] right." [illegible] he turned out to be a [illegible] know, so we knocked [illegible] down and got into court."—

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

"Pick Leaf" smoking Tobacco [illegible]

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No [illegible] Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Blood Poison. [illegible]

[illegible] TEETHINA (TEETHING POWDERS) [illegible] a Patent Medicine but a [illegible] that many distinguished [illegible] have used and seen its good [illegible] and why will you delay [illegible] will save the life of your [illegible] TEETHINA acts promptly in [illegible] Regulating the Bowels and [illegible] health and strength, and [illegible]

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

I Have No Stomach

Said a lady of 40, of almost [illegible] since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. What she meant was that [illegible] distress and disagreeable [illegible] that she lived, ate [illegible] You may be put into [illegible] condition if you will take

Hood's Sarsaparilla

America's Greatest Medicine.

Berlin Libraries.

[illegible] libraries all told contain [illegible] 000 volumes. The Roy[illegible] library is in the lead with [illegible] and growing at the [illegible] per annum; the university [illegible] volumes; that of the [illegible] 150,000; the War [illegible] volumes; that of [illegible] of the Court of [illegible] that of the Technical [illegible] There are also a [illegible]

Heathen Monuments.

[illegible] of Delaware, has [illegible] the custom of [illegible] calls heathen monu[illegible] cemeteries. Among [illegible] be classed obelisks [illegible] broken shafts and urns.

RELIEF FROM PAIN.

Women Everywhere Express their Gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham.

Mrs. LENA WALDEN, Gibson, Ga., writes: "[illegible] Before tak[illegible] life was a burden [illegible] saw a well day. At [illegible] I suffered untold [illegible] great deal of the time I [illegible] a severe pain in my [illegible] the first bottle [illegible] Compound I could [illegible] I continued [illegible] greatly [illegible] you use [illegible] of others."

Mrs. [illegible] A. WOLFE, 515 Mulberry St., [illegible] writes: "Dear Mrs. Pinkham—For two [illegible] with what the [illegible] was inflamma[illegible] Every month I suf[illegible] I had taken enough [illegible] the doctors to cure any[illegible] obtained relief for a short [illegible] At last I concluded to write [illegible] regard to my case, and can [illegible] following your advice I am [illegible] well."

Mrs. W. R. BATES, Mansfield, La., writes: "[illegible] writing to you I suffered [illegible] painful menstrua[illegible] and sore feeling in [illegible] the bowels. Now my [illegible] to know what makes me [illegible] I do not hesitate one min[illegible] them what has brought [illegible] great change. I cannot [illegible] E. Pinkham's Vegetable [illegible] It is the greatest [illegible] the age."

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REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY.

Subject: "A Glorious Rest"—This World's Wealth Can Give No Permanent Satisfaction—It Is Only In Heaven That Surcease From Sorrow Comes.

TEXT: "Arise ye, and depart; for this is not your rest."—Micah ii, 10.

This was the drum-beat of a prophet who wanted to rouse his people from their oppressed and sinful condition; but it may just as properly be uttered now as then. Bells, by long exposure and much ringing, lose their clearness of tone; but this rousing bell of the Gospel strikes in as clear a tone as when it first rang on the air.

As far as I can see, your great want and mine is rest. From the time we enter life, a great many vexations and annoyances take after us. We have our holidays and our seasons of recreation and quiet, but where is the man in this world who has found entire rest? The fact is that God did not make this world to rest in. A ship might as well go down off Cape Hatteras to find smooth water as a man in this world to find quiet. From the way that God has strewn the thorns, and hung the clouds, and sharpened the tusks; from the colds that distress us and the heats that smite us, and the pleurisies that stab us, and the fevers that consume us, I know that He did not make this world as a place to loiter in. God does everything successfully, and this world would be very different if it were intended for us to lounge in. It does right well for a few years. Indeed, it is magnificent! Nothing but infinite wisdom and goodness could have evolved this cage of water, or hung up those brackets of stars, or trained these voices of rill, and bird, and ocean, so that God has but to lift His hand, and the whole world breaks forth into orchestra. But after all, it is only the splendors of a king's highway, over which we are to march on to eternal conquests.

You and I have seen men who tried to rest here. They builded themselves great stores. They gathered around them the patronage of merchant princes. The voice of their bid shook the money markets. They had stock in the most successful railroads and in safe-deposit vaults great rolls of Government securities. They had emblazoned carriages, high-mettled steeds, footmen, plate that confounded lords and senators who sat at their table, tapestry on which floated the richest designs of foreign looms, splendor of canvas on the walls, exquisiteness of music rising among pedestals of bronze, and dropping, soft as light, on snow of sculpture. Here let them rest. Put back the embroidered curtain, and shake up the pillow of down. Turn out the lights. It is eleven o'clock at night. Let slumber drop upon the eyelids, and the air float through the half-opened lattice, drowsy with mid-summer perfume. Stand back, all care, anxiety and trouble! But no! they will not stand back. They rattle the lattice. They look under the canopy. With rough touch they startle his pulses. They cry out at twelve o'clock at night, "Awake, man; how can you sleep when things are so uncertain? What about those stocks? Hark, to the tap of that fire-bell; it is your district! How if you should die? Awake, man! Think of it! Who will get your property when you are gone? What will they do with it? Wake up! Riches sometimes take wings. How if you should get poor? Wake up!" Rising on one elbow, the man of fortune looks out into the darkness of the room, and wipes the dampness from his forehead and says, "Alas! for all this scene of wealth and magnificence—no rest!"

I passed down a street of a city with a merchant. He knew all the finest houses on the street. He said, "There is something the matter in all these houses. In that one it is conjugal infelicity. In that one, a dissipated son. In that, a dissolute father. In that, an idiot child. In that, the prospect of bankruptcy." This world's wealth can give no permanent satisfaction. This is not your rest.

You and I have seen men try in another direction. A man says, "If I could only rise to such and such a place of renown; if I could only gain that office; if I could only get the stand and have my sentiments met with one good round of hand-clapping applause; if I could only write a book that would live, or make a speech that would thrill, or do an action that would resound!" The tide turns in his favor. His name is on ten thousand lips. He is bowed to, sought after, and advanced. Men drink his health at great dinners. At his fiery words the multitudes huzza. From galleries of beauty they throw garlands. From housetops as he passes in long procession, they shake out the national standards. Let him rest. It is eleven o'clock at night. On pillows stuffed with a nation's praise let him lie down. Hush! all disturbant voices. In his dream let there be hoisted a throne, and across it march a coronation. Hush! Hush!

"Wake up!" says a rough voice. "Political sentiment is changing. How if you should lose this place of honor! Wake up! The morning papers are to be full of denunciation. Hearken to the execrations of those who once caressed you. By to-morrow night there will be multitudes sneering at the words which last night you expected would be universally admired. How can you sleep when everything depends upon the next turn of the great tragedy? Up, man! Off of this pillow!" The man, with head yet hot from his last oration, starts up suddenly, looks out upon the night, but sees nothing except the flowers which lie upon his stand, or the scroll from which he read his speech, or the books from which he quoted his authorities, and goes to his desk to finish his neglected correspondence, or to pen an indignant line to some reporter, or sketch the plan of a public defense against the assaults of the people. Happy when he got his first lawyer's brief; exultant when he triumphed over his first political rival; yet sitting on the very top of all that this world offers of praise, he exclaims: "No rest! no rest!"

The very world that now applauds will soon hiss. That world said of the great Webster, "What a statement! What wonderful exposition of the Constitution! A man fit for any position!" That same world said, after awhile, "Down with him! He is an office-seeker. He is a sot. He is a libertine. Away with him!" And there is no peace for the man until he lays down his broken heart in the grave at Marshfield. While Charles Matthews was performing in London, before immense audiences, one day a worn-out and gloomy man came into a doctor's shop, saying, "Doctor, what can you do for me?" The doctor examined his case and said, "My advice is that you go and see Charles Matthews." "Alas! Alas!" said the man, "I myself am Charles Matthews." Jeffrey thought that if he could only be judge, that would be the making of him; got to be judge, and cursed the day in which he was born. Alexander wanted to submerge the world with his greatness; submerged it, and then drank himself to death because he could not stand the trouble. Burns thought he would give everything if he could win the favor of courts and princes; won it, and amid the shouts of a great entertainment, when poets, and orators, and duchesses were adoring his genius, wished that he could creep back into the obscurity in which he dwelt on the day when he wrote of the

"Daisy, wee modest, crimson-tipped flower."

Napoleon wanted to make all Europe tremble at his power; made it tremble, then died, his entire military achievements dwindling down to a pair of military boots which he insisted on having on his feet when dying. At Versailles I saw a picture of Napoleon in his triumphs. I went into another room and saw a bust of Napoleon as he appeared at St. Helena; but oh, what grief and anguish in the face of the latter! The first was Napoleon in triumph, the last was Napoleon with his heart broken. How they extolled and cried when silver-tongued Sheridan, in the mid-day of prosperity, harangued the people of Britain; and how they howled at and execrated him when, outside of the room where his corpse lay, bailiffs tried to get his miserable bones and sell them.

This world for rest? "Aha!" cry the waters, "no rest here—we plunge to the sea." "Aha!" cry the mountains, "no rest here—we crumble to the plain." "Aha!" cry the towers, "no rest here; we follow Babylon, and Thebes, and Nineveh into the dust." No rest for the flowers; they fade. No rest for the stars; they die. No rest for man; he must work, toil, suffer, and slave.

Now, for what have I said all this? Just to prepare you for the text: "Arise ye and depart; for this is not your rest." I am going to make you a grand offer. Some of you remember that when gold was discovered in California, large companies were made up and started off to get their fortune, and a year ago for the same purpose hundreds dared the cold of Alaska. To-day I want to make up a party for the land of God. I hold in my hand a deed from the Proprietor of the estate, in which He offers to all who will join the company ten thousand shares of infinite value, in a city whose streets are gold, whose harps are gold, whose crowns are gold. You have read of the Crusaders—how that many thousands of them went to conquer the Holy Sepulchre. I ask you to join a grander crusade—not for the purpose of conquering the sepulchre of a dead Christ, but for the purpose of reaching the throne of a living Jesus. When an army is to be made up, the recruiting officer examines the volunteers; he tests their eyesight; he sounds their lungs; he measures their stature; they must be just right, or they are rejected. But there shall be no partiality in making up this army of Christ. Whatever your moral or physical stature, whatever your dissipations, whatever your crimes, whatever your weaknesses, I have a commission from the Lord Almighty to make up this regiment of redeemed souls, and I cry, "Arise ye, and depart; for this is not your rest." Many of you have lately joined this company, and my desire is that you all may join it. Why not? You know in your own hearts' experience that what I have said about this world is true—that it is no place to rest in. There are hundreds here weary—oh, how weary!—weary with sin; weary with trouble; weary with bereavement. Some of you have been pierced through and through. You carry the scars of a score of conflicts, in which you have bled at every pore; and you sigh, "Oh, that I had the wings of a dove, that I might fly away and be at rest!" You have taken the cup of this world's pleasures and drunk it to the dregs, and still the thirst claws at your tongue, and the fever strikes to your brain. You have chased Pleasure through every valley, by every stream, amid every brightness, and under every shadow; but just at the moment when you were all ready to put your hand upon the rosy, laughing sylph of the wood, she turned upon you with the glare of a fiend and the eye of a satyr, her locks adders, and her breath the chill damp of a grave. Out of Jesus Christ no rest. No voice to silence the storm. No light to kindle the darkness. No dry dock to repair the split bulwark.

Thank God, I can tell you something better. If there is no rest on earth, there is rest in Heaven. Oh, ye who are worn out with work, your hands calloused, your backs bent, your eyes half put out, your fingers worn with the needle, that in this world you may never lay down; ye discouraged ones, who have been waging a hand-to-hand fight for bread; ye to whom the night brings little rest and the morning mere drudgery—oh, ye of the weary hand, and the weary side, and the weary foot, hear me talk about rest!

Look at that company of enthroned ones. It cannot be that those bright ones ever toiled? Yes! yes! These packed the Chinese tea-boxes, and through missionary instruction escaped into glory. These sweltered on Southern plantations, and one night, after the cotton-picking, went up as white as if they had never been black. Those died of overtoil in the Lowell carpet factories, and those in Manchester mills; those helped build the Pyramids, and these broke away from work on the day Christ was hounded out of Jerusalem. No more towers to build; Heaven is done. No more garments to weave; the robes are finished. No more harvest to raise; the garners are full. Oh, sons and daughters of toil, arise, ye and depart, for that is your rest.

Scoville McCollum, a boy of my Sunday-school, while dying, said to his mother, "Don't cry, but sing:

"There is rest for the weary,
There is rest for the weary."

Then putting his wasted hand over his heart, he said, "There is rest for me."

But there are some of you who want to hear about the land where they never have any heart-breaks and no graves are dug. Where are your father and mother? The most of you are orphans. I look around, and where I see one man who has parents living I see ten who are orphans. Where are your children? Where I see one family circle that is unbroken, I see three or four that have been desolated. One lamb gone out of this fold; one flower plucked from that garland; one golden link broken from that chain; here a bright light put out, and there another, and yonder another. With such griefs how are you to rest? Will there ever be a power that can attune that silent voice or kindle the lustre of that closed eye, or put spring and dance into that little foot? When we bank up the dust over the dead, is the sod never to be broken? Is the cemetery to hear no sound but the tire of the hearse wheel, or the tap of the bell at the gate as the long processions come in with their awful burdens of grief? Is the bottom of the grave gravel and the top dust? No! no! no! The tomb is only a place where we wrap our robes about us for a pleasant nap on our way home. The swellings of Jordan will only wash off the dust of the way. From the top of the grave we catch a glimpse of the towers glinted with the sun that never sets.

Into that rest how many loved ones have gone! Some put down the work of mid-life, feeling they could hardly be spared from the store or shop for a day, but are to be spared from it forever. Some went in old age. One came tottering on his staff, and used to sit at the foot of the pulpit, his wrinkled face radiant with the light that falls from the throne of God. Another having lived a life of Christian consistency here, ever busy with kindnesses for her children, her heart full of that meek and quiet spirit that is in the sight of God of great price, suddenly her countenance was transfigured, and the gate was opened, and she took her place amid that great cloud of witnesses that hover about the throne!

Glorious consolation! They are not dead. You cannot make me believe they are dead. They have only moved on. With more love than that with which they greeted us on earth, they watch us from their high place, and their voices cheer us in our struggle for the sky. Hail, spirits blessed! now that ye have passed the flood and won the crown. With weary feet we press up the shining way, until in everlasting reunion we shall meet again. Oh! won't it be grand when, our conflicts done and our partings over, we shall clasp hands, and cry out, "This is Heaven?"

By the thrones of your departed kindred, by their gentle hearts, and the tenderness and love with which they call you from the skies, I beg you start on the high road to heaven. In the everlasting rest may we all meet.

One of the old writers wished he could have seen three things: Rome in its prosperity; Paul preaching; Christ in the body. I have three wishes: First—To see Christ in glory, surrounded by His redeemed. Second—To see Christ in glory, surrounded by His redeemed. Third—To see Christ in glory, surrounded by His redeemed.

When on my new fledged wings I rise,
To tread those shores beyond the skies,
I'll run through every golden street,
And ask each blissful soul I meet—
Where is the God whose praise ye sing?
O! lead me, stranger, to your King.

A Guardsman's Trouble.

From the Detroit (Mich.) Journal.

The promptness with which the National Guard of the different states responded to President McKinley's call for troops at the beginning of the war with Spain made the whole country proud of its citizen soldiers. In Detroit there are few guardsmen more popular and efficient than Max B. Davies, first sergeant of Co. B. He has been a resident of Detroit for the past six years, and his home is at 416 Third Avenue. For four years he was connected with the well known wholesale drug house of Farrand, Williams & Clark, in the capacity of bookkeeper.

The First Sergeant.

"I have charged up many thousand orders for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," said Mr. Davies, "but never knew their worth until I used them for the cure of chronic dyspepsia. For two years I suffered and doctored for that aggravating trouble but could only be helped temporarily.

"I think dyspepsia is one of the most stubborn of ailments, and there is scarcely a clerk or office man but what is more or less a victim. Some days I could eat anything, while at other times I would be starving. These distressed pains would force me to quit work.

"I tried the hot-water treatment thoroughly, but it did not affect my case. I have tried many advertised remedies but they would help only for a time. A friend of mine recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, but I did not think much of them.

"I finally was induced to try the pills and commenced using them. After taking a few doses I found much relief. I do not remember how many boxes of the pills I used, but I used them until the old trouble stopped. I know they will cure dyspepsia of the worst form and I am pleased to recommend them."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50, by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

In a recent sale in London, a little 10x7-inch picture brought $12,775. It was a Meissonier, and represented Genito, the sculptor, at work on a bust.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Van Dyck's "Portrait of Madame Pepyn" sold for $21,000 at the auction of pictures from the Kums Museum, in Antwerp, the other day.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

The late Algernon Sartoris, who married the daughter of General Grant, belonged to a wealthy and influential family, but they are not members of the nobility.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

Dr. Hans Meyer, the African explorer, will once more try to ascend the Kilimanjaro this year, in order to decide whether its glaciers are old. Expedition will last six weeks.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

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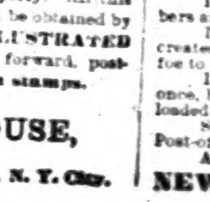

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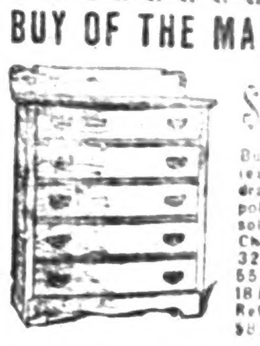

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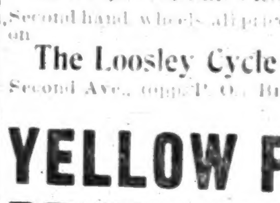

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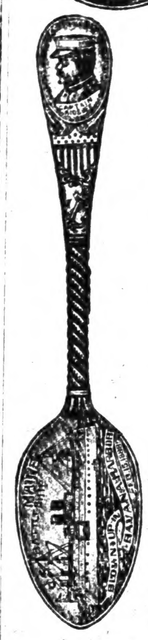

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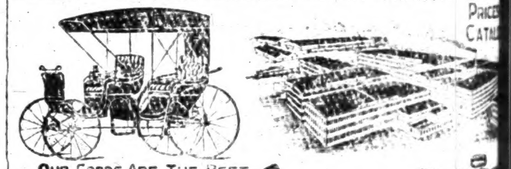

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ULIST STATE TICKET.

For Governor:
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of Shelby

For Secretary of State:
T. H. MAXWELL,
of Tuskaloosa

For Treasurer:
W. E. KILLEBREW,
of Dale

For Auditor:
ALEX G. DAKE,
of Chilton

For Attorney-General:
J. M. WHITEHEAD
of Butler

Superintendent of Education:
A. J. HEARN
of Choctaw

Commissioner of Agriculture:
C. REESE
of Lowndes

or Chancellor N.E. Division
HOWELL R. GOLSON
of Limore

COUNTY TICKET

For Judge of Probate:
S. M. ADAMS

Clerk of the Circuit Court:
E. B. DEASON

For Representative:
L. H. REYNOLDS

Superintendent of Education:
JUDSON STROCK

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR JUDGE OF PROBATE.

hereby announce myself a can-
date for re-election to the office
Judge of Probate of Chilton
ty, subject to the votes of the
le of the County at the general
ion in August, 1898.
R. M. HONEYCUTT.

hereby announce myself a can-
date for the important office
Judge of Probate, as a free silver
reform Republican opposing
ventions, and soliciting the
of the people at the general
ion in August.
J. G. BARBOUR.

hereby announce myself a can-
date for the office of Judge of
bate, subject to the votes of
people at the general election
gust, 1898.
THOMAS HARRISON.

the Voters of Chilton County.
ing respectfully to announce
am a candidate for the office
Probate Judge, and request the
of my friends in the August
ion.
W. H. FOSHEE.

FOR CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT.

hereby announce myself a can-
date for re-election to the office of
k of the Circuit Court of Chil-
County, subject to the vote of
people of the County, at the
ion to be held in August, 1898.
W. A. B. FALKNER.

hereby announce myself a can-
date for the office of Clerk of the
uit Court of Chilton County,
ject to the votes of the people in
election in August.
WILLIAM B. GREEN.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

hereby announce myself a can-
date for Representative in the
eral Assembly, subject to the
of the people at the general
ion in August, 1898.
CULLEN N. HEADLEY.

hereby announce myself a can-
date for Representative in the
eral Assembly, subject to the
of the people at the general
ion in August, 1898.
S. L. ARLEDGE

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says DeWitt's Little Early
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during forty
ng. They cure
headache and
troubles. Small
results. Stan-

ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that a General election will be held at the various voting places in Chilton County, Alabama, on

MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 1898,

for the election of Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Superintendent of Education, Commissioner of Agriculture, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, Chancellor, Judge of the Circuit Court, Representative in the General Assembly, Judge of Probate, Clerk of the Circuit Court, County Superintendent of Education and to vote upon an amendment to Section seven of Article eleven of the Constitution of Alabama and known as the "Birmingham Amendment" as provided for by an Act of the General Assembly of Alabama approved February 16th, 1898.

Witness my hand this the 29th day of June, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY,
Sheriff of Chilton County, Alabama.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

This is to certify that we the undersigned Judge of Probate, Sheriff and Clerk of the Circuit Court, as provided for by law, have this day selected and appointed the following named persons as inspectors and Returning Officers for the various voting places in Chilton county, Alabama, for an election to be held in said county and state on Monday, the first day of August, 1898, to wit:

Beat 1, (Mineral Springs) Inspectors, J. M. Robinson, T. J. Dorminey and W. H. Conway. Returning Officer, H. M. Mahan.

Beat 2—box 1—Providence. Inspectors G B Armstrong, W H Shaw, John Lowery jr; Returning Officer, W. A. Sims.

Beat 2—box 2—Jemison. Inspectors, A J Adkinson, B M Gentry and F M Langston; Returning Officer, Geo W Shaw.

Beat 3—box 1—Benson. Inspectors H W. Varden, Clayton Edwards and A F Mims; Returning Officer, Calvin Jones.

Beat 3—box 2—Macedonia. Inspectors Y O Freeman, Z J Jones and S E Waldrup; Returning officer, W. R. Dawson

Beat 4—Clanton. Inspectors, W M Wilson, A A Ayres and J W Littlejohn. Returning Officer, J F Goodgame.

Beat 5—box 1—Coopers. Inspectors, J H Thomas, E G Rollins and Moses Popwell. Returning Officer, Dock Jacks.

Beat 5—box 2—Verbena. Inspectors, H B Oliver, E L Manning and Albert Thompson. Returning Officer, John A Strock.

Beat 6—Kincheon. Inspectors, W C Dickerson, J R Vinson and W L Popwell Returning Officer, E H Smith.

Beat 7—box 1—Maplesville. Inspectors, R H Martin, C J Coburn and J D McGee. Returning Officer, G W Fox.

Beat 7—box 2—Lathams. Inspectors, J H Shoults, Sanford Kelly and J P Gentry. Returning Officer, Dolby Adkinson

Beat 8—Dixie. Inspectors, E W Bailey G W Fox Thos. G. Milling. Returning Officer, D M Martin.

Beat 9—Strasburg. Inspectors, Sam Pate, A F Childress and J M. Mims. Returning Officer, G S Collins.

Witness our hands this the 29th day of June, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT, Probate Judge
J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
J. P. VANDERVEER, Circuit Clerk

Yellow Jaundice Cured.

Suffering humanity should be supplied with every means possible for its relief. It is with pleasure we publish the following: "This is to certify that I was a terrible sufferer from Yellow Jaundice for over six months, and was treated by some of the best physicians in our city and all to no avail. Dr. Bell, our druggist, recommended Electric Bitters; and after taking two bottles, I was entirely cured. I now take great pleasure in recommending them to any person suffering from this terrible malady. I am gratefully yours M. A. Hogarty, Lexington, Ky." Sold at all Drug Stores

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Southern Union Singing Convention.

Will meet at Pleasant Grove, eight miles west of Clanton on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July, and will continue two days.
R. T. GRANT, Secretary.

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Bob Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver tronble. Stanfield and Matthews.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Jemison, July 12, 1898

Editor BANNER. To beat Adams is the Democratic slogan heard from every direction. Upon every breeze is borne the cry "down with Adams." Why what in the world has Adams done that such a furore of opposition and abuse is thus raised against him? Why was it that the ablest talent found in Democratic ranks two years ago was hurried to Bibb county to aid in securing his defeat for Representative in that county? Again I ask what has he done? Well, we must admit he has been guilty of some crimes. He has, to our certain knowledge, been for about ten years pleading the cause of the poor, oppressed and down trodden of our race wherever found. He has waged an unrelenting war against the money power, the parties, the laws, and all other agencies that have been instrumental in bringing about such great poverty distress and wretchedness all over our country. This is one of Adam's crimes. And oh! how sore, irritating and galling it seem to be to his enemies. But this is not his only crime. The Democratic party has been safely housed behind a great monument of fraud for many long years here in Alabama. Mr. Adams has been all over the state unveiling and opening the eyes of the people to these monstrous frauds. Here are crimes calculated to destroy all the rights and liberties belonging to the people of this great Republic of ours. No wonder this slogan cry. "Down with Adams," is heard from Democratic camps in all directions. What a pestilent fellow he is. Like old Bro. Paul he has stirred up strife. And now, friends, let us come to his rescue that he may continue committing these crimes and keeping up his strife. Let no man fail to be on hand the first Monday in August. It is a duty we owe Bro. Adams. Let our duty be faithfully discharged. I. C.

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Our baby has been continually troubled with colic and cholera infantum since his birth, and all that we could do for him did not seem to give more than temporary relief, until we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Since giving that remedy he has not been troubled. We want to give you this testimonial as an evidence of our gratitude, not that you need it to advertise your meritorious remedy.—G. Law, Keokuk, Iowa. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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J. G. Barbour Calls a Mass Meeting.

Coopers, Ala., July 9, 1898

To the voters of Chilton county.

In my last letter I promised to get the several candidates to assist me in requesting their executive committees to call a mass meeting in the near future. I went to Clanton to-day and could not see either of the chairmen nor candidates, so I will have to go it alone, requesting that every candidate and every person who reads this letter will assist me in making the call as extended as possible. Let every voter in the county come to the meeting on Saturday the 23 of this month. Come and hear me! I have many good things to tell you. Let no man stay away on account of political or religious creed or color. The meeting to be in Clanton.

Respectfully,
J. G. BARBOUR.

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Billingsley.

This country has had some of the finest rains I have ever seen; crops are looking very well, corn is fine but cotton is small.

There was a big barbecue and picnic on the 8th at Billingsley.

Dr. Dennis, of Evergreen is having a large drug store built here.

Mr. S. B. Gaines and Miss Eliza Jane Carter were married July 3 by C. C. Billingsley sr. at the home of the bride's parents near here. A fine dinnet was set.

Lightning struck a tree near Mr. G. W. Boole's house and killed two geese and one chicken.

SINGLETON.

(Continued on 4th col. 4th page.)

Stanton

July Fourth was a big day in Chilton county. Everybody for miles around together with representative men from adjoining counties were here by the score to enjoy a big old fashioned barbecue. Hon. John F. Burns, of Dallas, was master of ceremonies, and made a brilliant address burning with patriotism. The Declaration of Independence was read by Hugh Mallory, who also made an eloquent address. Other speeches were delivered by mayor E. S. Starr of Selma, J. F. Gregory, Buck Harris and others altogether it was a most glorious day.

Mr. S. D. Sexton is much better, after several days illness.

Mr. George Lawrence, of Montevallo, was shaking hands with friends in Stanton Monday.

Mr. Henry Honeycutt was in this city Tuesday.

Mr. C. W. McDaniel, of Clanton visited friends and relatives here.

Mr. R. H. Nelson has returned home after two weeks visit at Clanton.

W. C. Dyer was in Selma Wednesday. STAN.

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E. C. Blanks, of Lewisville, Texas, writes that one box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was worth $50.00 to him. It cured his piles of ten years standing. He advises others to try it It also cures eczema, skin diseases and obstinat esores. Stanfield & Mathews.

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Pletcher.

Mr. E. Pletcher went to Montgomery last week.

Prof. Gibbons commenced a school here June 27. We hope the Professor will be successful.

Prof. E. A. W. Smith commenced a school at Concord the Fourth of July.

Rev. John Weaver will commence a revival at this place the 30th of July. Everybody is invited to come.

Our Sunday-school is progressing finely at this place.

We are glad to see Walter Mills up again. A. M.

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Persons troubled with diarrhoea will be interested in the experience of Mr. Wm. Bush, clerk of Hotel Dorrance, Providence, R.I. He says: "For several years I have been almost a constant sufferer from diarrhoea, the frequent attacks completely prostrating me and rendering me unfit for my duties at this hotel. About two years ago a traveling salesman kindly gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy; much to my surprise and delight its effects were immediate. Whenever I felt symptoms of the disease I would fortify myself against the attack with a few doses of this valuable remedy. The result has been very satisfactory and almost complete relief from the affliction. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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Teachers' Institute

At the Institute at Alpine, July 8 J. T. Jones made the welcome address, which made every teacher feel that there was a cheerful home ready to greet one and all. W. S. Garner made appropriate remarks in response to Jones's address. J. Alex Moore presented his resignation as secretary. L. E. Byrum was elected to fill the vacancy. On motion of the secretary a committee of ten was appointed to be known as the Educational campaign committee of Chilton county. The following compose said committee. Judson Strock, (chairman) E. Y. McMorries, R. E. R. Hicks, G. D. Speer, W. S. Garner, E. C. Jones, L. E. Byrum, Misses Celesta Dunlap, Kate Garner and Marie E. Moody.

The secretary presented the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted.

Whereas, almighty God in His infinate wisdom has seen fit to remove from the walks of life one of our worthy teachers, Marshall Mims, and whereas Mr. Mims was a splendid example of ambition, studious, faithful young manhood. Therefore be it resolved,

1st. That Chilton county has lost one of its most precious students that promised so much future usefulness, and the teachers pro-

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

The issues of the campaign will be discussed at the following times and places by the nominees of the People's Party, who respectfully invite the independent candidates to meet them and join in the discussions.

Beat		
1 Corinth	July 2,	7:30 p.m
1 Union	" 4,	10:00 a.m
2 Providence	" 5,	10:00 a.m
2 Mars Hill	" 5,	7:30 p.m
3 Macedonia	" 6,	10:00 a.m
7 Pleasant Grove	" 7,	10:00 a.m
8 Stanton	" 7,	7:30 p.m
8 Sardis	" 8,	10:00 a.m
6 Enterprise	" 8,	7:30 p.m
9 Pleasant Grove	" 9,	10:00 a.m
5 Evergreen	" 11,	10.00 a.m
5 Coopers	" 11,	7:30 p.m
5 Corinth	" 12,	10:00 a.m
5 Salem Church	" 12,	7:30 p.m
5 Providence	" 13,	10:00 a.m
4 Walnut Creek	" 13,	7:30 p.m
4 Cane Creek	" 14,	9:00 a.m
1 Lime Springs	" 15,	10:00 a.m
1 Mt. Zion	" 15,	4:00 p.m
1 New Hope	" 16,	10:00 a.m

Hon. H. R. Golson will speak at Clanton, Thursday, July 21. All the nominees are expected to be present

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Dr. S. B. Hartman, Columbus, O.

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Hi! native Independents,
List to this advice;
There's not enough of offices
To give you all a slice.

Foshee he drives a high head horse,
Harrison goes it on the ears,
Honeycutt he cries around
Barbour's letting down the bars.

They call themselves Democrats,
I'm sure that they are Pops,
All they want is the offices,
So they are interested in the crops.

Adams, they say is such a case
They're afraid to meet him face to face
But boys, the thing they're after
Is to get the Judge's place.

The Pops are sure to win the race,
The people are in the saddle,
None can get an office now
Who rides the fence astraddle.

X RAY.

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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by T. E. Gilchrist and wife on the 7th day of November, 1895, and duly recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county Alabama in Vol. 36, pages 231-4, and which said mortgage has been duly transferred and assigned to I. V. Knight, the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JULY 25, 1898,

the following described real estate to wit:

Southwest fourth of north-east fourth of section twenty-four, township twenty-two, range fourteen, in Chilton county, Alabama. I. V. KNIGHT.

By Wm. A. Coffee, his attorney.
Clanton, Ala., June 24, 1898.

You Don't Have to Swear Off

says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture in an editorial about No-To-Bac, the famous tobacco habit cure. We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac, one a prominent St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by druggists everywhere. No cure, no pay. Book free Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

England confers the title of second Nelson on Dewey. To the world he is the first Dewey. That title will stand to the end of time.

The Philippines produce the finest indigo in the world, but it isn't so blue as the feeling that the American squadron has produced there.

There are in England and Wales 200,000 children so defective in mental power that they are incapable of fighting the battles of life if left to themselves.

According to the American consul at Sydney, Australia, "American trade has been the means of emancipating the Australians from the time honored tyranny of the silk hat."

It is a remarkable fact that our naval heroes have seldom been honored with prominent political office after the achievement of their victories. We have had several soldier presidents, but no sailor executive, yet we talk about the ship of state. What more natural than to put a sailor at the helm? How does it happen that Farragut and Porter never became prominent in civil life, while so many generals of distinction held political positions at Washington after the war? asks the Providence Journal.

Associate Superintendent of Schools William L. Felter of Brooklyn claims that the handwriting of the future will not be a verticle hand, but a round hand, with a slant off the vertical from ten degrees to twenty degrees. Investigation shows that this is the style written by business men. These writers were taught the old slant. They have worked up to a slant of about seventy-five degrees. Why have they not gone up to ninety degrees? Because they could not do so and preserve the essential element of rapidity.

The father of Adjutant-General Corbin is still living in the old family homestead in Ohio. Although over 80 years of age, he manages the farm upon which the general spent his boyhood, and where he stopped hoeing corn to enlist as a private soldier at the outbreak of the civil war. When the old gentleman heard that his son had been appointed adjutant-general he was much pleased, and taking a pen in his feeble hand wrote his congratulations: "Dear Henry," he began, "it's a long ways from a hill of corn to adjutant-general of the United States."

It has been recently suggested that advantage should be taken of this international brush to attempt a practical solution of the tramp question, says the Washington Star. The proposition is that these wandering ne'er-do-wells be drafted into the service of the United States, uniformed, drilled, armed, and sent to Cuba to form part, at least, of the first army of invasion. It is urged that those tramps who seek to shirk this unpleasant duty will naturally "take to the woods" thus completely ridding the communities that they have infested of a serious nuisance. The military demands of the government, however, are too serious to permit the assembling of a corps of untrained, unmilitary, unambitious, and possibly unpatriotic men to be relied upon for dangerous duties. The best fighters are those taken by their country from the ranks of the producers, the men with a conscientious desire to serve the nation, who are energetic both in times of peace and war. The greatest economy in warfare lies in producing a maximum of results with a minimum of men. The mere aggregation of people into ranks is not generalship. The tramp problem lies deeper than this. It is not to be solved by a general conscription, unless it be intended to enter upon a virtual scheme of extermination, which is so utterly foreign to American doctrine, and so antagonistic to the principles upon which the war of intervention is being waged against Spain. If the solution lies in the line of employment let the tramps be drafted to work on the roads. Good roads are needed. Labor must be had to build them. While the war is in progress the stay-at-home tourists of the highways might profitably be set at work putting their favorite lines of travel in fine modern condition.

Killed While Crossing a Track.

A man by the name of Hayes while attempting to cross the railroad track at Dalton, Ga., was run over and killed.

CIVIL OFFICERS SURRENDER

The Entire Government of Santiago Has Come Over Into Our Lines.

DENOUNCED PERSISTENCE IN RESISTING

At the Expense of Santiago—They Told Touching Stories of Hardships and the Condition of the Spanish Forces. May Surrender Any Moment.

WITH THE ARMY, SIBONEY, CUBA.—How long will Santiago hold out? That is the question asked throughout the camp.

The entire civil government of the city of Santiago has surrendered and come over to our lines for protection, deserting the military and denouncing the mad persistence in resisting, at the expense of the destruction of Santiago.

The civil governor, Senor Ros; the mayor, Senor Porrase, and the president of the upper court of justice, came to Caney and delivered themselves up to our forces. They had been forbidden by General Toral to leave the town, but, fearing death, they sneaked away, coming across the mountains in a crowd of other refugees, and as soon as possible revealed their identity to the Americans. Orders were received to treat them with every possible consideration for their comfort.

They told touching stories of hardships and of the condition of the Spanish forces. They said that many of the poor were practically starving; that rice and black bread constitute the only food obtainable; that the Spanish losses in the two days' fighting were far greater than have been reported or estimated, and that further resistance was nothing short of murder.

The general impression is that a surrender may come any moment. Deserters and prisoners from the army and the men captured from Cervera's ships all agree in saying that the city is in no condition to make a stubborn resistance.

Foreign representatives, deserters and prisoners all agree that surrender is inevitable, and it is believed that pressure will be so strong for surrender that Toral and Linares will perforce bow to it. It is now certain that Pando is not in Santiago. Notwithstanding all reports and the facts that some reinforcements did reach Linares, Pando and his main army have fallen back to Manzanillo. The reinforcements which reached Linares did not exceed 2,000 men.

ANNEXATION OR INDEPENDENCE

For the Philippines—German Vessels Landing Supplies Near Manila.

HONG KONG.—The news that peace negotiations were under way has caused great excitement here and much speculation as to what disposition will be made of the Philippines. It is believed that Spain can never make peace with the natives, or that the United States can return them to Spain. A leading official says that the United States must either annex the islands or give them independence.

The German attitude at Manila is as mysterious as ever. Their ships are surveying the Luzon coast in both directions. They are landing supplies at Marivala, and German officers are fraternizing with the Spaniards. The German consul visited Aguinaldo, but was coldly received.

DISPOSITION OF PRISONERS.

Admiral Cervera Will Either Be Released on Parole or Confined at Annapolis.

WASHINGTON.—The government has not yet determined how to dispose of Admiral Cervera. A feeling of the highest admiration prevails here at the gallantry displayed by the old warrior and the noble spirit exhibited by him under misfortune. It has been proposed that he be released on parole not to engage in hostilities against the United States until the end of the war, but it has not yet been decided whether to do this or to confine the admiral technically within the limits of the naval academy reservation at Annapolis. All the other captured Spanish naval officers will be confined there save the surgeons, who will be allowed to remain with the enlisted men at the prison station at Seavey's Island, Portsmouth harbor.

PHILIPPINES' REVENUES

Will Be Collected by Gen. Merritt as a War Measure.

WASHINGTON.—The formal announcement by the president of his purpose to collect the customs revenues of the Philippines as a war measure had been prepared. As soon as approved the schedules will be given to J. E. Evans, of San Francisco, a customs expert, who will proceed at once to Manila and as soon as practicable after our forces occupy the city put them into effect. The general direction of the matter, however, will be in the hands of General Merritt.

The President May Promote Hobson.

WASHINGTON.—The house adjourned without passing the senate resolution transferring Hobson to the line and authorizing the president to promote him in accordance with the valor of his deed. This omission will not prevent Hobson's promotion, however, at the president's will.

Dewey Will Wait for Merritt.

A dispatch from Manila, under date of July 4, says that Admiral Dewey will remain inactive till General Merritt arrives.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

A. J. Black Killed.

A. J. Black, who was shot by Mrs. Lizzie Lorch at Avondale Friday died Sunday afternoon.

Died From His Injuries.

William B. Boisclair, the engineer who was injured in the wreck on the Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad, near Adamsville, is dead.

Murdered From Ambush.

Saturday Charles Evans waylaid and killed Samuel Robinson on the Valhermosa Springs road, about eight miles from Decatur. Both men are well-to-do farmers and neighbors.

Negro Company Goes to Mobile.

Sunday afternoon the colored company which had been raised in Birmingham for the Third Alabama regiment was taken to Mobile under the command of Capt. John Trimble and First Lieut. John London.

Proposed New Bank.

A movement is on foot to establish a new bank at Athens, and it is backed by some of the wealthiest capitalists in Athens and Limestone county. It is proposed to incorporate the concern with a capital stock of $100,000.

Quarantine Station Destroyed.

The quarantine station on Mobile bay was destroyed by fire last week. All the fumigating machinery and wharf were destroyed. The fire originated from the boiler furnace. The plant cost $50,000, and was insured for $13,000.

Two Men Killed.

Percy Turner, Nick Reed, Chester Arthur, Will Williams and Jack Walker, five young men living at Gate City, left on a fishing trip for Riverside. They laid down on the track and went to sleep. A westbound freight train came along and Turner and Reed were killed.

Fatally Wounded by Burglars.

Mrs. Merrill, wife of Section Master Merrill of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, at Oxmoor, was shot and fatally wounded Monday morning by two negro burglars whom she discovered in her room. The negroes then escaped from the house.

Patriotic Madison.

Madison so far seems to be the banner county in the state for the largest enlistment of volunteers for the military service. Capt. Sheffey has about raised his quota of men for his colored company at Huntsville, which will be two white and two colored companies for the county.

Coosa Democrats Nominate.

A convention of the democrats of Coosa county was held at Rockford, and the following ticket nominated: Probate judge, James A. Crawford; circuit clerk, T. Henry Jones; superintendent of education, John H. Johnson; commissioner first district, J. A. Arnold; commissioner third district, W. B. Hannon.

Proposed New Railroad.

An application has been filed with J. K. Jackson, secretary of state, for a charter for the Florida and Alabama railroad, which is proposed to be run from Garland, on the Louisville and Nashville line, by River Falls, in Geneva, thence into Florida. The capital stock of the proposed corporation is $200,000.

Three May Be Saved.

Admiral Sampson has cabled the navy department that in his opinion three of the Spanish vessels may be saved. The Colon is certainly in good condition; he reports, and there are reasonable hopes of saving the Maria Teresa and the Vizcaya. This is the only news received from Sampson in a day or more, the cables apparently being interrupted or in bad working order.

Activity in Mining.

A large number of miners are being brought to the Birmingham district from Kentucky and Tennessee, so brisk is the demand for coal. Twenty-one families were brought down from Kentucky and sent to the Ameria mines in Walker county. A strike is on at the Mary Lee mines, Belle Ellen and Gurnee, on account of a refusal to grant an advance in wages and sell powder and oil cheaper. The miners find no trouble in getting work elsewhere in the district.

PROSPECTING AT BREWTON

With a View of Locating a $500,000 Plant.

A party of western capitalists were at Brewton a few days since prospecting with a view to the location of a plant for the manufacture of starch and glucose from the sub-tropical plant known as cassava, and there are strong reasons to hope that Brewton will be selected as the location of said plant, which will represent an investment of $500,000.

A bill was passed by the senate Thursday conferring upon Adjutant General Corbin the rank of Major General.

Cervera at Portsmouth.

The auxiliary cruiser St. Louis, with 746 Spanish prisoners, including fifty-six officers, dropped anchor at Portsmouth, N. H., harbor Sunday morning. Including the prisoners, there were 1,036 people on board the boat, and out of this number there are ninety-one sick and wounded Spaniards under the care of surgeons. Admiral Cervera has been quite ill for the last three days. Captain Eulate, who was commander of the Vizcaya and is among the prisoners, is also quite ill, having been wounded in the head during the battle off Santiago.

SPAIN SUES FOR PEACE.

Has Applied to the British Ambassador at Madrid.

TERMS REGARDED AS MERELY A MINIMUM

Of What Spain Expects to Be Asked of Her—Cuba and the Philippines to Be Independent—United States to Occupy Porto Rico Temporarily.

LONDON.—(Special.) Spain has at length sought for peace, applying to Sir Henry Drummond-Wolff, the British ambassador at Madrid. The British foreign office has presented the communication to Colonel John Hay, our ambassador in England. Official denials of this have been made and they are technically correct, but it is a fact that overtures have been made. The terms suggested as acceptable to Spain are that Cuba is to be independent, but to pay to Spain an indemnity for several years.

Spain to keep a minor Cuban port until this indemnity shall have been paid.

The great powers to send small detachments of troops to certain Cuban ports.

The Philippine islands to be independent.

The United States to occupy Porto Rico as security for the payment of a war indemnity, the amount of which shall be negotiated.

These terms are regarded as merely a minimum of what Spain expects to be asked of her.

SAGASTA DESIRES PEACE

Austrian Government Has Impressed on Spain the Hopelessness of the Conflict.

BERLIN (Special).—The Austrian government has impressed on Spain the hopelessness of the conflict, even advising Spain to surrender Santiago. This would furnish an excellent pretext, it is argued, to demand an armistice from the United States, and would at the same time present a basis for peace negotiations. Premier Sagasta, however, is known to be anxious for the immediate cessation of war. Berlin diplomats believe that the Spanish government will soon resolve, perhaps within a day or two, to sue for peace.

Will Yield to Pope and the Powers.

ROME.—The Spanish ambassador says that his government will yield to the insistance of the pope and the powers and begin negotiations at Washington for peace, if assured of the assistance of financiers in raising a loan to pay a war indemnity. The ambassador declares that Spain will not give up Porto Rico nor grant independence to Cuba, which is incapable of self-government.

CONDITION IN HAVANA.

A British Consul Says People Are Dying on the Streets of Hunger.

KINGSTON, JAMAICA.—The British cruiser Talbot, which left Havana on Tuesday, July 5, arrived at Port Royal with twenty-three passengers, among them Sir Alexander Gollan, British consul general at Havana and Mr. Higgins, of the British consulate there.

Mr. Higgins said: "The city of Havana is quiet, and there are no new complications. The well-to-do inhabitants are subsisting tolerably, but the poor are dying of starvation in the streets. There are many sights of terrible misery. The barracks are filled with starving women. The blockade is maintained and vessels are frequently turned back. Everybody is anxious for the conclusion of the war, though the soldiers wish to fight, and all the officials are resolute. There is no flour in Havana and no meat, while hams are scarce."

MILES OFF FOR CUBA.

Left With His Staff on the Yale—Troops Depart From Charleston.

CHARLESTON, S. C.—The transports Yale and Columbia, having on board the commanding general of the army, Nelson A. Miles, and staff and 1,700 men, intended as reinforcements for General Shafter before Santiago, got away Saturday afternoon. General Miles and staff are on the Yale.

SPANISH PRIVATEER

Said to Be Hovering Off the Coast of British Columbia.

The navy department has been informed that a Spanish privateer carrying five guns is hovering off the coast of British Columbia. According to last accounts the privateer was between Prince Charlotte sound and Dixon's entrance. Prompt instructions have been sent to the military authorities of the northwest coast to prepare for a visitation.

Young Woman Kills Herself.

Miss Tenny Bennett, a young lady, of Waynesboro, Tenn., committed suicide by taking morphine Tuesday.

Wood and Roosevelt Promoted.

WASHINGTON.—The president Friday sent these nominations to the senate: War—Volunteer Army: Brigadier-Generals of Volunteers to be Major-Generals: Hamilton S. Hawkins, Henry W. Lawton, Adna R. Chaffee, John C. Bates. To be Brigadier-Generals—Colonel Leonard Wood, First Regiment United States Volunteer Cavalry; Lieutenant-Colonel Chambers McKibbeu, Twenty-first Infantry. To be Colonel—Lieutenant-Colonel Theo Roosevelt, First Regiment United States Volunteer Cavalry.

FEVER IN OUR RANKS.

shafter is in a Position to Take the City and it Will Be a Crime to Delay the Assault.

SIBONEY.—Now that sixteen fresh batteries of field guns have arrived at Siboney and six heavy siege guns being hauled over rough road to the front there should be no more delay in dealing with Santiago.

Our soldiers are lying in trenches wet to the skin while malaria and fever rage out in our lines and in the yellow jack threatens.

We have power now to storm this Spanish army which hauls the Spanish flag at Santiago. We are with road to move a large force of men fit to fight with forty rounds of ammunition and twelve to fifteen days' rations and machine guns and field guns carried by the Rough Riders.

We have the range to the forts of Cerro and Fort Canosa and our advantage.

It would be a crime to permit the Spaniards to prepare and fortify as they did that long before our arrival. The city can be taken, and the sooner the assault is made the better, with the minimum loss now in mind.

Inactive as will appear the lines of a few men on the fields, the delay means not only widespread disease in our ranks, but the death of multitudes of helpless and innocent inhabitants of Santiago.

The first exodus of non-combatants permitted during the past forty eight hours has revealed the fact that they are actually starving to death. A sudden assault will end it all.

AMERICAN LOSSES AT SANTIAGO.

Shafter Sends War Department List of Casualties as Far as Practicable.

WASHINGTON, (Special).—The war department has received from General Shafter the following dispatch, giving as far as practicable up to July 6, a statement of the total casualties in each division, except General Wheeler's, of the army under his command as a result of the recent fighting:

In Camp Near Santiago.—Impossible so far to get returns, but there has been in the hospital at Siboney 1,062 wounded, and there are still 200 in the hospital here. In Lawton's division there were killed four officers and seventy-four men; wounded, fourteen officers and 317 men; missing, one man.

In Kent's Division—Killed, twelve officers and eighty-seven men; wounded, thirty-six officers and 502 men; missing, sixty-two men.

In Bates' Brigade—Killed, four men; wounded, two officers and twenty-six men; missing, five men.

Signal Corps—Killed, one man; wounded, one man.

General Wheeler's report has not yet been received.

SHAFTER, Major-General.

According to General Shafter's report the total casualties, exclusive of Wheeler's division, reached 1,208, divided as follows: Killed, 182; wounded, 958; missing, 68.

TROUBLE WITH CUBANS.

They Declined to Assist in Hospital Work and Opening Roads For Transportation.

CAMP SIBONEY, JURAGUA.—General Young, commanding the First Brigade, cavalry division, left here for Key West in bad health on board the Cherokee. He refused to issue further rations to the Cubans until advices are received from Washington in answer to his expose of the situation here. The Cubans refuse to assist in the hospital and commissary departments, claiming they are soldiers and not laborers. The same answer was given to General Baker when he asked the Cubans to help open the roads for the transportation of supplies to the front.

This, together with General Garcia's not preventing the entrance of General Pando's reinforcements into Santiago de Cuba, has caused discontent among the officers and troops. General Young has reported the situation to the United States government. In the meanwhile he has placed the Cubans in a separate camp under police regulations and has turned them over to Miss Clara Barton for rations.

Russians Want Peace.

The Russian officials and the general public at St. Petersburg are strongly in favor of speedy peace as the only salvation for Spain, and the newspapers recommend the intervention of Europe to compel a cessation of hostilities.

Wiped Out By a Waterspout.

A courier from Stockville, the county seat of Crawford county, Missouri, reports the terrible news that town had been almost wiped out by a waterspout early Friday morning.

Thirteen bodies have been recovered, but it is thought more have perished. Steelville was a town of 1,000 inhabitants on a branch of the Frisco railroad.

Belgian King Coming.

The London Pall Mall Gazette says that King Leopold, of Belgium, starts in August on a long yachting cruise, adding that he will make a considerable stay in the United States.

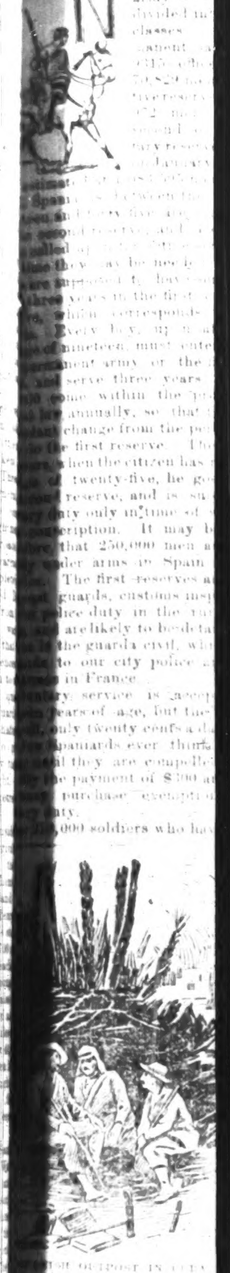
Troops Embarking at Charleston.

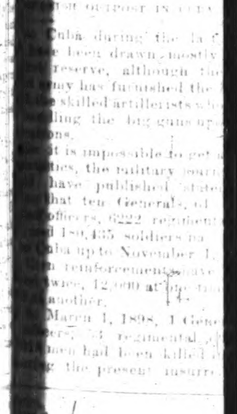
The steamship Rita, captured recently off Cuba by the Yale, and purchased by the United States government for $215,000, sailed for Santiago Sunday afternoon with 650 men of the Sixth Illinois regiment and their baggage.

Pillsbury, the Abolitionist, Dead.

Parker Pillsbury, the associate of William Lloyd Garrison, Wendell Phillips and others of the great anti-slavery movement, died at his home at Concord, N. H., Friday. He was 89 years of age.

THE BOMBARDMENT





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SPAIN'S FIGHTING MEN.

...f the Soldiers ...ur Army of Invasion is Encountering.

NOMINALLY the entire army of Spain is grouped into these classes. A permanent army of 2[illegible] officers and 1[illegible]820 men, an active reserve of 184[illegible] men, and a second or sedentary reserve, which on January 1, 1898, numbered [illegible],595 men.

These statistics are made up from the official reports sent to the War Department in Madrid and published by the recognized organs of the Minister of War, which correspond to the Army and Navy Journal and the Army and Navy Register of the United States, and are accepted by General Miles and Secretary Alger as official.

The Spanish reports, however, are not to be relied upon. Their army is largely mythical. Nobody knows how many poor fellows have died in the field resisting insurgents, and the ravages of disease are still more difficult to ascertain; first, because Spanish statistics in all branches of the Government are notoriously incomplete and inaccurate; and, second, because it is for the pecuniary interest of the officers to conceal the mortality of their men. There is no regular pay department. The soldiers receive their miserable stipend of three or four silver dollars a month from their regimental officers. The colonel of the regiment sends in a requisition at the beginning of every month for compensation for so many men, and he makes the pay roll as long as possible. When the money comes he divides it among the captains of companies, and the captains divide it among the men. It is one of the easiest and most popular methods of robbing the Government for the officers to double the number of men on duty and divide the money that is forwarded for their pay. It is a favorite saying in Cuba that when an officer makes a report of a battle he represents that most of his troops have been shot while gallantly charging the enemy, but they all come alive again before he makes up his pay roll. It is well known that since the blockade began General Blanco has impressed in the army every able-bodied citizen within reach of his conscript office, and the insurgent sympathizers have enlisted in great numbers with the expectation of being able to serve their cause more effectively inside than outside of the trenches. This class of people, however, are not to be depended upon by either side.

The abundance of the physical resources of Spain and the soldierlike qualities of the men, even when they have received little military training, have been a surprise to many.

Pre-eminent are the Albarderos, who take their name from the halberd, a picturesque old weapon they carry, no longer of any fighting offensive or defensive value, but used as an arm of ceremony, composed largely of the aristocracy and including picked men from the whole army. This force is organized in two companies, with a total of forty officers and 250 men, as the personal guard of the King and for interior service in the palace. A Colonel is appointed as Captain, a Lieutenant-Colonel as First Lieutenant, and so the grades continue, a First Lieutenant serving as "caporal." All officers of the Spanish army are eligible for the Albardero Corps, one-half of the vacancies being filled by candidates selected for their special qualifications and the remainder by promotion on seniority within the corps. The men (privates) must be sergeants of good character and the best qualifications. In other words, it is a battalion without a private soldier in the ranks.

The group of hussars at Madrid is a representative body. The Spanish cavalry includes two hussar regiments, designated as the Princesa and the Pavia, which are regarded by their officers as the most distinguished of the mounted regiments. The cavalry officers enter through the college at Valladolid by competition, and after a course of three years are appointed to their regiments as Second Lieutenants.

The artillery of the Spanish army, like that of the English royal artillery, includes the horse, field, mountain and garrison branches, and the gun factories and other establishments are in relation with it. It has charge of stores of guns, arms, ammunition and "material," and is provided with field ranges, gunnery schools, a scientific and practical museum and other necessary adjuncts. The actual formation of the artillery is thirteen regiments of the field branch, each of four six-gun batteries, a regiment of horse artillery and three belonging to the mountain branch, all these having the same number of batteries and guns as the field artillery. There are additionally ten battalions of garrison gunners and four companies of artificers. At the present time the Spanish army has guns of two kinds —the Krupp and the placencia, of bronze or steel, with 3.5 inch and 3.1 inch caliber.

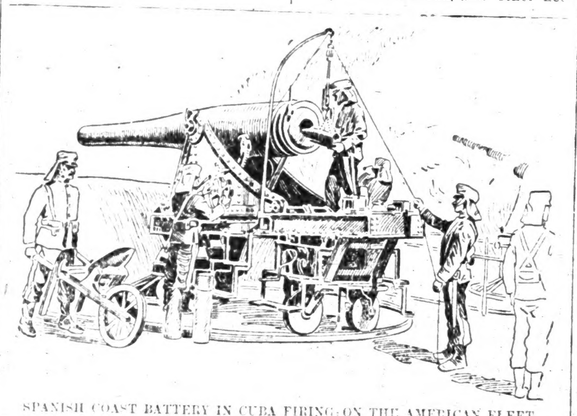
The officers of the force enter through the college at Segovia, the admission being by competitive examination between civilian candidates and young officers from other corps. The studies cover a period of six years, and promotion is always by seniority, but on reaching the fourth year of their educational course these artillery cadets become second lieutenants and are promoted to the full lieutenancy on appointment to the corps at the close of their scholastic term at Segovia. The arrangements for the training and maintenance of the effective condition of the artillery seem to be excellent. That they know the art of war there is no doubt; that they can practice it successfully is a question for discussion.

The general impression of the men both in the Spanish army and navy is that they have good fighting qualities, though they are not capable of any extended exertion and can never compare favorably with the Anglo-Saxon element. But while the file has always received commendation it is the consensus of unprejudiced opinion that they are "badly officered." Many explanations can be offered, but there is much luxurious ease about the don's life, and even in the army he will not forget the first consideration for his personal benefit even if discipline must suffer. The best soldiers, the flower of the Spanish army, have been sent to the Philippines, those rushed out to Cuba having largely been conscripts and rude youths taken from the farms to shatter their health in the fever laden districts of the "Ever Faithful Isle."

The peasant boys that Spain has driven across the Atlantic Ocean are representatives of her most ignorant class, and their own utter lack of knowledge of hygienic conditions helps the lurking disease to find ready and hapless victims. Some of them naturally become imbued with the military spirit and make passably effective soldiers, but the majority have no liking for their enforced profession of arms, and, controlled by a home-sick feeling, ill clad and half paid, perhaps not for months, they very frequently welcome death as a relief to their desperate environment. The home guard of Havana, called Guarda Civiles, native born and consequently inured to the climate, is the prominent armed force of Cuba. They have been thoroughly drilled, are vicious fighters and thoroughly hated by the insurgents, who recognize them as the dreaded genuine enemies of all liberty-loving progress.

In fact, the loyalty of the Guarda Civiles to the Spanish crown is one of the inexplicable conditions in Cuba. Their own kindred and relatives in many cases are in the ranks of the revolutionary forces, but they seem animated by a ferocity that is as wicked as inexplicable. All the Captains-General have depended upon them principally for support, and the civiles have returned their appreciation of this confidence by their brutalities and demoniac actions whenever an opportunity occurred for massacre and unjustifiable killing.

They are not well "set up," do not present the martial bearing of a British or an American soldier and invite the contempt of the Anglo-Saxon by their lack of many military characteristics. Still, it does not require much strength to pull a trigger, and by practice they may become as good marksmen as any habitant of a more northern latitude.



SPANISH COAST BATTERY IN CUBA FIRING ON THE AMERICAN FLEET.

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SHIPS OF SPANISH SOLDIER LIFE IN CUBA.

A MONUMENT FOR LAFAYETTE.

Movement on Foot to Erect a Memorial Over His Grave in Paris.

In a deserted corner of the cemetery of the Convent of Little Piepus, in Paris, lie the remains of the Frenchman who was America's best friend in the time of her sorest need—Lafayette. His grave is decorated only by a plain slab, and seems as deserted as was Victor Hugo's immortal hero, Jean Valjean, when he fled into these grounds with his little Cosette in his arms to escape the persecutions of Inspector Javert.

A movement is now on foot to erect a fitting monument to this brave Frenchman who sacrificed his all for us. It is purposed that it shall be paid for by the school children of the United States, in contributions of small amounts and that it shall be unveiled as the great event of United States day in the Paris Exposition in 1900.

When first built the tomb was two or three feet above the ground; now the foundation stones have crumbled and the top has fallen almost to the earth. Rain and time have dealt cruelly with it.

President McKinley has consented to be the honorary chairman of the commission in charge of the raising of the funds, the construction of the monument and its transportation and erection in Paris, and himself assisted to draw the resolution which has already unanimously passed the Senate of the United States providing for an honorary colamission and an acting commission to take charge of the work.

THE GRAVE OF LAFAYETTE IN PARIS.

Few Die of Old Age.

It is estimated by competent foreign authority that only 900 persons out of 1,000,000 die from old age, while 1200 succumb to gout, 18,400 to measles, 2700 to apoplexy, 7000 to erysipelas, 7500 to consumption, 48,000 to scarlet fever, 25,000 to whooping cough, 30,000 to typhoid and typhus, and 25,000 to rheumatism. The averages vary according to locality, but these are considered accurate as regards the population of the globe as a whole.

Our Army's Only Colored Officer.

Only three colored young men have ever graduated from the United States Military School at West Point—Lieutenants Flipper, Alexander and Young.

LIEUTENANT CHARLES YOUNG.

Lieutenant Alexander died about two years ago and Flipper is not now in the service. Charles Young graduated in 1894, and is now First Lieutenant of the Ninth United States Cavalry. He is a Kentuckian and a very large man.

A Definition by a War Student.

Chimmie—"Wot kind of a ting is dis gorilla-warfare?"

Billy—"Aw, dat's de Spanish style where dey makes monkeys of dersel'es."—Judge.

WARSHIPS SHELLING SANTIAGO.

The Newark, New York Brooklyn, and Indiana Bombarding the City for Two Hours.

A Monday's special from off Santiago says: At 9:30 o'clock this morning, after several range finding shots over the ridge protecting Santiago from the sea, the United States cruiser Newark, opened fire into the city with her 5-inch guns. The signal corps officers stationed on top of the ridge reported the effect of the shots. The New York, Brooklyn and Indiana participated in the firing, at intervals of five minutes. The bombardment lasted two hours, when General Shafter reported that the shells were mostly falling in the bay and doing but little damage. The last shot, however, struck a building in the heart of the city, which was heavily stored with powder and ammunition, causing a heavy explosion. The extent of the damage is not yet known.

When the warships ceased firing, and before General Shafter had begun a land attack a flag of truce was seen coming from the city. The object of this was not known at noon today.

MILES AT SANTIAGO.

Goes at Once to Headquarters and Holds Conference With Shafter.

WASHINGTON.—General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the United States army, arrived off Santiago bay shortly after noon Monday. Upon the arrival of the auxiliary cruiser Yale, on which General Miles was a passenger, communication was opened with Admiral Sampson, and the two commanders were soon in conference. During the early afternoon General Miles landed at Playa del Este and communicated with General Shafter, commanding the American forces before Santiago, by telephone.

It is understood to have been General Miles' purpose to go immediately to Shafter's headquarters, and after discussing with Shafter the latter's plan of campaign, to make a personal examination of the American position. It is not to be understood that General Miles is to supercede General Shafter in command of the United States forces before Santiago.

The arrival of General Miles and the conference between him and the commanding officers of the army and navy is taken by some to indicate that if fighting occurred Monday it was not of a serious character, for with a heavy engagement in progress it was hardly possible that Admiral Sampson or General Shafter would find time for conference.

CONGRESS HAS ADJOURNED.

Cheering and Singing Made Things Lively During Closing Hours.

WASHINGTON.—The house adjourned precisely at 2 o'clock Friday. Immediately there were cheers, followed by singing of patriotic songs. Representative Bromwell, of Ohio, proposed to give three cheers for President McKinley, which were given twice over by the republicans. Then followed cheers joined by the entire house for Admiral Dewey and General Joe Wheeler. The whole house was one vast demonstration, and flags were passed about to every member and were enthusiastically waived while the members sang the close of the Fifty-fifth congress.

The senate adjourned sine die at 2.06 p. m.

Casualties in Sunday's Engagement.

WASHINGTON.—The war department has posted the following dispatch from General Shafter, giving list of casualties in the First division Sunday afternoon:

Killed—Captain Charles W. Rowell, Second infantry, and Private Peter Nelson, Company A, Second infantry.

Wounded—Lieut. N. J. Lutz, Second infantry; Private Charles Jenks, Company A, Second infantry; Private Charles Lentki, Company B, Second infantry; Private Nelson Gilbert, Jr., Twenty-first infantry.

Demands Considered Impossible.

MADRID Special.—It is asserted that the United States makes the following demands as a basis for peace:

1. The possession of Cuba and Porto Rico with a port in the Canaries.

2. An indemnity of 48,000,000 pounds (about $240,000,000).

3. The retention of the Philippines as a guarantee of the payment of the indemnity.

These terms are regarded as impossible.

Sick and Wounded Arrive at Key West.

The war department was informed Saturday night of the arrival at Key West of the ship Cherokee, with 323 sick and wounded from General Shafter's army. Some of these patients will be removed from the steamer at Key West and taken to the hospital at that place. The steamer will then proceed to Tampa, where a hospital train is in waiting to take the wounded soldiers to hospitals at Atlanta, Ga., and Richmond, Va.

Bryan's Regiment.

William Jennings Bryan's regiment of Nebraska infantry Monday were ordered to join General Fitzhugh Lee's corps at Jacksonville.

Shafter Wanted to Accept.

It is rumored at Juragua that General Shafter strongly advised the acceptance of General Toral's offer to surrender if allowed to leave with the troops wearing their side arms, and the American commander is said to have sent a dispatch to President McKinley making argument in favor of the acceptance of the Spanish commander's offer. President McKinley's response was, it is rumored, as laconic as was General Grant's upon a similar occasion, and directed him to prevent the Spaniards escape at all hazards.

SPANISH CABINET CRISIS NEAR.

Ministers Divided as to the Policy of Negotiations for Peace or Pursuing the War.

MADRID, Special.—In spite of the fact that public opinion is directed to is inclining rapidly in favor of peace, the people becoming more and more tired every day of the impossibility of withstanding the power of the United States. The peace party in the cabinet is urging immediate negotiations looking to peace, and Senor Gamazo, the minister of public instruction, threatens to resign if the war party outweighs his influence. The war party, however, urges a continuance of the struggle, "to convince America that it is difficult to obtain a prompt triumph for her army and thus secure for Spain better terms." There is a split in the cabinet which will probably result in its resignation and the formation of an intermediary government because Senor Silvela and the conservatives are unwilling to assume the responsibility of the peace negotiation, for the best obtainable terms are certain to be frying to Spanish pride, which will demand a scapegoat.

The increasing unpopularity of Senor Sagasta's government, which is supported by the throne regardless of public opinion, may damage the dynasty.

Premier Sagasta Has Resigned.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Times, telegraphing Monday, says: Senor Sagasta went to the palace today and tendered his resignation and that of the cabinet. It is said that he advised the queen regent to appoint a new element largely consisting of the military element, which would not necessarily mean the adoption of a warlike policy, but probably the reverse.

ARMISTICE SUGGESTED.

Powers Said to Be Engineering the Movement.

MADRID.—The Liberal says the Spanish cabinet is considering the question of signing a ten days' armistice in order to facilitate the peace negotiations. The Reloc correspondent of the Imparcial telegraphs that a ten days' armistice is coming, but he adds that he thinks the powers, with the vatican, are engineering the movement and are considering the proper form which the armistice should assume.

Big Bids Received at Chickamauga.

CHICKAMAUGA NATIONAL PARK.—Bids were received Monday by Quartermaster General Lee for 7,000,000 pounds of oats; 500,000 pounds of bran; 9,000,000 pounds of hay and 1,000,000 pounds of straw. There were forty bidders from Chicago and Cincinnati. A significant feature of the specifications is that the material is to be delivered at once.

It was stated on the authority of a high official that the second division of the first corps under General Poland has been designated as an expedition for Porto Rico and that the division would be dispatched at as early a date as possible.

The Cotton Crop.

WASHINGTON.—The crop report of the department of agriculture, issued Monday, says: The cotton returns to the statistician of the department of agriculture, made up to July 1, indicate an average condition of 91.2, as compared with 89 on June 1, 1898; with 86 July 1, 1897, and with 82.5 on July 1, 1896. The averages of the principal states are as follows: North Carolina, 87; South Carolina, Georgia and Louisiana, 90; Alabama, 91; Texas, Tennessee and Oklahoma, 92; Arkansas, 93; Mississippi, 94; Indian Territory, 89.

Camara Is Returning to Spain.

CAIRO.—Admiral Camara, the commander of the Spanish fleet which was bound for the Philippine Islands and which recently passed through the Suez Canal has informed the Egyptian government that he has been ordered to return to Spain. Therefore, his ship will go through the canal immediately and will proceed westward. The Spanish warships will now be allowed to coal as they are returning home.

Senator Conger Dead.

Former United States Senator O. D. Conger, of Michigan, died at Ocean City, Md., Monday. He was a republican in politics, and was elected to the senate in 1881, and served six years.

A Norwegian Steamer Captured.

A special to the New York Journal from Playa Del Este dated Sunday says the Norwegian steamer Bratton was captured on that day by the Brooklyn. She had on board a cargo of supplies for Santiago, sent by merchants at Kingston and Port Antonio on speculation. She was tied up until the fleet enters Santiago.

Catchings Renominated.

The democratic primaries in the Vicksburg, Miss., district resulted in the renomination of Congressman Catchings by a majority of 400 over Patrick Henry.

Only One Vessel Can Be Saved.

The board of survey appointed to examine the wrecks of the Spanish ships destroyed by Sampson and Schley and to inquire into the nature of their injuries reports that only one ship can possibly be saved. She is the Infanta Maria Teresa, the former flagship of Admiral Cervera.

Strength of Shafter's Army.

General Shafter's available force, after counting all reinforcements and deducting the dead, sick and wounded, is 22,850 fighting men, according to military estimates.

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HON. M. W. Howard, was unavoidably prevented from keeping his engagement to speak at Clanton on June 20, has made arrangements to speak here on Friday, July 29.

HON. Howell R. Golson, candidate for chancellor of the northeastern division will address the voters at Clanton next Thursday, 21. All the county nominees are invited to meet him on that day, and we hope to see a big crowd here.

THE last week has been an uneventful one at the front; there has been no fighting, and negotiations for the surrender of Santiago have not been successful. The worst feature of this week's war news is the report of yellow fever among the American troops.

THE people of Birmingham are asking the voters of the State to vote for an amendment to the constitution which will allow them to increase the tax rate of that city one half of one per cent. This amendment was offered once before, but in consequence of the indifference of voters outside of Birmingham, it failed to secure the necessary number of votes. This is not a political question, and inasmuch as it will be of benefit to the city of Birmingham, we hope all our readers will vote "yes" to the Birmingham amendment.

WE understand that J. G. Barbour, Independent candidate for Judge of Probate, and Caleb N. Headley, Independent candidate for Representative, have both failed to comply with the requirements of the Sayre election law, which provides that candidates must file their nomination or petition not less than twenty days prior to the election. Under the law, their names cannot now be printed on the ballot, and persons wishing to vote for them will have to write their names on the blank lines provided for that purpose.

Gov. Johnston is in deep water again, and he is getting into deeper water every day. His speech at Tuscumbia was a great disapointment to his friends and furnished considerable amusement to his enemies. People had been told all over the state that the Governor would open the campaign at Tuscumbia on the 2nd. day of this month. Everybody was expecting something great and everybody was disapointed. There was absolutely nothing in the speech except excuse for Gov. Johnston and an several apology for all he had ever said or done against the gold bug Democrats. Not a word was said about election frauds and not even a promise was made for better laws. Nothing was said to indicate a disposition to have an honest administration of the school department. It is no matter to Gov. Johnston that the vote of the white men are stolen and their children growing up in ignorance so long as he can fool the people and stay in office. Before this campaign is over Gov. Johnston will have a few plain facts put before him which may interest him.

One great trouble with the Populist party, and all other opposition to the Democracy in this state, has been the character of men who have led the opposition movement. It cannot be denied that both the Populist and Republican parties have been weak in leadership. Some one has said that the Populists represented a mighty" poor lot of apostles." Some of the leaders of the Populist party are men of capacity and integrity and have made great sacrifices for the cause of humanity. A few of these leaders started with the people at the beginning of this reform movement and are to-day battling against great odds in behalf of the people's rights. But there have been traitors and men who had no interest than their own selfish ends, and then there have been good honest men of intelligence, but without much education or experience. Without a sufficient number of men of good character and ability to lead the movement, the people have gone on in their own way fighting against great odds. This reform movement in Alabama has been the people's movement, and the people all along have been ahead of their leaders.

The action of the Republican state executive committee in endorsing the Populist State ticket has given great encouragement to all friends of good government in Alabama. At Populist headquarters chairman Crowe expresses great satisfaction at the action of the Republicans. Mr. Deans and Dr. Crowe have done some hard work in an effort to avoid conflict and complications with the Republicans. With the co-operation of other leading Populists they succeeded in persuading a majority of honest and patriotic Republicans that it would not only be a waste of time and money for the Republicans in this state to nominate a state ticket but that such action would be positively an injury to the cause of reform in which all honest Republicans are deeply interested.

But the worst along this line was not finished when the Republican convention adjourned. Leading Democrats who talk so much about white supremacy and do so much to give prominence in politics to the most dangerous class of negroes had their plans well arranged. They started in on their old line of work the very day that the Republican convention failed to put out a ticket. Bill Stephens, the old Democratic standby, was called into conference and the old scheme satisfactorily arranged. The first information which the public at large had of this arrangment was when Bill Stephens, A. J. Warner and their friends, met in Birmingham and put out a state ticket. The negroes who are leading this movement are well known in Alabama. They have made themselves disagreeable in politics for many years. It is an outrage upon the white people of this state and rank injustice to every hard-working colored man. But Democrats like Governor Johnston and some of his backers, who steal the votes of both whites and blacks are capable of just such dirty work. The better class of Republicans deserve great credit for repudiating the whole business.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz. Thus writes W. G. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bo tles free at Clanton Drug Co. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., June 29, 1898

All reform papers should now be on the alert to "Cry aloud and spare not" when the exigencies of war are daily proving the need of more "paternalism" in our government. Every day brings some new demonstration of this fact. Now is the time to nail these facts and reiterate to the verge of weariness.

It is generally admitted that one of the chief results of this war will be the building and control of the Nicaragua canal by the United States government. Only the most earnest efforts on the part of those who advocate such a step will suffice to thwart the designs of the usual swarm of money grabbers, who will advocate immense subsides and make the usual boogaboo of government ownership.

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, was conspicious among those who, on July 7th, made an effort to have congress recognize Commodore Schley for his magnificient conduct in the encounter with Cervera's fleet, rather than have all the glory go to Sampson.

When the refunding of the Pacific debt came up recently for discussion the ubiquitous Jerry Simpson was on hand, loaded with facts, figures and a speech, opposing such a measure.

Col. W. J. Bryan is reported as attending to the enlistment, drilling and equipment of his soldiers with the same vigor he always gives to the matter in hand.

Wharton Barker, of Philadelphia, would-be Presidential candidate of the Paople's party, and Bellweather of the bolters has been engaging in unchari a le remarks in regard to some of his most ardent supporters at Omaha. Mr. Barker is evidently angry at the tail for not having wagged the dog on that occasion.

Paul Vandervoort, of Texas, is announced as the gubernational candidate on the middle-of-the-road ticket in Nebraska. The bolters in that State find themselves unable to endorse the splendid administration of Governor Holcomb.

The great dailies of Chicago had to remain unpublished for several days last week owing to the strike of the stereotypers.

The trouble among the striking miners of Illinois has not only continued but has spread to s veral adjoining states.

The so called International Bimetalists are giving the lie every day to their pet theory that it would be both unwise and unsafe for our government to venture in a great undertaking alone. During the campaign of '96 we heard so much of the dangers attendant upon our adopting an independent money system that one could have hardly believed this same party that was then so fearful of results would so soon venture into conquest and annexation that must change the map of the world. This tears the last vestage of mask off of the gold-bug. Every honest man knows that this government needs no endorsement in European powers. It needs to do what is r ght.

The tremendous daily expense of the war with Spain so entirely over shadows the cost of maintaining congress in session that the newspapers are forgetting to rejoice over the approaching adjournment of that body.

The Populist convention was held at Nashville, July 6. The attendance was light, only fourteen counties being represented. R N. Richardson was named for governor. No other nominations were made.

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CORRESPONDENCE

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fession one of its worthiest members.

2nd. That we extend to the family of the deceased our sympathy and cheerfully submit to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

3rd. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased and a copy to the county paper for publication.

A resolution of thanks to the Alpine community for their hospitality was passed and the Institute closed with song and prayer.

J. ALEX MOORE, Sec.

The editor of the Evans City, Pa. Guide, writes, "One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It cured my children after all other remedies failed." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield and Mathews.

CROP REPORT

The Weekly Crop Bulletin says there was a slight deficiency in temperature, due to cool nights but ample and well destributed rainfall made the week a generally favorable one for crop growth, while not being so wet as to retard cultivation. In some few localities, lands were washed by heavy rains, and, in all parts of Colbert county, crops were damaged considerably by hail. Cotton is growing vigorously, making good bush and fruiting well, and while some few unfavorable reports have been received, its condition is generally good; it is nearly all laid by; some vermin and rust are reported, but not enough to have any serious significance as yet.

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Rev. L. B. POUNDS.

Sher ff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama together with the dwelling thereon and known as the "Foshee old home," and also a one sixth undivided interest in and to the following described real estate, to wit:

E ½ of sw ¼ of section 31 township 21, range 13; w ½ of se ¼ and ne ¼ of s w 1-4 of sec 26, tp 20, r 14; that part e ½ of se 1-4 of sec 22, tp 21, r 14 that lies south of Mulberry creek containing twenty acres, more or less; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 and 2 acres described as follows to commence at the sw corner of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 thence north the length of 2 acres thence east the length of one acre thence south the length of 2 acres, thence west the length of one acre to the place of beginning, sec 2, tp 20, r 12; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 27, 7 acres off the south end of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 sec 27; w ½ of sw 1-4 of sec 27, se 1-4 of sec 28; s ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28, 14 acres off the south end of n ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28; a fraction of the se 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 28, the railroad being the line on the west to any branch, and so much of the fraction of the ne 1-4 of the nw 1-4 lying east of the railroad track of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad company and south of Perry Lendrix's line; sec 28, tp 21, r 12; he 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 9, tp 21, r 14; se ¼ of ne 1-4 sec 6, tp 20, r 13; that tract of land bounded as follows, to wit: commencing at a corner between Dr. J. S. Johnson and Bowline, running thence north parallel with Bowlines land to Birds creek, thence east along the run of said Birds creek 9 rods, thence north to Johnson's line, thence west to the place of beginning and containing ten acres; sw 1-4 of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 24, tp 21, r 12; s ½ of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 2, tp 20, r 12; lot no. 15 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county Alabama, together with the dwelling theron known as the Foshee new dwelling and all of the herein before described real estate lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, JULY 11, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Ala.

Dated at Clanton, Ala. this 8th day of June, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

The above sale is continued to Monday, July 25, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sher ff.

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Gingham.....	7 "
Lawn.....	from 5c up
Ladies Waists.....(Oh how cheap).....	35c
Ladies Shoes.....	from 75c up
All kinds of Bleachings.....	" 5c up
Jeans Pants.....	" 55c up
Shirts.....	" 15c up
Men's Single Coats (don't go in your shirt sleeves).....	$1.50 up
Men's Shoes.....	from $1.00 up
Suspenders.....	" 7c up

GROCERIES.

Coffee.....	10 lbs for $1.00
Meal.....	per bushel 50c
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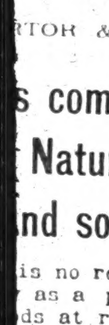

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best style. Mill
Friday and Saturday.

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Martin, returned home yes-

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s can be quickly cured by
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They are pleasant to take
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Foshee.

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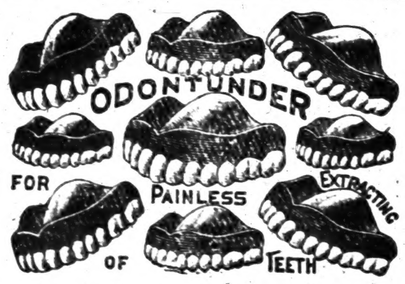

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PROGRAM S. S. CONVENTION

To be held with Antioch church, Bibb county, commencing Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1898.

Friday, 9:30 a.m. Devotional exercises by A. Glass.

10:30 a.m. Organization.

11. Preaching by Rev. R. H. Long.

12. Adjournment for dinner.

1:30 p.m. How should a Sunday school be conducted? Opened by Rev. A. L. Foshee and J. P. Gertry.

3. By whom should the Sunday school be conducted? Opened by D. C. Hubbard and W. A. Mims.

Saturday. 9 a.m. Devotional exercises, by Rev. G. W. Freeman.

10. Duty of Pastor to the Sunday-school? Opened by D. L. Smitherman and W. H. Hubbard.

11. Preaching by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

12. Adjourned until 1:30

1:30 p.m. Duty of school to Pastor? Opened by M. D. Langston and Willie Brown.

3. Obligations of all church members to join the Sunday-school, and to co-operate with it? Opened by J. M. Langston and W. H. Connell.

Sunday 9 a.m. Sunday-school mass meeting conducted by W. H. Thomas.

11. Sermon by Dr. W. C. Bledsoe, secretary of our mission board. Singing conducted by J. W. Wallace.

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Baptist Young People's Union, Buffalo, N. Y. July 14th, to 17th, 1898.

The Alabama delegation of the Baptist Young People's Union have decided on the Louisville & Nashville R. R. as the official route to the Convention which will be held at Buffalo, N. Y. July 14th, to 17th, 1898. The above railroad on this account will sell round trip tickets to Buffalo and return at one regular first class fare July 11th, 12th, and 13th limited to July 20th. These tickets can be extended to August 3rd, by depositing them with the Joint Agent at Buffalo not earlier than the 17th or later than the 19th of July. A very pleasant route has been mapped out for this occasion which will afford a delightful trip for all that go along. All conveniences have been arranged for in the way of sleeping cars etc.

For further information as to rates, sleeping car reservations, please call on or address any of the following parties, Rev. R. D. Gray, Mr. W. Herbert, transportation leaders. Care of R. E. Bessley P. A. Morris Bldg. Birmingham Ala.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of two (2) executions issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton County, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Thomas D. Fite and William Porter out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Thomas D. Fite and William Porter I have levied on the following property, to wit:

East half of south-east quarter, and the south-west quarter of the south-east quarter of section 6, township 23, range 13, and north-west quarter of north-east quarter of section 7, township 23, range 13, and south-east quarter of north-west quarter, and the south-east quarter of south-east quarter of section 8, township 23, range 13, and north half of the north-east quarter, and east half of the north-west quarter of north-west quarter of section 16, township 23, range 13, all lying and being in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Thomas D. Fite and William Porter in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 13th day of June. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady, I have levied on the following property to wit:

North-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section thirty-one, township twenty-one, range eleven, in Chilton county Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at public auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named Richard Lovelady and Susan Lovelady in and to the above described property, on Monday the 18 day of July 1898 during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Chilton county, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton this 13 day of June, 1898. J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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THE PURITAN MAID

Hangs her picture on the wall,
Where the sunbeams lightly fall;
O'er her seated at the wheel,
Softly, tenderly, they steal;
'Neath her cap so plain and white,
Shine her curls of golden light.

Face of rose leaf tinted hue,
Eyes like violets kissed by dew,
Gravely, shyly, gazing down,
Shaded by the lashes brown;
So they looked that fair spring day,
When one stole her heart away

Loyal the Stuart blood was he,
And of Roundhead lineage she,
Ere the years around her flew,
Shadows dimmed those eyes of blue;
Ere her baby girl could speak,
Death had claimed the mother meek.

Now she lies 'neath moss-decked stone,
All with lichen overgrown;
Still the letter you may see,
"Phyllis, Sixteen Fifty-three."
There the sunbeams gently play
Round the grave of Phyllis Grey.

—Pattye L. Bletchford.

His Pleasant Interlude.

A War-Time Tale

He rode up to the entrance of the house, and, stooping forward, rapped smartly at the door with the hilt of his sword. Then he settled himself in the saddle, whistled and looked around at the detail, blue-coated men of the Federal cavalry, sitting stolidly behind him.

He waited a few moments, and then dismounted, whistling still, his blue eyes smiling and dancing as though thirty miles over rough country, and coming on the heels of a harassing march, were but a mere bagatelle. Again he knocked, loudly, insistently. The corporal moved heavily in his hot saddle, and moistened his lips with his tongue.

In answer to the knocking the still brooding house suddenly became alive with stealthy footsteps and secretive sounds, cautious movements and discreet murmurings. The lieutenant settled his hat more jauntily and looked at his dusty boots and ragged uniform with a mournful air. Presently light footsteps came down the unseen stairs, and paused on the other side of the heavy door.

"Who is there?" The voice was so clear and sweet that the lieutenant forgot his boots and smiled again, and even the corporal paused in the act of flicking a fly from the neck of his horse.

A detail of the United States cavalry. We want rest and shelter." The lieutenant might have had hopes of something infinitely more pleasant than these common necessaries, for his voice was mellowed with a grateful deference.

"I am quite alone with my aunt," said the voice. "Shall we be safe in opening to you?"

"Madame," answered the lieutenant, swelling in his blue tunic, "we are soldiers but we are men."

The door was unbarred and thrown open. The lieutenant swept his cap from his head and bowed. He bowed with exaggerated homage, for the voice was possessed by a young girl every whit as sweet as its evidence.

"I will not say you are welcome," she said, "for you do not wear the uniform which opens our hearts." She spoke sadly, for the war had been terrible in its results for her and her friends. Everywhere the blue uniform was swarming over the Southern homesteads, into the Southern homes.

He shrugged his shoulders.

"One must wear one uniform or another," he answered. "I was born in the North. The matter is a mere accident. It may have been unfortunate for me."

"I think not," she replied, looking gravely at him, thinking of the sacrifices made and making.

"I am by no means sure," he smiled, thinking of other matters.

In another minute he went off, his cap thrust back, whistling a happy waltz refrain, to see to the housing of horses and men—horses coming first in his estimation, as befitted a cavalryman. Davis, the corporal, and the six other men of the detail swore harshly as they loosened girths in the disused stables, but the lieutenant went on whistling.

In the evening he sat with the girl and her aunt in the broad, cool dining room, smoking. He could have dispensed with the aunt, but, after all, she was silent, and knitted. Marjorie—he had discovered that her name was Marjorie, with a pleased sense of its appropriateness—was not silent and she did not knit. She sat by the low open window and talked.

He was very candid about his movements, boyish and flippant. The war had left him entirely without personal animosity against anyone.

"Why did you become a soldier?" Marjorie questioned, wonderingly, for her hatred of the Northerners was as the hatred of her kindred—very deep and very bitter.

"Oh, I don't know. Any fellow would in my position. I was a lawyer. I hated law. The war promised excitement and adventure. There you are."

"And you like it?" She looked at him narrowly. That this hateful war should be agreeable was a phase she had not yet studied.

"Yes. Why not? It gives movement. I love movement. It gives adventure. I adore adventure. It gives excitement. I worship excitement. No one can enjoy the perfection of living without the zest of an apparent chance of the other thing."

"Life and death, right and wrong, are mere matters of amusement to you?"

"Should they be anything else? I am quite willing to grant that I am fighting for a wrong cause. I have never studied the subject. I fight because I like it, and because I don't like the law."

The aunt, serious over her knitting, reproached him.

"You are bringing death and desolation on us."

He was apologetic at once.

"I'm awfully sorry. I never thought of it in that light. It has been a mere game with me—like marbles or—or billiards."

Marjorie looked at him again, but he was conscious that her attention was divided. It had been divided all the evening. There was anxiety in her eyes, even fear. He smiled to himself as he saw this, and blew fanciful clouds of smoke.

"I cannot be that. It has been the cause of my meeting with you—and with your aunt," he added, as an afterthought.

Both aunt and niece smiled, but their smiles were forced.

"You have a secret," he went on, suddenly looking out of the window. "Forgive me for speaking. I look so much of a fool that I am afraid you have not given me credit for discovering it. Some one is hiding here."

Aunt and niece started to their feet, with alarmed faces and protesting lips. He waved them courteously to their chairs.

"I have no wish to discover who he is. He may be your brother, Mistress Marjorie; he may be—again, forgive me—something nearer. I do not ask. I have no desire to know."

They sank back in their seats, staring at him with strained eyes.

"You will not——" the girl began, falteringly.

"Search for him? No, most assuredly not. I am quite happy here, smoking and—and seeing you. Another might disturb us. It is no duty of mine to be a spy. While I trespass on your hospitality I am quite deaf. I do not say that if I met him in the open, face to face, I should not attempt to kill him. I should. He would do the same to me. But now—this is a pleasant interlude."

She, the girl, looked at him with eloquent eyes.

"Sir," she said, "you are very good."

He smiled. "It will be well if I can hope that you will permit to us of the North some of the chivalry you claim for the South. I am a soldier; I am not a spy."

The aunt came forward. He saw with apprehension that her face was white with emotion, that she walked unsteadily, and that her eyes were misty.

"God bless you——" she began.

"My dear madam," he said lightly, "I am your guest. I am afraid my intrusion was a little brusque, and not altogether acceptable, but necessity gave me no choice. It is," he went on, with an easy change, "a very pleasant evening. For a week or so I think I might be very happy here, but it must be dull to pass the whole of one's life with only trees and fields and animals—a few human and many otherwise."

"That," said Marjorie, speaking for the sake of speaking, and with little thought, "is not complimentary."

His eyes darkened a little as he looked at her.

"Imagination might suggest a greater happiness, but knowledge, the knowledge of a few hours, demonstrates the futility of such a possibility."

She crimsoned quickly, shyly looking at him.

"You are gallant, sir," she smiled.

"Am I? It is rarely that the truth is gallant."

The aunt, rendered obtuse with the stress of her emotion, she broke in.

"Perhaps," said she, "some one waits and watches for you in the far North. If so, I pray that she may repay you for you kindness to us—to my niece and to me."

He smiled again, the setting sun caressing his hair into an answering gleam.

"Madam, I have met many in my life—a longer life, I think, than you imagine—but a week has wearied me of them all. I have never hoped for more than a week's brief pleasure, never even guessed its possibility, until today."

"That is sad," said the aunt.

"It has one great advantage. They may put me under the ground tomorrow, and there will be no heart left to ache."

"You talk lightly of death!" Marjodie shivered as she spoke.

"It's a soldier's chance, and when one plays a game of chance one should reckon the risks."

"And you have reckoned?"

"This little expedition, which has given me the great pleasure of your acquaintance and of your aunt's, should demonstrate that. I am far in an enemy's country. The general who accepted my offer did not underrate the peril. He parted with me with a longer handshake than usual. It was quite eloquent. We are twenty miles in advance of the column."

He started then, for a slight noise arrested his attention. The two women did not hear it, and he was silent.

When the night was dark a man stole from the back of the house. He wore a uniform, and if the night had not been so dark the uniform would have been seen to have been gray. But, after all, if the night had not been dark there was no one to see it.

In the morning, early, before the dews were dry, the lieutenant bade the two women a gay farewell; and rode down the road with his men. The road lay open to the dawn before the house, and there was no screening hedge.

He laughed as he rode and waved his cap gayly. The corporal looked on in grave disapproval. Such frivolities were not in keeping with the grimness of war. The carbines were slung and the swords rested in their scabbards.

Suddenly the windows of the house were alive with rifles. Six men looked over the muzzles at the detail. Looking back at the two women, the lieutenant caught sight of the tense faces glaring over the gleaming barrels.

"Forward, lads, for your lives," he shouted.

The sudden start of the horses, the abrupt ringing of his voice, discomfited their aim. The bullets flew wide. All but one. The man who had stolen from the house in the dark had covered the lieutenant, and he smiled as the figure in blue swayed in his saddle.

"Get on, Davis!" the lieutenant cried. "I'm done for! Get on; the general must have the report."

The corporal hesitated as his lieutenant dropped, but the report was of consequence, and it was no use dying beside his officer. So he rode on with the detail.

When the woman knelt by his side, and Marjorie raised his head, the lieutenant opened his eyes.

"Don't tell him that I knew he was there," he said. "It might be unpleasant for him." He struggled with the faintness that came upon him. "It was a pleasant interlude," he added weakly, "but it is over now."

If they had told the man in the gray uniform it would not have been news.

The Statue Apollo.

The celebrated statue Appollo stands in the Belvedere of the Vatican at Rome, and thence derives the names by which it is generally identified. It is in marble, but brief consideration of it shows that the original modeling was for bronze, the thin hanging garment from the left arm being suitable for metal, so easily capable of being worked into thin sheets, and not in the least for marble, which lends itself better to other uses. The hair, which is in separable locks, is another proof to the same end, though unneeded. The outstretched arm is usually supposed to hold a bow in the hand, while the open palm of the right hand indicates that an arrow has just been discharged, the eye seeming to follow it in its flight. But the attitude is clearly not that of a bowman who has thrown his whole strength and skill into his shot at the mark, but is rather that of one accustomed to admiration at an archery contest. The god is self-conscious. Instead, too, of showing the distinctly modeled muscles, which belong to the divinity which impersonates manly vigor and agility, his body and limbs have their strength refined away, until nothing but grace is left, not even truth.

The sister statue, known indifferently as the Diana of the Louvre or the Artemis of Versailles, is of the same period, and may be from the same hand. It also, was originally intended for bronze rather than marble. The attitude is the familiar one of reaching back to the quiver on the right shoulder for an arrow, the left hand resting on the head of a small deer. This last, being altogether disproportionate to the figure of the goddess, as well as merely conventional in its treatment, betrays a weakness, to be seen further in the turning back, unnecessarily of the drapery at the left knee.—San Francisco Examiner.

A Camp Cooking-Fire.

Let us suppose that the party is provided with the necessary utensils for camp cooking—a camp-kettle, coffee-pot, frying-pan, sauce-pan, and some kind of baking pan. These should prove sufficient, unless the party intends having quite elaborate menus. If it is intended to remain at the camp only while cooking one or two meals, make your fire in this manner: Cut two green poles about five or six inches thick and about two feet long. In these, cut notches about a foot apart. Level the ground where you intend to build your fire, and lay these poles down with the notches up, and about three feet apart. Now cut two or three poles about four feet long and lay them in these notches. Gather a good supply of dry wood, grass, bark, or chips, and make your fire on the ground between the poles. The air will circulate under and through the fire, and the poles will prove just right to set your cooking utensils on. Do not pile on wood by the armful. Add a little at a time, and you will find you can cook rapidly and well, and not burn your face and hands while attending to your cooking.

If it is intended to remain several meals at the camp it will pay you to put up a crane. This is built in this manner: Cut two green posts two or more inches thick and three feet long, having forks at one end. Drive these into the ground at each end of your fire. Cut another green pole the same diameter, and long enough to reach between the forks. Flatten the ends so that they will set snug in the forks.

The poles should be driven into the ground so that when the bail of the kettle is slipped on the crane the bottom of he kettle will just clear the fire.—Harpers' Round Table.

Towed Twenty Miles by His Fish.

Clifton R. Scudder, who went to Catalina Island a few weeks ago in company with Samuel Cupples, had a thrilling experience with a big tuna the other day. He started fishing at three o'clock in the morning. At seven o'clock the fish struck his hook, and for seven hours afterwards there was an almost even struggle for the mastery. The strike occurred near the little town of Avalon, California, and at two o'clock, when the fish was finally brought to gaff, the boat had been towed fully twenty miles. The big fellow weighed one hundred and thirty pounds. It was found to be hooked in the back, which explained the vigorous and protracted fight it made. The time required to land this tuna exceeded by two hours and one-half any former record.—St. Louis Globe-

A DAY OF THANKSGIVING.

President McKinley Issues a Proclamation to the American People.

PRAISE TO GOD FOR VICTORIES.

He Suggests That When the People Next Assemble For Worship They Pray For the Further Success of Our Arms—He Also Recommends That They Earnestly Pray For the Return of Peace.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—President McKinley issued the following proclamation to the American people:

"To the People of the United States of America:

"At this time, when to the yet fresh remembrance of the unprecedented success which attended the operations of the United States fleet in the Bay of Manila on the 1st day of May last, are added the tidings of the no less glorious achievements of the naval and military arms of our beloved country at Santiago de Cuba, it is fitting that we should pause, and, staying the feeling of exultation that too naturally attends great deeds wrought by our countrymen in our country's cause, should reverently

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY.

bow before the throne of Divine Grace and give devout praise to God, who holdeth the nations in the hollow of His hands and worketh upon them the marvels of His high will and who has thus far vouchsafed to us the light of His face and led our brave soldiers and seamen to victory.

"I therefore ask the people of the United States upon next assembling for Divine worship in their respective places of meeting, to offer thanksgiving to Almighty God who, in His inscrutable ways, now leading our hosts upon the waters to unscathed triumph, now guiding them in a strange land through the dread shadows of death to success, even though at a fearful cost, now bearing them without accident or loss to far distant climes, has watched over our cause and brought nearer the success of the right and the attainment of just and honorable peace.

"With the Nation's thanks let there be mingled the Nation's prayers that our gallant sons may be shielded from harm alike on the battlefield and in the clash of fleets, and be spared the scourge of suffering and disease while they are striving to uphold their country's honor; and withal let the Nation's heart be stilled with holy awe at the thought of the noble men who have perished as heroes die, and be filled with compassionate sympathy for all those who suffer bereavement or endure sickness, wounds, and bonds by reason of the awful struggle.

"And, above all, let us pray with earnest fervor that He, the Dispenser of all good, may speedily remove from us the untold afflictions of war and bring to our dear land the blessings of restored peace and to all the domain now ravaged by the cruel strife the priceless boon of security and tranquility. WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

"Executive Mansion, Washington, July 6, 1898."

REINA MERCEDES SUNK.

Joined Cervera's Squadron at the Bottom of the Sea.

HEADQUARTERS OF GENERAL SHAFTER, Santiago (By Cable).—The destruction of the Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes accounts for the last ship of Admiral Cervera's once splendid squadron.

Her sinking was most dramatic. Just after midnight she was seen drifting slowly out of the narrow entrance by one of the American scouts. In a moment the fleet was ablaze with signals, and, almost instantly, an awful hail of shells was hammering down upon her.

The shore batteries opened, and one six-inch shell fell on the Indiana's forward deck, exploding below.

The explosion occurred in the men's sleeping rooms, but all were at quarters and none was hurt.

The Alfonso XII. Destroyed.

HAVANA (By Cable).—The Spanish cruiser Alfonso XII. was knocked to pieces a few miles east of Havana by the American blockading squadron. The cruiser sailed out of Havana harbor and had steamed eight miles eastward before she was discovered. The blockaders fired 500 shots at her, and soon set her on fire. Detachments of Spanish infantry and artillery hastened to the shore and saved her crew and part of her cargo. Two of the crew were wounded. The cruiser is a total loss.

Criticises Our Cuban Allies.

General Young has reported to Washington that our Cuban allies have refused to work in the hospitals or in the intrenchments on the ground that they are soldiers, not laborers. Their rations have been stopped pending orders from Washington, as the United States officers at the front were greatly exasperated with them, especially as General Garcia failed to prevent Pando from reinforcing Santiago.

Camara's Fleet to Return to Spain.

Admiral Camara's fleet is said to have been ordered back to Spain. It arrived at Suez minus the Pelayo, which was forced to stop for repairs at Ismailia, half way through the Suez Canal. Camara was notified by the Egyptian Government that his squadron must leave Suez within twenty-four hours, and that he would not be allowed to coal there.

St. Paul Sails With Reinforcements.

The auxiliary cruiser St. Paul sailed for Santiago from New York City with a big cargo and many passengers on board. Among the passengers were Generals Ames and Henry and their staffs, and the officers and men of the Eighth Ohio Regiment 1200 strong.

We Bury 250 Spaniards at Caney.

At Caney, Cuba, our forces found 250 dead Spaniards and buried them in the trenches dug by the Spaniards as graves for us. Our ambulances also carried the Spanish wounded inside the Spanish lines during the truce.

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

Closed a Very Successful Year's Work—Changes in the Faculty.

The University of Alabama closed a successful year on the 22d of June. In all departments there were 281 matriculates, after counting off duplicates.

Three new, strong young men will occupy seats in the faculty next session. Dr. Herbert Armistead Sayre, elected to the chair of Physics and Astronomy, was born and reared in Montgomery. Some ten years ago he was graduated from the University with a brilliant record, especially in Mathematics. Three years at the Johns Hopkins gave him the degree of Ph. D. Physics and Astronomy were the leading subjects at the Hopkins. Since 1894, Dr. Sayre has been Professor of Physics and Astronomy in Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa. On his record and merits, without any influence from relatives or friends, Dr. Sayre was elected Professor of Physics and Astronomy by the trustees.

Dr. George G. Bonnell, of Syracuse, N. Y., was similarly chosen as Instructor in Roman Languages. (French, Spanish and Italian). Spanish is likely to be the popular part of Dr. Bonnell's department. Dr. B. took his A. B. and A. M. at Syracuse University, devoting most of his attention in the latter course to Roman languages. He next spent a year in Spain and one in Italy in diligent study. Returning to this country he entered Johns Hopkins, and after three years' work in the same line took the degree of Ph. D. Speaking fluently Spanish, French and Italian, Dr. Bonnell can but be an acquisition to the university faculty. For many reasons Spanish is likely to be very popular, both as an elective and as a "special" subject.

Prof. A. A. Persons, elected professor of chemistry, is another Alabamian, a B. S. and M. S. of the Polytechnic at Auburn. Like Dr. Sayre, he was reared in Montgomery. For six years Prof. Persons has filled with ability the chair of chemistry in the Agricultural College at Lake City, Fla.

An Excellent Year's Work.

The University of Alabama did an excellent year's work in 1897-98. The enrollment (academic) was between 40 and 50 per cent above that of the preceding session. So was the average daily attendance. So also was the attendance at the close of the session. The finances make as good a showing. Notwithstanding sweeping reductions in the charges against cadets, amounting to $42.50 for barracks boys (from $172.50 to $130), they were cared for as well as at any previous time. This reduction left several thousand dollars in the hands of patrons of last year. At no institution in the south can there be found such facilities for instruction, and such a faculty at so small a cost. $130.50 for the session for board, lodging, fuel, lights, surgeon and laundry. Its halls will be filled as soon as these things are known.

STATE NORMAL COLLEGE.

Valuable Information as Presented in Announcements of this Institute.

The college has two plans of instruction: "Attendance," that best suited to young people lacking both scholarship and professional training and experience; "Extension," or in absentia, largely, adapted to those who have age, experience and more or less scholarship. Tuition is $5.00 per term and incidentals saire—ten weeks a term. Alabama students taking the obligation to teach pay no tuition, but incidentals merely. A nomination may be made by each senator and representative of the Alabama legislature, outside of the county in which the college is situated and outside of each county having a state educational institution for whites, to a scholarship granting special advantages, and said nomination approved by the county superintendent of education of the proper county, may be appointed by the state superintendent of education for two years, if he approves, preference being given to such candidates as appear to have the greatest worth and qualification for teachers, as indicated by the county superintendent's testimonial.

Board can be had at $8 to $10 per month, or students can rent furnished or unfurnished rooms and board themselves much less per month.

Good literary society and young people's Christian association advantages are offered. The president has many scores of calls for trained teachers annually and graduates of the college easily find situations. Young men capable to act as superintendents and principals of schools, and young ladies who can teach art or music and scholastics, too, are in great demand, by school officers asking for teachers. Scores of our students are thus located annually. Address E. R. Eldridge, President, Troy, Ala.

Reported Threat From Sampson.

It is rumored at Madrid that the Spanish government has received a dispatch from Captain-General Blanco announcing that Rear Admiral Sampson has sent a telegraphic dispatch summoning the Spanish commander to order the evacuation of Cuba within forty-eight hours and announcing that otherwise the Americans will bombard all the forts in Cuba.

County Court Clerk J. W. Dean committed suicide at Springfield, Tenn., by blowing out his brains.

The Terror Tackled.

CAPE HAYTIEN.—The statement is made here that a dispatch from St. Thomas by a carrier pigeon asserts that the United States auxiliary cruiser St. Louis had an engagement with the Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Terror and killed the engineer and five men.

LIEUT. HOBSON FEES

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LIEUT. RICHMOND P. HOBSON.

semblance of order, started the entrenchments, knocked the guys and other camp paraphernalia their eagerness to see the returning heros and send up cheer after cheer for the men who had passed safely through the jaws of death to serve their country.

Hobson, who reached Juragua in advance of his companions, was taken on board the New York immediately. As Hobson clambered up the side and stepped on board his voice could be heard above the rang with the shouts and cheers of his comrades. He had little to say in regard to his experiences, except that he and his companions had been kindly treated by the Spaniards and that they were all in excellent health.

The Spanish authorities consented to exchange Hobson and his men and a truce was established for that purpose. The place selected for the exchange was under a tree between the American and Spanish outposts, about one-thirds of a mile between the encampments occupied by Colonel Wood's Rough Riders, near Siboney, as the headquarters, and in the center of the American line. The American officers met the Rough Riders Colonel at the hospital, on the outskirts of Siboney, where they had been taken in charge of Major Iglesias, a Spanish officer, who speaks English perfectly.

The prisoners were escorted to the meeting place on foot, four abreast and blindfolded. Colonel John Jacob Astor and Lieutenant Miley were joined by Interpreter Mestre, who had charge of the Spanish party. These consisted of Lieutenant Marcho Novo and Ancelo, a sergeant belonging to the Twenty-ninth Regiment, who were captured at El Caney on Friday last, and Lieutenant Arias and fourteen mounted officers and private.

The Spanish prisoners were escorted through the American lines and blindfolded.

The meeting between the Spanish officers and Major Iglesias was very courteous, but very formal. No attempt was made by either party to discuss anything but the exchange. Major Iglesias was given his choice of the Spanish officers for exchange for Hobson, and informed that he could have fourteen men instead of the fifteen American sailors. The Spaniards selected Lieutenant Arias and the other Spanish officers were sent back to Juragua.

It was then not later than 9 o'clock, and just as everything was arranged and the two parties were about to start Major Iglesias turned and said, seriously enough, but in such a way as to indicate considerable doubt in the minds of his hearers, the impression that he entertained hostilities to be resumed at once. "Our understanding is, gentlemen, that this truce comes to an end at 12 o'clock." Colonel Astor looked at his watch, bowed to the Spaniards without making a reply, and walked back slowly to the American lines with Hobson and his men following.

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One Lieutenant and Fourteen Noncommissioned Officers and Privates Given Over to the American Colonel Aster Concluded Negotiations.

ON BOARD THE Assistant Naval Constructor Richard P. Hobson, on the flagship New York, and the other officers who, with him, sailed the collier Merrimac into the channel of the harbor of Santiago de Cuba on June 3, and were captured by the Spanish military authorities there, were released from captivity by the Spanish authorities Wednesday in exchange for Spanish officers captured by the Americans.

Hobson and his men were escorted off the Spanish lines by Colonel Derby, chief of staff of the New York, and Lieutenant Miley, aide-de-camp. Every step of the journey was marked by the wildest enthusiasm on the part of the American soldiers, who threw aside all

LIEUT. RICHMOND P. HOBSON.

semblance of order, scrambled out of the entrenchments, knocked over the guy ropes of camp paraphernalia in their excitement to see the returning heroes and cheer after cheer for the men who had passed safely through the jaws of death to serve their country.

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The Spanish authorities consented to accept Hobson and his men, and a truce was established for that purpose. The place elected for the exchange was under a tree between the American and Spanish lines, two miles outside the entrenchments occupied by Colonel Wood's regiment, near General Wheeler's headquarters, and in the center of the American position. The American prisoners had been confined in Morro Castle, a Spanish stronghold on the heights overlooking the harbor entrance. They were conducted to the place of exchange on foot, but were met by Colonel John Jacob Astor and Lieutenant Miley, accompanied by Interpreter Maestro, were handed over to the Spanish prisoners. The Spanish prisoners consisted of Lieutenants Antonio Sanchez and Narciso, a German, both of the Twenty-ninth Infantry, stationed at El Caney, and Lieutenant Alonzo Mas, and fourteen non-commissioned officers and privates.

The Spanish prisoners were taken on board the American lines mounted on mules.

It was then not later than 4 o'clock, and just as everything was finished and the two parties were separating Major Miles turned and said, courteously enough, but in a tone which indicated considerable defiance, and gave his hearers the impression that he expected hostilities to be renewed at once: "Our understanding is, gentlemen, that this truce comes to an end at 6 o'clock." Colonel Aster looked at his watch, bowed to the Spanish officers without making a reply, and started back slowly to the American lines with Hobson and his companions following.

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INTERNAL TROUBLES FEARED.

Spain's Republican Organizations Issue Circulars Bearing the Motto, "Prepare."

A special dispatch from Madrid says: "All Spain knows of her defeat, and the people are beginning to realize the magnitude of the disaster. The conservative press exhorts all good citizens to maintain peace.

"An important circular has been sent to all the republican organizations, signed by the leaders and bearing the motto, 'Prepare.' In the meanwhile extraordinary military precautions have been taken to quell any internal troubles.

"General Correa, the minister of war, and his secretaries are working day and night. A second call has been issued for the Canary Island reserves, and additional forces of home infantry and cavalry are being raised.

"The peninsula armies will total up 220,000 men by July 15. The railroads are preparing war trains on all lines, and carriages are in readiness at all the garrison stages. High authority, however, expresses the opinion that the rank and file of the soldiery are inclined to condemn the war, and feel they are being driven to bloodshed for unjust causes by scheming politicians, and he therefore doubts the army's attitude in the event of civil troubles.

"It is believed the government is anxious to find a pretext to arrest General Weyler, fearing the part he might play in the event of trouble breaking out."

TORAL OFFERED TO SURRENDER

Conditions Attached to the Offer Caused Prompt Refusal.

A special from Juragua Saturday says: "Under a flag of truce the surrender of Santiago was formally offered by the Spanish commander, General Toral, today, but the conditions attached caused a prompt refusal of the offer by General Shafter. The negotiations, however, resulted in the extension of the armistice until noon Sunday, and white flags of truce still float over the opposing armies. General Toral's proposal contemplated the immediate surrender of the city, but he insisted that his army be permitted to march away under arms and with flying colors and declared that he would fight to the last ditch unless the conditions were accepted.

General Shafter replied that nothing but unconditional surrender would be considered by him, but he consented to cable the Spanish offer to Washington, in the meantime extending the armistice.

COLON MAY BE SAVED.

The Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo Are Worthless Wrecks.

OFF SANTIAGO.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Harvard has sailed for Portsmouth, N. H., with the remainder of the prisoners, the total number being 1,750. The board of officers is inspecting the Cristobal Colon, and it is hoped she may be saved. Naval Constructor Hobson is on board the Spanish cruiser and is about to value the Infanta Maria Teresa. The Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo are worthless wrecks.

Admiral Cervera, before leaving the harbor of Santiago de Cuba on Sunday morning, signaled the following message to his fleet: "The admiral to his dear children: He hopes that God will give us a prompt victory."

SHAFTER MAY BE RELIEVED.

General Miles Will Go to Santiago and Assume Command of the Army.

WASHINGTON.—The administration has finally given its consent for General Miles to go south and assume command. A council of war held Thursday resulted in the determination to organize this expedition at once and waste no time in taking possession of Porto Rico. General Miles will proceed first to Santiago, and if Shafter still remains ill he will finish up there. The administration has finally become convinced that General Shafter is incompetent for a command of the size now under him and incapable, due largely to his weight, to successfully take charge of such an attack as is necessary to reduce Santiago.

The Iowa Can't Go.

On account of injuries sustained in the recent naval battle the Iowa will probably not be a part of Commodore Watson's squadron.

Rich Prize Money.

For every man on the Spanish warships at the time of the attack, our sailors receive $100 bounty, in accordance with Section 4635, of the Revised Statutes of the United States. If there were 1,700 men on Cervera's ships, which presented a force inferior to the Americans, the bounty will be somewhat more than $170,000, which is divided in the same manner as prize money.

Italian Cruisers Ordered to Manila.

The Popolo Romano says the Italian government has ordered the third-class cruisers Piemonte and Degali to proceed to the Philippine Islands.

Troops to Be Sent to Honolulu at Once.

As a result of the cabinet meeting Friday it was decided to dispatch a regiment of troops to Honolulu immediately, and the commandant at the Presidio, California, has been communicated with to learn what forces are available.

French Warship at Santiago.

The big French warship d'Estaign has arrived at Havana with the French admiral on board. The French authorities will also send a warship to Santiago.

A Startled Mother.

From the Freeport (Ill.) Bulletin.

While busy at work in her home, Mrs. William Shay, corner of Taylor and Hancock Avenues, Freeport, Ill., was startled by hearing a noise just behind her.

Mrs. Shay Was Startled.

Turning quickly she saw creeping toward her her four-year-old daughter, Beatrice. The child moved over the floor with an effort, but it seemed filled with joy at finding her mother. The rest of the happening is best told in the mother's own words. She said:

"On the 28th of Sept., 1896, while in the bloom of health, Beatrice was suddenly and severely afflicted with spinal meningitis. Strong and vigorous before, in five weeks she became feeble and suffered from a paralytic stroke which twisted her head back to the side and made it impossible for her to move a limb. Her speech, however, was not affected. We called in our family doctor, one of the most experienced and successful practitioners in the city. He considered the case a very grave one. Before long little Beatrice was compelled to wear a plaster paris jacket. Prominent physicians were consulted, electric batteries were applied, but no benefit was noticed until we tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

"Busy in my kitchen one afternoon I was startled by cheers of 'Mamma' from little Beatrice who was creeping towards me. I had placed her on an improvised bed in the parlor comfortably close to the fireside and given her some books and playthings. She became tired of waiting for me to come back and made up her mind to go to me, so her story, 'My Pink Pills made me walk,' which she tells everyone who comes to our house, was then for the first time verified. She has walked ever since. She has now taken about nine boxes of the pills and her pale and pinched face has been growing rosy, and her limbs gained strength day by day. She sleeps all night long now, while before taking the pills she could rest but a few hours at a time." Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold by all druggists.

UNCLE SAM'S DOMAIN.

With All His Extravagance He Still Owns Over 600,000,000 Acres.

The idea that Uncle Sam is at present a landless old fellow has generally taken possession of the people throughout the country. This, however, is a great mistake. He still has land enough to give each one of his 73,000,000 children a nice little homestead of eight acres each and still have a ranch of over 16,000,000 acres left. In other words: your dear old uncle still owns something over 600,000,000 acres, distributed as follows throughout the various States and Territories:

Alabama, 522,339 acres; Arizona, 54,400,211 acres; Arkansas, 3,922,042 acres; California, 45,841,044 acres; Colorado, 4,037,204 acres; Florida, 1,797,662 acres; Idaho, 45,962,855 acres; Kansas, 1,046,589 acres; Louisiana, 845,020 acres; Michigan, 522,431 acres; Minnesota, 6,240,049 acres; Mississippi, 41,441,220 acres; Missouri, 497,764 acres; Montana, 71,432,917 acres; Nebraska, 10,669,253 acres; Nevada, 61,578,586 acres; New Mexico, 56,983,047 acres; North Dakota, 21,385,293 acres; Oklahoma, 8,105,238 acres; Oregon, 35,802,318 acres; South Dakota, 13,250,718 acres; Utah, 44,207,270 acres; Washington, 17,958,336 acres; Wisconsin, 454,107 acres; Wyoming, 49,341,588 acres, and Alaska, 369,529,600 acres.

About one-half this vast amount of land lies, it will be seen, in Alaska, and it is very certain that this will never be available for homestead purposes, but for mining purposes its value in gold coin may prove to be even greater than though it were arable. The larger part of the balance lies in fertile and productive States, and is all subject to homestead laws.

Those who want homes should avail themselves of the more than liberal homestead laws of the United States. This is the place for the surplus labor.—St. Louis Star.

Tommy, aged 5, was teasing his mother for something to eat, but was told that he must wait until dinner was served. He was silent a few minutes and then said: "I just honestly believe, mamma, tha. you are my stepmother."

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George Ebers, the Munich Egyptologist and novelist, is seriously ill at his villa in Tutzing, on Lake Starnberg, near Munich. He is 62 years old.

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"Yours Truly."

The habits of people in signing letters are receiving some attention, and interesting conclusions are drawn from a study of the different ways writers subscribe themselves. The curt "Yours" and "Yours truly" are found not only in business letters, but in personal notes as well, for there are plenty of correspondents who don't believe in gush, and who think that "Yours truly" or "sincerely" means about all they wish to convey. Opposed to these sensible and essentially practical persons is that class of writers made up usually of young and enthusiastic individuals, as a rule of the gentle sex, who throw words about as carelessly on paper as they do in conversation. The use of the word love by such people is a distressing sign of emotional weakness, or carelessness, or of insincerity, and possibly arises from the same impulse that prompts women to kiss each other indiscriminately. One Boston girl, who is quoted by the Journal, has taken her own stand in the matter, and at the risk of being considered "cold" and "thoroughly Boston" she sticks to it. In her childhood she was taught to sign "affectionately yours" to her faraway, greataunts and second cousins, some of whom she had never seen, but all of whom she tried to like, because of the claims of kindred, and the word "affectionately" came to mean to her nothing at all except polite and necessary fiction. So she signs "affectionately" to people she is supposed to be conventionally fond of, and when she says anything more she means it. She thoroughly approves of "Cordially yours," and this, by the way, is seen more and more frequently now in notes between acquaintances who are on distinctly friendly or cordial terms. After all, "Your friend," when it can be used truthfully, is a simple and satisfactory way of ending friendly letters. Some people have the habit of not prefacing their names with any set form of words at the end of letters. They stop when they get through, and write their signatures without any frills.

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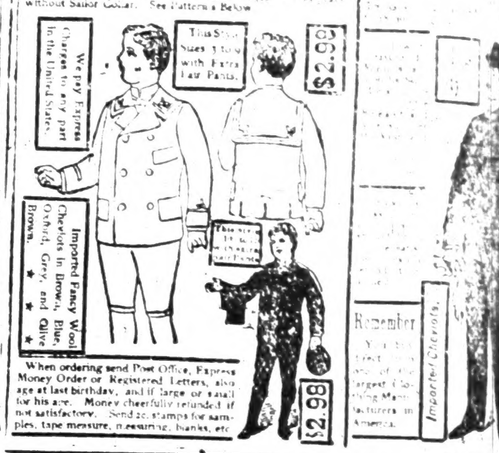

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J. T. COOLEY,
Sheriff of Chilton County, Alabama.

The State of Alabama (
Chilton County)

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Jemison, July 18, 1898

Editor BANNER. Please give space in the Banner to say to all my friends, and the people in general that since canvassing a good portion of the county, I am fully convinced of my mistake in offering for the Legislature and hereby withdraw from the race in the interest of the full Populist ticket, and shall give it my warmest support, advising all to do likewise considering the fact the hope of the people is to stand together against a common foe.

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Clanton, July 18, '98

Editor BANNER.' I wish to say a few words to the Populists concerning the coming election. I have talked with several Democrats, some of them talk fair while others say they are for the man to beat Adams. So you can see at once such Democrats as that purposes taking our own knives to cut our throats with if they can, so I hope the Populists will take the fold from over their eyes that they may see clear how some people are tying to do us to get us divided up so they can beat our ticket. I have heard some of the Democrats say they had nothing again Adams only they differ with him in politics. Yet they say they are going to vote for Honeycutt. Well how does this sound? Think of it please and see how that fits. This is one election that will tell what a man's politics is, and they will be remembered for years. I heard one Democrat say that if there were three drops of Populist blood in a man he would vote for Adams. I think if there is one he will vote the ticket from head to foot, for there is some of the greatest pulls made to defeat us I ever saw. I hope the Populists will consider this matter and rally to the polls and help to roll up a more handsome majority than we have been doing in the past. So come up, run up, fall up, roll up, tumble up, any way so you get up and vote the Populist ticket as you have been doing. Success to the Populist Party and the Banner.

Respectfully
M. A. KILGORE.

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West Chilton, July 18, 1898

Editor BANNER. Well, as some friend at Lily wanted to hear from Old Mike, will say I am well and on the go yet and as cool as a cucumber on politics.

There will be a barbecue at Bluff Springs, two miles west of Plantersville, on the 23, everybody is invited.

We need a dog law and a better road law in Chilton and we need the Dallas county road law bad enough. Our roads are in a bad fix in some portions of the county and the base ball clubs should be taxed and taxed heavy too.

Capt. M. A. Barnes, formerly of West Chilton, died the 11 of June at Palmetto, Florida, with fever.

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FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT AT THE FRONT.

Miami, Fla., July 12, 1898

Editor BANNER.—Miami, Fla., is a beautiful town in some respects and this beauty lies in the things we are unaccustomed to see. Biscayne bay, with its blueish-green waters and many boats; its shores covered with a a strange tropical foliage, which includes cocoanuts, palms, lemons, limes, oranges, bananas, mangroves, pineapples and other varieties without numbers, and all wild; the stately hotel and other buildings, and also the white walled city that shelters so many of our soldier boys. The city, although only two years old, has paved streets, waterworks, sewerage, and all the attributes of a large city. The streets are made of the underlying white coral rock, and at noon they are so dazzlingly brilliant it hurts the eyes to look at them. The water has been quite a source of complaint, as it is very heavily impregnated with lime. We manage to drink it somehow, but it isn't half as good as the cool sweet well water at home.

The Second Regiment is rapidly settling down to work, and the drills for the last week have been skirmish and outpost drills, teaching the regiment how to conduct itself in battle, either in attack or defense, and how the marching should be conducted. This drill is not the easiest thing in the world, as they send us out among the palmetto scrub and coral rock. Every time we halt we have to lie down, or get behind a tree or stump or some other cover and begin firing at the supposed enemy. This is the same manouvering we will have in actual battle, only we will have real cartridges and shoot to kill. When we have battallion drill we feel better; it is nothing but plain walking, so to speak, but three hours of it. We really enjoy it!

I had the opportunity of seeing the "Argonauta," a Spanish vessel that was captured while trying to run the blockade at Havana. She is a fine looking vessel and will be used as a transport. We saw some Spanish hardtack, a cake six inches in diameter and a half inch thick, and as hard as a board; some peas which were a little longer than our cowpea but a great deal harder, and some Spanish prisoners. These looked like ordinary white men, but scared to death.

Our regiment was inspected by Brig. Gen. Gordon last week, both in the field and in camp and was highly complimented by him. He said we were a very soldierly looking body of men and were quickly becoming proficient in the arts of war.

The Fourth of July was celebrated very generally by the soldiers here, and at night, after the news from antiago, the town was lighted up with fireworks, etc., until "taps" began to sound in the many camps around the city.

Last Sunday a great disturbance occurred here. By some misunderstanding a fight was started among some negroes and soldiers, and in a few minutes the camp was in an uproar. It was only by the utmost diligence that a riot was prevented. The companies were called together and held in line, while the most awful rumors were being circulated even to the effect that a half dozen soldiers were dead. At last, however, we found that no one was dead and done injured.

The flags presented to this regiment by the ladies of Mobile were formally presented last Monday with appropriate ceremonies one feature being the recent "thanksgiving" proclamation by the President.

I hear it is reported that Charlie Willis, of Clanton, is dead. I saw him yesterday on the skirmish line charging the (imaginary) enemy. He was the livest looking corpse I have seen in a long time.

If any of Chilton's fair daughters would like a soldier correspondent just address a letter, care of The Banner, to A PRIVATE.

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E. C. Blanks, of Lewisville, Texas, writes that one box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was worth $50.00 to him. It cured his piles of ten years standing. He advises others to try it. It also cures eczema, skin diseases and obstinat eseres. Stanfield & Mathews.

A CALL BY CHAIRMAN CROWE

Headquarters State Executive Committee, Birmingham, Ala.

My dear Sir—From the reports I have received from all over the state, I feel sure that we will win this fight and by a large majority—the largest we have ever had. Our enemies are very much divided, and we are better organized than we have ever been before.

The Democratic leaders who are in charge of this campaign, especially Chas. M. Shelley, Frank L. Pettus, Ed M. Booker, Wilson R. Brown, and the great I am, Joseph F. Johnston, are all from the black belt, and they are placed in charge of this fight because of their recognized ability as boss ballot box manipulators! Now, in view of this fact and in view of the fact that I have a plan on foot to secure a fair election that I cannot make public at present, I want every Sheriff, Circuit Clerk, Probate Judge, and the chairman of each county executive committee, or chosen representatives, who are true and tried Populists, and our State Executive committee, to meet me here at noon on Monday, the 25th day of July, at the opera house.

This means much to each of you and to all, and I hope you will not fail to come, as this is the most important meeting since Alabama seceded from the Union, or since Houston was elected.

G. B. CROWE, Chairman.

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Our baby has been continually troubled with colic and cholera infantum since his birth, and all that we could do for him did not seem to give more than temporary relief, until we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Since giving that remedy he has not been troubled. We want to give you this testimonial as an evidence of our gratitude, not that you need it to advertise your meritorious remedy.—G. Law, Keokuk, Iowa. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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Longstreet Locals.

Miss Ada Boyd returned to her home at Coopers Sunday.

Mr. John Thacker is at home on the sick list this week.

Misses Annie and Rusha Marlar of Lowevil'e spent Sunday with friends here.

Mr. Jessie Motes visited Loweville Sunday.

Miss Katie Thompson visited Longstreet not long since.

Mr. E. M. Hyche, of Tuskaloosa, was a pleasant visitor to Longstreet last week. During his short stay he made quite a number of friends who regret his leaving very much but hope to have him with us again soon.

Mr. Will Thacker after spending a few weeks in Tuskaloosa has returned home to stay. A. B. C

Public Statement From A Public Man

Hon. W. H. Ohley, Ex-Secretary of State of West Virginia, writes an open letter.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Mar. 9, 1898.

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Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by T. E Gilchrist and wife on the 7th day of November, 1896, and duly recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county Alabama in Vol 30, pages 231-4, and which said mortgage has been duly transferred and assigned to T. V. Knight, the undersigned will proceed to sell at the courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JULY 25, 1898,

the following described real estate to wit:

South-west fourth of north-east fourth of section twenty four, township twenty-two, range fourteen, in Chilton county Alabama.

T. V. KNIGHT.
By Wm. A. Collier his attorney.
Clanton, Ala., July 21, 1898.

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says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture in an editorial about No-To-Bac, the famous tobacco-habit cure. We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac, one prominent St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by druggists everywhere. No cure, no pay. Book free. Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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It is lots better and much more dignified to hang a flag than an effigy.

With adequate military forces and a large navy this country is likely to hear less European hilarity when the Monroe doctrine is mentioned.

Posterity will know England's famous Premier simply as Mr. Gladstone— the Great Commoner—who, without courtly rank or military title, controlled the destinies of one of the greatest nations on earth for over two generations.

The young men who go heroically forward to a service where death faces them, where danger is sure, and where hardships are inevitable, rightfully command admiration. They help to fan the spark of patriotism in any community into a flame.

Of the 18,000,000 people in Spain, about 12,000,000 cannot read or write, 8,700,000 have "no visible means of support," and more than 91,000 are professional beggars. That is not a good showing, and it gives color to Lord Salisbury's trenchant remark about "dying nations."

The last consular report from the United States representative at Corunna, Spain, says that "the use of bicycles in Spain is not increasing; there is no demand for wheels, and bicycling is considered merely a pastime for the rich." That settles it: such a nation is hopeless, exclaims the the Chicago Times-Herald.

A queer exhibition has been opened in Berlin, that of the Vegetarian society, in which sixty children were shown who have never touched other nutriment than vegetarian. There was a speaker there to complete the demonstration that vegetarian diet is the only one suitable for children from the physical, intellectual and moral points of view.

The passage of the Sixth Massachusetts regiment through Baltimore in 1861 is historic. The hostility shown toward it was unbounded. When the Sixth Massachusetts regiment went through the same city recently, it was received with unmeasured hospitality. The city was gayly dressed, and the streets were lined with people anxious to make their welcome as warm as the hostility was thirty-seven years ago. The men were pelted with roses instead of paving stones, with sweet words of fraternity instead of rifle-shots. Not from the citizens of their own state did the volunteers receive so great an ovation. This typifies the new epoch, exclaims the New York Independent. The old war is forever closed, the North and South are one; Baltimore and Boston are not apart in feeling and sympathy. Our glorious country is thoroughly united. The new war is a demonstration of that great fact.

The preparations for war have disclosed something that should make every bicyclist reflect. It is reported from Washington that a large majority of the militia volunteers rejected because of physical unfitness are wheelmen who have used very low handle bars habitually. It is said that their double-up posture in the saddle has produced abnormal conditions of the heart and spine which disqualify them for the life of soldiers. While the reported discovery of the examining surgeons conflicts somewhat with the statements of physicians who have investigated the bodily soundness of professional racing wheelmen, it is by no means a surprise. How can a rider assume the humped, dromedary-like position of the scorcher without dangerously affecting his back and cramping the organs of his chest? Perhaps the explanation of the healthiness of racing wheelmen lies in the fact that, in most cases, they were exceptionally well qualified for the race track before they entered upon a professional career. The police authorities of Washington have endeavored lately to reform monkey-backed wheelmen by making it unlawful for them to ride with their handle bars more than four inches below the centre of the saddle. This ordinance is based on the fact that the scorching attitude is not only unbecoming, but also prevents the rider from seeing objects ahead of him

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PORTO RICO INVASION NEXT

The President Proposes to "Strike While the Iron is Hot."

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE AT WHITE HOUSE

Arrangements for the Porto Rico Expedition Being Planned—Gen. Miles Will Command the Forces Against San Juan—Watson's Expedition.

WASHINGTON.—(Special.)—An important conference was held at the white house Sunday night, the participants being besides President McKinley, Secretary Long, Admiral Sicard and Captain Mahan, of the war board. Adjutant General Corbin was present during a part of the deliberations.

The happy conclusion of the campaign against Santiago affords the president and his advisers intense satisfaction, but no disposition is manifested to let the war rest for a moment. Even before the details of the Santiago campaign have been cleared away, the expedition against Porto Rico absorbs the attention of the president. He fully realizes that war can be prosecuted to a speedy and successful issue only by pressing the advantages already gained; and as one of the officials put it: "The president proposes to strike while the iron is hot."

Arrangements for the Porto Rico expedition were under discussion by the president and the war board. It may be two or three days before the details of the new invasion is worked out, but it is probable that before the end of the present week the military forces will have effected a landing near San Juan.

No definite decision has been reached as yet as to the strength and personnel of the invading forces. For a time it was supposed that few if any of the troops now under General Shafter's command at Santiago would be sent to Porto Rico, but it is known now that at least a portion of Shafter's command will be in the new expedition. General Brooke, who is scheduled to go to Porto Rico, desired to take with him the troops which constitute his corps at Chickamauga, but it has been determined not to send that corps in its entirety. It is believed by the war officials that not so many men will be needed in addition to the number to be sent from Cuba and only a part of General Brooke's corps will form, therefore, that part of the Porto Rican expedition which is to be sent directly from the United States.

It is understood that General Miles, who is to have general command of the operations in Porto Rico, will not return to the United States, but will proceed directly to the point near San Juan with such of the forces now at Santiago as will form a part of the expedition.

General Miles Preparing to Leave.

PLAYA DEL ESTE.—At 9 o'clock Sunday morning, the hour of the formal surrender of the 10,000 Spanish troops at Santiago and the 10,000 others in the district of eastern Cuba, which the Spanish have agreed to evacute, the Spanish flag was lowered from Moro Castle.

Steam launches from the New York, Brooklyn and Vixen entered the harbor and examined the batteries, the wrecks of the Merrimac and the sunken Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes and the torpedo firing station. They discovered six Spanish merchant steamers and one small gunboat in the harbor, and a prize crew was placed upon the latter.

In the afternoon the torpedoes were taken up or exploded, after which the Red Cross steamer State of Texas entered to give assistance to the sick and wounded in the city. The warships may not enter the harbor for several days, probably not until after the arrangements have been made for transporting the Spanish prisoners to Spain. Nearly all of the American men-of-war are now in Guantanamo bay.

Watson's squadron is preparing to go to Spain and several vessels are preparing for the expedition to Porto Rico.

The auxiliary cruiser Yale, with General Miles, will probably leave for Porto Rico in the course of a day or two. General Miles says a sufficient force will be sent to the island at once to take and hold it.

Havana People Expect Peace.

A dispatch received at Madrid from Havana says a great change in public opinion has taken place in that city, and peace is expected in a few days. There is rejoicing over the prospects. Blanco, alone dissatisfied with the situation, is advocating further Spanish sacrifices. The condition of affairs, the dispatch says, renders ultimate Spanish success impossible.

Powers Want a Hand in Disposition.

It is reported that the powers intend to have a hand in settling the future of the Philippines, and that Germany will insist that the United States shall not retain the islands.

New Governor of Arizona.

The president has appointed N. O. Murphy to be governor of Arizona to succeed Myron W. McCord who resigned to accept colonelcy in an army regiment. Mr. Murphy has represented the territory in many official capacities.

Gen. J. F. Wade in Command.

Maj.-Gen. James F. Wade, commander of the Third corps, is in command of the army at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga, during the absence of Gen. Brooke, who is in Washington.

DESIRES OF THE PEOPLE

Will Influence the President as to Terms of Peace With Spain.

WASHINGTON.—The statement attributed to Premier Sagasta that Spain had been making extra official inquiries to learn what terms the United States might expect as a basis for peace, failed of confirmation to this extent.

Without assuming to speak for him in a matter of this importance it is gathered from high members of the administration that the president himself is disposed to be moderate in his demands, and while securing all that he feels that the United States is fairly entitled to exact from a nation in Spain's distressed condition, he is not disposed to embark in a world-conquering enterprise and insist upon the retention of remote territory that would be unserviceable to us. In other words, unless there is an overwhelming demand on the part of the American people for the adoption of such a course, it is not believed that the president as a finality would insist that Spain abandon all of her colonies. While the proposition is tenable, it is felt that as a minimum demand he will be content with the acquisition of Porto Rico, an admission of independence of Cuba, a coaling station in the Philippines with provision for some kind of protectorate over the island and a moderate indemnity.

GREAT SUFFERING IN HAVANA.

A Mob of 10,000 Clamored for Food Before Blanco's Residence.

PORT DE FRANCE, MARTINIQUE.—The steamship Bergin, with 480 refugees from Havana, has arrived here. The vessel was quarantined. The refugees tell terrible tales of mob violence in Havana. July 3 a mob of 10,000 people clamored in front of General Blanco's palace for food. The governor-general made a speech, assuring them that food was coming. This quieted the crowd for the time being, but violence broke out later, when the news of Admiral Cervera's defeat became known.

The refugees say the situation in the city is desperate. The city is on the verge of starvation. There is absolutely no bread in the city, and fresh meat has not been had for fifteen days. Life is not safe in the capital. The feeling of unrest is spreading. An uprising and general massacre may take place at any moment.

YELLOW FEVER AT SANTIAGO.

There Are Probably Four Hundred Cases Among Our Troops.

Although Santiago has surrendered, it is not thought here that the city can be occupied for months. The major part of our troops will be removed from the vicinity as soon as possible, owing to the large amount of sickness existing. It is no longer denied that yellow fever is prevalent and has claimed many victims. There are probably now 400 cases among our troops. Dr. Guiteras, the yellow fever authority, has returned to the United States, leaving Dr. W. Parker in charge. All the buildings at Siboney have been burned, and strenuous efforts are being made to stamp out the infection. Well defined and suspicious cases are being isolated.

$10,000,000 IN GOLD DUST

Is Said to Be on the Way From the Klondike.

A further contribution of $250,000 in gold and drafts to swell the Klondike treasure receipts has arrived at Victoria, B. C., on the City of Seattle, five hours behind the Cottage City. The fortune winners on board were Edward Bevin, a four years' resident of the Klondike; F. A. Raney, Captain Holmes, George Holmes, Devine and Habernal, of Seattle, and ten others. Raney, as spokesman of the party, says $10,000,000 in dust is outbound by the lower river boats, while the party of which he is a member brought a quarter of a ton of nuggets and dust with them.

Toral Surrendered on His Responsibility.

Premier Sagasta declares that neither government in Cuba has intervened in the negotiations for the surrender of Santiago de Cuba. He adds that the surrender came within the province of General Toral and under his responsibility, and the general simply announced that the garrison had capitulated.

Arms Delivered to General Shafter.

Adjutant-General Corbin made public the following dispatch from Shafter Sunday: "My ordnance officers report about 7,000 rifles turned in today and 600,000 cartridges. At the mouth of the harbor there are a number of fine modern guns about 6-inch, also two batteries of mountain guns, together with a saluting battery of fifteen old bronze guns. Disarming and turning in will go on tomorrow. List of prisoners not yet taken."

Major-General Brooke is in Washington, where he was called for consultation relative to the Porto Rico expedition.

Home for Cervera.

A movement has been started at Port Tampa to present Admiral Cervera a home on Tampa Bay in recognition of his humane and chivalric treatment of Hobson and crew and a desire to save him from insult and possible death should he return to Spain.

To Withdraw Troops.

The American troops now before Santiago will be withdrawn. Whether they will be sent back to the United States or proceed to Porto Rico has not been decided.

READY TO SUE FOR PEACE.

Spain Has Issued a Royal Decree Suspending Rights of Citizens

IN ORDER TO SUPPRESS ANY REBELLION.

Senor Sagasta Anxious for Peace, But Says "It Must Be an Honorable Peace, Such as Spain Deserves"—Loss of the Fleet Is Felt.

MADRID.—(Special.)—The Official Gazette Friday published a royal decree temporarily suspending throughout the Spanish peninsula the rights of individuals, as guaranteed by the constitution.

The decree adds that the government will render an account to parliament of the use it may make of the measure.

The publication of the decree is generally accepted as being convincing proof that Spain is now ready to sue for peace, and that negotiations to that effect are actually in progress.

The government wishes to have full power to suppress any evidences of discontent or rebellion whenever they appear. The Carlists are furious and are sure to attempt to create trouble.

One minister expressed the conviction that official overtures for peace will be made immediately, and that Spain has drawn up conditions for peace which offer a basis for negotiations.

Premier Sagasta is quoted as saying that Spain wants peace, but that "it must be an honorable peace, as Spain deserves." "The army," the premier is said to have added, "is anxious to resist to the last, but the government cannot consent to such a useless sacrifice. Had we our fleet the situation would be very different."

Spain Appeals to England.

LONDON.—Spain's latest desperate appeal is to England. Recognizing the useless of an attempt at intervention by any of the continental powers, she turns to London. She is reported to be sounding the foreign office with delicate diplomacy, in the hope that the friendship between England and the United States will help her out of the humiliation of begging for peace on bended knees before Uncle Sam.

There is, however, not one chance in a thousand of England helping Spain. The English government has shown absolutely no sympathy with Sagasta's policy, and public opinion is all against Spanish pretensions. The action of the German fleet in the Philippines is closely watched by England.

To at Once Sue for Peace.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph says: The government has definitely decided to open peace negotiations without delay, proposing as a basis the renunciation of all rights over Cuba and the immediate discussion of any other "reasonable proposition" the United States may make. It is asserted that M. Cambron, the French ambassador at Washington, and Sir Henry Drummond Wolff, British ambassador at Madrid, are acting, respectively, on behalf of and America in the conduct of inquiries which at present are quite informal.

Duke Almdovar de Rio, minister of foreign affairs, and Senor Gamazo, minister of public instructions and public works, have been appointed by the government to conduct the negotiations. Senor Gamazo said to a newspaper correspondent: "I cannot talk on the subject, as any indiscretion might spoil the work and create difficulties."

No suspension of arms will precede the negotiations because the scarcity of food in Cuba would cause the armistice to operate disadvantageously to the Spaniards, who might consume their remaining stores during its continuance. In any event the government is absolutely decided on peace.

Martial Law Declared at Skaguay.

Martial law has been declared in Skaguay as a result of the killing of "Soapy" Smith, a notorious gambler, and the subsequent arrest of several members of his gang. Bowers, one of the ring leaders, had stolen $2,700 from a newly returned Dawson City miner.

Subscribed Six Times Over.

The subscriptions to the new 3 per cent war loan of $200,000,000, which closed last week, including the offers made by syndicates, will amount to $1,200,000,000, or six times the amount of the issue. The subscriptions represented by checks or other forms of payment, it is estimated, will aggregate about $750,000,000, or three and three-fourths times the amount of the issue.

Three Children Burned to Death.

E. J. Allen's farm house, near Junction City, Kan., burned Saturday and three children under 6 years of age burned to death.

First Spanish Battle Flag.

The first Spanish battle flag captured in Cuba by the American army reached the war department Monday. It was consigned to General Corbin, who displayed it to view on the back of a chair in his office. The flag was captured at Juragua June 23.

Gen. Shafter, commanding the army at Santiago, is not a West Pointer, is 63 years old, is a veteran of the late war, was promoted on the field twice in the same battle for bravery, and is a Michigander.

MILES OFF FOR PORTO RICO.

The Advance Guard of the Expedition Leaves Siboney, Cuba—Troops Embarking From Home Ports.

WASHINGTON, Monday.—The Porto Rican expedition has started on its mission to capture the island. General Miles, leading the Porto Rican expedition, left Siboney, Cuba, today on the Yale with four batteries of artillery and a few seasoned troops.

Two brigades now at Charleston are embarking on transports to take them to Porto Rico. All the force at Tampa, 13,000 strong, embracing artillery, will be put aboard ships as rapidly as transports can be gotten there, and sent to reinforce our other troops.

General Brooke will take the First and Second divisions of his corps from Chickamauga to Porto Rico. General Brooke leaves here this afternoon for Chickamauga to get his troops started. It is expected that the whole expedition will be under way within the next four days.

It has been decided to retain General Shafter's command at Santiago for an indefinite period.

Evidences of preparation for the Porto Rico expedition are everywhere apparent in the war department. In order that there may be no delay in supplying subsistence stores Commissary-General Egan is having prepared advertisements inviting proposals from the large beef dressing concerns for supplying stated quantities of this article of diet at a certain place in the island, subject to the order of the general commanding.

Very recently General Eagan awarded contracts for supplying the army at Santiago with refrigerated beef, and it is expected that the advertisements for Porto Rico will follow on the same general lines. The contract will be a big one, as it is the policy of the department to supply the army as well as the navy with practically refrigerated beef.

TO COLLECT CUSTOMS REVENUES.

A Government Office Will Be Opened at Once to Collect Funds as a War Measure.

WASHINGTON.—The United States will take immediate steps to collect the customs revenues at Santiago as a war contribution. This action will be taken pending the final settlement of the status of the case after the war.

Secretary Gage and Assistant Secretary Howell are busily engaged in going over the customs schedules which have been in force under Spanish rule, and pending this a telegram embodying the principal features of the new schedules will be sent to General Shafter immediately.

The new rates will follow more or less closely those hitherto in force in Cuba, and will make no discrimination in favor of or against any citizens of any foreign power, including the United States.

OVER $21,000,000

Increase of Exports Last Month Over June Last Year.

The monthly statement of the imports and exports of the United States for the month of June, 1898, and for the whole of the fiscal year just closed shows that the exports of domestic merchandise during June amounted to $92,994,401, an increase over June, 1897, of over $21,000,000. The imports of merchandise during June aggregated $51,267,591, of which $22,917,877 was free of duty. This is a decrease in the dutiable merchandise imported of $15,700,000. The figures for the fiscal year show an increase as compared with 1897 in the exports of domestic merchandise of $178,266,412, and a decrease of $58,120,559 in the dutiable imports.

Recruits Under Second Call.

Nearly 60,000 of the 75,000 volunteers asked for by the president in his second call for troops have been recruited, and most of them have been mustered into the service. Of the number already recruited under the second call, 30,000 have been assigned to regiments now in the field and have been sent to join the regiments to which they were assigned. A few less than 90,000 have been recruited for new organization.

To Guard the Frontier.

The sultan of Morocco is concentrating considerable force in the vicinity of Ceuta and Melina in order to guard the frontier and preserve neutrality.

Protesting Against Capitulation.

A Key West dispatch says: In protest against the act of capitulation signed by Toral at Santiago, the Spanish light-keeper at Cape Maysi and Cape Lucrecea, Cuba, both within the district agreed to be surrendered, have burned down their light-houses. The Spanish garrison at Guantanamo city is reported to have spiked its cannons and blown up its magazines.

Zola and Perreux Sentenced.

Zola and Perreux were Monday each sentenced to a year's imprisonment, to 3,000 francs fine and to pay the costs of the famous Esterhazy court martial suit at Paris.

About 25,000 Have Surrendered.

The total number of Spanish troops involved in the surrender of Santiago will, it is said, run close to 25,000, of which about 12,000 are behind the entrenchments at Santiago. The rest of the Spanish troops are stationed at Sagua, De Tanama, Guantanamo, Baracoa and other seaports and fortified cities.

The steamer Warimoo, just arrived from Honolulu, reports that Major-General Wesley Merritt has arrived at Honolulu on his way to Manila.

CLASH WITH THE GERM

United States Gunboat Sa... Across the Cruiser ...

THE ADVANCE ON MANILA ...

General Aguinaldo's Surrender... Spanish Commander to Surre... City, But the Decision ... Light—The City Sur...

LONDON, Special ... correspondent ... United States ... Manila ... Admiral ... 12 Monday ... Sunday ... to reinforce ... General ... Germans ... to be ... added, ... strained ... Spaniards ... sult would ... would be ... storm the ... slaughter ... cause in ... cannot ...

Continuing, the ... visitors ... official ... ish victories ... ments ... and ... the Spaniards ... a republican ... endeavor ... abandon ... islands. ... of the insurgents ... to the powers ... pendence of the ...

The captain-general ... must fight ... ish cause.

Soldier Attempts Suicide.

At Miami, Fla., there ... being another suicide ... First Alabama. ... Private Haskell took ... laudanum with this ... saved by the ... hours' hard labor. ... to be impaired.

Manzanillo Bombarded.

A special dispatch ... lated Monday says:

Seven American warships ... bombarded Manzanillo ... Three steamers were set ... eral gunboats that were ... issued forth to the ... town, but were stranded. ... of the bombardment is not ... here.

The Destroyer Farragut Launched.

The torpedo boat destroyer ... was launched at San ... day from the yard of the ... works. The Farragut is a ... boat. Her speed is 30 knots.

"Peace is Assured."

The Madrid correspondent ... London Times says: "Despite ... cial denials, I have the best ... for saying that peace is assured ... is beyond doubt that the main ... have been agreed upon with the ... ington authorities. It is agreed ... Spain will evacuate Cuba, the ... cans agreeing to transport the ... iards back to Spain."

Saturday's statement of the ... tion of the treasury shows ... cash balance, $245,173,950, ... serve, $179,243,342.

GENERAL ... of the Commissioners ... terms of surrender.

Augusti Urged to Surrender Manila.

MANILA.—An important ... has just been held between ... Aguindalo's secretary, Lagarda, ... a prominent native and the ... commander, Captain-General ... The insurgent's representative ... General Augusti to surrender the ... asserting that 50,000 insurgents ... rounded Manila and were able to ... it at any moment. Thus far ... added, the insurgents had been ... strained with difficulty, but ... Spaniards continued stubborn ... sult would be that the insurgents ... would be compelled to bombard ... storm the city "with the merciless ... slaughter unparalleled in history ... cause in the excitement of battle ... cannot discriminate."

Continuing, the captain-general ... visitors advised him to disregard ... official fictions regarding alleged ... ish victories in Cuba and ... ments coming to the Philippines ... and proposed a reconciliation ... the Spaniards in the Philippines ... a republican government and ... endeavor to persuade the Americans ... abandon hostilities in the Philippine ... islands. Finally, the representative ... of the insurgents proposed an appeal ... to the powers to recognize the independence of the Philippines.

The captain-general replied ... must fight however hopeless the Spanish cause.

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United States Gunboat Sends a Shot Across the Cruiser Irene.

THE ADVANCE ON MANILA HAS BEGUN

General Aguinaldo's Secretary Urged the Spanish Commander to Surrender the City, but He Declined and Will Fight—The City Surrounded.

LONDON, (Special.)—The Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail says: United States Consul Wildman informs me that as the German cruiser Irene was passing Mariveles, off Manila, the other day, the United States gunboat Hugh McCulloch was sent after her to ask her to stop. As the Irene refused to obey a shell was fired across her bow and a small boat sent to see what she was doing. The German admiral protested, and insisted that German ships had a right to enter the harbor without being searched, a claim which Admiral Dewey flatly declined to recognize.

It is reported that Admiral Von Diedreich, in charge of the German squadron, interviewed Captain Chichester of the British cruiser Immortalite as to what he would do if the Germans interfered with the bombardment of Manila. Captain Chichester replied that only Admiral Dewey and himself knew that.

Advance on Manila to Begin.

A special from Cavite, Manila Bay, dated July 11, via Hong Kong, says: The American advance on Manila will begin tomorrow. General Anderson has reconnoitered all the territory between the Spanish outposts and the insurgent lines and has planned his campaign. The movement tomorrow is to be the first step toward carrying out those plans.

Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, has his headquarters at Bayoor, having removed from Cavite. There seems to be no friction between Aguinaldo and either Admiral Dewey or General Anderson.

Three German warships which have been at Mariveles returned to Manila today, steaming in line past the American squadron. Admiral Dewey and Admiral Von Deidreich, the German commander, are reported as exchanging letters discussing the German attitude and the relations of the squadrons.

Our cruiser Boston left on the 13th, expecting to meet on the 16th instant the second expedition from the United States. The meeting was to be north of Cape Luzon.

Augusti Urged to Surrender Manila.

MANILA.—An important interview has just been held between General Aguinaldo's secretary, Lagarda, and a prominent native and the Spanish commander, Captain-General Augusti. The insurgent's representative urged General Augusti to surrender the city, asserting that 50,000 insurgents surrounded Manila and were able to enter it at any moment. Thus far, the added, the insurgents had been restrained with difficulty, but if the Spaniards continued stubborn the result would be that the insurgents would be compelled to bombard and storm the city "with the inevitable slaughter unparalleled in history, because in the excitement of battle they cannot discriminate."

Continuing, the captain-general visitors advised him to disregard official fictions regarding alleged Spanish victories in Cuba and reinforcements coming to the Philippine islands and proposed a reconciliation between the Spaniards in the Philippines and a republican government and a joint endeavor to persuade the Americans to abandon hostilities in the Philippine islands. Finally, the representatives of the insurgents proposed an appeal to the powers to recognize the independence of the Philippines.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA (By Cable).—Amid impressive ceremonies the Spanish troops laid down their arms between the lines of Spanish and American forces at 9 o'clock Sunday morning. General McKibbin has been appointed temporary Military Governor.

General Shafter and the American division and brigade commanders and their staffs were escorted by a troop of cavalry. General Toral and his staff by 100 men.

The troops on both sides saluted with presented arms.

General Shafter returned to General Toral the latter's sword after it had been delivered to the American commander.

Troops at the trenches, were dismissed after the ceremony. General Shafter, accompanied by his staff, rode through the city, taking possession.

They arrived the city had been sacked by the Spaniards.

The most elaborate ceremonies took

place at the Governor's palace to arrange for the flag raising.

When the American flag was unfurled and was saluted by the troops, Captain Capron's battery fired all the regulation salute, after which President McKinley's congratulatory telegram was read.

Then the Star Spangled Banner was played. The American pulse leap and throb with joy.

At the sound of the discharge of Captain Capron's battery of twenty-one guns, drifted across the bay, from all directions came floating the strains of the regimental bands, the muffled, hoarse

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TO OUR BRAVE ARMY AT SANTIAGO.

The President Sends the Thanks of the Our People to Shafter and His Men.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—Upon receipt of the official announcement that Santiago had surrendered the following messages were sent:

"WASHINGTON, D. C., July 16.

"Gen. Shafter, Commanding, Front, Near Santiago, Playa:

"The President of the United States sends to you and your brave army the profound thanks of the American people for the brilliant achievements at Santiago, resulting in the surrender of the city and all of the Spanish troops and territory under General Toral.

"Your splendid command has endured not only the hardships and sacrifices incident to campaign and battle, but in stress of heat and weather has triumphed over obstacles which would have overcome men less brave and determined. One and all have displayed the most conspicuous gallantry and earned the gratitude of the nation.

"The hearts of the people turn with tender sympathy to the sick and wounded. May the Father of Mercies protect and comfort them. WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

Also the following:

"Major-General, Front, near Santiago, Playa:

"I cannot express in words my gratitude to you and your heroic men. Your work has been well done. God bless you all.

"R. A. ALGER, Secretary of War."

General Shafter replied as follows:

"CAMP NEAR SANTIAGO, July 16.

"To the President, Washington, D. C.:

"I thank you and my army thanks you for your congratulatory telegram of today. I am proud to say every one in it performed his duty gallantly. Your message will be read to every regiment in the army at noon to-morrow.

"SHAFTER, Major-General."

Shafter Reports the Surrender.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The War Department received the following dispatch from General Shafter regarding the surrender:

"SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Sunday.

"Adjutant-General, U. S. A., Washington.

"I have the honor to announce that the American flag has been this instant, 12 o'clock noon, hoisted over the house of the civil government in the city of Santiago. An immense concourse of people present. A squadron of cavalry and a regiment of infantry presenting arms and band playing National air. Light battery fired salute twenty-one guns. Perfect order is being maintained by municipal government. Distress is very great, but little sickness in town. Scarcely any yellow fever.

"A small gunboat and about two hundred seamen left by Cervera have surrendered to me. Obstructions are being removed from mouth of harbor. Upon coming into the city I discovered a perfect entanglement of defenses. Fighting as the Spaniards did the first day, it would have cost five thousand lives to have taken it. Battalions of Spanish troops have been depositing arms since daylight in armory, over which I have guard. General Toral formally surrendered the Plaza and all stores at 9 a. m.

"W. R. SHAFTER, Major-General."

Cervera Arrives at Annapolis.

Admiral Cervera with the forty-five Spanish naval officers captured off Santiago, arrived at Annapolis, Md., on the St. Louis. Commander White, commandant of the Cadets, received the party at the pier. Admiral Cervera, in civilian dress, was the first to alight. He was taken to the house of Admiral McNair, in a carriage, his son, in uniform, accompanying him. Having given his acquiescence to the parole. Some of the officers refused to sign the parole until they had consulted Admiral Cervera, who advised to do so. Captain Eulate, of the Vizcaya, refused to sign and he was placed in confinement. Very few of the prisoners can speak English.

The Wounded Doing Nicely.

The 272 wounded and ill soldiers brought from Santiago to New York by the Olivette were transferred to hospitals near the water front. All are doing nicely.

They Prefer an American Protectorate.

Havana volunteers cabled to General Weyler in Madrid, Spain, that they preferred an American protectorate to independence.

Cuban Blockade to Be Strictly Enforced.

The blockade of Southern Cuban ports will be kept up even more strictly than ever.

Smokeless Powder For Volunteers.

Volunteers are to have smokeless powder for their small arms.

For Returning Troops to Spain.

The Government has advertised for bids for cabin passage for 1000 Spanish officers and steerage passage for 24,000 soldiers from Santiago to Cadiz, Spain. The transports are to report at Santiago between July 30 and August 10.

Effect of Our Shells.

Detailed reports will be made on the gunnery and the effect of our shells on the Spanish armor. It is the general opinion that the armor is nothing like as good as ours, because it was penetrated by small shells.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Washington Items.

Captain Charles E. Clark, commanding the battleship Oregon, has been appointed Chief of Staff to Commodore Watson, commanding the Eastern squadron. He will remain in charge of the Oregon.

Major-General Miles, commanding the United States Army, purchased a residence in the fashionable quarter, northwest, at a cost of $30,000. The house was until recently occupied by Justice White of the Supreme Court.

Director of the Mint George E. Roberts is bending every energy to supply the demand for coinage and at the same time perform the additional work devolving upon the mints by reason of the provision of the War Revenue law requiring the coinage of 1,500,000 silver dollars a month out of the bullion in the Treasury.

The President signed a proclamation ordering General Merritt to collect military contributions in Philippine Island ports.

Secretary Alger, of the War Department, issued orders attaching the Hawaiian Islands to the Department of California.

Owing to the incessant demands on his time incident to the war, public receptions given by the President and Mrs. McKinley on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays have been indefinitely postponed.

Colonel William G. Moore, Major of Police and Colonel of the Washington Light Infantry, is dead. Colonel Moore suffered from a complication of diseases, but the principal cause of his death was abscess of the liver.

Domestic.

Forty-five prisoners in the State Reformatory, Mansfield, Ohio, were strung up by the thumbs in dungeons and given one scant meal a day. They went on a "strike" because their tobacco supply was cut off.

Bellevue Hospital, New York City, has been placed at the disposal of the War Department for wounded soldiers and a pavilion prepared for their accommodation.

Concessions for a cable to Hawaii, China, Japan, Australia and the Philippines have been given to the Pacific Cable Company of New York.

President E. Benjamin Andrews, of Brown University, Providence, R. I., was elected Superintendent of the Chicago schools at the meeting of the new School Board.

Mrs. Saligmann Schloss, wife of a retired merchant of Detroit, Mich., was decapitated by a train at Okaucho Lake Station, a summer resort about forty miles from Milwaukee.

Captain Benjamin R. Stainsby, chief of the Newark (N. J.) detective force, shot himself in the head and died a short while after he was taken to the hospital.

Brigadier-General Gillespie, commanding the Department of the East, received orders for the mobilization of the First Regiment Connecticut Volunteers at Camp Haven, Niantic, Conn. The regiment will be sent to the front.

Thomas J. King, Superintendent of the Public Schools of Monroe County, Indiana, absconded after forging notes and a mortgage, aggregating $20,000. He secured money on his property by forging his wife's name to the mortgage, and some of the notes bore his father's name.

The last of the monuments to be erected on the Chickamauga National Military Park reservation by the State of Wisconsin was dedicated with impressive ceremonies at Chattanooga, Tenn. The monument is a handsome one, and is at Orchard Knob.

John Henry James, colored, was lynched by a mob on the outskirts of Charlottesville, Va., for assaulting Miss Julia Hotopp, of Staunton. He was hung to the limb of a tree and the crowd emptied their revolvers into his body.

The First Ohio Cavalry left Camp Thomas, at Chickamauga, for Tampa.

The First Texas Cavalry has been ordered to the Mexican frontier and will be stationed at El Paso, Eagle Pass, Laredo, Fort Ringgold and Brownsville. Spanish sympathizers and bandits along the border have committed some outrages in running off stock, and several Americans have been killed by them.

Mlle. Nevins, a well-known aeronaut, was fatally injured at the Electric Park, East St. Louis, Ill., by falling from a balloon. Every bone in her body was broken and she was injured internally.

Mrs. James Melvin, of Oxmone, Ala., was shot by a burglar who had broken into her house. The bullet entered the groin and Mrs. Melvin died from the wound. Gilbert Allen and Will Hodge, colored, were arrested on suspicion.

A heavy rainstorm caused a flood in the valley south of Stanberry, Mo., and about fifteen families and their houses were carried away by the sweeping torrent. The dead are Mrs. Isaac Gray and babe, Charles Smith and Bert Vance.

Rosa Palado, the four-year-old daughter of Joseph Palado, a well-to-do Italian, of New York City, and Filomena Copella, fifty-five years old, a servant, were burned to death. The child was playing with matches and her dress caught fire, burning the clothes of the servant, who tried to save her.

Six desperate prisoners, Henry M. Wilson, Michael Costello, James Wilson, John A. Sims, Daniel Ivers and Frank W. Allen, escaped from the jail at South Manchester, N. H. They got away under the eyes of the keeper through a trap door which was hidden by a screen.

Heavy frosts are reported from various points in Michigan, resulting in serious damage to corn and vegetables. The worst damage reports come form Charlotte, Gaylord, Traverse City, Evart, East Jordan and Onondaga.

Fred Rodman killed his wife at Westfield, Wis. Within forty-eight hours he was sentenced to life imprisonment and taken to the penitentiary. His wife was assistant postmistress. Fear of mob violence was the cause of the haste in disposing of his case.

Fire destroyed the plant of the Western Starch Manufacturing Association in West Hammond, Ill. The buildings covered seventeen acres. The loss is $250,000.

Foreign.

The efforts of the French to tear down the Joss House in Ning-Po, China, which was considered a nuisance, resulted in rioting. A few of the rioters were killed and wounded.

On July 1 an insurrection occurred in Kan-Su, the most northwestern province of China, arising from dissatisfaction with the new taxes.

One hundred and fifty cases of ammunition exploded at Porto Rico, an official dispatch reports, killing fourteen persons and wounding many more.

The crew of the cruiser Brooklyn, off Santiago, raised more than $1000 for the widow of Chief Yeoman George Henry Ellis, who was the only American killed in the naval battle off Santiago.

Switzerland prohibited the importation of American fruit with a view of keeping out the San Jose scale.

The British Government formally consented to arbitrate the Chile-Argentina boundary dispute, if not settled by August 15.

The Santo Domingo was wrecked off the Isle of Pines while trying to run the Cuban blockade.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies approved the measure for the restoration of order.

Marquis Ito, the late Premier of Japan, intends visiting China, where he will meet Li Hung Chang.

The Spanish Government decided to suspend the payment of salaries to all civil and military servants, as the money is needed for war expenses.

SAMPSON ENTERS HARBOR.

His Battleships and American Transports Formed a Beautiful Pageant.

SUPPLIES LANDED FOR SUFFERING PEOPLE.

The Mercurial People Are Pleased at the Military and Naval Show—Spanish Flag Hauled Down at Caimanera, Where There Are 5,000 Men.

A special from Santiago says: Santiago is now a city of silence. The American flag waves over the military headquarters on Moro's flagstaff and Red Cross emblems are as plentiful as the church spires. Almost the entire population gathered about the wharves Monday where the Spanish shipping, now prizes of the United States, have been augmented by a large fleet of transports flying the American colors.

Some stores, mostly for the sale of liquor or drugs, are open, but their patrons are few. Beggers are in evidence.

At the dock where the Red Cross steamer State of Texas is unloading and preparing for a long stay, a guard from the Ninth Infantry has been mounted, but the soldiers have little trouble, except from the inroads from bad boys, indigenous to seaport cities. There is no evidence of gloom on the faces of the Spanish men and women. These mercurial people are already laughing and are pleased at the military and naval show, and at the prospects of getting food, other than rice and salt meats.

Nearly all the better classes of houses are closed, the residents evidently having not yet returned from their flight.

Filth is noticeable everywhere, and, strange to say, the city is healthy in spite of it. Arrangements are now under way to remove the most dangerous features and to improve those which tend to purify the city.

The harbor was the scene of a beautiful marine pageant Monday afternoon. A score or more of American transports, the way being pointed out by the Suwanee, glided majestically to the quiet anchorage, something they had not enjoyed for weeks, being compelled instead to stand out at sea and be tossed about by the waves, or to use the precarious holding grounds of Baiquiri. They were fine boats, many of them being among the largest specimens of the American merchant marine.

Caimanera Surrenders.

CAMP MCCALLA, GUANTANAMO BAY.—A launch from the Marblehead went up the bay Monday to Vertibaya Del Toro, opposite Caimanera, and gave formal notice to the Spanish commander of the surrender of General Toral's troops, together with the conditions of the capitulation of Santiago. A limited time was fixed for hauling down the Spanish flag over Caimanera.

The American officer gave notice that if the Spanish gunboat Sandoval was disabled in any way, or if any arms, ammunition, public buildings or barracks at Caimanera or Guantanamo were destroyed, the Spaniards would not be treated as prisoners of war. The flag was hauled down.

From Spanish sources it is learned that the total force in Guantanamo and Caimanera is about 5,000, of which number, however, only about 3,000 are fit for service, the others being disabled by sickness or wounded.

22,789 PRISONERS SURRENDERED.

The Army Turned Over by General Toral Larger Than Our Own.

WASHINGTON.—The war department received a dispatch from General Shafter Tuesday saying that the roster of prisoners was handed in Monday by General Toral and that the total is 22,789 men. General Shafter's dispatch added that the prisoners turned over to him far exceeded in numbers the strength of his own army.

The war department posted the following bulletin from General Shafter:

"My ordinance officers reports over 10,000 rifles sent in and about 10,000,000 rounds of ammunition. Send officers and troops tomorrow to receive surrender of interior garrisons. About 2,000 at these places. Will send officers to surrender of coast garrisons, Guantanamo, Boicbon and Sagua, Pancinia."

Gen. Oates Seeking an Assignment.

WASHINGTON.—General Oates, of Alabama, is afraid the war will end without his seeing active service. He has been lost in the general shuffle. He is in Washington asking to have a brigade assigned to him. As yet he has no command. General Corbin told him that he would be given a command at once, but held out little hope of his getting in the next expedition.

Dr. Andrews Accepts.

Prof. Benjamin Andrews, president of Brown University, has formally accepted the position of superintendent of Chicago's public schools.

Fresh Men Wanted.

None of the troops who participated in the actual fighting before Santiago shall be employed on the Porto Rican expedition, according to information obtained at the departments at Washington. The reason for this is said to be because the men have suffered severely from hardships, the climate and some fevers, and are entitled to a rest, and also because it is deemed bad policy to allow the soldiers who have been exposed to yellow fever to be brought into contact with those from the United States.

THE DIXIE DOING GOOD WORK.

Killed Spaniards, Chased Gunboats and Captured Several Prizes.

KEY WEST.—The Maryland naval reserves on the gunboat Dixie under command of Captain Davis are doing lively skirmish work on the south coast of Cuba, killing Spaniards, chasing gunboats, topping over block houses and capturing prizes.

The Dixie left the main body of the fleet June 20 and took a blockading station between Cape Cruz and the Isle of Pines. The first thing she did was to destroy a block house at the mouth of San Juan river. This was done by a few shots and without any attempted resistance. The same day she drew in and destroyed another block house at the mouth of Cuanara river, not far from the first, killing a dozen Spaniards.

The Dixie then proceeded to Casilda, the seaport of Trinidad, where she encountered two Spanish gunboats. One was the Fernando El Catilico, carrying only one gun. The enemy made frantic efforts to reach the Dixie with this, but came no nearer than half a mile. Finally the Dixie put a shell straight at the solitary gun and sent it skyward. This was done at a range of 4,800 yards. In addition to dismounting the gun the upper works of the Spaniard were badly damaged. The other gunboat was not identified. She, too, fired at the Dixie, but fell short by 400 yards. A 6-inch shell, though it did not reach her, served as a sufficient warning to silence her.

Incidentally, the Dixie also routed a body of Spanish cavalry at San Juan de Cuba a day or two before the Florida and Fanita expeditions attempted a landing there. A few days later she captured the Three Bells and the Pilgrim prize schooner, brought here after a hazardous trip.

MAY COURTMARTIAL TORAL.

The Spanish Cabinet Will Not Yet Sue For Peace.

MADRID.—The papers announce that the cabinet council Monday was occupied with the capitulation of Santiago de Cuba. Ministers expressed surprise that General Toral had included the whole military division of the province in the surrender, and Captain-General Blanco has been asked to send the details. When these have been received the question of a court martial of General Toral will be submitted.

El Emparcial learns from several members of the cabinet that in their opinion now for Spain to sue for peace would be an avowal that she is now vanquished. Moreover, they believe that the United States, flattered by the victory at Santiago, would only consent to peace on unequal terms, and that, therefore, it is preferable to continue the war in the hope of reconquering a portion of the lost territory.

THIRD REGIMENT OFFICERS

Appointed by Governor Johnston—R. L. Bullard Made Colonel.

Governor Johnston has made the following appointments to the Third Alabama regiment (colored) volunteer infantry:

Colonel, R. L. Bullard, of Union Springs, heretofore major commanding the First battalion of the regiment in camp at Mobile.

Lieutenant Colonel, Frances G. Caffey, of Montgomery, heretofore commanding the First Montgomery negro company.

Major, T. E. Hill, of Troy, heretofore captain of the negro company from that town. Major Hill was a captain in the Confederate army.

Adjutant, N. L. Chambiss, of Selma.

Chaplain, J. J. Scott, of Montgomery, a Presbyterian negro preacher.

BEACHED AND BURNED.

The Auxiliary Gunboat Eagle Destroys the Spanish Steamer Santi Domingo.

KEY WEST.—The Spanish steamer Santi Domingo, of 5,500 tons, was fired upon and run ashore at Cape Francis by the auxiliary gunboat Eagle on July 12. The Eagle sighted the Spaniard close to the shore and opened fire with her 6-pounders, sending seventy shots at her, nearly all of which took effect. The officers and crew escaped. When the men from the Eagle boarded the latter she carried two 5-inch and two 1.2-inch guns. The men from the Eagle decided the vessel could not be floated and she was set on fire, destroying a large cargo of grain.

The Pelayo Injured.

MARSEILLES.—A steamer which has just arrived here reports having sighted on July 16 off the coast of Tunis, the Spanish fleet commanded by Admiral Camara. As the steamer passed the battleship Pelayo a column of smoke suddenly issued from her and from the fact that a cruiser had to take the Pelayo in tow, it is evident that the most powerful warship of Spain has been damaged.

No Yellow Fever in America.

Surgeon-General Wyman, of the marine hospital service, says there is not a single case of yellow fever in this country, so far as he knows.

Cotton Mills to Close Down.

Thirty local cotton mill corporations at Fall River, Mass., have agreed to close down for four weeks in August. The movement will affect about half of the 2,000,000 spindles in the city and will leave in idleness about 12,500 factory employes of Fall River.

Another negro company is being organized in Birmingham for the Third Alabama volunteers now being recruited at Mobile. The following young gentlemen are to be its officers: R. L. Tilghman, captain, and W. J. Boles and Ernest Redd, lieutenants.

TROUBLE

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Which General Shafter Refused to Permit—Garcia Refused to Attend the Raising of American Flag—Clash Between Shafter and Sampson.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA (Special).—A fact which is impressed more and more on the American officers and men is the increased strained relations between the Americans and General Garcia's Cuban soldiers. The situation has now reached a point where there is practically no communications between the armies and their relations border on hostility rather than the relations which one would suppose should exist between allies.

After General Shafter announced his decision not to let the Cubans enter the city of Santiago, deep mutterings were heard among General Garcia's men. It was understood that the Cubans were greatly disappointed at the step taken by the American commander, for they had counted upon having Santiago passed over to them to loot and plunder as they had in succession sacked Baiquiri, Siboney and El Caney.

On Friday last Castillo, a brother of Gen. Demitrius Castillo, went to General Shafter's headquarters in order to ascertain the cause of this.

"Why is Santiago to remain in the hands of our enemy?" he asked.

"The Spaniards are not our enemies," replied General Shafter. "We are fighting the soldiers of Spain, but we have no desire to despoil her citizens. No Cuban will be allowed to enter the city, nor will any American soldier. The government of the city is a matter for the people to decide. When the American army leaves I presume it will be turned over to you, but not until then."

The Cuban soldiers now fully realize that there is a rising sentiment against them in the army. They hear nothing but words from our men as they pass onward, lugging their bacon and hard tack into the woods. Even our officers no longer conceal their disgust for their allies, and it is understood that the friendship displayed towards them at first has now turned into contempt, for the Cubans have neither fought nor worked. In some quarters there is a disposition to prophesy an early collision between our men and Cubans.

General Shafter sent an invitation to General Garcia to attend the ceremony of raising the American flag over Santiago, but the Cuban general showed his resentment by sending a reply which amply confirmed the course which he and his ragged, ignorant soldiers have followed during the weeks of hard fighting and campaigning which have resulted in the fall of Santiago. He declined the invitation, said he hated the Spaniards, and added that he did not want to be where any of them were. Since that time the Cubans have remained in their camp eating American rations, and our troops have had no communication with them.

Shafter and Sampson Clash.

The question has risen between the army and naval officials as to the disposition to be made of the half dozen Spanish merchant steamers which were in the harbor of Santiago at the time of the surrender. Rear Admiral Sampson arrived in the city Monday on the Vixen and claimed the steamers were the prize of the navy. He also was desirous of putting prize crews on board of them. General Shafter, however, refused to recognize Admiral Sampson's claims. He declared the steamers and everything else in Santiago had surrendered to him. The question, apparently, is still undecided. But at any rate the Admiral returned to his flagship without having distributed prize crews among the merchantmen and the latter are still in possession of the army.

Shafter Will March Inland.

It is said that General Shafter will work as far from his base as possible after his army is thoroughly refreshed, hunting the enemy. It is possible that General Shafter's march will end at Havana.

Eight Lives Sacrificed.

OAKLAND, Cal.—Eight lives have been sacrificed, his own among the number, by a Chinese murderer named Goon Chung, and an immense amount of property was blown up and burned at the works of the Western Fuse and Explosive company.

A woman near the scene was killed by falling debris from the explosion. Five deputy sheriffs and constables, who were trying to arrest the murderer, perished. The Chinaman had fortified himself in the magazine and blew it up when the attempt to arrest him was made.

Charged to English Press.

The Vessische Zeitung (Berlin), in a much discussed article, prefaced by the statement that some rectification is needed of the errors regarding German feeling toward America, asserts that the unfriendly sentiments are fostered by the interested English press.

Wheeler May Go to Porto Rico.

General Wheeler's division of cavalry is practically free from sickness and probably will be allowed to go to Porto Rico to take part in the campaign.

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CONGRESSMAN W. F. Aldrich will speak at Clanton on Saturday next, July 23. Come and hear him.

HON. M. W. Howard is unable to keep the appointment made for him to speak at Clanton the 29th instant.

CHILTON county is so emphatically Populist that the managers of the Democratic state campaign have entirely overlooked it in their list of appointments. This speaks well for Chilton.

ALL who intend to vote in favor of the Birmingham amendment must remember to make a cross mark in front, just in the same way as voting for any candidate on the ballot.

THE withdrawal of Mr. Caleb N. Headley from the race for Representative, and his endorsement of the entire Populist ticket, is a step we highly commend. Now if some of the other independent candidates were to follow suit it would redound to their credit and save them a heap of anxiety this next week.

IN a little more than one week the election will be upon us, and we would urge upon every voter, no matter to which party he belongs or even if he is "Independent," to make it a special point to turn out and cast his vote for the men of his choice. With a full vote cast, the winning side is better appreciated by the whole people, while the defeated candidates console themselves with the reflection it is undoubtedly the wish of the majority that they should remain in private life. Go and vote!

ALMOST on the eve of the election, it is interesting to review the possibilities of the various candidates' success. The reports from all over the county are surprisingly unanimous as to the certain return of all the Populist nominees by a much larger majority than in either of the last two elections. To all intents and purposes there has been no interest in any of the candidates with the exception of those running for the Judge of Probate's office, and it may safely be assumed that E. B. Deason for Circuit Clerk, L. H. Reynolds for Representative, and Judson Strock for Superintendent of Education will all be returned with handsome majorities. For the Probate's office our best information is that S. M. Adams will easily be elected, with W. H. Foshee running a good race for second place. The support given to Mr. Harrison is an indefinite quantity, but we do not think it sufficiently strong to bring him very prominently forward, while J. G. Barbour and R. M. Honeycutt will come in at the tail end of the procession. Barbour is practicaly already out of the race, and R. M. Honeycutt will only get the votes of a few personal friends.

IT is rather unfortunate that just as our town is beginning to fill up with summer boarders the gay and festive burglar should commence his operations. Clanton as a rule, is singularly free form crime, and residents are in the habit of leaving doors and windows open in a somewhat reckless fashion, almost inviting those criminally disposed to enter. It would, however, be good policy on the part of the Town Council to provide some protection to the town at night.

A number of good citizens, Populists and independents, or, as they were sometimes called Jeffersonian Democrats, who left the Democratic party in 1892 and 1894, were persuaded to go back to the Democracy in 1896. The number was not so large as claimed by the leaders of the Democracy, still it cannot be denied that good citizens who voted for Kolbism 1894 went back and voted for Johnston in 1896. Several influences brought about this change. First, some of the enthusiastic followers of Kolb became demoralized when a few of their leaders went over to the Democracy. Second, the Democratic party in its national convention of two years ago practically abandoned its policy of twenty-five years standing and took up a part of the Populist demands. Third, the Populist party in its national convention was captured in a large measure by the agents and tools of the Democracy, and was forced into a compromise of its position by an endorsement of the Democratic candidate for President. A large majority of Populists were justly indignant at these things, but they were powerless to prevent what took place.

Governor Johnston points to the fact that several cotton factories have been built since he was elected Governor. It is true that several cotton factories have been built, and that the last Legislature passed a law exempting new factories from taxes for ten years. But Alabama has not gotten her proper proportion of cotton factories. Other states are ahead of us, and North Carolina, which is not so good a cotton State, and has no coal for fuel, has made greater progress than Alabama. But then North Carolina is under the control of Populists and Republicans, while Alabama is under the control of ballot-box stuffing Democrats. Gov. Johnston also points to the new steel plant which is to be built in Birmingham and claims this as an enterprise started since he was elected Governor. They have been talking about building a steel plant in Birmingham for ten years and Grover Cleveland had about as much to do with this new enterprise as Governor Johnston. The truth is there has been some improvement all over the country since Grover Cleveland went out of office. There has been great improvements in the Northern and Western States. There was a big wheat crop and it brought a big price. Many new industries have been started in the North, and money is plentiful in that part of the country. The South has experienced less improvement than any other section. The war has created a new demand and improved many lines of business and the new steel plant at Birmingham is the direct result of the war.

How to Look Good.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., July 20, 1898

After a three days session of the three silver party conventions, at Spokane, Washington, on July 1, they got out a full county ticket, representatives and state Senator and adjourned amid great hilarity.

At the convention of the Peoples independent party of Nebraska, to be held at Lincoln, August 2, a full state ticket will be named. The silver Republicans and the Democrats will hold their conventions at the same time in that city.

Gov. Leedy, of Kansas, has made many converts to the Populist faith among the negroes of his state by his just and honest treatment of that class.

Some Democratic papers of gold-bug persuasion, are showing their extreme hardihood by referring to Grover Cleveland as the "logical candidate" for the presidential nomination in 1900 on the Democratic ticket. Mr. Cleveland has openly declared himself as against "conquest and annexation."

The Triple Alliance is holding good in Wyoming and a victory for silver seems assured.

Nothing like getting in on the ground floor! The National League of Republicans clubs, which met at Omaha, Nebraska, July 12, elected representatives resident in Hawaii.

Democrats, Populists and Silver Republicans have effected fusion on the state ticket in California. The Democrats get governor; the Populist lieutenant governor; and the Silver Republicans judge of the supreme court and secretary of State.

Preoccupied with war news, or acting under orders from the powers that be, the Associated and metropolitan press has almost entirely ceased to note bank and business failures, but the reports of Dun and Bradstreet show no improvement on the reports for the same time last year.

At the recent Pennsylvania state Democratic convention, a vote of 258 to 184 was recorded against reaffirmation of the Chicago platform and the insertion of a silver plank.

Georgia Populists have elected sixty-six delegates to the Cincinnati convention. Hon. Thos. Watson heads the delegation.

The Cincinnati convention is the chief theme of editorial matter in the middle-of-the-road papers. This meeting was at first referred to as a "conference" but now openly called a nominating convention.

A recent meeting of the Republican State committee of Missouri, was held at Jefferson city, at which time it was shown that $100,000 had been sent into the state by the Hanna syndicate for the purpose of corrupting voters, but the closest investigation failed to account for the spending of more than $25000. The balance is supposed to have found lodgment in the pockets of some individuals high up in party councils. Sensational disclosures are expected.

The Populist state convention of Missouri was held at St. Louis, July 7. A complete state ticket was nominated together with a ringing set of resolutions. The middle-of-the-roaders undertook to capture the convention, but failed, and retired to another hall, where they resolved to their hearts content. The new national committeemen elected are A. Rozelle Owen Miller and W. R. Littell. While the convention was a victory for the fusionists, the matter of state fusion was not mentioned. A. R.

Every voter in the county should make up his mind to go to the polling place on Monday week and cast his vote. Be sure you go!

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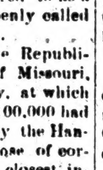

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CORRESPONDENCE

Pratt City, Ala., July 18, 1898

Editor BANNER. Pratt City is still booming, new dwellings are daily being built. The mines are running on full time, which makes business good for the merchants as well as the miners.

The new steel plant at Ensley is now being laid off and work will begin in a few days. The plant will cost upwrads of a $1000,000. The people of Chilton when visiting Birmingham should visit Pratt City and Ensley, they will be amply repaid. It is a show to see the new coke ovens, the big furnaces, the mines, etc.

W. A. Cooper, of Coopers, has accepted a position with the Tennessee Coal Iron and Railway Co. as guard at slope No. 2.

We look for Mr. E. J. Downs to-morrow, and expect to see him looking fresh and in good order after 30 days recreation pleasantly spent with his friends and sweet heart at Coopers. K.

The editor of the Evans City, Pa. Guide, writes, "One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It cured my children after all other remedies failed." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield and Mathews.

BURGLARY AND ASSAULT.

About two o'clock Wednesday morning Mrs. Martha Carroll, an old and highly esteemed citizen of Clanton, was awakened by some miscreant who had his hand over her mouth and was choking her. The villain made search of her person for money, but found none. He made his escape and up to this writing has not been arrested. Clanton needs a night policeman.

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Rev. L. B. POUNDS.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama together with the dwelling thereon and known as the "Foshee old home," and also a one sixth undivided interest in and to the following described real estate, to wit: E ½ of sw ¼ of section 34 township 21, range 13; w ½ of se ¼ and ne ¼ of s w 1-4 of sec 26, tp 20, r 13; that part e ½ of se 1-4 of sec 22, tp 21, r 13 that lies south of Mulberry creek containing twelve acres, more or less; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 and 2 acres described as follows to commence at the sw corner of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 thence north the length of 2 acres thence east the length of one acre, thence south the length of 2 acres, thence west the length of one acre to the place of beginning, sec 2, tp 20, r 12; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 27, 7 acres off the south end of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 sec 27, w ½ of sw 1-4 of sec 27, se 1-4 of sec 28, s ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28, 14 acres off the south end of n ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28 a fraction of the se 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 28, the railroad being the line on the west to Cany branch, and so much of the fraction of the ne 1-4 of the nw 1-4 lying east of the railroad track of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad company and south of Perry Lenoir's line, sec 28, tp 21, r 12; ne 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 9, tp 20, r 14; e ½ of ne 1-4 sec 6, tp 20, r 13; that tract of land bounded as follows, to wit; commencing at a corner between Dr. J. S. Johnson and Bowline, running thence north parallel with Bowline's land to Birds creek, thence east along the run of said Birds creek yards, thence north to Johnson's line, thence west to the place of beginning and containing ten acres; sw 1-4 of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 24, tp 21, r 12; s ½ of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 2, tp 20, r 12; lot no. 15 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county Alabama, together with the dwelling thereon known as the Foshee new dwelling and a l of the herein before described real estate lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee to and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, JULY 11, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Ala.

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All kinds of Bleachings	" 5c up
Jeans Pants	" 55c up
Shirts	" 15c up
Men's Single Coats (don't go in your shirt sleeves)	$1.50 up
Men's Shoes	from $1.00 up
Suspenders	" 7c up

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[illegible] Watts is again at [illegible] round of visits.

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To be held with Antioch church, Bibb county, commencing Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1898.

Friday. 9:30 a.m. Devotional exercises by A. Glass.

10:30 a.m. Organization.

11. Preaching by Rev. R. H. Long.

12. Adjournment for dinner.

1:30 p.m. How should a Sunday school be conducted? Opened by Rev. A. L. Foshee and J. P. Gentry.

3. By whom should the Sunday school be conducted? Opened by D. C. Hubbard and W. A. Mims.

Saturday. 9 a.m. Devotional exercises, by Rev. G. W. Freeman.

10. Duty of Pastor to the Sunday-school? Opened by D. L. Smitherman and W. H. Hubbard.

11. Preaching by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

12. Adjourned until 1:30

1:30 p.m. Duty of school to Pastor? Opened by M. D. Langston and Willie Brown.

3. Obligations of all church members to join the Sunday-school, and to co-operate with it? Opened by J. M. Langston and W. H. Connell.

Sunday. 9 a.m. Sunday-school mass meeting conducted by W. H. Thomas.

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Mr. J. Adams and family have been on a visit to his parents.

We regret our young friend Walter Graham, has joined the army, he is greatly missed, his brother Crumpton, has taken his place in business with T. U. Crumpton.

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THE BOND OF FLESH.

Weird Tale of Life from the Tyrolese Mountains.

BY EDGAR FAWCETT

CHAPTER I.

This is a story of much sorrow, and I warn those who only love what is full of cheer and brightness that it may sadden and repel them. It may indeed horrify some, for it deals with the darkness of a strange and awful destiny. But at the same time I have deemed it a story worth the telling, since it is filled, after all, with the tragedy of a great if unique human passion.

We were born in a lovely village of the Austrian Tyrol, whose name I will not here record. Our parents were people of good bourgeois standing; my father's luck and thrift were almost proverbial. For years he had desired children, and at last we came.

My mother suffered agony at our birth, and afterward, when we were shown her, it is said that the shock caused her death. For we were not as other children, but bound together by a ligature of flesh. Otherwise we were two boys formed in a perfectly normal way. My brother was, however, at all times far less healthy and vigorous than I. He was called, I may here state, Conrad, and Victor was the name given to myself.

Our birth created wild wonder, and for days people flocked to see us. My father neither forbade nor allowed us to be seen. An old relative, a kind of aunt long since dead, showed us, I believe, to the gaping crowds. As for my father, he was prostrated with grief at the death of his wife and the curse of what he held a hideous and monstrous prodigy.

But after awhile all such feeling changed with him. He became not only used to us but fond of us. The next step was easily taken, and before we were 2 years old he lavished on us the strongest paternal love.

Meanwhile we had received the best of care from dear, kindly old Hedwig, and had been nursed through an illness which threatened to end our infantile lives. My early recollections are solely those of being very happy. Conrad seemed in a manner apart from me, and yet most intimately akin. They used to say that my nature was a rather domineering one. But I was in every way the stronger and larger, so that I perhaps began at a tender age to assert my superior mental and physical traits. As little boys we were sometimes taken to walk, and I well recall how people would flock staringly about us, and how I somewhat keenly enjoyed the vague celebrity that surrounded us.

We were constantly visited by men of medical and surgical repute from various European cities and towns. Showmen and adventurers came, too, and these (or at least a number of them) offered my father large sums for the right to exhibit us as a rare physiological marvel.

My father's health began to weaken when we had reached our eighth or ninth year, and the failure of a Vienna banking house, to which he had intrusted the major portion of his savings, no doubted helped to inflict upon him a severe paralytic disorder. From this it soon became apparent that he could never quite rally; but while his partial recovery had begun to encourage Hedwig and ourselves, we were sought out by a man named Oscar Schreiner.

This man from the hour when I first laid eyes upon him, struck me as the most completely kind and gentle being whom I had yet beheld. I have never had occasion except in one most solemn and fateful instance to alter the verdict roused by that first pleasant impression.

He was still young when he came to us, being a widower of about six-and-twenty, with a little daughter, Linda, whom he had placed at a boarding-school in his native Berlin. I suppose one would not precisely have called him a gentleman, though I have always held him to be far above many who would be amazed if you denied them the title. Oscar Schreiner certainly possessed education, and combined with that a high and sure sense of honor.

He wanted to make money, and frankly told my father that this was his present ruling aim. He was wholly candid and sincere in his dealings. Would my father give us to him for a certain time, and permit him to manage our exhibition wherever he chose, receiving by terms of contract a stated and continuous percentage on all public shows in which we might be concerned?

My father, ill and needing money, consented. I never regretted his consent, though at first I rebelled against it. Perhaps I would have rebelled more than I did if Conrad had cried and protested less. But I deemed it my duty to resent contumacy of any sort on my brother's part, dearly as I loved him.

By this time my influence over him was potent in the extreme. He was devotedly fond of me, looked upon me as a guiding spirit, and faithfully followed all my counsels. I soon became aware that the influence which I exerted over him was of a strangely forceful kind. I suppose it was what would nowadays be called hypnotism. Weird as it may seem, I discovered that by the exertion of a little concentrated will-power I could throw him into a sleep and afterward awake him at pleasure—almost at pleasure, that is, though not quite, and not always. The bond of flesh extended from my right side, while it met his just over the aorta. The physicians who had examined us when little boys had nearly all agreed that any operation performed upon us in the way of cutting us apart would certainly result in Conrad's death, while it might fearfully imperil my own life, even if the worst did not result.

Oscar Shreiner might have proved a stern custodian. As it fortunately happened, he was the gentlest and kindest; we were taken by him to many different parts of Europe, but treated always with the tenderest care. I shall never forget my delight on first meeting his daughter in Berlin. By this time we had learned of our father's sudden and painless death at home. Linda's delicate sympathy softened, for myself at least, the poignance of grief. She was only a little girl, but her big, sweet blue eyes, her rosy mouth, and her air of exquisite sympathy could not pass from memory. Her father obtained permission for her to leave the boarding-school of an afternoon and chat with us in a quiet, domestic way, at the end of our loud, busying hours in the crowded museum.

It would now have been easy enough for Oscar Schreiner to grasp all the money which our constant exhibition brought him in. Our father had died; we were, in a manner, quite his own property. But apart from showing any such avaricious spirit, this admirable man kept perpetually depositing to our credit a distinct percentage on every coin that he received. Far more than that, he employed tutors for our education, and though Conrad was a dull scholar and learned all or wholly failed to learn what was taught him, I, with my quicker and keener mind, soon became strikingly proficient.

Knowledge, cultivation, brought me sorrow mixed with joy. I was of course agreeable to think and feel in a more refined way, but this very enlightenment induced the inevitable moods of self-disgust. I found myself beginning to loathe the band of flesh which bound me to Conrad. With my brother it was quite different. He accepted his condition without a murmur. Gradually I began to realize it; he was more a part of me than I of him. Not merely a great affection for me swayed him at all times, but a feeling that I was in a way the source and center whence all his best energy sprang. From a physical point of view this fact was noticeable thus: If a sickness of any sort overtook me Conrad was sure to share it, while if he were ill I often remained perfectly well. Once, in our thirteenth year, he was attacked by a malady which came near ending his life. To me the tedium and anxiety were intolerable, since I was in fairly good health. And then, suddenly, one day came the terrifying thought "What if he should die?"

But Conrad recovered, and my fears vanished. Still, a resolve was slowly taking shape within my brain. I mentioned it to no one for a very long time, but nevertheless it grew and grew like a plant in the dark.

Oscar Shreiner treated us in the most honorable manner regarding all profits which accrued to us, keeping both the letter and spirit of his contract with our dead father. As we became older our financial prospects brightened; we drew larger audiences as young men than we had drawn as boys. I wearied greatly, now, under the continuous vulgarity and monotony of our life. I knew by heart, and so did Conrad, the speech with which Oscar Shreiner was wont to present us for public inspection. Then, to lessen the ennui, I set myself the task of learning it from the bottom upward. This feat I at length achieved, to the wonder and admiration of my brother, whose mental powers it completely surpassed.

In appearance I was tall and fair, with a pleasing face and a well-built figure. I perceived that I was by no means ill-favored, and when I had reached early manhood the frequent smiles of women and maidens told me that my looks attracted them. But always a touch of compassion was blent with their admiring glances, and this troubled me more than words can express.

Conrad was a slender, shrinking lad, almost a head shorter than I, and unengaging both as to form and feature. When we had passed our twenty-first year the contrast became almost pitifully striking. His dependence upon me, his belief in me, had increased rather than lessened. Nothing could have been more pathetic than either. His spirits rose and fell in affectionate obedience to mine. If a cloud gloomed my thoughts I could trace its sooty reflection in the dull yet wistful eyes uplifted to me.

CHAPTER II.

In the year 18— we drifted again to Berlin for the fourth or fifth time. A young physician, named Olaf Aveling, a Dane who had already won some little note in the medical and surgical world and was believed anxious to win considerable more, came very often to see us, and with Schreiner's full sanction made repeated minute examinations of the peculiar link that bound us together.

I had never especially liked Aveling. He struck me as cold and unsympathetic, and I could not but comprehend that if he should ever make a proposal to perform upon us a distinctive operation, it would be from motives of a severely selfish character.

Still, I liked his conversation, which was often brilliant and forcible. He was a handsome fellow, with a pale keen face lit by small though shining dark eyes, and an air of command and assertion which became his shapely build.

All in all, I rather prized his visits; and though for many days he did not let fall even a single hint that he desired to operate upon our bond of flesh, he still contrived to make it clear that such was his actual aim and wish.

Shortly after our arrival in Berlin the daughter of Schreiner left a relative with whom she had been living since her graduation at the German boarding-school, and came to dwell with her father. I took this for a sign that Schreiner had finally yielded to my persuasions on a certain subject, and I rejoiced in consequence.

One day I said to our friend: "This is a pretty little home, and I hope sincerely that instead of merely passing the next few months here for purposes of rest, we may reside indefinitely under its peaceful roof."

Oscar Schreiner started, while Conrad looked up at me inquiringly with his placid, trustful eyes.

"Do you mean, brother," he asked, "that you want us never to appear in public any more?"

"Never!" I said emphatically, and fixed my gaze upon Schreiner. "Have we not gained enough?" I went on. "Conrad and I can live comfortably on our money for the rest of our days, be they many or few. As for yourself, you have acquired a snug little fortune beyond all doubt."

"Yes," said Schreiner, "I have told you every thaler."

"Of course you have," I broke in, with impetus. "That is just my reason for now speaking straight to the point. And the point, dear Oscar, is this: Let us give up 'showmanship' forever. I detest it, as you know, and Conrad isn't by any means enamored of it. Besides, now that your charming daughter has come to live with us we ought to make the happiest sort of a household. Surely Linda prefers to remain with you. But that will be impossible if you again travel."

Schreiner looked at me with a smile that slowly deepened, and then drew near to me, taking me by the hand in his. "It shall be as you say, Victor," he replied. "After all I believe you are right. But how will you and Conrad pass your time? I fear that after a certain term of leisure you will both long for the old life again."

"Oh," I said, laughing, "I will talk with Linda for an hour or two every day. That will never tire me."

These words were gayly thrown as Linda Schreiner, who had just then entered the room. But immediately her father echoed my laugh, saying gravely:

"Oh, you must do more than that. We will talk too much in that case. Aveling might overhear you and betray your secrets."

It was the dawn of my discovery that Dr. Aveling had come to see the lady for whom I was beginning to feel a most tender interest.

Linda tossed her curly head, and gave a contemptuous glance at the whole sex. Conrad was with a blush. Then in the sweetest way, she lowered at me and said:

"We don't care a straw, do we, Victor, what Dr. Aveling does?"

"No! a straw!" I returned, though the affected gaiety with which I spoke cost me inward pain.

Linda had become a very beautiful girl now, and it is not in the least strange that a man of Aveling's comparative youth should have been fascinated by her radiant face, aureoled in bounteous hair of silky gold. When she and I next held one of our private talks together, which means when Conrad's head had sleepily drooped itself upon my shoulder, I somewhat boldly questioned her.

"Tell, me," I said, "do you think that Olaf Aveling really wishes to marry you?"

"I think nothing whatever on the subject," declared Linda, with a little forbidding frown."

"But if he should ask you to be his wife, Linda," I persisted, "answer me frankly, would you refuse him?"

She gave me a strange, fervent look,

"WOULD YOU REFUSE HIM?"

which somehow ended by resting on the slumberous face of Conrad.

"No," she exclaimed, with great ardor, and with a wild, wistful light flashing forth at me from her sweet, blue eyes. Then, in another instant, she had burst into tears, and darted from the room.

I sat dazed, ominous, vaguely thrilled. I know not why. The keenness of her tones had wakened Conrad, who asked of me:

"Victor, what is it? Was Linda angry at you, hurrying off like that?"

"Oh, no," I answered, though absently, with the tips of my lips, as it were.

He seemed satisfied with the answer and let his head sink again on my shoulder. I slowly turned and regarded him, he being unconscious that I did so. And then a terrible thing happened. Momentarily and yet with intense acuteness there came across me a shuddering detestation of this frail creature whose life was so indissolubly linked to mine. The impulse that seized me was, I suppose, a murderous one. If it had lasted, if some wave of ethical and fraternal potency had not soon swept it aside, God knows what might have happened!

As it was, the re-humanizing change took place, and I presently found myself still seated at my brother's side, with an altered and remorseful spirit and with cold beads of sweat clustering on cheeks and brow.

Still, the hour sent, so to speak, its lasting reverberations through my life. I did not cease to regard Conrad both with tenderness and pity, but the love which I now knew that I felt for Linda Schreiner controlled me with novel stress. I must here admit that it left behind it a certain strange residuum of cruelty toward Conrad.

And yet, was I so wholly blameful? If the severance was effected between him and me my own peril would be immense. I had become sure that my chances of survival, in such a case, would be about one in ten. Yet this love for Linda, mixed with a joyous glimmering of faith in her possible love for me, set my heart throbbing with a sort of divine courage.

"Divine!" in my will-ess. "And why?" they will further urge, "since it was essentially selfish." I grant that selfishness had much to do with it, as all yet was love except the latter altruistic love is unconcerned with egoism. A passion like mine is not, nor ever was. And swiftly, even horribly, as I may add, my love for this charming girl had blossomed into a passion.

Almost whenever Linda and I held conferences after this I used my power over Conrad—hypnotic, mesmeric, whatever one pleases to call it. Not a word of confession ever left my lips. But by suggestion, by innuendo, I am certain that I must have spoken. Whether she understood me or no, I cannot tell. It seems to me now that she understood perfectly. All this time I was possessed by a prophetic sensation that sooner or later my repressed fervor of sentiment must break bounds in terms of transport and avowal.

Olaf Aveling held several conversations with me after this, and at last I could no longer endure the knowledge of his evident yet concealed purpose. One day I exerted my influence over Conrad, while the young physician was present, yet it wholly failed, as now and then it had previously failed.

Conrad grew nervous, petulant, even peevish. "You want to say something that you prefer I shouldn't hear," he declared. "I've often thought this before, but now it's very clear to me. You've been hiding things from me for a good while past. Oh, I've seen and

DR. TALMAGE.

[illegible] THE EMINENT DI[illegible] SUNDAY.

"Self-Slaughter"—A Terrible [illegible] of Suicide—Assassination [illegible] a Mild Crime Compared With [illegible] of Yourself.

"Do [illegible] no harm."—Acts [illegible]

[illegible] would [illegible] suicide arrested in [illegible] attempt. He was a sheriff, and, [illegible] the Roman law, a bailiff him[illegible] suffer the punishment due an es[illegible] prisoner. If the prisoner break[illegible] sentenced to be endungeoned [illegible] or four years, then the sheriff [illegible] endungeoned for three or four [illegible] if the prisoner breaking jail was [illegible] capital punishment, then [illegible] must suffer capital punishment. [illegible] had received especial charge to [illegible] Paul and Silas. [illegible] not much confidence [illegible] to keep safe these two [illegible] there seemed to [illegible] supernatural. [illegible] power, they [illegible] walking out of a [illegible] ministers [illegible] showing that they [illegible] Christ, and real[illegible] rather [illegible] axe on the [illegible] resolves [illegible] But before [illegible] dagger of the [illegible] heart one of the un[illegible] blade by the [illegible] harm. [illegible] where Christianity [illegible] it, suicide was [illegible] and a sign of cour[illegible] himself when [illegible] ambassador had de[illegible] of the Athenian [illegible] himself rather [illegible] of Macedon. [illegible] to Julius Caesar. [illegible] three times after his [illegible] tore them open [illegible] killed himself, [illegible] Pompey, the con[illegible] his life by [illegible] life un[illegible] suicide. Brutus a [illegible] of Moscow, [illegible] with him a prep[illegible] one night his [illegible] arise, put [illegible] and drink it, and [illegible] all the at[illegible] almost [illegible] resuscitated. [illegible] the American [illegible] up on the [illegible] paper [illegible] announce the [illegible] own behest? [illegible] exposure, [illegible] losing large [illegible] because they [illegible] existence." Frus[illegible] infidelity, dys[illegible] remorse, envy, [illegible] misanthropy, are [illegible] for abscond[illegible] green, by lauda[illegible] Othello's dagger, [illegible] the abutment of a [illegible] More cases of felo [illegible] than in any two [illegible] existence, and more [illegible] in any twelve [illegible] more and more spread-

[illegible] expressed some [illegible] there was really any[illegible] quitting this life when [illegible] disagreeable, and there are [illegible] people apolo[illegible] Paul in the text [illegible] I shall show you before I get [illegible] suicide is the worst of all [illegible] a warning unmis[illegible] But in the early part of this ser[illegible] admit that some of the best [illegible] that have ever lived have com[illegible] self-destruction, but always in de[illegible] irresponsible. I have no [illegible] their eternal felicity [illegible] the Christian who dies in [illegible] typhoid fever. [illegible] catastrophe is very [illegible] those who have had [illegible] aberration [illegible] of this life, to have [illegible] happiness. The dear [illegible] out of their dazed [illegible] perfect safety. How [illegible] insane you may [illegible] treated the de[illegible] child lunatic, [illegible] which He hushed [illegible] brain.

[illegible] of intellectual [illegible] than Hugh Miller, [illegible] great for God. He [illegible] Presbyterian [illegible] best Highland [illegible] descendant of Donald [illegible] and the rare [illegible] his attainments, [illegible] the quarry and [illegible] drew forth [illegible] Buckland and [illegible] and Dr. Chal[illegible] held universities [illegible] them the story of [illegible] The Old Red [illegible] more than any [illegible] to show that [illegible] God of the Bible [illegible] on the rocks [illegible] geology and [illegible] worship. His [illegible] Footprints of the [illegible] Testimony of the [illegible] an ever[illegible] genuine science [illegible] latter book he [illegible] love of nature [illegible] could not sleep [illegible] and he was found [illegible] his side, the cruel [illegible] bullets—one [illegible] the gunsmith, [illegible] was examin[illegible] you any doubt [illegible] Hugh Miller after [illegible] throbbing that [illegible] at Portobello? [illegible] among the

[illegible] William Cow[illegible] great hymns, [illegible] With God," [illegible] We Meet," [illegible] With Blood"—[illegible] with Isaac [illegible] the chief honors [illegible] In hypochon[illegible] own life, and [illegible] found a man [illegible] that very point [illegible] to spring, and [illegible] that night [illegible] knife, but the [illegible] hanged himself [illegible] broke.

[illegible] and right[illegible] those who were [illegible] I declare [illegible] his reason, [illegible] between his [illegible] into perdi[illegible] Revelation 21, [illegible] their part in the [illegible] fire and brim[illegible] "Without are [illegible] whoremongers [illegible] not believe the [illegible] perhaps, you be[illegible] ments: "Thou [illegible] say that all these [illegible] of the life of [illegible] you are not as [illegible] life as for the life [illegible] a special trust in [illegible] custodian of your [illegible] custodian of no [illegible] as weapons with [illegible] to strike down [illegible] watch for invasion, [illegible] which ought ever [illegible] assassination of others [illegible] with the assas[illegible] in the latter

case it is treachery to an especial trust; it is the surrender of a castle you were especially appointed to keep; it is treason to a natural law, and it is treason to God added to ordinary murder.

To show how God of the Bible looked upon this crime, I point you to the rogues' picture gallery in some parts of the Bible, the pictures of the people who have committed this unnatural crime. Here is the headless trunk of Saul on the walls of Bethshan. Here is the man who chased little David—ten feet in stature chasing four. Here is the man who consulted a clairvoyant, Witch of Endor. Here is a man who, whipped in battle instead of surrendering his sword with dignity, as many a man has done, asks his servant to slay him, and when that servant declined, then the giant plants the hilt of his sword in the earth, the sharp point sticking upward, and he throws his body on it and expires—the coward, the suicide! Here is Ahitophel, the Machiavelli of olden times, betraying his best friend, David, in order that he may become prime minister of Absalom, and joining that fellow in his attempt at parricide. Not getting what he wanted by change of politics, he takes a short cut out of a disgraceful life into the suicide's eternity. There he is, the ingrate!

Here is Abimelech, practically a suicide. He is with an army, bombarding a tower, when a woman in the tower takes a grindstone from its place and drops it upon his head, and with what life he has left in his cracked skull he commands his armor-bearer: "Draw thy sword and slay me, lest men say a woman slew me." There is his post-mortem photograph in the Book of Samuel.

But the hero of this group is Judas Iscariot. Dr. Donne says he was a martyr, and we have in our day apologists for him. And what wonder, in this day when we have a book revealing Aaron Burr as a pattern of virtue, and in this day when we uncover a statue of George Sand as the benefactress of literature, and in this day when there are betrayals of Christ on the part of some of His pretended apostles—a betrayal so black it makes the infamy of Judas Iscariot white! Yet this man by his hand hung up for the execration of all ages, Judas Iscariot.

All the good men and women of the Bible left to God the decision of the earthly terminus, and they could have said with Job, who had a right to commit suicide if any man ever had, what with his destroyed property and his body all aflame with intolerable carbuncles, and everything gone from his home except the chief curse of it, a pestiferous wife and four garrulous people pelting him with comfortless talk while he sits on a heap of ashes scratching his scabs with a piece of broken pottery, yet crying out in triumph: "All the days of my appointed time will I wait till my change comes."

Notwithstanding the Bible is against this evil, and the aversion which it creates by the loathsome and ghastly spectacle of those who have hurled themselves out of life, and notwithstanding Christianity is against it and the arguments and the useful lives and the illustrious deaths of its disciples, it is a fact alarmingly patent that suicide is on the increase. What is the cause? I charge upon infidelity and agnosticism this whole thing. If there be no hereafter, or if that hereafter be blissful without reference to how we live and how we die, why not move back the folding doors between this world and the next? And when our existence here becomes troublesome why not pass right over into Elysium? Put this down among your most solemn reflections. There has never been a case of suicide where the operator was not either demented, and therefore irresponsible, or an infidel. I challenge all the ages and I challenge the universe. There never has been a case of self-destruction while in full appreciation of his immortality and of the fact that that immortality would be glorious or wretched according as he accepted Jesus Christ or rejected Him.

You say it is a business trouble, or you say it is electrical currents, or it is this, or it is that, or it is the other thing. Why not go clear back, my friend, and acknowledge that in every case it is the abdication of reason or the teaching of infidelity, which practically says: "If you don't like this life get out of it, and you will land either in annihilation, where there are no notes to pay, no persecutions to suffer, no gout to torment, or you will land where there will be everything glorious and nothing to pay for it." Infidelity has always been apologetic for self-immolation. After Tom Paine's "Age of Reason" was published and widely read there was a marked increase of self-slaughter.

A man in London heard Mr. Owen deliver his infidel lecture on socialism, and went home, sat down, and wrote these words: "Jesus Christ is one of the weakest characters in history, and the Bible is the greatest possible deception," and then shot himself. David Hume wrote these words: "It would be no crime for me to divert the Nile or the Danube from its natural bed. Where, then, can be the crime in my diverting a few drops of blood from their ordinary channel?" And having written the essay he loaned it to a friend, the friend read it, wrote a letter of thanks and admiration, and shot himself. Appendix to the same book.

Rousseau, Voltaire, Gibbon, Montaigne, were apologetic for self-immolation. Infidelity puts up no bar to people rushing out from this world into the next. They teach us it does not make any difference how you live here or go out of this world; you will land either in an oblivious nowhere or a glorious somewhere. And infidelity holds the upper end of the rope for the suicide, and aims the pistol with which a man blows his brains out, and mixes the strychnine for the last swallow. If infidelity could carry the day and persuade the majority of people in this country that it does not make any difference how you go out of this world you will land safely, the Potomac would be so full of corpses the boats would be impeded in their progress, and the crack of the suicide's pistol would be no more alarming than the rumble of a street car.

I have sometimes heard it discussed whether the great dramatist was a Christian or not. He was a Christian. In his last will and testament he commends his soul to God through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

Would God that the coroners would be brave in rendering the right verdict, and when in a case of irresponsibility they say: "While this man was demented he took his life;" in the other case say: "Having read infidel books and attended infidel lectures, which obliterated from this man's mind all appreciation of future retribution, he committed self-slaughter!"

Have nothing to do with an infidelity so cruel, so debasing. Come out of that bad company into the company of those who believe the Bible. Benjamin Franklin wrote: "Of this Jesus of Nazareth I have to say that the system of morals He left, and the religion He has given us are the best things the world has ever seen or is likely to see." Patrick Henry, the electric champion of liberty, says: "The book worth all other books put together is the Bible." Benjamin Rush, the leading physiologist and anatomist of his day, the great medical scientist—what did he say? "The only true and perfect religion is Christianity." Isaac Newton, the leading philosopher of his time—what did he say? "The sublimest philosophy on earth is the philosophy of the Gospel." David Brewster, at the pronunciation of whose name every scientist the world over bows his head—David Brewster, saying: "Oh, this religion has been a great light to me, a very great light all my days." President Thiers, the great French statesman, acknowledging that he prayed when he said: "I invoke the Lord God, in whom I am glad to believe." David Livingstone, able to conquer the lion, able to conquer the panther, able to conquer the savage, yet conquered by this religion, so when they find him dead they find him on his knees.

Salmon P. Chase, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, appointed by President Lincoln, will take the witness stand. "Chief Justice Chase, please to state what you have to say about the book commonly called the Bible." The witness replies: "There came a time in my life when I doubted the divinity of the Scriptures, and I resolved as a lawyer and judge I would try the book as I would try everything else in the court-room, taking evidence for and against. It was a long and serious and profound study, and using the same principles of evidence in this religious matter as I always do in secular matters, I have come to the decision that the Bible is a supernatural book, that it has come from God, and that the only safety for the human race is to follow its teachings." "Judge, that will do. Go out back again to your pillow of dust on the banks of the Ohio." Next I put upon the witness stand a President of the United States—John Quincy Adams. "President Adams, what have you to say about the Bible and Christianity?" The President replies: "I have for many years made it a practice to read through the Bible once a year. My custom is to read four or five chapters every morning immediately after rising from my bed. It employs about an hour of my time, and seems to me the most suitable manner of beginning the day. In what light soever we regard the Bible, whether with reference to revelation, to history or to morality, it is an invaluable and inexhaustible mine of knowledge and virtue." "Chancellor Kent, what do you think of the Bible?" Answer: "No other book ever addressed itself so authoritatively and so pathetically to the judgment and moral sense of mankind." "Edmund Burke, what do you think of the Bible?" Answer: "I have read the Bible morning, noon and night, and have ever since been the happier and the better man for such reading."

Young men of America, come out of the circle of infidels—mostly made up of cranks and imbeciles—into the company of intellectual giants, and turn your back on an infidelity which destroys body and soul.

Ah! Infidelity, stand up and take thy sentence! In the presence of God, angels and men, stand up, thou monster! Thy lip blasted with blasphemy, thy cheek scarred with uncleanness, thy breath foul with the corruption of the ages! Stand up, Satyr, filthy goat, buzzard of the nations, leper of the centuries! Stand up, thou monster, Infidelity. Part man, part panther, part reptile, part dragon, stand up and take thy sentence! Thy hands red with the blood in which thou hast washed, thy feet crimson with the human gore through which thou hast waded, stand up and take thy sentence! Down with thee to the pit, and sup on the sobs and groans of those thou hast destroyed, and let thy music be the everlasting miserere of those whom thou hast damned! I brand the forehead of infidelity with all the crimes of self-immolation for the last century on the part of those who had their reason.

My friends, if ever your life, through its abrasions and its molestations, should seem to be unbearable, and you are tempted to quit it by your own behest, do not consider yourself as worse than others. Christ Himself was tempted to cast Himself from the roof of the Temple, but as He resisted, so resist ye. Christ came to medicine all wounds. In your trouble I prescribe life instead of death. People who have had it worse than you will ever have it, have gone songfully on their way. Remember that God keeps the chronology of your life with as much precision as He keeps the chronology of nations, your grave as well as your cradle. Why was it that at midnight, just at midnight, the destroying angel struck the blow that set the Israelites free from bondage? The four hundred and thirty years were up at twelve o'clock that night. The four hundred and thirty years were not up at eleven, and one o'clock would have been tardy and too late. The four hundred and thirty years were up at twelve o'clock, and the destroying angel struck the blow, and Israel was free. And God knows just the hour when it is time to lead you up from earthly bondage. By His grace make not the worst of things, but best of them. If you must take the pills, do not chew them. Your everlasting reward will accord with your earthly perturbations, just as Caius gave to Agrippa a chain of gold as heavy as had been a chain of iron. For the asking you may have the same grace that was given the Italian martyr, Algerius, who, down in the darkest of dungeons, dated his letters from "the delectable orchard of the Leonine prison." And remember that this brief life is surrounded by a rim, a very thin, but very important rim, and close up to that rim is a great eternity, and you had better keep out of it until God breaks that rim and separates this from that. To get rid of the sorrows of earth, do not rush into greater sorrows. To get rid of a swarm of summer insects, leap not into a jungle of Bengal tigers.

There is a sorrowless world, and it is so radiant that the noonday sun is only the lowest doorstep, and the aurora that lights up our northern Heavens, confounding astronomers as to what it can be, is the waving of the banners of the procession come to take the conquerors home from church militant to church triumphant, and you and I have ten thousand reasons for wanting to go there, but we will never get there either by self-immolation or impenitency. All our sins slain by Christ who came to do that thing, we want to go in at just the time divinely arranged, and from a couch divinely spread, and then the clang of the sepulchral gates behind us will be overpowered by the clang of the opening of the solid pearl before us. O God! Whatever others may choose, give me a Christian's life, a Christian's death, a Christian's burial, a Christian's immortality!

TO RENEW THE LOBSTER SUPPLY.

The Government's Effort to Propagate This Kind of Shellfish.

The United States Government is making great efforts, by scientific propagation, to restock the coast waters of Maine with lobsters. The United States Fish Commissioners' schooner Grampus, which has been at work along the coast for several months, has collected 1750 seed lobsters from which 18,000,000 eggs have been obtained and hatched out at Gloucester, Mass. Of these fry about 5,000,000 have been released in Casco Bay and the others are to be distributed at various places from Portland eastward.

The fry are very small, but through the thin and transparent shell can be seen the perfectly formed lobster, with the eyes especially prominent. Constant changes of water are necessary to keep them alive. It is likely that a lobster hatchery will soon be established on the Maine coast, and before many years these shellfish will be as plentiful and cheap as ever they were.

ANTISEPTIC SURGERY RESULTS.

Gratifying Reports From the Surgeons of the Navy.

Surgeon-General Van Reypen, of the United States Navy has received a report from the Surgeons with the fleet, showing that in the many cases of wounded, some of them serious, not a rise of temperature or an accumulation of pus has appeared in any case.

From a medical standpoint this is said to be a marked advance from the conditions during the Civil War, and is attributed to the introduction of antiseptic treatment of wounds. It shows that no fever follows the wounds, and that with the absence of pus the wounds heal rapidly without complications.

Considering the great number of wounds to be treated, now and hereafter, this is regarded as a most satisfactory showing not only in medical science, but in the alleviation of suffering.

Brothers in Arms.

In Battery I, First Heavy Artillery, Massachusetts Volunteers, now at Fort Warren, Boston, from the shoe town of Brockton, there are five pairs of brothers, the Allens, Churchills, Foyes, Holmes and Marshalls.

Stone in Her Stomach.

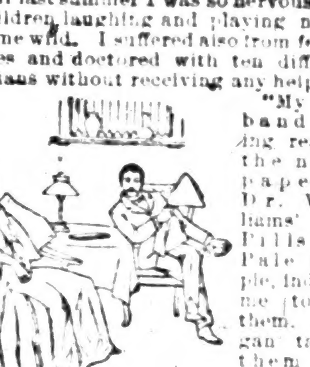
From the Gazette, Van Buren, Ill.

The wife of the Rev. A. B. Adams, pastor of the Bedford Christian Church at Blandinsville, Ill., was for years compelled to live a life of torture from disease. Her case baffled the physicians, but to-day she is alive and well, and tells the story of her recovery as follows:

"About six years ago," said Mrs. Adams, "I weighed about 149 pounds, but my health began to fail and I lost flesh. My food did not agree with me and felt like a stone in my stomach. I began to bloat all over until I thought I had dropsy.

"I had pains and soreness in my left side which extended clear across my back and also into the region of my heart. During these spells a hard ridge would appear in the left side of my stomach and around the left side.

"These attacks left me sore and exhausted. All last summer I was so nervous that the children laughing and playing nearly drove me wild. I suffered also from female troubles and doctored with ten different physicians without receiving any help.



"My Husband Read."

"My husband having read in the newspaper of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, induced me to try them. I began taking them last November but experienced no relief until I had taken six boxes. I am now taking the eleventh box and have been greatly benefited.

"I was also troubled with nervous prostration and numbness of my right arm and hands that at times I could hardly endure the pain, but that has all passed away. I now have a good appetite and am able to do my own work. Have done more this summer than in the past four years put together. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People cured me and I think it my duty to let other sufferers know it."

Hundreds of equally remarkable cases have been cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Russia is said to own 3,000,000 horses, nearly one-half of the whole number in existence.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

A petrified oak has lately been dug up in Cheshire. It is said to be at least 10,000 years old.

Pimples Cured.

All disfiguring pimples are due to diseased blood. Salve or cosmetics will not cure. B. B. B. will cure because it drives out of the blood the poison which creates pimples. One to four bottles are warranted to cure. B. B. B. is purely vegetable. Large bottle $1.00. All druggists. Send for book. Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga.

A Frenchman estimates that there are in the world about 10,000 libraries worthy of the name.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

Sir Arthur Sullivan, the musical composer, has been ordered by his physician to abstain from work for two months.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

It has been found in Switzerland that in building a railway laborers could work only one-third as long at a height of 10,000 feet as a mile lower.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

No person in Norway may spend more than threepence at one visit to a public house.

A Georgia lady writes: "Since first using and seeing the value of DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA (TEETHING POWDERS) in all troubles incident to childhood, I have never been without them in the house, and would advise all mothers to give them." TEETHINA Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels, makes teething easy and keeps the baby in a healthy condition.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

THE VALUE OF PERSISTENCE.

How a Stranger Got and Kept a Good Job.

"I'm lookin' for a job. I'm a good feller and I'll work cheap."

This is the language in which an honest and rather simple looking man approached the head of a Chicago firm.

"Sorry," smiled the proprietor, "but we have nothing to offer just now. Call 'round again."

Jake, as he called himself, walked away a couple of blocks, and then faced about and returned to repeat his application.

"I been here," he said, "fur a job, and you told me to come again. I'm here."

The proprietor, being busy, did not recall the previous visit, and, after informing Jake that there was nothing for him yet, asked him to come again. This time Jake made a round trip of about half a mile, and again dropped in, offering his services as twice before.

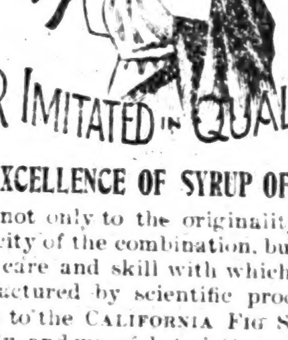
"Persistent and looks honest," said the proprietor to his bookkeeper. "Wonder what he could do?"

"Might give him a chance to collect some of our impossible accounts," laughed the bookkeeper. "He's the kind of a man to keep pegging away, and even creditors can be worn out."

Jake was given some of the worst old accounts that could be hunted up and started out. By making forty or fifty calls on the same man on the same day he began to make an impression, and the firm is now getting a good deal of money that had long since been charged to profit and loss.

"I can't afford to have people think I don't know about this particular question," said the politician, "and I haven't the time I need to read up on it." "Well," replied his wife, "in that case I'll tell you what I'd do. I'd look wise and get some paper to announce that you decline to be interviewed."—Washington Star.

SYRUP OF FIGS



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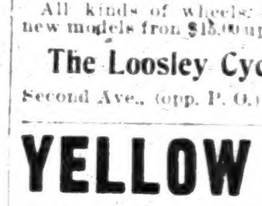

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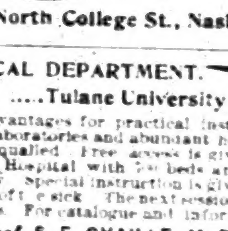

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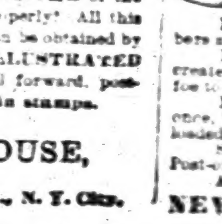

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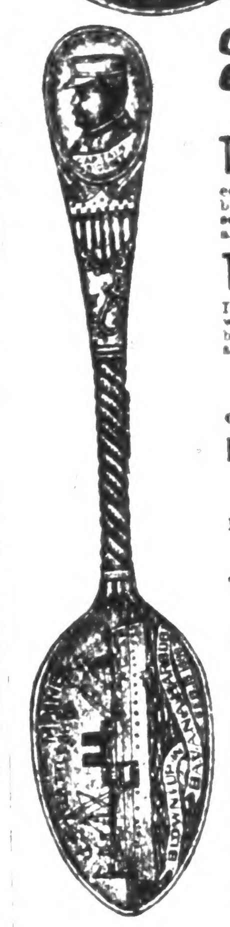

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for the election [illegible] Secretary of St[illegible] State Treas[illegible] Superinte[illegible] missione[illegible] Justice [illegible] Asso[illegible] Cou[illegible] Circ[illegible] the Genera[illegible] Probate, Clerk o[illegible] Court, County Su[illegible] Education and to amendment to S[illegible] Article eleven of [illegible] of Alabama and [illegible] Birmingham Am[illegible] vided for [illegible] Assemb[illegible] Februa[illegible] Wit[illegible] day of [illegible]

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[illegible] dersigned [illegible] and Clerk of [illegible] provided for b[illegible] selected and ap[illegible] ing named perso[illegible] Returning Office[illegible] voting places in [illegible] Alabama, for an e[illegible] in said county and [illegible] day, the first day of August, 1898, to wit:

Beat 1—(Mineral Springs) Inspectors, J. M. Robinson, T. J. Dorminey and W. H. Conway. Returning Officer, H. M. Mahan.

Beat 2—box 1—Providence. Inspectors G B Armstrong, W H Shaw, John Lowery jr; Returning Officer, W. A. Sims.

Beat 2—box 2—Jemison. Inspectors, A J Adkinson, B M Gentry and F M Langston; Returning Officer, Geo W Shaw

Beat 3—box 1—Benson. Inspectors H W. Varden, Clayton Edwards and A F Mims; Returning Officer, Calvin Jones.

Beat 3—box 2—Macedonia. Inspectors Y O Freeman, Z J Jones and S B Waldrup; Returning officer, W. R. Dawson

Beat 4—Clanton. Inspectors, W M Wilson, A A Ayres and J W Littlejohn. Returning Officer, J F Goodgame.

Beat 5—box 1—Coopers. Inspectors, J H Thomas E G Rollins and Moses Popwell. Returning Officer, Dock Ticks.

Beat 5—box 2—Verbena. Inspectors, H B Oliver, E L Manning and Albert Thompson. Returning Officer, John A Strock.

Beat 6—Kincheon. Inspectors, W C Dickerson, J R Vinson and W L Popwell Returning Officer, E H Smith

Beat 7—box 1—Maplesville. Inspectors, R H Martin, C J Coburn and J D McGee. Returning Officer, G W Fox.

Beat 7—box 2—Lathams. Inspectors, J H Shoults, Sanford Kelly and J P Gentry. Returning Officer, Dolby Adkinson

Beat 8—Dixie. Inspectors, E W Bailey G W Fox Thos. G Milling. Returning Officer, D M Martin.

Beat 9—Strasburg. Inspectors, Sam Pate, A F Childress and J M Mims. Returning Officer, G S Collins.

Witness our hands this the 29th day of June, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT, Probate Judge
J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
J. P. VANDERVEER, Circuit Clerk

Robbed The Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, Eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back, and sides. No appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

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Southern Union Singing Convention.

Will meet at Pleasant Grove, eight miles west of Clanton on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July, and will continue two days.

R. T. GRANT, Secretary.

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Ed Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver trouble. Stanfield and Mathews.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Coopers, July 23, 1898

Editor Banner: You will please drop my name from the list of announcements for the office of Judge of Probate, and say that I am down in favor of W. H. Foshee, indorsing the rest of the Populist ticket.

Yours truly.
J. G. BARBOUR.

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Stanton, Ala., July 25, 1898

Editor BANNER.—I understand there is a report being circulated over the county by the enemies of S. M. Adams that I have said that $300 had been put into my hands to buy the managers of election with. I have never said any such thing or anything that could be construed in that way. The man who started it is a liar and ought to have been in the chain gang ten years ago. There has never been a dollar of campaign money in my hands and I have heard of no one else having any. Let us all go out next Monday and vote for S. M Adams. My advice to everybody is to work and vote for Adams.

SEGAR HARRIS

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Coopers, Ala., July 26, 1898

Editor BANNER—I wish to say a few words to the Populists as to the condition of the campaign. We have been confronted with many Independents, and it is now plainly seen the intention of it was to divide the Populists as much as possible, but it seems that most of the Populists have their eyes open to the fact. It is plainly seen now that the Democrats are all in line for Foshee, and that Harrison is trying to carry the negroes. But there is enough white Populisss to elect their ticket against the combined Independent move, and I believe they will be on hand and cast a solid vote. We must also remember our state ticket headed by Hon. G. B. Deans, and every Populist in the state should know and understand so that they can fill it out themselves. We ask the help of all Populists in counties where they are not strong enough to elect a county ticket. Their help will be felt on the state ticket. So come one, come all, and cast a solid vote and show that "United we stand, divided we fall." Long live the Populist party and the Banner.

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Persons troubled with diarrhœa will be interested in the experience of Mr. Wm. Bush, clerk of Hotel Dorrance, Providence, R.I. He says: "For several years I have been almost a constant sufferer from diarrhœa, the frequent attacks completely prostrating me and rendering me unfit for my duties at this hotel. About two years ago a traveling salesman kindly gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy; much to my surprise and delight its effects were immediate. Whenever I felt symptoms of the disease I would fortify myself against the attack with a few doses of this valuable remedy. The result has been very satisfactory and almost complete relief from the affliction. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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Coopers.

There continues to be nice rains; corn crops are fine, cotton has the blight some but bids fair for a reasonable good crop; melons continue to be plentiful.

Politics is all the go now. The Hon. Thomas Harrison, of Jemison, was down at the meeting of the colored voters of this section at the Pratt old mill place on the 23rd inst., shaking hands and soliciting votes; he also delivered an address.

Although this section will turn up a large majority for Adams. Let every Populist stand by his colors and remember that this is not a personal matter. FARMER.

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Especially valuable to women is Browns' Iron Bitters. Backache vanishes, headache disappears, strength takes the place of weakness, and the glow of health readily comes to the pallid cheek when this wonderful remedy is taken. For sickly children overworked men it has no equal. No home should be without this famous remedy. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

SPEAKING AT CLANTON.

On Saturday last Congressman W. F. Aldrich addressed the people of Chilton county at the Court House. The court house was well filled at 11 o'clock when L. B. Pounds called the meeting to order.

Mr. Aldrich commenced his address by disclaiming any intention of interfering with the local affairs of the county, but his intention was to show the position of the Republican party in the election in this State. Previous to the State Republican convention the sentiment of the Republicans was in favor of a straight Republican ticket in the State. Mr. Aldrich was a member of the committee at that convention and made a minority report suggesting that no Republican ticket should be put out, and upon this report the Republican State convention said, in effect, that the Populist State ticket suited them and they declined to put out a Republican ticket. The Republican State Executive committee followed up the action of the convention by endorsing the Populist State ticket and strongly recommending all Republicans to vote the Populist ticket as embodying the strength of the anti Democratic opposition All Republicans throughout Alabama were instructed by the high authority they had to support anti-Democrats in county matters and to vote for all candidates who were opposed to a constitutional convention and who were in favor of honest elections.

Mr. Aldrich said we cannot reform existing abuses in the government of this State until we have a majority in the Legislature to make new laws. We are all anxious to secure control of the Legislature, and in this fight Republicans are standing shoulder to shoulder with Populists. In every part of the State Republicans are co-operating with Populists to carry the Populist ticket. He advised both Republicans and Populists to not forget to mark their ballots for the Judicial candidates and spoke in favor of H. R. Golson for chancellor for this division. He said Mr. Golson was in every way qualified to fill this important office. Mr Aldrich said he had no idea but that every Populist and Republican in Chilton county would vote the straight Populist ticket. Mr. Deans, our nominee for governor, is a farmer and business man, he has had experience in legislation, and the Democrats had not been able to say one word against him. All the other officers on the State ticket had been unanimously filled, and would be as unanimously supported.

In Chilton county, Mr. Aldrich said, I understand there are five candidates for Judge of Probate. I take it for granted each is a proper and worthy man. From a Republican standpoint each is as well qualified as another. But four will have to stand out. Republicans have to select one of the five. We go to our leaders for advice. Primarily the State convention is our highest authority, and next is the State Executive committee. They have decided we shall support the nominees of the People's Party. The two most prominent candidates in this county for Probate Judge are Rev. S. M. Adams, the regular nominee of the People's Party, and Judge Honeycutt. I believe and feel both these gentlemen are my friends socially and politically, and it puts me in a disagreeable unenviable position. What I say to-day is not in any way to reflect

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Lily.

The prospects for crops in this section are fairly good.

Miss Minnie Rasberry is at home after a very pleasant visit to Billingsley and Huckaby.

Miss Alice Carter and Miss Sallie Jones, of Billingsley, were pleasant visitors here last Sunday.

J. C. Veazey with Miss Celestia Jones as accompanist has just closed a successful school of vocal music at Unity.

Miss Bonnie Flemming, who is teaching at Mars Hill, was at home on a visit last Sunday.

Messrs. John and Buck Hatchett of Rockford were here last week.

Mr. John Wright and family are visiting near Coopers.

Messrs. Caffee and Stewart, and family's of Weogufka, are visiting Mr. B. Caffee of this place.

TNILC.

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Our baby has been continually troubled with colic and cholera infantum since his birth, and all that we could do for him did not seem to give more than temporary relief, until we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. Since giving that remedy he has not been troubled. We want to give you this testimonial as an evidence of our gratitude, not that you need it to advertise your meritorious remedy.—G. Law, Keokuk, Iowa. For sale by J. S. Johnson, jr.

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Turn-Round Topics.

Wm. A. Connell and family, of Tuskaloosa, are down on a visit to parents and friends

J. N. Goss and sister, Miss Geneva, visited friends at Mar's mill last week.

Jim Taylor visited Prattville recently.

J. M. McKee, of Coopers, was a visitor here last week.

Berry Knight, of Lomax, was a visitor here last week.

F. M. Connell jr. and wife, of Cross Roads, spent Sunday with Mrs. Kendrick.

B. J. Goss and wife were also visitors to Mrs. Kendrick Sunday.

J. N. Connell spent Sunday with his parents.

Serenus Smith and sister, Miss Lougenia spent last week with Rev. A. L. Pattillo.

John Pitts, of Montgomery, and sister, Miss Fannie, of Verbena, were visitors to Miss Janie Oden last week. A AND W.

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VOTE NEXT MONDAY! Let every man turn out. Remember that every vote tells. Vote the full Populist ticket. Study the names, they are all on page 1. Vote for every one of them.

Public Statement From A Public Man

Hon. W. H. Ohley, Ex-Secretary of State of West Virginia, writes an open letter.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Mar. 9, 1898.

To whom it may concern:

"I most heartily recommend Pe-ru-na as of great benefit in cases of catarrh. It is especially beneficial wherever the mucous membranes are affected. As a tonic it certainly has no superior."

W. H. OHLEY, Ex-Secretary of State.

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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by T. E. Gilchrist and wife on the 7th day of November, 1895, and duly recorded in the office of Judge of Probate of Chilton county Alabama in Vol 30, pages 231-4, and which said mortgage has been duly transferred and assigned to T. V. Knight, the undersigned will proceed to sell at the Courthouse door in Clanton, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, on

MONDAY, JULY 25, 1898,

the following described real estate to wit:

South-west fourth of north-east fourth of section twenty four, township twenty-two, range fourteen, in Chilton county, Alabama. T. V. KNIGHT,
by Wm. A. Collier, his attorney,
Clanton, Ala., June 23, 1898.

You Don't Have to Swear Off
says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture in an editorial about No-To-Bac, the famous tobacco habit cure. We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac, men prominent in St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by druggists everywhere. No cure, no pay. Book free Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA.

Coal is King of the Seas, to-day. Brains are his coadjutor, not his master. 'Tis Coal that makes history in the age of steam power. But the doom of steam is not far off. Something more tractable and less wasteful will supplant it, and then King Coal will be dethroned.

It is not quite right to look closely at the working of a note penned in a time of great sorrow, but surely attention may be called to the peculiar use of "foreign countries" in the following, which appears in the London papers: "Owing to the overwhelming multitude of messages of sympathy received by Mrs. Gladstone and her family from all parts of the British Empire, from the United States, and from foreign countries, they are obliged to ask all, whether private individuals or members of public bodies, whom they may not be able personally to thank, to accept their heartfelt gratitude, expressed through the medium and by the courtesy of the press. Mrs. Gladstone feels deeply the kindness showered upon her, which neither she nor her sons and daughters can ever forget." The United States, it will be seen, are not numbered with lands alien to the English people.

Swinging windows above the second story on all new buildings are required by a building ordinance lately passed in Chicago. The avowed purpose of the new law is the prevention of fatal accidents in washing windows, now so frequent. The law says that the window must swing on horizontal or vertical pivots, or a balcony must be built in front of every window. The law is objected to by architects and builders, who claim that it was passed in the interest of the owners of patents on swivel windows. It is also objected that the size of windows will have to be reduced owing to wind pressure, and they predict that fatal accidents will result from falling window sash. In many of the recent high office buildings of New York City a staple is secured to each side of every window opening, and the window cleaners wear stout belts, to each side of which is attached a strap. A suitable clip on the end of each strap enables it to be readily attached to the staples on either side, and the straps have slack enough to permit the free movement of the window cleaner.

Unusual interest has attached to [illegible] ecasts of the American [illegible] of 1898. The [illegible] shortag[e] [of th]e world's supplies [illegible] the two [illegible] ent foreign harvests of 1897 and [18]96, and the consequent assured continuance of a foreign demand at profitable prices, united to show that American prosperity had a peculiar stake this year in the production of an abundant crop, thinks the New York Post. The one possibility of misfortune which has qualified the views of optimists has been the ever-existing chance of a deficient American harvest, and this possibility is now in large degree removed. The Agricultural Department has published its estimate for the growing crops and forecasts may be made with safety. The Government estimate shows, as was to be expected after the season's high prices, a great increase in planted acreage of wheat. For the early and late crops combined, the estimated area is 43,000,000 acres, as compared with 39,465,000 acres harvested last year, 34,618,000 in 1896, and only 39,916,800 even in the "record year" 1891. In other words, the planted acreage under wheat this year is by far the largest in our history.

The Alpine Good Night.

Among the lofty mountains and elevated valleys of Switzerland the Alpine horn has another use besides that of sounding the far-famed "Ranz dez Vaches," or cow song; and this is of a very solemn and impressive nature.

When the sun has set in the valley and the snowy summits of the mountains gleam with golden light, the herdsman who dwells upon the highest habitable spot takes his horn and pronounces clearly and loudly through it, as through a speaking trumpet, "Praise the Lord God!" As soon as the sound is heard by the neighboring herdsmen they issue from their huts, take their Alpine horns and repeat the same words.

This frequently lasts a quarter of an hour, and the call resounds from all the mountains and rocky cliffs around. When silence again reigns the herdsmen kneel and pray with uncovered heads. Meantime it has become quite dark. "Good night!" at last calls the highest herdsman through his horn. The words resound from all the mountains, the horns of the herdsmen and the cliffs, and the mountaineers then retire to their dwellings.

GEN. GARCIA HAS RESIGNED

Cuban Commander States His Grievances in a Letter to Gen. Shafter.

OBJECTS TO RETENTION OF OFFICERS.

Offended Because He Was Not Notified of Surrender, and Because His Army Was Not Represented at the Capitulation Ceremonies.

A dispatch from Santiago gives the following as being a letter sent by General Garcia to General Shafter:

"Sir—On May 12th the government of the Republic of Cuba ordered me as commander of the Cuban army in the east to co-operate with the American army, following the plans and obeying the orders of its commander. I have done my best, sir, to fill the wishes of my government, and I have been until now one of your most faithful subordinates, honoring myself in carrying out your orders as far as my powers have allowed me to do. The city of Santiago surrendered to the American army, and news of that important event was given to me by persons entirely foreign to your staff. I have not been honored with a single word from yourself informing me about the negotiations for peace or the terms of the capitulation by the Spaniards. The important ceremony of the surrender of the Spanish army and the taking possession of the city by yourself took place later on, and I only knew of those events by public report. I was not honored, sir, by a kind word from you inviting myself or any officer of my staff to represent a Cuban army on that memorable occasion.

"Finally, I know that you have left in power at Santiago the same Spanish authorities that for three years I have fought as enemies of the independence of Cuba. I beg to say that these authorities have never been elected at Santiago, by the residents of the city, but were appointed by royal decree of the queen of Spain. I would agree, sir, that the army under your command should have taken possession of the city, the garrison and forts. I would give my warm co-operation to any measure you may have deemed best under American military to hold the city for your army and to preserve public order until the time comes to fulfill the solemn pledge of the people of the United States to establish in Cuba a free and independent government. But when the question arises of appointing authorities in Santiago de Cuba, under the peculiar circumstances of our thirty years' strife against Spanish rule, I cannot see but with the deepest regret that such authorities are not elected by the Cuban people, but are the same ones selected by the queen of Spain, and hence are ministers to defend against the Cubans the Spanish sovereignty.

"A rumor, too absurd to be believed, General, ascribes the reason of your measures and of the orders forbidding my army to enter Santiago to fear of massacres and revenge upon the Spaniards. Allow me, sir, to protest against even the shadow of such an idea. We are not savages, ignoring the rules of civilized warfare. We are a poor, ragged army, as ragged as we are poor, as was the army of your fore-fathers in their noble war for independence; but, as did the heroes of Saratoga and Yorktown, we respect too deeply our cause to disgrace it with barbarism and cowardice. In view of all these reasons, I sincerely regret to be unable to fulfil any longer the orders of my government, and, therefore, I have tendered today to the commander-in-chief of the Cuban army, Maj.-Gen. Maximo Gomez, my resignation as commander of this section of our army. Awaiting his resolution, I withdraw my forces to the interior, very respectfully yours, Calixto Garcia."

Americans Land at Tayabacoa.

A telegram from Havana reports that the insurgents attacked Gibarara, on the north coast of the province of Santiago de Cuba, and that the garrison, after a severe fight, evacuated the place. Many of the insurgents were killed. The dispatch also reports that a force of Americans landed at Galamalacoa (Tayabacoa) and invested Tunas de Zaza, and the warships shelled Galamalacoa.

POINT DESIGNATED

By Madrid Government Where Spanish Prisoners Are to Be Landed.

The Madrid government officially has recognized the proposed return by the United States of the Santiago prisoners to Spain. This recognition came in the form of a letter to General Shafter from General Toral, commander of the Spanish troops at Santiago. General Shafter's dispatch to H. C. Corbin, adjutant-general, says:

"I am just in receipt of a letter from General Toral, who says the Spanish secretary of war desires the troops landed at Vigo Coruna, on the Atlantic, and at Santander, in the bay of Biscay.

"SHAFTER."

CAMP ALGER TO BE MOVED.

Order That No Permanent Buildings Be Erected There.

WASHINGTON.—Word has been received at Camp Alger from the war department that no permanent buildings must be erected either at the old camp or at Dunn Loring. This order has caused some speculation, and the prevailing opinion is that it indicates either that a large body of troops is to be sent to the front or that the camp site is to be changed, with the latter the more probable.

GARCIA ATTACKS SPANIARDS.

Who Were Marching to Santiago to Surrender—Cubans Repulsed.

A dispatch from Santiago says: Great excitement was caused in Santiago Thursday by a story brought in by Cubans that 4,000 Cuban insurgents, composing General Garcia's army for the eastern department of Cuba, were routed in a fierce engagement with a detachment of Spanish troops bound for Santiago to surrender. In this battle, which took place at a point several miles to the north of this city, forty-one Cubans were killed, the Cubans say, and many more wounded. The Spanish loss was much smaller, it is said.

There were at least 5,000 Spaniards in the body, according to the report, and they drove Garcia's men into full retreat a few hours after the battle began.

When the Cuban general withdrew his troops to the mountains he resolved to move on to Holguin, about sixty miles to the northwest of this city. If the Americans would not allow them to wreak vengeance on the Spaniards in Santiago, the Cubans proposed to storm some other important place and take possession of it on their own account.

It was with this object in view that General Garcia withdrew his troops from the American lines and refused longer to act as an ally of General Shafter. He decided to capture Holguin, if possible, and there set up an insurgent government, making that place the Cuban headquarters for the eastern department.

SPANISH TROOPS SURRENDERING.

There Are Nearly 12,000 at Santiago Which Will Soon Be Doubled.

The war department Sunday night posted the following dispatch from General Shafter at Santiago:

"Lieutenant Miley has returned from San Luis and Talma Soriana, where he went four days ago to receive the surrender of the Spanish troops. The number surrendered was larger than General Toral reported—3,005 Spanish troops and 350 volunteer guerillas, gave up their arms and gave parole and have gone to work. Three thousand stands of arms were turned in, loaded on ox carts and started to the railroads, Spanish troops accompanying him to San Luis, and all apparently greatly delighted at prospects of returning home. They were on the verge of starvation and I have to send them rations tomorrow. If the numbers keep up as they have, there will be about 24,000 to ship away—nearly 12,000 here, 3,000 from San Luis, 6,000 from Guantanamo and over 2,000 at Sagua and Baracoa."

TRANSPORTS REACH CAVITE.

No Advance on Manila Has Yet Been Made By American Forces.

HONG KONG, (Special.)—The German steamer Wuetan, at this port from Cavite, reports that the United States transport China, with American reinforcements for Admiral Dewey, arrived at Cavite on Saturday last, and that the other transports arrived on Sunday.

The Wuetan also brought the news that no advance had been made by the American forces. They are awaiting the coming of General Merrett, who was expected to reach the place within ten days. The insurgents still invested the town.

The news of the destruction of Admiral Cervera's fleet at Santiago was received at Manila on July 17, and created consternation among the Spaniards.

General Ferguson Re-Elected.

The Alabama division of Confederates met at the Kimball House, Atlanta, and elected the following officers:

General Fred S. Ferguson, of Birmingham, commander of division; Brigadier-General J. W. A. Sanford, of Montgomery, commander of First brigade, to succeed General Williams, of Mobile, resigned; Brigadier-General George P. Harrison, of Opelika, commander of Second brigade, to succeed General William Richardson, of Huntsville, resigned.

Officers for the Mississippi division were elected as follows: W. A. Campbell, of Vicksburg, major-general; W. D. Cameron, of Meridian, first brigadier-general; Sam H. Pryor, of Holly Springs, second brigadier-general; B. V. White, of Meridian, adjutant-general, and James S. McBride, of Copiah, ensign.

Government Aid to Schools.

The United States government paid into the state treasury Saturday the sum of $24,000, Alabama's portion for this year of the fund arising from the sale of certain public lands under what is known as the Morrill act, passed by congress in 1890. The act provides that certain moneys be set aside for the Agricultural and Mechanical schools in each state, and the above amount is Alabama's share. This amount will be divided between the Agricultural and Mechanical schools for negroes at Huntsville, the college at Auburn receiving the amount of 55 per cent and the college at Huntsville the remainder.

Bloody Tragedy in Lamar.

A tragedy occurred on the streets of Sulligent the past week. D. Boyd, a prominent citizen, was met by Burley Johnson, another citizen, who, without a word, began firing on Boyd with a revolver. Johnson fired five shots, four of which took effect, one in Boyd's breast, another in the head, and two in the back. Boyd drew his pistol and fired twice at his antagonist and then dropped to the ground dead. Johnson fled immediately.

FIRST EXPEDITION ARRI[VES]

Off the Coast of Porto Rico---Gener[al] Miles in Command.

WILL FIGHT FIRST BATTLE AT SAN PIEDRAS.

The Expedition Will Probably Await the Arrival of the Whole Expedition Before Making a Landing—Battle Expected This Week.

A Sunday's special from Washington says: There is little doubt in minds of army and navy department officials that General Miles' advance expedition arrived today off the point on the coast of Porto Rico, selected as a rendezvous of all vessels of the expedition. Whether or not he will attempt to make a landing in advance of the whole expedition will depend entirely upon conditions as he finds them. Meanwhile the department is making every effort to hurry along the remainder of the expedition. Some troops are now on their way from Tampa and Charleston and should reach Porto Rico by the middle of the week. Naval officials are assisted actively in getting the troops off and were engaged today in sending the necessary orders to that end to commanders of the naval auxiliary vessels which have been placed at the service of the war department.

In the course of a day or two the troops brought from Chickamauga by General Brooke will sail from Hampton Roads, where they have been arriving all day. There is a probability that General Miles may be delayed for several days in his landing operations for lack of lighters, but several of these are now on their way and others will be hurried forward as rapidly as possible. However, it may be, as to his speedy landing on Porto Rico soil, it will be well along toward the end of this week before the active campaign can be begun in Porto Rico.

First Battle at San Piedras.

The first great battle of the war in Porto Rico will be held at San Piedras. This town is the point of conveyance for the army of General Miles, moving west from Fajardo, and the army of Brooke, moving north from Guamia.

At least three expeditions against the coast are a part of the plan of campaign. Fajardo is one of the points where an expedition will land. It is very near the island of Viaques, which was the first place selected by the war department. The second is Guamia, on the south coast. The expedition to Guamia is to be in charge of General Brooke. General Miles is to land at Fajardo, General Booke at Guamia and General Wilson and General Ernst are expected to land at Barcelonita, but will not advance into the interior until General Miles and Brooke have made a junction at San Piedras. From San Piedras Miles and Brooke will advance to Bayamau, and from there to the key of the land approach to San Juan.

The war department expects that the first momentous battle will be fought at San Piedras. General Miles will be reinforced by about 6,000 troops before he begins the march to San Piedras.

PREPARING TO SEIZE THRONE.

Madrid Alarmed Over Fear of An Uprising of the Carlists.

LONDON (By Cable).—Don Carlos left Brussels secretly Sunday, ostensibly for Switzerland. At the same time his leading Spanish agent, Marquis Cerralbo, left Madrid for the north, probably to meet his chief. There is great alarm in Spanish government circles and activity in the army. Police spies have been doubled in the last week. Carlists clubs in Madrid, Barcelona, Valencia and other cities are closely watched and the leaders shadowed. Private advices from Madrid, which escaped the censor, say the Carlist uprising will be general throughout Spain. The signal will not be given until peace is negotiated, or unless the conditions imposed cause such indignation among the people that Don Carlos will have a chance of winning support. Carlos recognizes that this is his last chance of getting the throne, and is making extensive preparations. He is willing to risk all, and if civil war comes it will be frightful for its bloodshed and cruelties.

Big Order From Paris.

The Walker Manufacturing company of Cleveland, O., has received one of the largest orders ever booked by that firm. The order came from Paris and was for equipment for five hundred electric street cars. This includes one thousand motors, one thousand controllers, five hundred trolleys and other details. The order will amount in value to over $500,000.

Wounded Arrive at New York.

The United States hospital ship Relief arrived at quarantine, New York, Saturday from Siboney, with 125 sick and wounded officers and men. Twelve men died during the voyage.

Hobson Coming South.

Lieutenant P. Hobson who, is now in Washington, will make two visits before he returns to Cuba to overlook the work of raising the Spanish hulks sunk off that coast. One visit will be to his mother at Sweetwater, Ga., where she has gone for the summer, and the other will be to Annapolis to thank Admiral Cervera for his kind message to Admiral Sampson assuring the latter of the safety of himself and his crew. He may be able to run over to Alabama and visit his old home, but of this he is not certain.

TO CAPTURE ONE OF THE CANARIES

Commodore Watson Will Take 15,0[00] Men to Occupy the Island.

WASHINGTON, (Special.)—[illegible] and the war board held [illegible] [impo]rtant consultation Saturday after[noon] [illegible]

Shafter Repor[ts] [fr]om Santiago.

WASHINGTON.—[illegible] Saturday night rec[eived] [illegible] from General Shaft[er] [illegible]

To Adjutant-Gene[ral] [illegible] "Colonel of enginee[rs] [illegible] has just arrived fro[m] [illegible] He heard from Frenc[h] [illegible] that Santiago had su[rrendered] [illegible] that they had been [illegible] crediting it, he was sent [illegible] the fact. They will be [illegible] accept terms of surrend[er] [illegible] very short of rations, [illegible] shall have to begin furnishing [illegible] once. He tells me that there [illegible] ,000 men at that place. Now [illegible] 6,000 well prisoners here and [illegible] sick in hospitals. Expect 2,[illegible] in tomorrow from San Luis [illegible] Palmas. Will send officer tomorr[ow] [illegible] or next day with one of General To[ral's] [illegible] to receive the surrender there. Think the number of prisoners will be fully up to estimate—22,000 or 23,000."

MESSAGE FROM DEWEY.

News of the Destruction of Cervera's Fleet Causes Rejoicing at Manila.

ON BOARD UNITED STATES FLAGSHIP OLYMPIA, MANILA BAY.—The good news of Admiral Sampson's great victory is welcome. While I might suggest that the result may cause me to look to my own laurels, I gladly express my sincere gratification of the destruction of the Spanish fleet in Cuban waters, which, with their loss in Manila Bay, must end the Spanish sea power in this war—if not forever.

From the telegram just at hand I note the remarkable similarity of the Spanish fighting off Santiago to that in Manila Bay. In both battles their firing was ineffective. They fought their ships to the least advantage, and finally scuttled or burned them to cover their defeat. The small loss of life on the American side is indeed extraordinary, and rivals our deathless record here.

In view of the ships engaged, I trust that the results of these battles, as well as the other incidents, may prove to the American people the value of a strong and well-trained navy.

GEO. DEWEY, Rear Admiral.

BATTLE AT NIPE.

We Whipped Two Forts and Sunk a Gunboat Making Ready to Land.

KEY WEST.—The Topeka arrived here Saturday morning bringing an account of the attack on Nipe on the 21st. She reports that the Topeka, Wasp, Annapolis and Leyden were ordered by Admiral Sampson to enter the harbor of Nipe and prepare a landing place for troops.

On steaming in they found the place guarded by three forts and the gunboat Jorge.

The vessels opened fire meeting with a response from the Spanish force. After a sharp engagement the gunboat was demolished and the forts silenced. The forts fought bravely, but the gunnery was characteristically Spanish. None of our vessels were hit.

Portuguese Troops Ordered to Frontier.

Dispatches filed at Lisbon, Portugal, on July 18, but which were suppressed by the censor, say that owing to the suspension of the constitution in Spain the Portuguese government has ordered reinforcements of troops to be dispatched to the frontier, fearing Spanish uprising and the entry of revolutionists into Portugal, as has been the case in the past.

Patrick Henry Elected to Congress.

Returns from the primary election in the Seventh Mississippi congressional district indicate the election of Patrick Henry by an overwhelming majority.

Will Not Allow Annexation.

LONDON.—The Berlin correspondent of the Daily News says: "The powers, with the exception of Great Britain, have agreed not to allow an American annexation of the Philippines or an Anglo-American protectorate over the islands."

Dr. H. B. Wilkerson, of Montgomery, has been notified of his appointment as a surgeon in the United States army, and left for Washington, D. C., from which city he will sail, without delay, for Santiago, where he will enter upon his duties.

AGUINALDO IS [illegible]

INSURGENTS ARE [illegible]

BATTLE REPORTED.

Augusti Announces Insurgen[ts] [illegible] Five Hundr[ed]

MADRID.—Special [illegible] dispatch from Hong Kong [illegible] gents attacked Manila [illegible] pulsed with a loss of 50[0] [illegible] iards having fifty kill[ed] [illegible] A second attack was [illegible] cessful.

A dispatch from San Jua[n] [illegible] Rico says a new [illegible] been formed under the [illegible] Sunor Nuñez Rivera.

Volunteers Advancing

NEW YORK.—A specia[l] [illegible] Journal dated Cavite, [illegible] via Hong Kong, July 22, [illegible] entire regiment of the Fir[st] [illegible] nia advanced today to [illegible] miles from the Spanish [illegible] rounding Manila.

The California troops ha[ve] [illegible] thrown out by General An[derson] [illegible] form the advance of the [illegible] force. South Manila is to [illegible] ed first. The Colorado and [illegible] teries are being landed at [illegible] directly from the ship. Th[e] [illegible] Pennsylvania with the re[st] [illegible] artillery will land at Mala[te] [illegible] north of Manila.

"Brigadier-General Fra[ncis] Green, formerly colonel of the [Seven]ty-first New York is in comm[and of] the advance, General Anders[on] re[maining] in Cavite."

Aguinaldo Autocratic.

HONG KONG.—Letters rece[ived] from Cavite dated July 19, di[ffer] [from] the advices received direct fr[om Ma]nila. The former say the [illegible] have been repulsed near Man[ila] [illegible] that they are now making less p[illegible] There is also said to be much [dissen]sion among them owing to [illegible] bribery on the part of priests.

Aguinaldo, it is further sai[d] [illegible] to be subordinated to the [United] States. He does not seem to [illegible] his position as evidenced by [the ap]pointment of a cabinet, his de[claration] of independence and the forma[tion] [illegible] ing of the insurgent flag.

About 1,500 Americans, it a[p]pears from the letters [illegible] have been landed half way [between] Manila and Cavite, and the [United] States cruiser Boston has gone [to sup]port them in case of an emerg[ency].

Peace Negotiations Have B[egun]

The Madrid correspondent [of the] London Daily Mail says:

"Senor Sagasta told a repre[sentative] of El Imparcial Friday that [the gov]ernment had already entered [the] preliminary stage of peace ne[gotiations]. General Polavieja has arrive[d] [illegible] have an audience with the [illegible]

FRENCH STEAMER CAPTU[RED]

Was Caught Off San Juan by the [New] Orleans.

The French steamer Oli[nde Rod]riquez was brought into [illegible] port Friday in charge of a pr[ize crew] from the cruiser New Orleans. [She] was captured off San Juan, P[orto Ri]co. She was warned July [illegible] by cruiser not to enter the port. [illegible] the Rodriquez appeared aga[in] [illegible] ing for the harbor. The New O[rleans] sent two shots across her b[ow and] brough her to. She has twenty [illegible] cabin and fourteen steerage [passen]gers on board and a cargo of [illegible] and tobacco. She is held at [quaran]tine.

Cervera's Ships Are Being Rai[sed]

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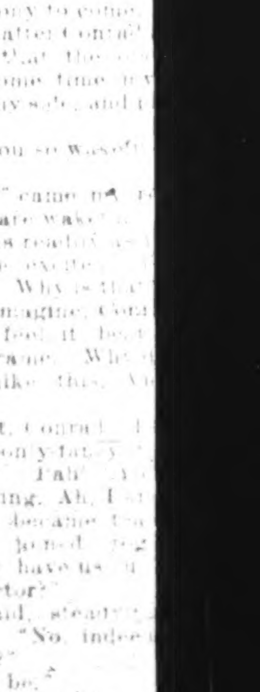

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AGUINALDO IS DIC...

...Chief Declar... M...
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INSURGENTS ARE REPULSED ...

American Troops Are Now ...
and Will Capture South Ma...
Aguinaldo Refuses to Be ...
nated to the United ...

WASHINGTON.—The follow...
gram has been received at t...
partment:

HONG KONG.—Secretary of ...
The following is for the ...
war to the adjutant-general ...
Aguinaldo declares dicta orship a...
low over all the islands. T...
expect independence. Re...
China ponies. ...

Col. Anderson was the ...
officer at the Philippines ...
dispatch was sent, and for ...
days before its Hong Hong d...
reference to China ponies ...
Col. Anderson desires that ...
dary animals.

Col. Anderson's message ...
that Aguinaldo had declared h...
ship over the Philippines ...
cabinet food for consideration ...
regular meeting Friday. There ...
disposition to force any issue ...
insurgent chief at this time, b...
pretty well understood tha...
will not be allowed to com...
United States government in ...
ture treatment of the Phil...
question.

BATTLE REPORTED.

Aguinaldo Announces Insurgent L...
Five Hundred.

MANILA (Special.)—Accordi...
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pulsed with a loss of 500, the ...
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THE BOND OF FLESH.

Tale of Life from the Tyrolese Mountains.

BY EDGAR FAWCETT.

AFTER II.—Continued.

...mitted to murmur in my ...
...hesitate. Olaf Avel... ...
...wever you are. Better ...
...ere is than go on, like ...
...and self-torment."

I answered, "tell him, if ...
...ore life, that I am will... ...
...morrow night."

...w it was. But be... ...
...long talk with Linda. ...
...I listened, and I ... ...
...with a hungry ...
...-pierce glances ...
...below seemed to ...
...look of my own ...
...I well knew ...
...of all his un... ...
...dispatch was sent, and for ...
...either to my ...
...warmness and ...
...yet decided ...

...pressed Linda then ...
...tremulous words: ...
...me that you care ...
...only spoke in whis... ...
...he will hear. Do you ...

...swered, faintly, droop... ...
...pursued, "how much ...
...for me?"

...faltered; "why, I'm ...
...sister. Have I not ...
...more than once?"

...nothing to me, Linda, ...
...another way from that.

...are you saying?" ...

...why not?"

...use of him?" ...

...Linda. If I were freed ...
...them?"

...Conrad? Oh, you can't ...
...you can't.

...There is a possibility of ...
...Aveling has told you ...

...answered, in consterna... ...
...Victor, you don't ...
...thing could be accom...

...my yearning to tell her ...

...instantly might be accomplished. ...
...hope. I seized her hand, ...
...and soundless kisses upon ...
...Linda, what then?"

...she repeated, bewilder... ...
...me clasp her hand. Then, ...
...rapidly rising, she ...
...about my neck and kissed ...
...lips. Afterward, like a ...
...glided from my sight.

...with great, fierce, intoxicating ...
...I had had my answer. And ...
...It nerved me for un... ...
...to come.

...Conrad and I had re... ...
...the operation would ...
...time my brother lay ...
...side, and plied me with ...

...wakeful, Victor?" he ...

...response. "It ...
...wakeful. You know I ...
...as yourself. ...
...Your heart is ...
...that."

...Conrad." ...
...beat. I feel it all ...
...Why do I feel your ...
...Victor? Why ...

...I strove to say ...
...it. ...
...You're unhappy ...
...No, I know—I know. ...
...heartful. "You'll ...
...together. You ...
...have us not apart. Am...

...quivering my voice ...
...No, indeed. There are ...

...such strange thoughts ...
...Conrad?" I urged, re...

...Meanwhile I was using a ...
...power to induce sleep in ...
...know that Aveling and his ...
...must now be waiting ...
...ready to appear at the ...
...should sound a peal from ...
...bell on the wall just above ...

...yes," persisted Conrad, with ...
...weakness, "I am right! I am ...
...he gave a dreadful shud... ...
...I'll never consent to an op... ...
...Victor, never." And now he ...
...as if in suppliant alarm. ...
...you might recover, but I ...
...Victor." ...
...it is what they've all said— ...
...Dr. Aveling, and he wants to ...
...famous at any price. It's ...
...so afraid to die, Victor— ...
...fear dying at all." ...
...?" ...
...loving you. Ah, if we ...
...together. That should ...
...least." ...
...feeling like a Judas and ...
...brow. "We probably ...
...," I said, "when our ...
...and I meant what I said, ...
...sense wholly different from ...
...he doubtless took my ...
...words. ...

It seemed an eternity before he fell ...
...sleep. I was remorseful, and yet ...
...burningly bent on carrying out my pro... ...
...ect. Somehow I already hated mys... ...
...for the very force of determinati... ...
...which controlled me.

Conscience, however, kept applying ...
...its hurt one sovereign lenitive. ...
...not Aveling assurred me that ...
...chances of life would be equal? ...
...posed all my self-justification on ...
...sole assurance. For the rest, my ...
...of Linda made action, consent, acqu... ...
...cence almost fatally easy.

When p or Conrad slept, and I w... at ...
...last confident that he did so, I sou... led ...
...the bell.

Aveling entered very softly, no... ...
...time I had assisted him to pla... the ...
...sponge of ether at Conrad's n... trils. ...
...The light in the room was sl... dim. ...
...But I could see Aveling's face ...rfectly. ...
...It was calm, and perhaps ... little ...
...paler than usual.

"You're excited," he said, ...ith his ...
...hand on my pulse.

"Oh, naturally," I answe... d. "Is ...
...everything ready?"

"Everything."

"The other physicians are ...aiting in ...
...the next room?"

"Yes, and the work must ...ecessarily ...
...be brief. You will have ... suffering. ...
...Would you care to see Se... ...ner for a ...
...moment?"

"Does he desire it?" I a... ...l.

"He does and does n... He is un... ...
...nerved, and——"

"Very well; don't let ... meet, then. ...
...He might unnerve me." ... gave a faint, ...
...broken laugh now. "I... so horrid to ...
...take that drug. Coul... not go through ...
...the thing without it?"

"No, no!" refused ...veling, "don't ...
...dream of it. All no... of safety lies in ...
...your perfect quietude ... and unconscious... ...
...ness."

"Very well," I s... Just then the ...
...breathing of Conra... at my side grew ...
...stertorous, and a ...gnor, whose cause ...
...I could not but kno... stole through my ...
...veins.

In another mom... nt I felt a sponge ...
...touch my own ... ostrils. Then there ...
...came a struggle ... against the heavy, as... ...
...phyxiating vapor ... of the anæsthetic.

I FELT A SPONGE

And just before I quite lost all count of ...
...things I have a clear recollection of ...
...seeing the lights of the room turned up ...
...to their fullest extent and several male ...
...figures tr oping in through an open ...
...door.

That was all. * * * Immediately ...
...after I became unconscious Conrad and I ...
...must have been lifted from our bed into ...
...the adjacent room and placed on an ...
...operating table prepared to receive us.

CHAPTER III.

I remember nothing until a period ...
...which must have been two or three ...
...hours later. And then, as it now recurs ...
...to me, I was so weak and yet thorough... ...
...ly peaceful that I had no desire to use ...
...my memory at all. This was no doubt ...
...a result of the great blood-loss which I ...
...had sustained. Afterward came a blank. ...
...I learned, later, that this blank lasted ...
...for nearly five days. The nurses watch... ...
...ing me twice decided that I had ceased ...
...to live. Then vitality flickered back ...
...into a vague semblance of its old sway. ...
...What I first clearly recall is refusing ...
...to drink a certain potion put by the ...
...nurse to my lips, and saying with ve... ...
...hemence that I had already eaten and ...
...drank more than was good for me. At ...
...this time my watchers were afraid that ...
...I might die of starvation, since the in... ...
...jections of nourishment on which I had ...
...been living had begun to fail of their ...
...nutritive office.

But from that hour, straight along, I ...
...began to recuperate. Once started, my ...
...bodily recovery was rapid. Not so, ...
...however, my mental recovery. For a ...
...good while I saw Conrad at my side, ...
...though he was no longer there. For a ...
...good while I spoke to him and thought ...
...that he returned my answers. The ...
...realization that we had been separated ...
...in a bodily way crept upon me with ...
...drowsy slowness. At last I inquired of ...
...my nurse:

"Where is my brother?"

"We thought it best, sir," came the ...
...glib reply, "that you should be kept ...
...apart while you're both so ill."

"Then he is alive?"

"Oh, yes, sir."

"Thank God! And has he suffered?"

"Suffered? Oh, no, sir, not at all."

I heard myself heave a strong, grate... ful sigh just as I sank into a sleep ...
...which those few sentences made one of ...
...exhaustion.

But a little later I rallied most appre... ciably. Still to weak too leave my bed, ...
...I could yet hold converse with two or ...
...three doctors who visited me. The ab... sence of Aveling became a source of ...
...surprise, and I soon inquire l for him.

"He has been called away," said one ...
...of the doctors.

"Yes—to Paris, I believe," struck in ...
...another; and then I saw them exchange ...
...a quick, peculiar smile—a smile which I ...
...was destine l presently to understand.

"Where is my dear old friend, Oscar ...
...Schreiner?" I next questioned. "Why ...
...does he not come to me—he of all ...
...others?"

"We thought you were not strong ...
...enough yet," I was answered.

"Not strong enough?" I returned, al... most mockingly; "why, that is really ...
...absurd. Let him come at once."

But they refused, and three good ...
...days had passed before Oscar appeared ...
...at my bed-side. He was very grave of ...
...demeanor, and looked somewhat hag... ...
...After a little while, during which ...
...d my hand and stroked it with ...
...ss, he broke to me the tiding... ...
...onrad had died (wholly without ...
...nd still unconscious) on the even... ...
...the operation.

...ad! Conrad dead!" I cried, and ...
...ned completely away).

...re days passed before I learned ...
...s equally harrowing, in a way even ...
...more so. Desiring most earnestly ...
...see Linda, I was told that I could ...
...t, for the reason that she had become ...
...rs. Olaf Aveling, and was on her wed... ...ing tour with her new-married hus... ...band.

Then the whole hateful truth burst ...
...upon me. Trembling with passionate ...
...revolt and disgust, I rose from the great ...
...arm-chair in which I was seated, and ...
...shook my c enched hand at Oscar.

"Olaf Aveling wanted to perform that ...
...operation," I cried, "because he be... lieved it would kill me also."

"Victor!" exclaimed Oscar Schreiner, ...
...shocked and horrified, "how can you ...
...denounce as a murderer the man who ...
...has given you your liberty?"

"Liberty!" I echoed, with a scornful ...
...sneer. "What is my liberty worth, now ...
...that Linda is lost to me—Linda whom I ...
...loved with my whole soul?"

Oscar visibly shuddered and raised ...
...one repelling hand.

"I had no dream that you cared for ...
...her like this," he began, "until Aveling ...
...himself told me."

"And then," I shouted, "you forced her ...
...to marry that treacherous devil!"

"I persuaded her——"

"You forced her," I struck in, "Yes, ...
...you must have forced her, for she loved ...
...me, she loved me. I had seen it; I had ...
...felt it through every fiber of my life!"

"But, Victor, listen. It seemed such ...
...a sacrilege for her to marry you, after ...
...Conrad's death. Forgive me if I thought ...
...this, but——"

"You consented, however, that she ...
...should marry the assassin of my ...
...brother."

"Oh, Victor! Think! If he had wished ...
...to kill you, might he not have done so?"

I broke into a laugh of bitter irony. ...
..."No. He was watched by those other ...
...doctors. And you yourself have told ...
...me that I was only saved by a miracle."

"Victor, Victor," sighed my listener. ...
..."Remember that you are not yet well— ...
...that excitement like this may reopen ...
...your wound!"

"I'll reopen it myself," now rang ...
...from my lips. And with reckless hands ...
...I tore from my side the bandages which ...
...clung to it. A great flow of blood fol... lowed, and for days I was once more ...
...prostrated. I wanted to die, and even ...
...prayed for death. But health asserted ...
...itself in obstinate refusal of my prayer ...
...Within another month I had completely ...
...recovered, and as soon as regained ...
...strength permitted I departed from Os... car Schreiner's house.

Almost immediately I went back to ...
...my native town among the Tyrolese ...
...mountains, and have lived there in soli... tude and retirement ever since. I am ...
...an old man now, and the story of the ...
...severe l bond of flesh has become half... forgotten. It gave Olaf Aveling a great ...
...surgical reputation, however, and he ...
...has grown rich in consequence.

Hundreds of times, in my regret and ...
...repentance at the death of poor Conrad ...
...I have felt like taking my own life. But ...
...that is all past now; I am in a measure ...
...quite at peace. Past, too, are the wildly ...
...vengeful impulses to seek out Olaf ...
...Aveling and end his life by a retributive ...
...blow of hate. I comprehend the ...
...utter failure of my new existence, yet ...
...strive to convince myself that it is a ...
...penance justly inflicted for having pre... sumed to tamper with the decrees of an ...
...inscrutable destiny.

Often do I bless the mighty hills ...
...which engird me, and often it seems to ...
...me that they have somehow taught me ...
...noble and wholesome lessons. I watch ...
...their grandeur for hours, and learn ...

"I'LL REOPEN IT MYSELF."

...from it (or, perhaps, only fancy that I ...
...learn) the sacred wisdom of patience.

THE END

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The Hop-Pickers.

A chronicler of the past and pres... ent records, in the New York Even... ing Post, the degeneracy of the busi... ness of hop-picking in the interior of ...
...New York State. In his boyhood all ...
...the young men and women who were ...
...in need of money or out of health ...
...repaired to the country annually, ...
...picked hops for the farmers, shared ...
...the meals of their wives and daugh... ters, and returned home with a nest... egg of $25 or so. The earning were ...
...very acceptable to the poorer work... ers, and to the others they meant ...
...some extra fineries or a trip to New ...
...York. The occupation was regarded ...
...as proper and desirable, and more... over, the day often ended with a ...
...country dance or some other innocent ...
...amusement. But the introduction ...
...of the city hop-pickers has spoiled ...
...this bucolic picture. The chronicler ...
...says of them: "The pickers are gath... ered indiscriminately and are com... posed of an indolent class of men and ...
...women, who do not care to labor in... dustriously for the money they would ...
...earn, but go rather for the 'good ...
...time' there is in it. Drinking and ...
...revelry, an absence of all decency, ...
...brawls, midnight marauding, and an ...
...occasional murder are the results of ...
...their annual visit to the hop-field. ...
...It follows that decent and industri... ous country people have been driven ...
...from a good occupation."

If it takes forty-five days fast to cure dyspepsia, as seems to be the opinion of a man in New Jersey, it is not strange that so many people have it. The better way is to live properly so the dyspepsia cannot get a lodgment.

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He and His Staff Le... Camp for Porto Ric...

CHATTANOOGA.—General Brooke ... his staff left Saturday afternoon on a special train for Newport News, whence they go to Porto Rico. The train was made up of a private car, occupied by General Brooke, two Pullman sleepers and two baggage coaches. The departure of General Brooke leaves General J. F. Wade in command of Camp Thomas.

The reserve hospital corps, ambulance corps, the signal corps, troop H, of the Sixth United States cavalry and Company F, eighth United States Infantry, left on special trains for Newport News.

Sunday fo... ght batteries of artillery, Comp... A of Illinois, B of Pennsylva... of Missouri and the Twenty-sev... Indiana, left for Newport News. ...e whole of the First corps, with the exception of the two brigades of the First division, which are now en route, leaves this week for Porto Rico.

It is announced that immediately after the First corps shall have left Chickamauga Park the organization of the Sixth corps, to be commanded by Major-General Wilson, will be begun and completed. The corps will consist of twenty-seven regiments from the second call for volunteers, numbering in all 36,000 men.

SHAFTER'S REPLY TO GARCIA.

Expresses Regret That the Latter Should Feel Aggrieved.

General Shafter has sent the follow... ing reply to General Garcia's letter:

Mr Dear General Garcia—I must say that I was very much surprised at the receipt of your letter, and regret extremely that you should regard yourself as in any way slighted or aggrieved. You will remember the fact that I invited you to accompany me into the town of Santiago to witness the surrender, which you declined. This war, as you know, is between the United States and Spain, and it is out of the question for me to take any action in regard to your forces in connection with the surrender, which was made solely to the American army. The policy of my government in continuing in power temporarily the persons occupying the office is one which I am, of course, unable to discuss.

To show you the views held by my government, see the copy of instructions received from the president, which appear to cover everything that can possibly arise in the government of this territory while held by the United States. Full credit has been given you and your valiant men in my report to my government, and I wish to acknowledge to you the great aid and valuable assistance you rendered during the campaign. I regret very much to know of your determination to withdraw yourself from this vicinity.

I remain yours, very sincerely,

WILLIAM R. SHAFTER,
Major-General Commanding.

Gen. Merritt Will Proclaim Martial Law.

A dispatch from Washington says: Upon the arrival of Maj.-Gen. Merritt within ten days of Manila that officer will issue his proclamation declaring the Philippines temporary dependencies of the United States, and will enforce martial law to such extent as may seem desirable, leaving the Spanish municipal authorities in possession of such points as they have governed and are capable of governing. Such action may result in an immediate clash with Aguinaldo, whose future course is a matter of speculation.

Did Garcia See the Letter?

SANTIAGO, DE CUBA.—It now turns out that the letter alleged to have been addressed by General Garcia to General Shafter complaining of the treatment accorded the Cubans and advising General Shafter of General Garcia's resignation was prepared by a newspaper correspondent named Arms, who has been acting on the staff of General Castillo. It is not clear that General Garcia ever saw the letter.

Another British Boat Caught.

The British steamer Regulus of about 1,500 tons was captured by the United States auxiliary gunboat Hawk twelve miles from Sagua la Grande, province of Santa Clara, and was brought to Key West. She had landed a cargo at Sagua la Grande and was coming out when taken.

Immense Steel Plant to Be Built.

A company of German capitalists and steel manufacturers have begun the construction of an immense steel plant just outside the limits of Pullman, and will undertake the production of steel upon a large scale within a short time. Two thousand men will be employed. The company will work in opposition to the steel trust.

Reunion at Charleston New Year.

The next annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will be held in Charleston, S. C. By a vote of 1,054 to 820 the contest between the South Carolina city and Louisville was decided in the former's favor.

Fever Situation at Santiago.

A dispatch received at Washington Sunday night by the adjutant-general says that 396 new cases of fever of all classes developed in Shafter's camp Saturday. As only four deaths—from yellow fever—from among the hundreds of cases of fever known to exist in the camp, the war authorities are more than ever inclined to the belief that the cases of yellow fever are of very mild type. Some clear cases of yellow fever are reported, but the officials say they are few, as compared with those of other fevers.

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FOUR OF THE SPANIARDS WEL...

The Invading Army Will Move on to Capture the Town of Ponce and Then to San Juan, the Principal City of the Island.

PORT OF GUANICA, Island of Porto Rico, Monday.—The United States military expedition under the command of Major-General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the army of the United States, which left Guantanamo Bay during the evening of Thursday last, July 21, was landed here successfully today, after a skirmish with a detachment of the Spanish troops and a crew of thirty belonging to the launch of the United States auxiliary gunboat Gloucester. Four of the Spaniard were killed, but no Americans were hurt.

The troops were pushed forward promptly, in order to capture the railroad leading to Ponce, which is only about ten miles east of this place. From Ponce there is an excellent military road running eighty-five miles north to San Juan.

The whole of General Brooke's force, with the New Orleans, Annapolis, Cincinnati, Leyden and Wasp are expected here within twenty-four hours.

The ships left Guantanamo Bay suddenly on Thursday evening with the Massachusetts, commanded by Captain F. J. Higginson, leading. Captain Higginson was in charge of the naval expedition, which consisted of the Columbia, Dixie, Gloucester and Yale. General Miles was on board the last named vessel.

The troops were on board the transports Nuezcas, Lampas, Comanchee, Rita, Unionist, Stillwater, City of Macon and Specialist. The voyage from Guantanamo Bay to this port was uneventful.

Early this morning the Gloucester, in charge of Lieutenant-Commander Wainwright, steamed into Guanica harbor in order to reconnoitre the place, the fleet waiting outside.

Guanica Bay is a quiet place, surrounded by cultivated lands. In the rear are high mountains and close to the beach nestles a village of about twenty houses. The Spaniards were completely taken by surprise. Almost the first they knew of the approach of the army of invasion was in the announcement contained in the firing of a gun from the Gloucester demanding that the Spaniards haul down their flag.

The Gloucester then hove to within 600 yards of the shore and lowered a launch having on board a Colt rapid-fire gun and thirty men, under the command of Lieutenant Husee, which was sent ashore without encountering opposition. Quartermaster Beck thereupon told Yeoman Lacey to haul down the Spanish flag, which was done, and they then raised on the flagstaff the first United States flag to float over Porto Rican soil.

Suddenly about thirty Spanish opened fire with Mauser rifles on the American party. Lieutenant Husee and his men responded with great gallantry, the Colt gun doing effective work. Almost immediately after the Spaniards fired on the Americans the Gloucester fired on the enemy with all of her three and six-pounders which could be brought to bear, shelling the town and also dropping shells into the hills to the west of Guanica, where a number of Spanish cavalry were to be seen hastening toward the spot where the Americans had landed.

Lieutenant Husee then threw up a little fort, which he named Fort Wainwright.

Want the Regimental Canteen Abolished.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union of America is going to do what it can to abolish the "canteen" system maintaining in the army of the United States. The "canteen" is a regimental saloon. For instance, the First Alabama at Miami gets a car load of beer a day, which is sold to the soldiers at 5 cents a quart or "canteen." The Women's Christian Temperance Union wants to break this up. To this end the Alabama and other state organizations of the order are circulating petitions to President McKinley praying him to stop the practice.

Cervera's Officials Will Not Return.

MADRID.—Captain Aunon, minister of marine, says Admiral Cervera's officers will not return with the Santiago prisoners, but that their return will be negotiated with the United States government. He denies having demanded the expulsion of Don Carlos from Belgium.

It is said in a dispatch from Havana just received here that the report of the killing of Cerpero, the insurgent leader, at Jicotao, is confirmed.

Manzanillo is said to be tranquil, and it is denied that the Americans have invested that place.

Fred Grant's Brigade Ordered to Move.

The Third brigade of the First division, First corps, General Grant commanding, stationed at Chickamauga, received orders Tuesday to strike tents and pack up for immediate departure to Newport News. The brigade consists of the First Kentucky, Fifth Illinois and Third Kentucky, the Third battalion of the Sixteenth Pennsylvania being attached.

A. A. Mabson, of Montgomery, one of the leading republicans of the State, has been appointed a major in the Tenth immune regiment.

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made July 14.

Whilst Gomez ... with the railroads, Ros... ex-Sevillian bandit whom brought from Spain and left as to... dier in command of Spain's guerrilla corps at Sancti Spiritus, flanked and attacked the patriot forces, but was defeated and killed after losing twenty-three men. The command then devolved on Colonel Masso Parra, a renegade Cuban tax collector. Parra rallied his men and made a fresh attack upon Gomez, but was also repulsed. The Cuban losses are given as eleven killed and twenty seven wounded. Gomez is now reported as planning the seizure of a seaport.

WARSHIPS ASSEMBLING.

Japanese Men-of-War Ordered to Cooperate With Dewey.

A special dispatch from Shanghai says four Russian men-of-war have left Port Arthur, and it is supposed their destination is the Philippine islands.

The Japanese warships Wohino, Chin Yen, Itaukushima and Sai Yen have been hastily dispatched to Saesebo to reinforce the Japanese squadron there, making it the strongest fleet in those waters. It has been ordered to co-operate with the British and American admirals in the event of international complications. While the dispatch does not explain the matter, it is inferred the squadron is desired to be in readiness for Philippine operations.

GUANTANAMO SURRENDERS.

The Spanish Soldiers Lay Down Their Arms—Provisions Sent Them.

SANTIAGO—Everything here is peaceful. The 7,000 Spanish soldiers at Guantanamo laid down their arms Monday. The 3,350 from Palma Soriano San Luis and Longo surrendered Sunday to Lieutenant Miley and M... day pack trains with provisions were sent them. The only others included in the capitulation are the 2,000 troops ... Baracoa and the 1,000 at Sagua. The... have not yet been turned over, b... they are now here in General Garci... vicinity. He is at Jiguany, ... reached there without encounter... any Spaniards. General Shafter ... thorizes an absolute contradi... the report that General Garcia ... of a force of Spaniards ... must be filed with the judge of county court, ... posted at place where last election ... held and a number of copies ... ed for distribution.

Are Said ... the city council appoints the ... tween Spanish registration; in California the ...

VIENNA.—A ... required to keep a ... tist, conversant with ... look for precincts ... the Madrid government, ... In all ... (Monday that peace nego... and oth... practically being carried on ... between Spain and the United States. The European powers will not interfere in any way. Sagasta having begun the war, must now make peace. As soon as this is done the present cabinet may be replaced by a new one, headed by Polavieja. The knowledge that Porto Rico must be surrendered with Cuba is gaining ground in Spain, though the government hopes for some favorable chance of war to save the former. Spain expects the United States to demand an indemnity and retain part of the Philippines until it is paid.

Merritt May Need 50,000 Men.

SAN FRANCISCO.—It is understood that Brigadier-General Charles King will be in command of the next Manila expedition. Of the men that are to go to Manila, General King said: "It is my personal opinion that every man of the expeditionary forces will be wanted in the Philippines and will go there. Even should Manila be taken from the Spanish and the war settled in the Orient as far as Spain is concerned with the forces now there or already ordered to depart, yet it is not to be doubted that General Merritt will be glad to have 50,000 men before he is through with Aguinaldo."

Spanish Will Propose Armistice.

LONDON.—It is announced in a special dispatch from Madrid, published in London Monday afternoon, that the Spanish government has drawn up a message addressed to the government at Washington proposing an armistice for the purpose of discussing the terms upon which peace with the United States can be arranged.

More Gold Arrives.

The steamer Charles Nelson arrived at Seattle Monday from St. Michaels with 173 passengers from Dawson and gold dust estimated all the way from $1,000,000 to $1,500,000.

Determined to Defend the Canaries.

Dispatches from Los Palmas, Canary Islands, say it is the determination there to defend the islands to the last. The defenses, Los Palmas and St. Cruz, are being strengthened. A number of breech loading guns have been mounted, and there are nearly 10,000 soldiers on each island.

Private Alston Dead.

Private Alston, of Eufala, Ala., died of typhoid fever in the division hospital at Miami, Fla., Monday. This is the first death in the regiment.

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EVERYBODY turn out and vote next Monday.

VOTE the straight Populist ticket. You will find the names of all Populist nominees on pape 1.

IF no Registrar has been appointed it will be the duty of the managers of election in each beat to appoint a Registrar on the day of election. This Registrar will register all the voters that did not register in the beat in the last election and also those that have come of age since the last election. This is the law and don't forget it.

J. G. BARBOUR, the "free silver and reform Republican opposed to conventions" candidate, has withdrawn from the race for Judge of Probate in favor of W. H. Foshee, and endorsing the other nominees on the Populist ticket. We congratulate Mr. Foshee and the other beneficiaries. Presumably, Mr. Barbour is now at peace with all the world excepting only the Populist nominee for Probate Judge.

...R the first time since THE ...ER has been established, the ...for the election have ...

...w ... been ...se the ... sending ... could have ... cheaper here. It ... seem that some of our ... have deliberately done as much as possible to prevent THE BANNER from being successfully carried on, but thanks to the people of the county it has weathered all storms and opposition, and goes steadfastly on, seeking the support of the people, uncontrolled by either office holders or office seekers.

Speaking at Clanton
(concluded)

...ple's Party against the record of ...ny of my opponents. The idea of ...n independent candidate in the People's Party was a new one. It was the individual man against the party. No man can afford to vote the Populist ticket and not vote for the Populist nominee for Probate Judge. Our people are coming together every day. In conclusion I am going to say our ticket is going to be elected, and by a handsome majority. The majority is going to be increased. If I am elected I shall not know any man by the color of his skin, but will administer justice to all alike.

J. G. Barbour, who had called a meeting here to-day, was offered the privilege of addressing the meeting, and did so at some length but the audience gradually melted away.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught colu which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption, and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at Dr. Johnson's Drug Store. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.00.

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... Louis, Mo., July 27, 1898

...is the ... and it seems ... you held your primary ... had the opportunity to select your best men, and in your judgment and wisdom you did so. When Mr. Adams came before you in the primary in effect he said "I have been in this reform movement since its incipiency. If you think I can acceptably fill this office I shall be glad to receive your support." It seems to me that Mr. Adams has fulfilled all his obligations and it is your duty to support him in this coming election, and I have no doubt but that you will do so.

In order that the plan of campaign may be carried out throughout all the State the Republicans must support the nominees of the People's Party. In all county matters where there are no regular Republican nominees it is the duty of the Republicans to support the nominees of the Populist party. We have a greater chance of success to-day than we have had for a number of years. The Democratic party are again split up, in fact they are getting to be very fine kindling they have been split up so much. The Populists were the first to split from the Democratic purty. They have been followed by the sound money Democrats. Johnston, the present Democratic nominee, has made himself notorious by some of his appointments, and a large number of his own people are dissatisfied with him. If all his old friends were now to support him he would still be a long way from being elected. Mr. Deans and his friends have made such a vigorous campaign as will greatly assist in their success. The original Democratic plan was to give Warner, their colored candidate for governor, 75,000 majority. But Warner can't have that number now, for governor Johnston needs it. Warner is a big man with a large voice. What is called the Warner ticket is composed of Democrats. They never were Republicans. The State Executive commirtee has expelled them from the Republican party.

If the vote in this State is counted as it is cast Mr. Deans and the other nominees on the ticket will be elected, and not only will be elected but will take the seats to which they are elected.

Mr. Aldrich in reply to a question about his congressional race said this is not the time to go into that matter. Let us get through with this State election first. Let us get through with Santiago before we take Porto Rico. He had already sent two Democrats back home and could send another; if the Democrats want to trot out a new horse he (Mr. Aldrich) could send him back as well as those who had come before. It might be well for the Democratic nominee to take an excursion ticket, as it would be only a short time he would spend in Washington. Mr Aldrich thanked the audience for their kind attention and hoped to address another meeting when the congressional campaign opened.

S. M. Adams followed Mr. Aldrich. He said it was unnecessary for him to again define his position. He had not changed either his views or his position. He was still fighting the same fight he had been fighting for a good many years. Our organization must be maintained. Populists must rem in true and loyal to their orga ization. Populists and Republicans are agreed upon one thing—honest elections. That is why Populists and Republicans should vote together in this election, it is their common interest in this country. This fight must go until it is conceded that the people of Alabama should rule. Talk about harmony and peace among the people! We all want it, but can never have it upon political questions while our votes are set aside by false and fictitious returns from a few counties. The Democratic p...ty is to-day better than it has been in the p... by reason of the pressure brought to bear upon it by the Peop...'s Party. I am willing to place my record for work done in the Peo...

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Wharton Barker, in his alleged Populist paper, "The American," opens up his editorial page with "Spain is in a pitiful plight," and anyone who wades throug his columns of wailing over the giving up of the Cincinnati convention will be convinced that "there are others." Those not familiar with the habits of the "Roader" may be surprised to learn that Mr. Barker's chief backers, most enthusiastic supporters, those who first proposed him as prevldential nominee, have deserted him This would seem to indicate that the G. O. P. managers bargained for the Populist machine, with chairman's Butler's head thrown in, and that the "Roaders" not being able to deliver either one, the "value received" was not forthcoming, and thus all raisond' etre of a convention vanished. If Mr. Barker's itch for a Presidential nomination had permitted him to wait until his adherents had gotten their state deals with their Republican allies rounded up he might not have had so short a political pipe dream.

Now that the Cincinnati convention is off, what will the Roaders do?

Senator ("Grand ma") Hoar recently was put up by his party in the senate as chief accrobat to make a speech beginning with opposition to annexation and "imperialism" and winding up by urging that Hawaii be added to our domains.

A great howl has gone up from the shippers and merchants over the express companies having put their war tax off on the people but we have yet to see a line in any paper anent the check stamp or the justice with which it could have been paid by the banks rather than by the people.

The American fish companies have, it seems, declined to close the deal with English capitalists, and will unite in a trust of their own and skin the dear people as skillfully as could Johnny Bull himself.

Oklahoma Populists are split on the subject of congressional candidates. The Roaders prefer a "straight" (?) candidate who will poll enough votes to send up a Republican, to a fusion candidate who they might name and vote for.

The Democrats are waking up to the fact that after having forced the Republicans into the war and furnishing 75 per cent of the soldiers to do the fighting they are to be cut out of all glory connected with it, and as a result the question of espousing the cause of annexation, extension, increase in army and navy etc., is to be made prominent in all their conventions hereafter. This will be begun at the Missouri State convention August 7.

Federal employes all over the country are alarmed over the rumor that as soon as President McKinley can get through the rush of war business he will turn his attention to the civil service rules as they now exist and so modify them as to give him unlimited decapitating power. Thus will pass away the one un infamous act of the late Grover Cleveland.

A. R.

Hon. H. R. Golson, our candidate for Chancellor, made an address last Thursday at Clanton, which was well received. There was a nice little crowd in town during the morning, but when it was found that Mr. Golson had not come on either of the morning trains the greater part of the people went home disappointed. At noon, when Mr. Golson arrived, coming across country from Columbiana, but few were left, upon whom he made a good impression.

HOW are the children this summer? Are they doing well? Do they get all the benefit they should from their food? Are their cheeks and lips of good color? And are they hearty and robust in every way?

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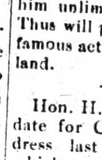

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CORRESPONDENCE

Stanton, July 26, 1
Editor BANNER. Seeing and h...ing from every beat in the cou... almost in behalf of Adams and ... Populist ticket I cannot help b... say, "Hurrah for the Pops!" An... I want to hear from Old Mik... again. In the last election he fired so many big guns, but now he comes to the front as cool as a cucumber, missing the opportunity of his life, and instead of shooting some of wild candidates I fear he has fallen into the Democratic slum and is ashamed to confess it. Hayes was in our beat a few days ago but Lee has killed his candidate and has gone. I am informed that the Republican vote in this portion of the county goes solid for Adams. Again, Hurrah for Adams! We are having fine rains and crops are looking well.

N. L. BROADHEAD.

The editor of the Evans City, Pa., Guide, writes, "One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It cured my children after all other remedies failed." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield and Mathews.

The Weekly Crop Bulletin reports: All the staple crops are now laid by in very promising condition; cotton is shedding and rusting a little, some few fields are still grassy but the crop, as a whole, is generally clean, healthy and very heavily fruited. Corn is maturing nicely and a good crop of this grain seems assured; fodder pulling is becoming more general in southern counties. Cane, peanuts, field-peas and sweet potatoes were never more promising than now. The present outlook is for a generally successful year to agricultural interests in this section.

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Rev. L. B. POUNDS.

Sher ff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against S. A. Foshee out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said S. A. Foshee, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot Number 17 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county, Alabama together with the dwelling thereon and known as the "Foshee old home," and also a one sixth undivided interest in and to the following described real estate, to wit:

E ½ of sw ¼ of section 34 township 21, range 13; w ½ of se ¼ and ne ¼ of nw 1-4 of sec 26, tp 20, r 13; that part ne ¼ of se 1-4 of sec 22, tp 21, r 13 that lies south of Mulberry creek containing twelve acres, more or less; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 and 2 acres described as follows to commence at the sw corner of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 thence north the length of 2 acres thence east the length of one acre, thence south the length of 2 acres, thence west the length of one acre to the piace of beginning, sec 2, tp 20, r 12; sw 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 27, 7 acres off the south end of nw 1-4 of nw 1-4 sec 27, w ½ of sw 1-4 of sec 27, se 1-4 of sec 28, s ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28, 14 acres off the south end of n ½ of ne 1-4 of sec 28, a fraction of the se 1-4 of nw 1-4 of sec 28, the railroad being the line on the west to any branch, and so much of the fraction of the ne 1-4 of the nw 1-4 lying east of the railroad track of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad company and south of Perry Lemoir's line, sec 28, tp 21, r 12; ne 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 5, tp 21, r 14; se ¼ of ne 1-4 sec 6, tp 20, r 13; that tract of land bounded as follows, to wit: commencing at a corner between Dr. J. S. Johnson and Bowline, running thence north parallel with Bowline's land to Birds creek, thence east along the run of said Birds creek yards; thence north to Johnson's line, thence west to the place of beginning and containing ten acres; sw 1-4 of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 24, tp 21, r 12; s ½ of se 1-4 and se 1-4 of sw 1-4 of sec 2, tp 20, r 12; lot no. 19 in the town of Maplesville, Chilton county Alabama, together with the dwelling thereon known as the Foshee new dwelling and a lot of the herein before described twelve-tace lying and being in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named S. A. Foshee to and to the above-described property, on

MONDAY, JULY 11, 1898,

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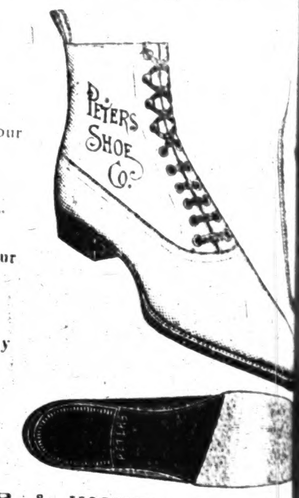

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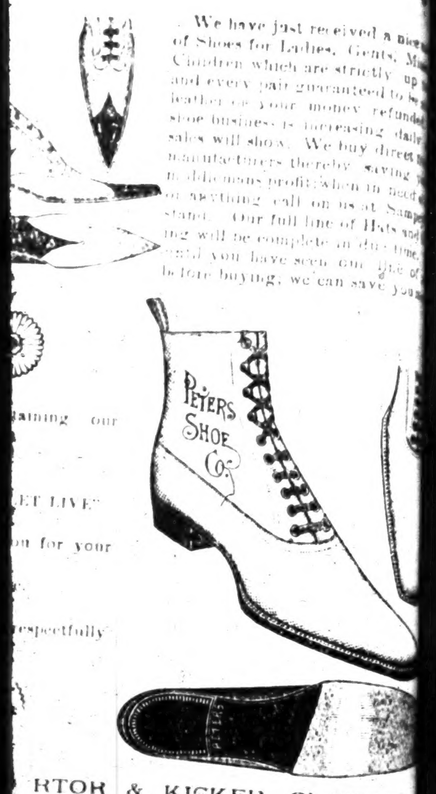

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t the Cause of Human Liberty---The Whole Country Is Aroused, and the People Are Full of Hope---Words of Encouragement From Chairman Crowe.

HEADQUARTERS STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,
BIRMINGHAM, ALA., July 23.

To the people of Alabama - The columns of the Independent Citizen this week are devoted almost exclusively to the general news of the campaign. I desire to call the attention of every voter in Alabama to the speech our candidate for governor, Mr. Deans, made at Clanton a few weeks ago. This speech has been published in this paper before and in several other state papers. It is given place in this paper again because we are too poor to pay for its publication in pamphlet form, and make avail of this last opportunity of giving it the greatest possible circulation. The speech of Senator Deans never has been answered. For the first time in twenty years the democratic party in this state has been forced to the defensive. In his opening campaign speech at Tuscumbia Governor Johnston devoted a third of his time in an attempt to answer Mr. Deans's speech, but he did not answer a single charge, and was unable to meet one issue raised by Mr. Deans. All that he could say was that Mr. Deans had not, while a member of the legislature, put through any reform measure. Every intelligent man in Alabama knows that no populite or republican ever has been able to pass reform measures through a democratic legislature in Alabama. If you have not read Mr. Deans's speech you should read it, and if you have read it you would better read it again.

In this paper there are also published two addresses over my signature, which have been published before. So many requests have come from populists, republicans and independents for back numbers of this paper, that we decided to get out an extra edition, hence the republication of these matter relating to the campaign.

I desire to call the attention of every voter to the letter over signature of "Citizen," in this issue. This letter was written by a man who has enjoyed exceptional opportunities for investigation of lawlessness in Alabama, and he is well qualified to speak of what he has seen and heard." No patriotic man can read this letter without realizing that we are in a dangerous condition, and every good citizen has a duty to his state, and fame and his God, which he cannot evade.

We have made the best fight we could. We know our cause is just, and we must money to meet the actual necessary expenses, we have gone on trusting in God and the sober judgment of the good people. The cause of human liberty is with the people. If they are willing to toil and suffer like slaves let it be, and the consequences upon them and their children. But let every act the part of men our cause is worth.

G. B. CROWE,
Chairman.

Within a few days the people of Alabama will be called upon to decide whether this state shall be ruled by the white people, through the agency of the men of their choice, or by the will of a few politicians through the agency of a lawless and dangerous element. State officials, members of the legislature and county officers are to be elected. If every man who has the right to vote is allowed to go to the polls and cast his vote for the men of his choice, and every vote is counted, and the honest return made of the votes actually cast, everybody should be satisfied. This is said to be a government of the people and by the people, and all that any honest man can ask is that the will of the majority shall prevail.

Before deciding how he will vote every honest man will try to learn the truth about the character and capacity of the candidates and the principles which these candidates represent. There are three state tickets in the field. It would take up too much time to look into the personal character of every one of the candidates for state office, but it will answer every purpose to make a careful investigation of the principles and measures for which the different parties stand as shown by their history and the statements of their leaders.

The first and most important issue in this state is the question of honest elections. It seems strange that this should ever be an issue in politics, but conditions in Alabama have been such that this has been an issue for a long time. It is a disgrace to our civilization and a great outrage upon the people, that they should be forced to struggle year after year for the right which has been guaranteed to them under the law. Would it not seem strange if any political party in this state should demand the right of trial by jury, or the right to worship God according to the dictates of conscience, or the right of the habeas corpus writ? It would be strange, indeed, if any political party, backed up by a large number of good citizens, should put out a platform demanding any one of these rights, for they are guaranteed under the constitution and are counted among the inalienable rights of a free people. These rights are essential to a free people and lie at the foundation of a republican form of government, but they are no more essential than the right of suffrage, which is the keystone of republican institutions. And yet we find that the right of suffrage has been an issue in Alabama politics for a long time. It is the one great issue today and will be a great issue until it is settled in favor of the people who are demanding their rights under the law. This issue has been made by populists, republicans and independents, who charge that the democratic party in this state has prostituted the right of suffrage to its own selfish ends, and that this great safeguard of republican institutions and palladium of liberty has been debauched to the great injury of the people and the disgrace of the state. And with these grave and specific charges, opposition to the democratic party has time and again gone before the people, and is before the people today, repeating those charges and demanding that the guilty be punished and the state freed of this lawless class.

The proof of these charges, the proof of altered registration papers, falsified poll lists, and wholesale ballot debauchery, has been furnished time and again. But the men who are at the back of this conspiracy have not gone to jail and have not been troubled even to explain. But the people continue the fight and the day will come when election frauds will be punished as other crimes against the state, and ballot box stuffers will be no more respected in Alabama than they are in other states where such crimes are not tolerated.

Every voter should inform himself regarding these great crimes before he casts his vote. It is the purpose of this article to give some of the proof at hand in support of these charges. Space for only a small percentage of the testimony which could be furnished is allowed in this article. But enough can be crowded into this space to convince any fair minded, honest man that the charges are well founded.

In the first place, these crimes against the right of suffrage are perpetrated to a greater extent in that section of the state known as the black belt than in any other part of the state. Crime is always found where there is the least respect for the law, and the public conscience are the beneficiaries of the lawless acts.

Dallas county is in the black belt, and for a long time has been noted for the enormity of its crimes against the right of suffrage. Here are a few of the many outrages committed in that county:

At Brown's beat No. 29 only 17 men voted in the state election of 1894, while falsified returns gave a majority of 317 for the democratic ticket. Mr. W. D. Parnell, who was a confederate soldier and is a highly respected citizen, has lived in that beat for many years. He watched the polling place all day and made affidavit to the fact that only 17 men went into the polling place.

J. Gilbert Johnson, a farmer and respected white man, who was born and brought up in Lexington precinct, No. 9, Dallas county, makes affidavit to the fact that he knows every white man in that beat, and there were only 47 white voters, and that he was within 75 feet of the polling place from the time the polls opened until they closed, and the 45 men and no more entered said polling place. The falsified returns from that beat showed a vote of 277.

Mr. S. P. McIlwan is a white man who has resided in Dallas county nearly seventy years, and is well known. He testifies that at the court house, precinct No. 36, in the city of Selma, only 719 voters, including election managers, clerks and returning officers, entered the polling place on election day. The falsified returns from this voting place showed a vote of 2083. There are many other affidavits from that county. There were not over 1,577 votes cast at the state election in 1894, in Dallas county, but the falsified returns showed a total vote of 6,517, a steal of 5,000 votes.

At Clifton precinct, Wilcox county, only 38 men entered the polling place, as shown by affidavits of Messrs. Pearson and Pritchard, two highly respected white men of that county. The fraudulent returns from that precinct gave the democratic ticket 223 votes and the opposition 7 votes. At Mims, No. 13 precinct, in the same county, only 57 men went to the polling place on election day, as shown by the testimony of W. B. Rogers, a respected white man of that county. But the fraudulent returns gave 142 votes for the democratic ticket and 12 for opposition. H. C. and J. T. Pearson, white men, and good citizens, were at Bethel precinct, beat 6, and testify that 137 votes and no more entered said place on election day. The fraudulent returns from this precinct gave 457 votes for the democratic ticket, and 14 for the opposition. These are a few of the outrages from Wilcox county. In that county there was a steal of over 4,000 votes. In Hale county, at Hollow Square, beat No. 6, only 52 men entered the polling place, as shown by the testimony of H. T. Stringfellow, a white man who was born in that county and is highly respected. Fraudulent returns from that beat gave the democratic ticket 360 votes and the opposition 8 votes. Testimony of several reputable citizens of Hale county, among the number, Judge James M. Hobson, father of the gallant hero of Santiago, and Hon. S. A. Hobson, brother of Lieutenant Hobson, show that at one beat in that county there were only 56 voters registered, as stated by the judge of probate and Mr. P. H. Waller, the registrar, yet the fraudulent returns from that beat gave 504 votes and every one for the democratic ticket.

In Bullock county, F. E. Tompkins and W. P. Carter, men who stand high in that county, testified that they were at Greenwood beat No. 8, in that county, all day and that 104 men went to the polling place. Fraudulent returns from that beat gave 354 votes. Mr. M. R. Hall, a native of Bullock county, and a white man of illelligence and good character, testified that he was at Midway beat on election day and saw every man that went to the polling place and that only 197 voters entered the polling place. Falsified returns from this beat gave a vote of 323.

In Lowndes county Mr. L. Reese testified that he was present at the court house in said county when the votes were canvassed and that he then and there took down the official vote as announced by the county board. 361 for the opposition, but the official declaration of the vote from that county, as announced by the speaker of the house of representatives, was 4,995 for the democratic ticket and 361 for the opposition. Mr. Reese is well known [illegible] Alabama as a man of intelligence [illegible] gh character.

The sat[illegible]aracter of evidence came from Barbo[illegible], Clarke, Greene, Henry, Macon, Marengo, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry, Russell and Sumter counties. In North Alabama the frauds have not been so palpable, but some of the North Alabama counties have made a record in this line. In certain precincts of Calhoun, Jefferson, Madison, Morgan and Talladega counties the crimes against the right of suffrage were flagrant. The last named county attracted the attention of the whole country four years ago. It was advertised far and wide, north, south, east and west, on account of the monstrous frauds in a democratic primary. Here is a clipping from the Selma Times, a democratic newspaper, commenting on that outrage:

The Times is democratic—warp, woof and filling. It believes that the principles of democracy are eternal and will not die. It believes that the faults, the follies, the vices of the white man's party are preferable to the virtues, the best intentions and wisest capabilities of the black man's party in the south. It deplores the weaknesses, it laments the shortcomings, and would cure, if it could, the blindness of the party of Morgan and Houston in Alabama. It stands by the nominees of the democratic party; it gives aid nor comfort to the candidates named by the enemies of our party. But at the same time it raises the red flag of danger and burns the red lights of democratic peril.

A primary election, so-called, to nominate a democratic candidate for congress in this district has just been held. The frauds in that election were patent, gross, palpable and indefensible. The nominee's best friend dare not try to defend them on the stump; the party's most devoted adherent is powerless to condone them on the hustings.

The nominee may be, and doubtless is, a man of great probity of character and spotless integrity. He may have none of these small vices which are common to humanity; but he is, or hopes to be, the beneficiary of corruption more disgraceful than has ever dishonored the party in this state.

The means by which Mr. Plowman was nominated are not irregularities. They are not the result of impulse, such as might grow in the heat of a convention and spring from an unconsidered determination on the part or friends to win a fight for their favorite. They are the preconcerted, predetermined, preconceived, prearranged plan to nominate a certain candidate at every hazard and without regard to the party's good. As the Calhoun county paper puts it, "It is Talladega's fraud." It is the party's dishonor; it is Mr. Plowman's shame. It is time to call a halt. It is time to appeal to fixed principles of reason. It is time to take our bearing in the storm.

We appeal to party authority to save the democracy of this district from a danger more imminent than ha threatened it in many long years. We appeal to Mr. Plowman to rescue the democracy, and not bring it to shame. It is possible he will be elected. If he is, no distinction, no profit, no honor can come to him from that election. Like all other men who have been the beneficiaries of fraud, he can only hope to reap the reward of temporary success, and after that drink the bitter dregs of permanent bitterness and oblivion.

We hoist no name at our masthead We wish we could do so without the blush of shame. We await Mr. Plowman's decision; we are listening for the party's command.

The beneficiary of this fraud inside the party was forced to retire by public opinion, but he came forward again in 1896 and got the nomination as a free silver Johnston democrat. He was given the certificate, but his seat was contested and he was unseated. Dallas county is in his district, and the testimony filed before the committee in this contest, revealed the same character of frauds in Dallas as has been already mentioned. A great mass of evidence has been gathered in this matter, but there is not space for further reference to the testimony in support of the charges of crimes against the right of suffrage in this state. In his opening campaign speech at Clanton, Mr. Deans referred to the speech of the late chairman of the democratic executive committee, who declared before the last democratic convention: "It cannot be denied that our election laws are defective, and that the punishment of fraud is difficult, if not impossible."

In a recent report on one of the contested election cases from Alabama, a committee of congress said: "If the election laws of Alabama had been designed to encourage fraud and thwart the people's will they could not have been in some respects more ha[illegible] framed to meet that purpo[illegible] opinion of good [illegible] the election [illegible]

The democratic party claims that the election laws of this state are based on the ballot reform movement, and are often what is known as the Australian system. There is no warrant for this claim. On the contrary, it is safe to say that the election laws of this state are the very worst that could be designed. No other state has such iniquitous laws. For the purpose of comparing our laws with other states, the election laws of twenty-five states have been examined. Amongst the number are the states of Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Iowa, Arkansas, Florida and California. And it is proposed to demonstrate not only by the results that have been seen, but by the design of the law itself, that there has been, and is, a conspiracy to defeat the will of the people. In doing this, only a brief abstract of the laws can be given, but enough will be shown to establish the falsity of the democratic claim. This can be done by reference only to the salient features.

In the first place, "The distinctive feature of the ballot practice in New South Wales is that the names of all the candidates being on one ticket, the names of person for whom the voter does not wish to vote must be crossed off, a blue pencil being provided for the purpose by the authorities, while there are clearly printed on the ticket, in red ink, directions as to how many candidates must be voted for."

REGISTRATION.

In Alabama the judge of probate superintends the registration of voters. The governor appoint a registrar for each county, who holds office for four years. The county registrar appoints precinct registrars, who hold office for four years. It is the duty of the precinct registrar to make registration of elections in their precincts in each year when a general election is to be held. Registration shall begin the first Monday in May and continue for eighteen days except in cities of 5,000 or more when thirty days time shall be given. Registrar must within two weeks make copy of registration list and return it with original list to the office of the judge of probate. Judge of probate must make alphabetical list of electors returned to his office as the same appears from the returns of the registrar. One copy of this alphabetical list shall be delivered to the inspectors of election immediately preceding every election. If any precinct registrar fails or refuses to act, the county registrar must appoint some competent person to act in his stead.

In other states where elections are not a farce, Illinois and Connecticut and California for instance, the following laws obtain regarding registion. In the state of Illinois there is a board of election commissioners, and this board is also known as the board of registry, having charge of the matter of registration of voters. In every city and incorporated town, there is a board of commissioners appointed by the county court, the board is composed of three members, each of whom is designated as an election commissioner and is an officer of the court. A board of election commissioners is also appointed by the county court for every precinct not inside an incorporated town. These commissioners hold office respectively for one, two and three years. Two of such commissioners, at least, shall always be selected from the two leading political parties of the state, one from each of such parties and all shall be legal voters and householders, residing in such city, village or incorporated town, and be men of well-known political convictions and of approved integrity and capacity. No commissioner can hold any other public office. Whenever it shall come to the knowledge of such judges of the county court that one of the leading political parties of the state is not represented upon such commission by a person of the same political faith he shall at once remove one of such commissioners and fill the vacancy with a member of the leading political party not so represented. Complaint made against any commissioner, stating grounds of complaint and signed and sworn to by at least twenty-five legal voters of the precinct, or incorporated town, shall be sufficient to bring the matter to the attention of the judge of the county court. Board of election commissioners must organ[illegible] and duties of clerk. Such commissioner shall also give an official bond in the sum of ten thousand dollars.

The persons authorized by law, or appointed pursuant to any town or city ordinance, to act as judges of elections in any town, city or ward or other election district or precinct, shall constitute a "board of registry" for their respective towns, cities, wards, districts or precincts, and shall meet on Tuesday, three weeks preceding any state election, at 9 o'clock a. m. and proceed to make a list, as hereinafter prescribed, of all persons qualified and entitled to vote at the ensuing election in the election district of which they are judges, which list, when completed, shall constitute and be known as the "register" of electors of said election district. It shall be the duty of this registry board to make an alphabetical list of all voters as shown by the poll list of the last election, on file in the office of the judge of probate. In making said list the board shall include all voters well known to them as entitled to vote at the next election who were not listed on the poll list, and from this new registration list shall be stricken the names of all electors who are known to have died or removed since the last election. This work of revising registration lists shall begin at least three weeks immediately preceding an election, and during this period any qualified elector who did not vote at the preceding election may register. The office of register shall be at some convenient and comfortable place.

The registration list shall be open to inspection of any elector, and any voter may point out errors or omissions. The name of an elector on the list who, has been proven to be disqualified by oath of two voters, will be erased and such voter will be notified to appear and show cause why his name should not be stricken off. Upon the revision of registration lists one copy must be filed with the judge of county court, posted at place where last election held and a number of copies is allowed for distribution.

In Iowa the city council appoints the board of registration; in California the county clerk is required to keep a open registration book for precincts not in incorporated towns. In all o the above mentioned states, and others, and, in fact, in a number, if not all, the southern states, except Alabama, the registration lists are either posted or open to inspection. Anyone can see at a glance the rottenness of the Alabama registration laws and that they were never intended for honest purposes. If our registration laws conformed to the laws of all, or ninety per cent of the other states, the registration lists would be open to public inspection and false entries could be exposed. If such were the case it would do away with a great deal of the rascality. In 1894 the negroes were advised not to register and they did not register in the black belt, still their names were entered on the registration lists and they were counted for the democratic ticket.

ELECTION MANAGERS.

in Alabama are appointed by the judge of probate, sheriff and clerk of the court. These mana,[illegible] are called "inspectors, and the inspectors must be appointed for each place of voting, "two of whom shall be members of opposing political parties IF PRACTICABLE," and one returning officer shall be appointed for each precinct. The sheriff is the returning officer for the county. Inspectors and returning officers are appointed thirty days before election day. The inspectors 'select two persons to act as clerks." The inspectors "must appoint two or more markers or assistants for illiterate and disabled electors, one from each of the opposing political parties, each of whom must be a DISCREET PERSON, able to read and write."

"Clerks and markers must be appointed from a list of persons, not less than six nor more than ten in any one precinct, who may be suggested for that purpose by the duly constituted authorities, respectively, of the opposing political parties, * * * and the opposing political parties shall each have the right to suggest a list of names." The inspectors, clerks and markers must take an oath to perform their duties at the election according to law."

The laws of other states, particularly those states that have been mentioned, are clear and unmistakable in all matters relating to the holding of [illegible] and duties of

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presence of the[illegible] the ballots are counted, not must it be opened until[illegible] the polls are finally closed. The ballot box must be locked and the key delivered to one of the judges. The[illegible] of election shall each be held [illegible] of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction, shall be fined a thousand dollars [illegible] if such ballot box shall not be kept [illegible] instantly in public view during the [illegible] ress of the election, unless it shall be shown by such judge that he protested against such obstruction of the view of the ballot box and was overruled by the majority of the judges. If any barricade or other obstruction of any kind shall be, prior to, or during such election, interposed, so that all who desire cannot constantly see such ballot box, it shall be the duty of such judges to remove such obstruction on request, or on their own motion, and if such obstruction shall not be removed on request, it shall be the duty of any sheriff, constable or police officer to remove the same on request. And such judges shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and liable to a penalty of a thousand dollars on conviction, for removing the same on demand, and shall be imprisoned in the county jail not less than six months nor more than two years.

And it is further provided in the election laws of other states that "each political party shall also have the right to a challenger placed conveniently outside of the polling booth, but not in the way of voters." In addition to such challenger, each of the political parties casting votes at such polls, at the close of the polls, shall have the [illegible] the admission of two persons [illegible] into the room

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THE one armed hero of the wire-grass has repented of his sins, and now says that he is in favor of honest elections. When an old sinner like Wm. C. Oates repents and comes out and acknowledges that he was never elected, or words to that effect, and that he can not any longer afford to tolerate ballot-box stuffing, as he is growing old, the little fellows that are left had better heed his warning. Don't throw up to the old hero that it is sour grapes; that if he had captured the plum for United States senator he would now be in a different frame of mind. Give the old gentleman credit for being sincere. Maybe some day you will get left and wish to wash your hands of fraud and corruption.

TO THE PEOPLE.

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ward or precinct, or other persons managing the political interests for such party in such ward or precinct, and, in the absence of such selection, it shall be the duty of the judges of such election to admit into such room two persons of each political party so voting at such election, who shall be vouched for by the judge or judges representing such political party, to be present during the canvass of such votes and the making af such returns. That such persons shall be of good character and sober, and shall in no-wise interfere with such canvass. The challengers present and watchers of such canvass shall be allowed to be present, and so near that they can see the judges and clerks of said election are faithfully performing their duties. Each candidate for an office to be filled at such election, by certificate in writing, signed by him, may designate one person for each election precinct in which he is a candidate, to be present at such canvass of the ballots, and such persons shall be admitted to a position in said room as a watcher of such canvass. And the judges of election shall permit him to be present, and so near to them that he can see such canvass and the statements required by them of the voters are correctly made, and no judge of election or police or other officer shall allow such person to be molested or removed during the canvass of such ballots, nor until such statements have been made, completed and signed, unless he shall be personally guilty of fraudulent or disorderly conduct."

The election laws of Illinois and California, and indeed the great majority of states, are very comprehensive, but would be interesting to thousands in this state if these laws could be quoted in full, particularly the parts relating to the management of the election and the counting of the votes. But not even the length of this article will justify a full reprint of those laws by way of comparison with the shameful methods practiced in Alabama. However, a word more in regard to informing the public as to result of the election.

"When the canvass of the ballots shall have been completed, and the poll clerks shall have announced to the judges the total number of votes received by each candidate, each of the judges of election in turn shall then proclaim, in a loud voice, total number of votes received by of the persons voted for in such cinct, and the office for which he is designated, and the number of votes for and the number of votes against any proposition which shall have been submitted to a vote of the people, such proclamation shall be prima facie evidence of the result of the canvass of such ballots."

Every election judge and clerk retains a copy of the abstract of vote, the ballot box is given to one judge of the election and the key to the same to another, and the ballot box, with tally sheets, is returned to county board.

Any person who personates an elector for the purpose of registering or voting is guilty of a felony. Any person guilty of either of the following offenses, shall, on conviction, be adjudged guilty of a felony and sent to the penitentiary for not less than one and not more than five years: Fraudulently registering, or attempt to register; false entry on registration list; hinder or delay any person having right to register; aid, counsel, procure or advise any voter, person or judge of election to violate any election law; or knowingly and wilfully hinder or delay an officer of election; or keep false poll list; or make any false entries on poll list; or omit to do any act by law directed to be done.

By this comparison it is plain that the Alabama laws for holding elections, and the qualifications and duties of the officers are as defective as the registration laws. In short, any person with three grains of common sense can see that they were designed for the sole purpose of preventing an honest expression of the will of the people, and destroying the very form of republican institutions. It is a burning shame, an outrage upon the people, and a disgrace to any self-respecting state in this day of advanced civilization. The wonder is that the people have quietly submitted to it. They would have been justified in resorting to any means to destroy this iniquitous system.

Look at the abstract of these laws. In Alabama two inspectors shall be members of opposing political parties "IF PRACTICABLE." It is seldom practicable, and white men, the sons of freemen and the wealth producers must go fawning and cringing before a lot of lawless officials and beg for representation. And these petty tyrants often treat the petitioners with contumely. In other states the law is mandatory, opposing political parties must be represented [illegible] election manager from a bull's foot [illegible] if he be the most [illegible] liar or debauchee [illegible] In fact, it is quite [illegible] as the inspector

lists or republicans, or both, the most illiterate and venal negro that can be found. In other states the judges of election must be qualified electors and men of "good repute and character, who can speak, read and write the English language, and be skilled in the four fundamental rules of arithmetic, and must be of good understanding and capable." The marker is a unique creature of our statute, he must be a "discreet person," and it matter not whether he can speak or read the English language. Discreet is a good word here, at least it means precisely what was intended. A man may be a liar and a thief and a villian and yet discreet. The discreet man is he who selects the best means to accomplish a purpose, and the people of Alabama have known some very discreet markers.

THE BALLOT in Alabama is well suited to the purpose for which it was intended, i. e., to keep the democratic party in power. It must be "printed on plain white paper, with a slender line between each name and extending sufficiently to the left of the names to easily permit making a crossmark (X) before each name, and in the appropriate place, the words 'Vote for one.' The order in which the titles of the several officers to be filled may be arranged upon the ballots shall be left to the discretion of the judge of probate, but the names of all candidates for the same office must be printed together and arranged alphabetically according to the initial letters of their surnames, irrespective of party."

The popular form of ballot with states which have adopted the reform system of voting, is to group all names and officers by parties, over each of which is printed a distinct sign or emblem. The voter of a straight ticket marks a cross in the circle at the head of his ticket. The voter who wishes to scratch or scatter marks in a square opposite the name of the candidate of his choice. Another form is to group each party's names and officers in one column, over which is placed a circle, and the voter who wishes to vote a straight ticket marks in the circle. The first form with the emblem is more convenient for the illiterate voter, but the illiterate voter could easily be taught to vote a straight ticket under the second form. For instance, if the ticket should be arranged in following order: Democratic, populist, republican, the illiterate voter wishing to vote the straight democratic ticket need only learn to make a mark in circle at top of first column, or second column is for the populist ticket, and so on. Both of these forms have name of party printed in large letters at top of ticket. Two forms of ballot have been attached as an exhibit to this article and the writer hereof hopes they will find space in this paper. In practically all of the few states where neither of the two forms mentioned is used, the name of the party is placed opposite the name of each candidate.

The writer of this article has not examined the election laws of every one of the forty-five states, but he has examined the laws of a large number of states and from a general knowledge of election laws of all the states he feels justified in saying that the Alabama election laws are the worst in the United States.

Georgia laws are bad enough, and in Florida they have practically the same form of ballot as Alabama, but in that state there are some safeguards around the registration. All of the election managers MUST NOT be of the same political party, ballots must be counted in "presence of public," and the result "publicly proclaimed," and heavy penalties are provided for violation of any election law. And in Arkansas where, it is said, honest elections are not the rule, the election managers must be of different political parties. The party is designated on the ballot opposite every name of the candidate, and penalties are provided.

In Alabama, no penalties are provided for the violation of an election law. The election laws in this state are the most vicious that could be made. That these laws were designed to encourage fraud and defeat the will of the people there is hardly the shadow of doubt.

But malfeasance in office and lawlessness in Alabama has not stopped at infringments upon the right of suffrage. The whole legislative, judicial and administrative departments of government have been tainted with corruption, and it is daily growing more alarming. Our state government is more depraved today than it has ever been, except, perhaps, under the corrupting influence of the state banks in 1846, or the dark period of reconstruction. In 1846 the state banks had grown so powerful that they tainted every department of state, and some of the most prominent men of that period became involved. A portion of our bonded debt is a remnant of those corrupt times. The rapacity and venality of aliens and denizens of the reconstruction period is a familiar story. What [illegible] y, and what [illegible] times?

lobby was silent under his powerful invectives. Leading democrats have declared that the general assembly of two years ago was more corrupt than that of four years ago. Railroads and industrial corporations and municipalities have felt the nefarious affects of this demoralizing state of affairs. The management of large enterprises declare that legislative expenses are among the heaviest fixed charges.

It is not the purpose of the writer to reflect in any way upon the supreme court, but it is a notorious fact that prominent attorneys frequently reflect upon our court in private conversation. This thing was unheard of a few years ago, but it is daily growing more common. Charges of incompetency, malfesance and corruption against our inferior courts are as common as as charges of crimes against the right of suffrage. The moral and intellectual standard of our judiciary is lower than it has been in twenty-five years, and those charged with ministerial functions are plodding in stupidity and inoculated with corruption. A distinguished attorney of this state, Mr. Jno. B. Knox, while chairman of the democratic executive committee, and speaking before the state convention of that party, after referring to crimes against the right of suffrage, said: "It is impossible for us to estimate the injury which will result from the tolerance of official dereliction. The ultimate result is the same without regard to the office held; purity of administration must exist from the office of chief executive down to the the humblest manager of an election. If corruption in one is approved or tolerated, as sure as night follows day, it will ultimately lead to the corruption of the other, and I may say of all others. The results of such an influence will enter every branch of society. It will reach your bank cashiers and affect positions of trust in every department. It will ultimately enter your courts and affect the administration of justice."

The administrative department has not escaped the corrupting and blighting influence. Disclaiming any purpose to reflect upon the private character of the governor, it is within proper criticism to speak from the records of administrative malfesance, corruption and incompetency.

The reports of the public examiner developed the fact that there had been gross irregularities and incompetency in the important department of agriculture. There was a shortage of over $5,000, and the humiliating spectacle of charging these shortages to the deceased son-in-law of the commissioner was presented, but the miserable makeshift was shown to be flimsy and false.

In the department of education incapacity and irregularities go stalking hand in hand with an insolence that never characterized this department before. A lot of stuff called "advance sheets" of thirty-ninth biennial report was put out by the superintendent of education in October, 1896. The folder, edited by the deaf and dumb, and printed by the blind, is a literary digest and a work off art compared to these "advance sheets." The pamphlet contains 100 pages and on the first page explanation is given of fifty-five errors and there are abous 445 more errors that are noted under "Errata." On account of the great expense of publishing reports, the superintendent was unwilling to give anything but an "advance sheet." But in this "advance sheet" the superintendent promised to "furnish such a report as I think will materially change the complection of Alabama, educationally." All this was to be done in the face of "difficulties to overcome and obstructions in the way," and with every thing "conspiirng to embarrass my administration." The complexion of Alabama has been materially changed and the educational department has been a factor in making the change. "Rosy with hope, green with jealousy and pallid with despair" is the story of the change.

Within the past six months several of the state papers, particularly the Age-Herald, have called attention to the deplorable condition of our educational department. Within the past three months, a pamphlet of 150 odd pages under the title of "Circular of Information from Department of Education: authorized by His Excellency, Joseph F. Johnston," has been given to the public. According to this voluminous circular our educational department was in better condition in 1871 than it is today, and it was better in 18 3 and in 1888. It could hardly be worse than it is today and is the worst in the United States.

In his speech at Clanton, a few weeks ago, Mr. Deans gave some interesting figures relating to our educational department. The only answer to his charges is found in one of those beautiful periods, for which our governor is famous. "My position," said he, "is that there shall be steady [illegible] results made against the cohorts of ignorance. And within the past two days we have another circular, [illegible] interesting statement, from the super- [illegible] of education trying to bolster [illegible] for the campaign by [illegible] penditures from [illegible] individuals and religious denominations and public collections in the north for colleges. Shameful subterfuge! What the people want to know is how the $631,516,64 is disbursed.

CITIZEN.

EXPLANATORY NOTE—Since the beginning of this campaign it has been my purpose to get out a campaign text book. At my request, Mr. William H. Skaggs has furnished this office with a great deal of valuable data. It will be recalled that Mr. Skaggs was chairman of the campaign committee in the reform movement of two years ago. At the close of that campaign Mr. Skaggs devoted several months to a personal investigation of election frauds and other lawlessness. He obtained a great deal of valuable information and evidence which he intended to have published in the interest of the reform movement. Unfortunately, sufficient funds could not be secured for this purpose.

I thought that I should be able to raise sufficient funds to publish this valuable work of Mr. Skaggs in pamphlet form. It would be interesting reading, because it is based on the highest testimony and shows a condition of lawlessness in this state known to but few people.

However, the above article and signature of Citizen was prepared by Mr. Skaggs. It is a lengthy article but interesting in its treatment of the two great questions of election frauds and election laws in this state.

Mr. Skagg's article also embraced a review of the frauds of two years ago, a comprehensive treatment of the state finances as shown by state auditor's report, an exposure of the back tax business, and examination of public account, and an interesting story of the administration of populist county officials as compared with democrats. I am sorry that I could not arrange for the publication of this work, and at the last moment I put as much of it in this paper as I can find space for.

G. B. CROWE,
Chairman.

To the Republicans of Alabama:

At a meeting of the republican state executive committee, in the city of Birmingham on July 2d, 1898, the following resolutions were adopted: Whereas, the state convention of the republican party on the 7th day of June, 1898, passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That under the existing conditions in this state, it is unwise to nominate a state ticket. Be it further resolved that this convention recommend and direct the republican county committees to use their best judgment, and earnest efforts to nominate and indorse anti-democratic candidates for judicial and county offices and for the legislature, who are pledged to honest elections and against constitutional conventions. Therefore, be it resolved by the republican state executive committee, that we recommend and urge the republicans of Alabame to vote for, and support the populist state ticket, headed by G. B. Deans for governor.

We beg to call the attenfion of the republican voters to these resolutions and urge upon you the importance of supporting the ticket headed by Hon. G. B. Deans for governor.

Very Respectfully,
N. L. STEELE,
Chairman of Republican State Campaign Committee.

DUTIES OF INSPECTORS

And Returning Officers—How Places Supplied on Failure to Attend.

Section 1591, Code—It shall be the duty of inspectors and returning officers appointed to meet at the place of holding elections in the several precincts for which they have been appointed, by eight o'clock, of the morn- of the day of the election, and, before nine o'clock, open the several polling places as designated; and on the failure of any inspector or returning officer to attend at the hour of eight, such as may be present may complete the number. If none of the inspectors appointed are present, the returning officer of the precinct shall appoint three inspectors to act, who, in every such instance, shall be qualified electors who are entitled to vote at that voting place; and if there should be no inspector or returning officer present by the hour of eight, at any polling place, then any three qualified electors who are entitled by law to vote at the polling place in the election then to be held, may open the polls and act as inspectors during the election.

Sec. 1592—If the returning officer is not present at the hour appointed, the inspectors or those acting as such, must appoint one to serve during the election.

Sec. 1595—Clerk and markers must be appointed from a list of not less than six or more than ten, suggested by opposing party.

Sec. 1597—Oath of office must be administered.

Sec. 1638—The vote is counted by taking the ballots one by one from the box and not in packages.

NOTE—Let the managers representing the opposition to democracy look at the ticket when read and see that it is carefully read.

Before the election proceeds, demand markers and clerks and furnish a list not less than six or more than ten to be selected from.

TO ALL CONSERVATIVE VOTERS OF ALABAMA.

In 1894 Reuben F. Kolb, whom the people had elected but had not seated governor of Alabama, issued me a commission as adjutant-general of the state troops, with instructions to organize a militia for the purpose of maintaining a state government. As you doubtless remember, many of you whom I organized, I executed his orders. But owing to his abject cowardice, when the time came for action, I could never get him to give me an order to establish him in power in Montgomery, or to establish a government in some other county. The reason he gave me for refusing to issue this order was, first, that he was a married man with a large family, and could not afford to run the risk of being hurt. The second reason was, that Grover Cleveland occupied the presidential chair, and that he knew that if he should declare the state of Alabama to be in a state of revolution he would be unable to secure national recognition of his government from the party then in power. That was four years ago. Conditions in national affairs have changed, and instead of having an enemy of liberty and a friend of the ballot-box stuffers occupying the position of chief executive of this nation, we have in the person of Wm. McKinley a president who is and has always been a friend of liberty and fair play. Now, in view of these facts, and in view of the action of our old time enemy, the democratic party, in selecting and placing in charge of this campaign Gen. Chas. M. Shelley and Col. Frank Pettus, both of Dallas county, and Col. Ed Booker and Mr. Wilson R. Brown, both of Perry county, to manage it, I say that it is a notice to the good people of Alabama that the election frauds of 1894 and 1896 will be again perpetrated, unless some positive action is taken to prevent the same.

When Alabama was redistricted the old Fourth Congressional district was set aside as being hopelessly republican. And it was then when Gen. Charles M. Shelly, Joe Johnston, the present governor of Alabama, and the balance of the members of the democratic campaign committee, with the exception of Mr. Smith and Mr. Lowe, inaugurated the system of ballot-box stuffing which has ever since prevailed in Alabama. When they paid Bill Stevens, Carlisle, Warner and a lot of other disreputable negroes to put forth a state ticket of negroes, you know as well as I do, that it was done for the purpose of confusing the illiterate voters, and for the further purpose of affording the democratic officials in the different counties a pretext to refuse to give the People's Party representation at the polls. Under the pretext that the officials were giving the opposition representation, they placed on the list of managers negroes whom they could control, claiming that they were republicans, and representing the Warner ticket. You know as well as I do that if the democrats control the majority of the next General Assembly, that you will be given a constitutional convention, which will mean the disfranchisement of seventy-five per cent of the illiterate voters of Alabama. If you have any doubt as to their intention, I refer you to the leading democratic papers in the state, and to the private expressions of the leading democrats.

I want to say to you that we have nominated a man for governo-, in whom we can place implicit confidence. And one upon whom we can rely that when the time comes for action he will not follow in the footsteps of Ruben F. Kolb. And I want to ask that you go to the polling places on the morning of the election, before the polls open, and have prepared and ready the men whom you want to act as your fixers and clerks, and see that you get them.

The time for talk has passed and the time for action has come, and if you will do this, and either have a fair election, or no election in your precinct, we will elect a majority of the members of the next legislature, and if we do, these election frauds will be a thing of the past.

I would like to have prepared a tally-sheet in every election precinct n Alabama with the name, if you can get it, of every voter who votes, and for whom he votes, if you can ascertain, and send me as soon after election as possible the original sheet, or copy of it, to these headquarters in Birmingham. Keep your tally-sheet, and after the polls close, if you have any reason to doubt the honesty and integrity of the returning officer, it would be well to appoint a committee to accompany him with the election returns, until they are placed in the hands of the proper officials.

When the returns are made make a copy of them and send me the result at once. If you will do this, and devote this much of your time to this work, I will promise that if, from the returns as you send them in, I am satisfied that this election has been carried [illegible] course of action which will result [illegible] the seating of your entire state ti[illegible] if it is elected, and the stopping [illegible] election frauds for all time to co[illegible] Alabama. I make you this pr[illegible] knowing full well what is invol[illegible] it for me, and knowing what th[illegible]

have come to the conclu[illegible] own mind, that the late [illegible] Colonel Troy, of Montgo[illegible] right when, shortly before [illegible] he gave utterance to the w[illegible] would be better for the [illegible] bama to have a dead ma[illegible] polling place, than to [illegible] frauds perpetrated.

I would dislike very m[illegible] any of our people mo[illegible] but I have come to the [illegible] liberately, and after [illegible] and study, that if we [illegible] that we will not a[illegible] quarter of a century [illegible] tunity.

I am in possess[illegible] formation that I do[illegible] municating in a pub[illegible] know that good citizens [illegible] who are democrats [illegible] sick of Governor J[illegible] they want is half a chance [illegible] down. They know he [illegible] false claim of being [illegible] with the people. He [illegible] ful neither to the people [illegible] sonal friends. I am holding [illegible] reserve which will interest [illegible] Johnston at the proper [illegible] that I ask is for you to d[illegible] like men, and I will take [illegible] rest. Don't fail to do as I [illegible] quested. There will be no [illegible] any one if you will stand up [illegible] Governor Johnston is already [illegible] ing his own weakness.

Now let me urge upon you [illegible] portance of making some sac[illegible] this fight, if not for your own [illegible] the sake of your children and [illegible] future of Alabama. It is [illegible] for me to say that you [illegible] prosper so long as your affairs [illegible] trolled and dominated by the [illegible] ballot box stuffing conspirators [illegible] sole aim is to capture the [illegible] seal the pay thereof. They [illegible] come to you and claim that [illegible] actuated by a desire only to s[illegible] people and maintain white sup[illegible] which you as well as I knew [illegible]

G. B. CROWE, Chai[illegible]

HEADQUARTERS
STATE EXECUTIVE COM[illegible]

To the Populists of Alabama

Our people should be of good [illegible] all over the state. Never before [illegible] our enemies been so divided [illegible] never before have our people [illegible] united. We have never had the [illegible] port of the republicans so unanimous as we have today.

The negro democratic ticket [illegible] by Warner, operated by Bill S[illegible] is doing us no harm, and will [illegible] the negro democratic vote which [illegible] be bought, and which the d[illegible] have already bought. Bill S[illegible] and his crowd are to the rep[illegible] party what Judas was to his [illegible] and what Benedict Arnold was [illegible] cause. And they are so know[illegible] are treated accordingly.

Do not be misled by this st[illegible] trick of the black belt politicians [illegible] are working it. They are already [illegible] of the job, and it is proving a [illegible] erang upon them, as the people [illegible] and do recognize whose work [illegible] and while he has often fooled [illegible] people, the people will fool him [illegible] the first day of August, repudiate [illegible] him and his running mates at [illegible] polls and forever retire them [illegible] public life.

The great I am, Joseph F. [illegible] Johnston, in his speech at Tusc[illegible] on July 2, made the assertion that [illegible] ticket and this democratic ticket [illegible] were running mates. Simese twins [illegible] so-forth. And on the same day [illegible] state executive committee of the [illegible] publican party, passed a resolution [illegible] and said these negroes were put [illegible] the democrats. Now whom do [illegible] believe, the great I am, who was [illegible] ed to resign the chairmanship of [illegible] party, as you will see from the [illegible] pers, or the entire executive com[illegible] tee of the republicans. They say [illegible] that they have no opposition, as the [illegible] two chairmen, Messrs. Lowe and [illegible] Stevens, in the report they give [illegible] after the democratic meeting held [illegible] the 9th seem to have a greed for [illegible] hand, as to what they would say, [illegible] their opinions were published in the [illegible] same article by their democratic [illegible] pers.

Now, if the honest [illegible] of Alabama will only come [illegible] to the polls on election [illegible] and do their duty, and not [illegible] the responsibility, we will poll [illegible] votes than both of these tickets [illegible] tricksters combined. You should [illegible] member that this is a poor man's [illegible] and made by poor men, who have [illegible] rich and powerful corporations at their [illegible] backs, and if we do not flood them [illegible] with speakers and literature, it is [illegible] cause we are unable to pay them.

We will carry by increased [illegible] ties every county we carried at the [illegible] election, and will carry by good [illegible] large majorities more than nine [illegible] ten of the rest of the white counties. [illegible] And we will also carry several [illegible] belt counties, where we have a [illegible]

SERVATIVE VOTERS
ALABAMA.

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I am in possession of reliable formation that I do not feel like municating in a public circular know that good citizens in this who are democrats are thoroughly sick of Governor Johnston, they want is half a chance to turn down. They know he went in false claim of being for free silver with the people. He has been ful neither to the people nor his sonal friends. I am holding for reserve which will interest Gov. Johnston at the proper time that I ask is for you to do your like men, and I will take care of rest. Don't fail to do as I have quested. There will be no trouble any one if you will stand up like Governor Johnston is already ing his own weakness.

Now let me urge upon you the portance of making some sacrifice this fight, if not for your own sake the sake of your children, and for future of Alabama. It is need for me to say that you can't prosper so long as your affairs are trolled and dominated by this ballot box stuffing conspirators, sole aim is to capture the offices seal the pay thereof. These come to you and claim that they actuated by a desire only to serve people and maintain white supremacy which you as well as I know is false.

G. B. CROWE, Chairman

HEADQUARTERS
STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

To the Populists of Alabama:

Our people should be of good cheer all over the state. Never before our enemies been so divided, never before have our people been united. We have never had the port of the republicans so unanimously as we have today.

The negro democratic ticket, headed by Warner, operated by Bill Stevens is doing us no harm, and will only the negro democratic vote which be bought, and which the democrats have already bought. Bill Stevens and his crowd are to the republican party what Judas was to his master and what Benedict Arnold was to cause. And they are so known are treated accordingly.

Do not be misled by this statement trick of the black belt politicians are working it. They are already of the job, and it is proving a boomerang upon them, as the people and do recognize whose work it and while he has often fooled people, the people will fool him the first day of August, repudiate him and his running mates at polls and forever retire them from public life.

The great I am, Joseph Forney Johnston, in his speech at Tuscumbia on July 2, made the assertion that ticket and this democratic subterfuge were running mates Simese twins so forth. And on the same day state executive committee of the publican party, passed a resolution and said these negroes were paid the democrats. Now whom do believe, the great I am, who was ed to resign the chairmanship of party, as you will see from the pers, or the entire executive committee of the republicans. They claim that they have no opposition, and two chairmen, Messrs. Lowe Stevens, in the report they gave after the democratic meeting here the 9th seem to have a greed beforehand, as to what they would say. their opinions were published in same article by their democratic pers.

Now, if the honest voters of Alabama will only come to the polls on election and do their duty, and not shirk the responsibility, we will poll more votes than both of these tickets tricksters combined. You should member that this is a poor man's fight and made by poor men, who have rich and powerful corporations at their backs, and if we do not flood the with speakers and literature, it is cause we are unable to pay the bills.

We will carry by increased majorities every county we carried at the election, and will carry by good large majorities more than nine out ten of the rest of the white counties. And we will also carry several black belt counties, where we have alre

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The People's Party Standard-Bearer.

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My Fellow Citizens:

We are again face to face with momentous issues. They are not new questions, but they are the same old issues that have been fought over before in this state. And the basic principles of these issues have moved the contending forces that have arrayed class against class in every age and in every country from the dawn of civilization to the present time. On the one side, it is an aristocracy of office holders, representing a privileged class that respects no opinion or purpose antagonistic to its own narrow views and selfish ends. On the other side, we see the masses of the plain people, with charity for all and having no purpose beyond a desire to secure for themselves and their children the blessings of a government by the people, and a proper regard for the sovereign right of the individual guaranteed under our organic law. And if this wise provision, ordained by our fathers for the perpetuity of republican institutions, had been held inviolately and the guaranteed rights of the people had been respected, there would be no occasion for our presence here today.

Our forces are not organized for the specific purpose of making any radical change in our organic law. We come with no new or untried theories of government. We advocate no new doctrines and are promoting no novel measures. Nor are we a strange people in a strange land seeking to reap where we have not sown, or to rule where we have not served. We are to the manner born. Our fathers felled the forest and tilled the virgin soil of Alabama. They fought the battles of their country on land and sea. A rich heritage has been left us, and we as an honest and industrious people have endeavored to live at peace with our neighbors and to serve our country and our God. We have earned our bread by the sweat of our brow, and cheerfully and honestly have we paid taxes to maintain the state. It may be true that our skin has been tanned beneath the heat to which our labor in the fields exposed us, and that our arms are brawny from hard labor in the mine or the shop, but, thank God, our conscience has not been seared by a generation of misdeeds and our hearts have not been crusted over with a veneer of clannish conceit. We do not belong to the race of office holders of which the ideal democrat in Alabama today is so splendid a type. We are not of that class that has been a public charge upon the tax payers of this state for a quarter of a century. Nor has any of our kith or kin enjoyed the opportunity of trading on positions of public trust, or robbing the public treasury of funds wrung from the tax payers of this impoverished land. We are only the plain people. We make no pretensions to wealth or experience in state-craft, but we know our rights and we have determined that our grievances shall be heard. We come not with a blowing of trumpets. We have none of the gew gaw and tinsel of a privileged class of office holders and do not cultivate the fashion of pompous office seekers. We are the people who toil and sweat. We produce the cotton and the corn, the minerals and the lumber. We make war upon no industry or section, but we know that we have been treated with scurrilous contumely by those who have robbed us of our ballot and pilfered our scanty earnings. It is our business to protest against existing evils, and if possible guard against greater calamities which are sure to come if we do not destroy the agencies for evil that are at work against us. We shall continue to protest against these evils until by the grace of God and our own strong arm our cause is won.

There are practically only two political parties before the voters of Alabama in the present campaign. The one is the old enemy of civil liberty and human rights; an affete bourbonism masking under the name of democracy; the other is the people's party, steadfast and vigorous in battling for the cause of the people and civil liberty. Happily, the republican party has, with discretion and genuine patriotism for the present discarded national issues, and is nobly battling with us in the great struggle for a free ballot and an honest count.

We shall be prepared to meet every issue in the pending campaign. We ask no quarter and we will give none. We shall be aggressive from the start. We have no apologies to make for our cause or its advocates, and there is not a line in our platform th-t we are not

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us as a state government and which demand treatment and solution at the hands of this convention, it seems to me the one of supreme importance is the condition of the right of suffrage in this State."

The democratic party has been in absolute control of the State government for twenty-four years, almost a quarter of a century. It cannot be denied that our election laws are defective, and that the punishment of fraud is difficult, if not impossible. I have heard it said that in some parts of this State irregularities have occurred in the holding of elections, and the managers of elections have not been as careful as they should have been in certifying the votes as actually cast." Further in this connection, Mr. Knox said:

"I submit it to the intelligent judgment of this convention that there is no higher duty resting upon us as democrats and citizens, than that which requires the enactment of such laws as will protect the sancity of the ballot in every portion of the State."

We indorse all that Mr. Knox has said. We regret that his party did not indorse his views and sustain him in his advanced position on a great question. But Mr. Knox was not supported by the convention of his party. Not a democratic paper in this State published his speech, although it was the only thoughtful speech worthy of public attraction that was made at the State convention of the democratic party.

That unstable journalistic enterprise that has wrecked so many unwary advocates of free silver who have been called to the confiding bosom of Gov. Johnston, did not find room to say much about Mr. Knox's speech. But Mr. Knox has wisely and kindly had his speech printed in pamphlet form, and, in this way, the populist party has been given the use of a valuable campaign document.

It is not surprising that the Democratic convention did not indorse Mr. Knox. That party has not for ten years indorsed honest methods and it does not propose to begin at this late day, and under present leadership. As now constituted, it is further removed from a proper appreciation of the sanctity of the ballot than it has ever been.

The democratic party in Alabama today stands for dishonesty and corruption in public office as it has never stood before. It has less brains and more rascality than ever before. Already the leaders have given out in a semi-official way that the majority for their ticket in the August election will be not less then eighty thousand. They could just as well have named one hundred and eighty thousand. No doubt some of their shrewd calculators have instructed their debauched henchmen to make the *majority* to suit themselves, and we all know that they will resort to any rascality to carry out their devilish ends. The Governor of Alabama, and every intelligent democratic leader in this State, knows that there are not over eighty thousand white democrats in Alabama today, and there has not been since 1892. An honest election held in this state in 1892 or any other year since that date, would have resulted in the defeat of the Democratic ticket by 50,000 to 75,000 votes. In fifteen or twenty counties of this state there has not been an honest election or any pretence to fairness or honesty in holding elections for the past twenty years. The ballot box has been polluted, the election managers debauched in the most shameful manner to the disgust of all honest people and the disgrace of the State. These things have been done with the knowledge and connivance of the democratic candidate for Governor. I make this charge advisedly and challenge the candidate or his representative to deny it.

It would require more space than I am allowed in this address to go into the details of the monstrous crimes that have been perpetrated in this State in the interest of a clan of outlaws calling themselves democrats, against the rights of honest, industrious citizens and the peace and dignity of the State. The whole State government as presently constituted was conceived in the inordinate selfishness of a few men, brought into existence by fraud, and has continued, and is today the most dangerous compact of mediocrity, demagoguery and rascality that ever disgraced this State. If the testimony at hand in support of these charges were published, it would shock the sensibilities of the whole country. I doubt if any man could successfully withstand the intemperate outburst of persecution that would surely follow his assuming responsibility for publishing the whole truth about the corruption and lawlessness in Alabama.

Credible and competent testimony has been furnished to show that the holding of an election in many precincts of the State is a miserable farce, and an appeal to the courts, or those charged with the administration of the law, has been without effect. And the same trustworthy testimony supports the proposition that the men who steal the votes and falsify registration lists and election returns, are not infrequently guilty of dishonesty in other official relations. Nor is evidence lacking to show that these corrupt practises have already tainted the judiciary of the State. These frauds have be-

tious that we are almost daily reminded by some humiliating reference to our unhappy condition. Only a few days ago the civilized world paid tribute to the heroic conduct of a young Alabamian. The nation and the world were proud of the gallant naval lieutenant from Alabama, and the praise if Lieutennt Hobson wss sung in every land. But how humiliating to reflect upon the fact that if this young hero of the nation should return to his native county in Alabama and indentify himself with the Populist party, as his respected father and brother have been identified, he could not vote and have his vote counted as cast. I recall in this connection that Judge Hobson and his son, S. A. Hobson, testified that in Precinct No. 7, of Hale county, there were only 58 voters registered as officially stated by the Judge of Probate and the Registrar of that county, but the falsified returns of that beat gave a vote of 504, a steal of 446 votes in the interest ofl Democracy, so-called. Again, the same trustworthy witness testifies that in Beat No. 1 of said county, one of the managers refused to sign the returns because of gross irregularities and falsifications, and said manager appeared before the county board of supervisors at the request of witness, for the purpose of giving evidence, but the democratic board refused to entertain a motion of witness to set aside the illegal returns. From the same county we have testimony of a reputable witness to the fact that at Beat No. 1 of said county he remained at the polling place from the time the polls opened until they closed and that fifty-two voters and no more entered said polling place, but the official returns from that precinct showed a total of 368, a majority of 360 for the Democratic candidate. This witness was a brave confederate soldier, an honest, industrious and intelligent farmer, and this disgraceful and lawless deed was done within a stone's throw of his home and the grave of his father. This despicable work was done in the name of democracy, and in the interest of its leader at that time, Gov. Wm. C. Oates, whose great work for democracy and white supremacy was so ably seconded by that distinguished advocate of white supremacy, the Hon. William J. Stephens.

Testimony of like tenor from reputable white witnesses is on file showing the same character of lawlessness only more aggravated, in Dallas, Wilcox, Lowndes and many other counties, but I have not time to quote this testimony in detail, nor is it necessary. The forcible argument of the late Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee presumes a state of facts hardly less deplorable than we charge. And if further evidence were needed in support of the testimony we have, it is only necessary to point to the open confessions of such Democratic papers as the Selma Times, Anniston Hot Blast, Birmingham News, and others that could be cited.

Many democrats have the frankness to confess these crimes against the right of suffrage. They offer in extenuation of their guilt the theory that these irregularities and frauds are perpetrated and winked at in the interest of white supremacy. They claim that they are justified in doing these things to secure white supremacy, which is better for the white men and the black men. Further on I shall speak in no unmistakable terms touching the question of white supremacy, but at the outset I desire to challenge the hypothesis upon which this beautiful theory is founded. The alleged fact is a real falsehood upon which a dazzling generality has been built. A more plausible subterfuge was never concocted by designing men to mislead a confiding people. It arouses the suspicion of a lurking danger, and appeals to the most sensitive impulses of a people who are easily aroused on a question of racial prejudice and are ever ready to defend their state and their homes at any cost. But there is absolutely no warrant for this plausible pretext. Ballot box stuffing was not instituted for the purpose of establishing white supremacy in this State, and it has not continued for that specific purpose. Nearly a quarter of a century ago a large majority of the white people of this stte united in a common cause for economical, honest and stable government by the white people. Old line Whigs and Democrats of every faction, those who stood for the union and those who were against it, united in North Alabama and succeeded, without the aid or comfort of the ballot box stuffer, in getting controrl of this State under the name of the Democratic and Conservative party. But that was in no sense a Democratic victory as we count democratic victories nowadays. The democratic party in Alabama today does not stand for one thing that it stood for when Houston was elected Governor. I cannot dwell at length on the issues of that time; suffice it to say that it was a time of the people's triumph. But in passing from this phase of the question I quote briefly from that gallant confederate soldier and distinguished and fearless advocate of human rights, Hon. Wm. M. Lowe, whose untimely end was a great loss to the State and the most irreparable loss that the plain people of this State have sustained for a generation.

Mr. Lowe said:

"In 1875, at the time of the adoption of the present constitution, the

State for sivty years. They were the simple and easy provisions under which our fathers held honest and fair elections. The democratic party of Alabama, having defeated the republicans were then in almost undisputed power throughout the whole State; these were the very laws under which they had regained power.

"What is the use of changing laws that had existed in the State from 1819; that had been tested by experience; that the people had grown accustomed and attached to? Why were these particular amendments intruded upon us at this particular time? Was it to enforce the solidity of the south? The south was already solid. Was it the army at the polls? There was not a soldier in the State.

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"The men of the mountains showed signs of independence. They chafed under the party harness and in many cases broke away from the petty restraint of party discipline.

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"The people were with the movement. They could not be out-voted; they must, therefore, be out counted. The next election must be held under conditions that insured success. For this purpose the election laws of our honest fathers must be abolished and a new system must be substituted. The elections must be held after the polls are closed and the result determined, not by voters, but by inspectors. Independent opposition must be punished by suppression under the election laws. There must be no new party organized in the State under any name or for any purpose. There must be but one party in Alabama and all contests must be decided inside its ornization. There must be no mutiny against the party, and no appeal to the people; and whoever refused to submit to this despotism must be denounced as a renegade in the canvas and counted as a public enemy."

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But let us see is election frauds as practiced today are in the interest of white supremacy. In 1892 the apparent democratic majority as shown by the official returns, was 11,437. In the counties of Dallas, Wilcox, Lowndes and Hale the aggregate majority was 17,000. In those counties there are not exceeding 4,000 white voters and about 16,000 negro voters. Is that white supremacy? In 1894 the official democratic majority was 27,582, with an aggreggate majority of 19,500, from the above named counties. Tht was another instance of so-called white supremacy. Practically the same thing occurred in 1896. In the Fourth Congressional district, there are five white counties and one black belt county. In 1894 the fusion candidate of the republican and populist for Congress in that district carried every white county except one, which he lost by *a majority of only 357*. He went to the black belt county with an aggregate majority of 1,654, but that county with a white vote not exceeding 2,200 and a negro vote of about 6,000, gave a fictitious majority of about 6,000 for the democratic candidate. Here was a plain case of negro rule. The men who managed the election in Dallas county were guilty of perjury or this district was absolutely under negro control. The will of the majority of the white people was set aside by negro domination in one county. Practically the same thing occurred in 1896. This is not the only district in which negro rule obtains, but the record from this district furnishes a striking illustration of negro rule under democratic supervision. I have not the time to take up the records from other congressional districts.

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Among other evils consequent upon negro rule in this State, I may refer briefly to the following: First, the negro has claimed and secured from the democratic party recognition that has made him a dangerous factor in Alabama politics.

One Wm. J. Stephens, to whom I have already referred, is one of the most troublesome and dangrous negroes in the whole State. He is the creature of democracy and is the social pet of the so-called free silver democracy. Bill Stephens was introduced to the public by the wing of democracy that is in control of the state government today. He has received moral and financial support from the Johnston and Shelley democracy, who are acting as his chief counselors today.

Four years ago Bill Stephens was introduced to an audience of white people in the town of Talladega, at the instance and under the special direction of the so-called free silver candidate for Congress, in the Fourth District, whose rascality inside his own party shocked the whole country and resulted in the decent elecment of his party forcing his retirement. Stephens was advertised as Hon. Wm. J. Stephens, and spoke in front of the Court House at Talladega, where, a few weeks before, old and highly respected citizens of that county had been treated with indignity by the Judge of Probate, when they asked for representation at their party in the polling places. Bill Stephens was never allowed to get in speaking distance of the populist party. He was ignored by the republican party, turned down by the gold bug democrats, but always finds comfort in the house of his first love. He is

trouble between the whites and blacks it will be due solely to the evil work of designing men who call themselves democrats. The Johnston democracy has given prominence to the most dangerous class of negroes and through its connections and confidential agents has intruded itself with designing purpose, and under the garb of religion into the churches of the colored people. Already we have seen the dangerous tendency of this evil work. Social intercourse between the races has not come at the instance of negroes. They want no social contact, and ask only to be protected in their person and property, under the law, and to be let alone to work out their own salvation. But the designing white man will not let them alone. Into the schools and churches the agents of the present administration have gone to reach the negro and get his political support.

The only tendency in the direction of social equality that has been observed in Alabama is between the Democrats and the boodle negroes. The leading republicans of Alabama are doing all in their poyer to build up their party by adding to its respectability in eliminating the boodle and disreputable negroes and white men. The populists have always demanded that the negro be treated with justice, and encouraged in every effort to improve along lines of educational advancment.

The few thrifty settlers who came from the north to make their homes in the State, and aid in the industrial development, have acted with discretion. They will have no entangling political alliances or social intercourse with the negroes. They advise the negroes to be industrious and thrifty and to work out their own salvation.

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The democratic party, and only the democratic party of today, has a well defined purpose to keep the negro in ignorance and vice. The more ignorant and venal the negro is the more easily he is controlled. The men who steal his vote belong to the same class that robs him of his earnings, and the great majority of those who prey alike upon the poor, ignorant white man, and black man, can be found among the organized democracy of today. This oligarchy of office-holders has no nobler impulse or higher aim than the perpetuation of its own power. It is ready at all times to appeal to the lowest prejujdices of the white men and the worst instincts of black men, and to rob both of their ballots, and their small earnings.

The race problem is still an unsettled issue in this country. It is a question that should claim the conscientious attention of the intelligent and upright men of both races, but it should be removed as far as possible from the nefarious influence of a political factio con- fessed of th races and

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Next to the right of suffrage the public school question is of the highest importance. The greatest English statesman of modern times has said, that the public school is the corner stone of the republic. In every civilized country, the duty of the State to provide for the education of the children is now recognized as one of the highest obligations of government. There is today no safer guide to the strength, stability and prosperity of the people than the favorable showing of their educational facilities for the education of its people. The present status of the educational department of this state may be taken as a reflex of the condition of the people. Let us examine into the affairs of the educational department of our present state government, and then pass to a brief inquiry as to the condition of the people, and we shall be able to determine to what extent our theory is sustained.

A little while ago, the Birmingham Age-Herald, while temporarily relieved of the censorship of the State administration, gave evidence of capacity, independence and enterprise in the line of legitimate journalism. And among other good things which the Age-Herald said during that brief period of liberty, we find the following:

"The State of Alabama spends annually in the education of her youth, $663,359.00. If the State were to put that amount in any system of public work, or an individual were to invest that amount in a business enterprise, either would first and foremost provide for a competent supervision of the expenditure. Not a step would be taken without it. Upon it all action in connection with the expenditure would turn. The State expends each year, the sum named upon the schools, less by one-half the amount she should expend, but it is large enough to justify a demand by the public for honest, wise and skillful supervision of the educational interests of the state. School supervision in Alabama, state or county, has become a ridiculous farce, an expensive luxury, from which neither the schools nor the people derive any adequate benefits. This every day rule of business, every rule of common sense, is violated and set aside, and to a very considerable extent the state's expenditure is so much money wasted. The want of supervision lies at the base of the school troubles of the State. There are other troubles, but this is the chief one of the lot."

be used in condemnation of the incapacity and the lack of system that obtains in the most important and expensive department of our State government. But the language is not too strong. It is only surprising that so just a rebuke should be found in the administration organ. But it will hardly occur again, at least not during the present campaign. This frank opinion, gives us the inkling of what we would hear if there were absolute independence of the press in Alabama.

This mismanagement of our educational department is a disgrace to any civilization and an outrage upon the tax payers of this state. Our state affords the poorest school facilities of any state in the union and our percentage of illiterates is steadily increasing. Educational facilities, other than schools under municipal control, are worse today tnan they have been since 1868. The public school system of Alabama, outside the cities and towns, is not in as good condition as it was ten years ago. It is worse than it was twenty years ago.

The average expenditure per capita, for school purposes in the South Atlantic states was $1.15, in the South Central states $1.04, in Alabama 39 cent, Mississippi expends 89 cents per capita, Georgia expends 84 cents per capita, Alabama expends 39 cents per capita.

The average expenditure per pupil for the whole school year in Colorado is $38.19; in California, $32.51; in West Virginia, $12.72; in Kentucky, $10.18; in Louisiana, $10.90; in Alabama, $3.38; and the average in the United States in 1893-94 was $18.55, in Alabama, $3.58.

Kansas has seven members in Congress and school property of the value of $10,145,000. Nebraska has six congressmen and school property of the value of over $8,000,000; Washington has two Congressmen and school property of the value of $4,837,000. North Dakota has one Congressman and school property of the value of $1,936,000; Alabama has nine Congressmen and school property of the value of $1,375,000; less than Dakota, a new state with one Congressman.

The large percentage of negroes is the standing excuse of the Democracy for any short coming, maladministration, corruption in high places and every kind of lawlessness and outrage of which the people are made the unhappy victims. And this will be the same apology for the deplorable condition of our schools. But let lance for a moment at the comp fig- ures from Alabama, Geor sippi and Florida. Eac states has a large percent groes. In Georgia the per negroes to the population Florida 42, in Alabama 58. L pare Mississippi, where negr excess of white population, bama where the whites are jority. The total assessed in Mississippi is $116,722,279 ita assessed valuation, $1 bama the assessed valuation is $258,979,575; per capita assessed valuation, $171.17.

Mississippi spends on her public schools, $1.02 per capita. Alabama spends sixty cents per capita. Total school revenues in Mississippi amount to $1,272,500; total school revenues in Alabama amount to $633,359. Average number of day schools in session in Mississippi, 105.4; average number in Alabama, 69.2.

These comparative tables could be extended at great length and into the ramifications of the whole educational and industrial question. And the further we go the more startling the figures and the greater our humiliation.

But not even the figures printed give a true index to the rottenness of ou public school system, or rather lack of system. The funds expen are not honestly disbursed. A la per cent of the money expended our educational department goes the pockets of petty thieves. The average number of day schools open is not so large as indicated in the reports of the superintendent of education. In certain localities schools are not open two days in the year, but funds are collected on the basis of the average school year. These funds go into the pockets of cross roads merchants and other petty despots who and debauch in the name of den and count it no crime to stea the poor whites and negroes, ballot which is the last and on dence of their manhood, and t the scanty allowance for the of their children. If half were told of the su wrongs and injustic these poor people o the black belt, your hearts would moved to pity, your righteous indignation would be aroused, and mank would for a while turn from t tragic scenes in the Gem of the Antilles and listen to the sad story of wrongs and distress from that portion of Alabama, where the enemies of republican institutions and human rights are supreme, the sunlight of prosperity has never dawned, and individual liberty is a dream.

Is it surprising that, in face of th shameful condition of affairs, we ha not prospered and happy? Need we marvel lowest valuation of la highest percentage of the open debauchery suffrage,

sified than those of any o south of the Ohio, yet every state has made greater many lines of industrial de Every state south of the O ceived more thrifty settlers bama.

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And what have we for th Is there a leader among us wh to battle for the cause of li erty? Surely he is not amon whom we have trusted for of a century? What does in power offer for our relief? absolutely nothing, except th of the unfaithful agent. Th be trusted again. Trusted f To reform the institutions t polluted? No, they have a for reform. They ask for a of power, in order that they en the shackles still tighter people. And how do they pr do it? They have not the openly to declare their real p But there is an under current towards a dangerous struggle is a vague hint about a consti convention. This is the lurki ger.

We have seen that the quest methods and evil practices of th inant party in Alabama have so notorious that many good me withdrawn from active support party. It is rapidly moving to disintegration. Its condition is d ate. Something must be done, done quickly, to save it.

It cannot be saved by an app the people, they will trust it no ger. But designing men have deep schemes for perpetuating their power without reference to the or best interest of the people the form of law they prop them ives in their A new co

by General Wilson himself. For e reason, the claim was never pre- ed, and recently the proper officers he church have retained me to look r the claim, and will pay me a mission of 15 per cent to collect. proofs, I suppose, are all on file ne committee room (I suppose thes ns committee). Now, I wish you ssist me in this matter, and I will e the fees with you and assist you etting up all the evidence needed any more be needed. The strong t in our case is, that the burning done long after the battle, and lly, the church not being con- ed with the C. S. government dings. Will you please examine hunt up the evidence now in hington? I can get a good deal of and have written Mr. Bromberg ssist you in the matter. I believe ressing this we could push a bill t through. The people are now ilding and have got up the walls, rs, etc., and are too poor to finish new church; it will take $10,000 to ; they have already expended t $12,000. Let me hear.

Yours, etc.,

JOS. F. JOHNSTON.

Chas. Pelham, M. C., Wash- gton, D. C.

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e publish in this issue of the Bul- a note from Jere Haralson, ac- anied by the letter of Capt. h F. Johnston referred to in his h in the anti-Spencer republican ention. The original manuscript our possession and leaves no t of Captain Johnston's complicity is affair. It will not be denied as a lawyer it was legitimate for o take a fee, but his offer to bribe gressman by a division of his fees s him in rather a contradictory as the head of a party boasting of y and reform. We will see what in Johnston and party have to bout this transaction.—Evening tin, May 3, 1876.

ER OF RESIGNATION FROM CAPT. J. F. JOHNSTON.

NTGOMERY, ALA., June 15, 1876.

ntlemen—You are aware of the ous assaults that have been made me by some of our political ad- es in connection with the publi- f a letter written by myself to Pelham. Whilst I am con- f the purity of my motives, at the letter itself, to say noth- the surrounding facts, is suffi- to show the injustice of the as- still I am unwilling that our should be called upon to explain fend any act of mine, however ly and maliciously misconstrued, possible loss of a single vote. too deeply interested, as a citi- zen of Ala- ua, in the success of the democratic party, to hesitate in making any reasonable sacrifice to promote its triumph.

For these reasons I resign my posi- tion as a member of your committee, and respectfully request your accept- ance of the same.

The confidence that the democratic party has heretofore reposed in me, and the unanimous action of the recent state convention in re-electing me a member of your committee, with full knowledge of all the facts upon which the assaults were made, command my sincerest gratitude.

I desire to add that I shall, in the future as in the past, most cheerfully do all that lies in my power to secure the success of our party, and, through it, to continue to the people of Alabama the blessings of good government.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOS. F. JOHNSTON.

To the State Executive Committee of the Democratic and Conservative Party.

(Montgomery Evening Bulletin, June 16, 1876.)

In Justice to Capt. Joseph F. John- ston, we copy his letter of resignation s Chairman of the state democratic xecutive committee. As this has been e first and only public utterance of in Johnston in reference to the t matter of his published letter ham, proposing to secure a $10,- ppropriation from congress by a on of fees with him for the laud- bject of rebuilding the Episcopal h at Selma, destroyed by Wil raiders, we know it will be read interest. We think it would have b in b tter taste in Captain John- st and given better satisfaction to hiarty friends and the public, had heken more pains to explain the cimstances and motives under wh he acted in the premises than to sign as a reason for his resigna- tion "the malicious assaults which have been made upon me [him] by some of our political adversaries." We belive that most of the "assaults" refered to came from the editor of the Bulletin, who had made every effort in his power to do Captain Johnston jus-

in the letter, without ever once consciously intending to impugn the personal motive or character of the chairman of the democratic executive committee. The fact is, at that time we did not even know Captain Johnston except by reputation from his official relations to the democracy, and he could have had no reason in the world for making "malicious assaults" upon him. We dealt with him only as a public man, as we had a right to do, and pointed out the obvious inconsistency between the conduct of the democracy in pursuing its political opponents and ignoring a plain and indefensible case, quite similar, when brought home to their own organization. And let us assure Captain Johnston, once for all, that these miscalled "malicious assaults" were never once instigated by "some of our political adversaries," as he is pleased to term us, but by democrats who regarded his re-election to, and acceptance of, the position of chairman of the democratic executive committee, under such circumstances, as highly injudicious and calculated to injure their party.

Nothing would have seemed wiser, after that letter had been published, and while the democratic convention was in session at Montgomery, than for Captain Johnston to have declined a re-election and asked the election of some other person; and if the state committee had then seconded that resolution by electing a new chairman, as was naturally expected of them under the facts of the case, no further comment would have been called for in regard to the matter. But both Captain Johnston and the committee, to the surprise of their party friends, saw proper to pursue a contrary course, and neither he nor they have any right to complain of the criticism which they have brought upon themselves by taking so valuable a position.

The Alabama State Journal says: "Mr. Jos. F. Johnston, chairman of the democratic state executive committee has been charged with attempting to bribe Congressman Pelham, of this state."

The question with us is, did Pelham accept the offer? If so, then there may be some truth in the charge; but if he did not accept it, we cannot believe that any was offered, for it would be a moral impossibility for Pelham to refuse six and a quarter cents, we care not however dishonest the proposition that offered it.—Rome (Ga.) Courier.

The question with the people of Alabama is, why does Mr. Johnston remain silent in the face of the crushing evidence presented against him. Mr. Pelham is not on trial; Mr. Johnston is. The democratic party Johnston one of ry appropriate. Montgomery State Journal, June 7, 1876.

When the chairman of the democratic state executive committee of Alabama offered to divide fees with a member of congress, to induce the latter to support a certain measure, he did that which the democratic party has denounced as infamous, dishonorable and corrupt in the last degree. If such an act is infamous when perpetrated by a republican, is it not equally infamous when committed by a democrat? Does the democratic party of Alabama wish to be placed on record as condoning that in one of its own members which it would punish with disgrace and shame in a republican? If it does not, why was Mr. Joseph F. Johnston made the leader of their party in Alabama? Is there any sincerity in the professions of the Alabama democracy? The facts speak for themselves, and in thunder tones against their assumption of virtue and honesty, and the people look on in utter amazement.—Montgomery State Journal, June 4, 1876.

The democratic party is rich in expedients. In Alabama we have a curious exhibition of the respect of democracy or public opinion; and the answer for its conduct is quite characteristic of that party. A few days ago Congressman Haralson exposed a letter written by Mr. Joseph F. Johnston, chairman of the democratic state executive committee, to Mr. Chales Pelham, when the latter was a member of congress. Mr. Johnston, proposed to Mr. Pelham, that if the latter would urge the passage of a bill appropriating fifteen thousand dollars from the national treasury, he would divide fees with Pelham, as attorney for the parties asking the appropriation. The democratic definition of such propositions has heretofore been bribery and corruption. Had the two parties to the proposition been reversed, the democracy would have demanded that the proposer be disgraced, and driven into utter shame, and, perhaps, to prison. As Mr. Johnston is a democrat, however, he is honored with the leadership of his party almost at the same

former offered a bribe, the latter accepted one. In law and morals is there any difference between them? Has it not been the cry of the democratic leaders constantly, that he who offers a bribe is as culpable as he who receives it?—Montgomery State Journal, June 7, 1876.

THE LAW ON THIS SUBJECT.

The code of Alabama shows the following definition of the crime and penalty, viz:

"Any person who corruptly offers, promises, or gives to any executive, legislative, or judicial officer, after his election or appointment, either before or after he has been qualified, any gift, gratuity or thing of value with intent to influence his act, vote, opinion, decision or judgment on any cause, matter or proceeding which may be then pending or which may be by law brought before him in his official capacity, shall be fined $—— or imprisoned in the penitentiary, or sentenced to hard labor for county, for not less than two, nor more than ten years." And the laws of the state further provide that a conviction for a violation of the statute quoted, forever disqualifies the convict as a voter or officeholder in Alabama, unless such right should be restored to him by pardon.

To the People of Alabama.

On Monday, the first day of August next, an election will be held throughout the state, by which many questions will be settled. But over and above them all in importance to you is whether or not a constitutional convention is to be called, by which more than one-half of the men now voting will be disfranchised, and in future many, because of age or move into the state, will not be allowed to vote. In the states of Mississippi, Louisiana and South Carolina new constitutions have been adopted. The constitutions of Mississippi and South Carolina provide that persons over 21 years of age may register at any time before a given date, who can read the constitution of the state, or construe it intelligently when read to them, and may continue to vote at all subsequent elections without again registering after the date fixed for the first registration. Only persons who can write and read the constitution and pay taxes on $300 worth of property can register to vote. They must also pay all poll taxes due at least six months before any election at which they desire to vote. The constitution of Louisiana is not before us, but we understand it makes much greater restrictions than those of Mississippi and South Carolina. It is the purpose of the democratic party, if it can in the coming election elect or steal in enough members of the house and senate, to pass a law calling a convention, in which they will adopt a constitution disfranchising more than half of the persons now allowed to vote; and in future thousands of young men, white as well as black, will be prevented from voting. The constitution the democracy will adopt will, beyond doubt, contain such provisions that the democratic machine can fraudulently register and vote any one they desire to vote, and disfranchise those they do not desire to have vote. And men who will not vote the democratic ticket, though they may be fully qualified, can be prevented from registering or voting.

The purpose of the democratic party to call a constitutional convention in this state is shown beyond question by the following facts: 1st. By the celebrated thirteenth plank, in their state platform of 1890 or 1892, wherein they loid down the proposition that only the virtuous and intelligent should have the right to vote in the state of Alabama. This plank was written by Joseph F. Johnston, your present governor, who still favors it, and has been and is still doing all in his power to disfranchise the people of this state, excepting only such as he and his ilk desire to have vote for them, their plans and schemes.

Since the election was stolen from the people by the democracy in 1892, the election laws have been changed no less than three times, each change being designed, as the new statutes clearly show, to render it easier, as well as safer, to perpetrate frauds upon the voters of this state and to conceal them after they had been perpetrated.

A bill was passed by the house of representatives, in 1896, providing for a constitutional convention and was only defeated in the senate by the vote of one republican senator, ten populist senators, and either four or five democratic senators. But for the votes of the populists and one republican this bill would have passed and we would now have upon us a constitution worse perhaps than those of Mississippi, South Carolina or Louisiana.

We all know that nearly every democratic newspaper and speaker in the

their purpose to mislead and deceive, and when it is too late you will find out their real intention, which is disfranchisement for the poor men, white and black, who will not vote with them. They cannot disfranchise the black man only, because the constitution of the United States provides that no state shall deprive any citizen of his right to vote on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. Hence they cannot make a rule or law that will apply merely to the uneducated or poor man, whether he be white or black. With an educational and property qualification for voters, what will be the effect on the workers for wages—on skilled work in the shops and mines, or on the farms? Such men cannot afford to buy lands and homes, only that they may be entitled to vote, for they may at any time lose their places and have to move away to get another. And unless you do own lands worth so much, they can and will say you shall not vote.

Many of the farmers in Alabama who now rent lands would be denied the right to vote, and of those who own farms, how many could give to their sons lands or property enough to entitle them to vote when they become of age? Look around you and see how many this would disfranchise! And those who are fortunate enough to preserve to your sons this highest and most vital privilege of an American citizen, are you willing, and will you by any act or vote of yours help to disfranchise the sons of your neighbors and friends who cannot give their sons enough property to entitle them to vote? We cannot believe you will aid in the perpetuation of any such wrong and injustice. And if you do, mark the prediction! It will surely come back on you and yours sooner or later, in sorrow and bitterness!! If you cannot give your sons enough to entitle them to vote when 21 years of age, then they must struggle along and try to lay by small sums, until they have enough to entitle them to this right. This may take years, and any misfortune may sweep away their savings and disfranchise or prevent them ever getting property enough to make them legal voters. And then the democratic officials who pass on the value of property can readily find it is not worth enough for the men to vote on, who vote against them.

The ballot-box is the place to protect yourselves. Don't, under any conditions vote for any democratic candidate for state senator or representative. And if any poor but honest democratic voter should do so, let him not be satisfied to have such candidates tell him "they are not in favor of a constitutional convention;" make them make a written affidavit that they will not, if elected, under any circumstances or conditions, vote, either directly or indirectly, for a constitutional convention!

Any candidate who is honestly opposed to such a convention will not object to making the written affidavit; and if he will not, you ought not to trust him.

We have but few speakers or newspapers, and have adopted this means of reaching you, and urging you to awaken to the danger we are all in.

Citizens of Alabama, arouse yourselves!!! Your rights and your liberties are in the greatest peril ever known!!! The Bourbon oligarchy of Alabama, which is disguised under the name of the Democratic party, is attempting to destroy manhood suffrage in Alabama!!! The deadly blow is aimed at you and yours! Take your places in the lines at the polls on the first day of August as you would march into battle for your country! and let the men and the party which would humiliate you into the dust, and bring you to the level of serfs, be crushed and sent into inglorious ruin and defeat under your battle cry of popular liberty and suffrage, of equal rights to all and special privileges to none!!

G. B. CROWE,
Chairman.

IMPORTANT NOTES

From Headquarters--Pointed Suggestions to Voters.

To the Populists of the Seventh Judicial Circuit:

I would like to advise you to keep your eyes open as to the candidacy of one M. D. Ivey. I am satisfied, from the evidence in my possession, that he is a paid tool of the democratic party to come before us posing as an independent populist candidate in that judicial circuit. His sole aim and purpose is to do all he can to defeat Mr. Parsons, the republican nominee, whom I would advise you all to support. Mr. Parsons is by far the best man for us to elect in that circuit.

Respectfully yours, etc.,

G. B. CROWE,
Chairman State Executive Committee.

Below we reproduce copy of a circular, signed by William T. Coggins, chairman of the populist executive

Golsom, as we think Col. Golsom is one of the best populists in our ranks, and eminently worthy of your support. Yours respectfully,

G. B. CROWE,
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GADSDEN, ALA., July 18, 1898.

My Dear Sir—I beg your careful attention to the importance of the work to be done on the day of the election. It is of vital importance that our markers understand that it is to the interest of every voter who opposes organized democracy to vote for our candidate, Col. H. R. Golson, for Chancellor, and that this fact be brought to the attention of the voter. The republican party has, as a party, endorsed his candidacy. Your influence with the people of your beat will further insure the election of our candidate. Make such suggestions to the populist and republican markers as will keep them watching for the frauds and undue influence that is sure to be attempted by the opposition. I am aware that this statement will be denied, but we have positive and sworn evidence that the opposition candidate has been guilty of debauching the ballot box in his own county. [See the contest of Aldrich vs. Plowman before the house committee on elections.]

There are grave charges of a personal nature against the opposition candidate that can be substantiated by at least two prominent ministers, and many democrats, among whom are some of the most prominent members of the bar, but Colonel Golson's high moral and professional character and the dignity of the office to which he aspires prevents me from entering into the details of these charges, which are, however, sufficiently well known to the people of Calhoun and adjoining counties to arouse, even within the ranks of the democratic party, serious doubts and misgivings.

We have only to remain active and diligent to win by a majority that will astonish the natives.

WILLIAM T. COGGIN,
Chairman Populist Executive Committee Northeastern Chancery Division.

WAS THIS A RESONABLE FEE?

During the April campaign for nominations friends of Mr. Lane called attention to a trade Mr. Stiles made with Mr. Chambers to copy and rebind an old map for the county that had been damaged by long use, wherein Mr. Stiles exacted 33⅓ per cent to give Mr. Chambers the job. After the work was done they presented a bill to the commissioners for over $2,200. Commissioner Lacey objected to the bill. Commissioner Morrow took the bill back to Judge Porter, who reduced it to $1,800, which was allowed. Judge Porter made an effort at explanation, in which he said the law governing the case provides a "reasonable" fee shall be allowed by the commissioners. Then Judge Porter goes on to try to make the people believe he was entitled to 15 cents per 100 words and 5 cents for each lot. The judge is too good a lawyer to think any such thing. This is the fee allowed in recording and which had already been paid by the owners of the property. If the law had fixed the fee, how could it have been disallowed by the commissioners? If a stipulated fee is allowed why should the law say a "reasonable fee?" Mr. Stiles speculated on the county whereby his father-in-law made $600, and in which he tried to make $750. If he had been looking after the interest of the county he would have sought to have the work done at a "reasonable fee," and not tried to get the most out of the commissioners he could.

Under his contract he was getting into the family coffers 33⅓ per cent of all he could get for the work done.

Mr. Chambers did the work in four months. Is it a reasonable fee to charge the county $600 to let a contract for one man to work four months?

A reasonable fee would have been $100 per month, saving the county $1,400.

HAS IT BEEN CREATED ESPECIALLY FOR THE FAMILY?

The Independent Citizen, as a public journal, is curious to know whether the office of probate judge of Jefferson was created for the members of one family? Judge Porter has held the office for eighteen years; Judge Morrow for a long term of years, and now the son-in-law of Judge Porter, Mr. Stiles, wants to come in for a long time. Uncle first, father-in-law next, and now the son-in-law. It looks to a fellow up a tree that the office has been created especially for this family.

POLITICS is a great game and the "Great I am" is the greatest gamester of them all. Of all the colonels, captains, lieutenants, paymasters, etc., appointed by him in Alabama's quota of volunteer soldiers, not a one is any-

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TOWN ITEMS

[illegible] meets second Monday in [illegible] second Saturday in August, November.

[illegible] Mr. C. L. [illegible] new grist [illegible] improved [illegible] to grind [illegible] Mill [illegible] Saturday.

[illegible] Opium Habit [illegible] information [illegible] overhabits [illegible] treatment

[illegible] Jacksville, has [illegible] days this [illegible] J. M.

[illegible] went to Birmingham [illegible].

[illegible] Dr. L. B. [illegible] Coody, W. H. [illegible] Reynolds, S. M. [illegible] Crichton attended [illegible] meeting Monday.

[illegible] last week presented [illegible] office with some [illegible] we have ever [illegible]

[illegible] visited Mr. [illegible] on his way [illegible]

[illegible] Saturday between [illegible] and Clanton resulting [illegible] Clanton; scores [illegible]

[illegible], who has been [illegible] daughter, Mrs. J. M. [illegible] returned to her home at [illegible] Sunday.

[illegible] headache, biliousness, constipation and all liver and stomach troubles can be quickly cured by those famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They are pleasant to take never gripe. Stanfield and Matthews.

[illegible] J. A. B. Lovett, President [illegible] University, Bessemer, [illegible] something important to [illegible] young men and women [illegible] contemplate going off to school [illegible] soon. Don't fail to drop [illegible] card.

[illegible] Clanton Epworth League [illegible] last Friday evening at the M. [illegible] church and elected new officers [illegible] as follows. P. D. Wilson, president; Miss French Evans, 1st vice [illegible]; Miss Lizzie Parker, 2d vice [illegible]; Miss Lula Dudley, 3d vice [illegible]; Leroy Watts, secretary; H. [illegible] Truitt, treasurer; Miss [illegible] Evans, organist. The devotional meetings will be held [illegible] Sunday afternoon, and the [illegible] other meetings as usual.

[illegible] have used Chamberlain's Cough [illegible] in my family for years and [illegible] with good results," says Mr. [illegible] Cooper, of El Rio, Cal. "For [illegible] children we find it especially [illegible]. For sale by J. S. Johnson.

[illegible] Shell yearling will be given [illegible] holder of the winning [illegible]. Full particulars can be [illegible] at Toms, the Baltimore [illegible] store, Clanton.

[illegible] William B. Green, independent [illegible] for Circuit Clerk, [illegible] this morning.

[illegible] office is the only [illegible] establishment in Chilton [illegible] counties. We give [illegible] lower prices than [illegible] elsewhere. Give us a [illegible]

[illegible] A. Cox, a brother of [illegible], died at his home [illegible] last Thursday, and [illegible] Sunday. [illegible] bereaved [illegible]

[illegible] Hays is paying a [illegible] Montgomery.

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[illegible] against disease [illegible] One Minute [illegible] gives immediate [illegible] early it prevents [illegible] And in later [illegible] prompt relief. [illegible]

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[illegible] and Miss [illegible] Love [illegible]

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To be held with Antioch church, Bibb county, commencing Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1898.

Friday. 9:30 a.m. Devotional exercises by A. Glass.

10:30 a.m. Organization.

11. Preaching by Rev. R. H. Long.

12. Adjournment for dinner.

1:30 p.m. How should a Sunday school be conducted? Opened by Rev. A. L. Foshee and J. P. Gentry.

3. By whom should the Sunday school be conducted? Opened by D. C. Hubbard and W. A. Mims.

Saturday. 9 a.m. Devotional exercises, by Rev. G. W. Freeman.

10. Duty of Pastor to the Sunday-school? Opened by D. L. Smitherman and W. H. Hubbard.

11. Preaching by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

12. Adjourned until 1:30

1:30 p.m. Duty of school to Pastor? Opened by M. D. Langston and Willie Brown.

3. Obligations of all church members to join the Sunday-school, and to co-operate with it? Opened by J. M. Langston and W. H. Connell.

Sunday. 9 a.m. Sunday-school mass meeting conducted by W. H. Thomas.

11. Sermon by Dr. W. C. Bledsoe, secretary of our mission board. Singing conducted by J. W. Wallace.

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Stanton

We are having some glorious rains, and crops are looking prosperous.

Frasier Futh, of Bessemer, is visiting our town this week.

The town is well supplied with watermelons this week.

Mac Rasberry and Lassiter Farnell attended meeting at Fellowship Sunday.

W. C. Dyer was a visitor to Birmingham last Thursday.

Messrs. J. H. Sexton, Wiley Harris and Mr. Butts have gone to Atlanta to attend the reunion.

Miss Effie Harris has returned home after two weeks visit with friends in this city.

Miss Lula Culver is visiting relatives in Troy.

Miss Jennie Rucker and her sister, Miss Lucy, is visiting Mrs. Ramsey this week. STAN.

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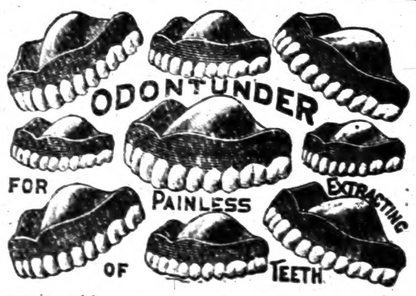

Will continue his periodical visits to this and adjoining counties.
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Maplesville.

Out of the fullness of the heart the mouth speaketh or the pen writeth so it is rain! rain! rain! we first write of now, are having too much for cotton.

We regret our friend Zeke Martin, was in ill health which decided him to return to Texas.

Mr. Buzoce and several other friends from Randolph brought a seine intending to celebrate our glorious Fourth with a big fish fry, this proving a failure they spent a very pleasant day with Mr. Holdridge.

Mr. J. Adams and family have been on a visit to his parents.

We regret our young friend Walter Graham, has joined the army, he is greatly missed, his brother Crumpton, has taken his place in business with T. U. Crumpton.

Messrs. Snead and James, of Centreville, are visiting friends here, having made the trip over our new road very pleasantly.

Miss Lily Bowline has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. Lawrence who has been quite sick with typhoid fever.

Miss Gertrude Wooley has returned home accompanied by her nephew, Master Esten Sawyer, of Anniston.

Mrs. Matthews has delighted her friends by a visit to her old home.

Mrs. Blalack has been visiting her son at Welch's mill.

We regret to state that on last Sunday a negro knocked another in the head with a pickax, he lived in great agony three hours, the murderer escaped, we did not learn their names, were strangers here.

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Should know that the "Old Time" Remedy,

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OUR ARMY PUTS ON ITS NEW UNIFORM.

IDEAL SUITS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR A TROPICAL CAMPAIGN.

Despatches from Cuba tell how the soldiers of our army, burdened with hot flannel uniforms and heavy outfits, are throwing away everything they can on the march, even their coats. In the terrible heat every ounce of weight adds to discomfort while marching, and, regardless of the future, men are casting aside blankets, extra clothing, tin plates and other articles in their Merriam kits, caring only to lighten their burdens.

Men in regular marching order who have been sent to Cuba, volunteers as well as regulars, carry in all nearly sixty pounds, including their rifles, enough to stagger a man in a cool climate. This casting away of every superfluous article is not a new practice, for it was done by tens of thousands of men in the Civil War and has been done by soldiers in almost all other wars.

Recognizing the unfitness of the regulation uniforms for the tropics, the Government is having 40,000 cotton drilling and duck uniforms made, which will greatly add to the comfort and general appearance of the soldiers. Already 4000 of these suits have been completed and shipped to Tampa to be forwarded to Cuba for General Shafter's command.

The new campaign uniform for infantry is made of canvas duck or drill. Its distinguishing feature is a Norfolk jacket, or blouse effect with a box plait down the back. There are four pockets in the front and five buttons. The two upper pockets are faced with blue cloth, the epaulet straps, cuffs and collars being of the same material and color.

The uniform is made with felled seams. Brown canvas leggings somewhat darker than the uniform are used. A web cartridge belt, blue woolen blanket, haversack to contain tin plate, knife, fork and spoon and rations, a water bottle and tin cup complete the equipment. No knapsack is used.

The trimmings of the cavalry uniform are yellow and of the artillery red.

Regulation army uniforms now in use are lined and weigh about eight pounds, being better suited for use in the Arctic regions than in a climate where the sun's rays are as hot as the blasts from a furnace. The lining carefully sewed inside the coats makes them doubly warm, and officers do not wonder that the men under them cast the garments aside in disgust.

Different from any uniform ever before worn by any United States troops are the new styles adopted, and they are as attractive looking as they are durable. The cloths used in the suits for the Cuban campaign are what are known to the trade as drill weave and duck. Housewives would call the first named material cotton drilling.

The cloth is known as kahke in India, where it comes from, and is like brown linen. Uniforms of this cloth cost about $25.

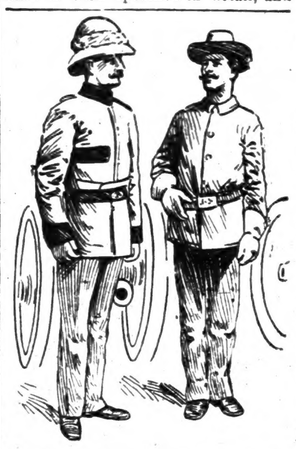
In addition to the canvas and drill uniforms, which will be sent to the camps in the South as well as to Cuba, the Government is providing a blue flannel suit, unlined, which

NEW U. S. ARMY UNIFORM—LIGHT AND HEAVY MARCHING ORDER.

weighs only a few ounces more than three pounds.

Clothing the army and navy is one of the most important problems presented to the War and Navy Departments for solution. The quartermaster-general performs the task for the army and the paymaster-general for the navy. In time of peace the duty involves considerable labor. In time of war, and especially at the beginning of hostilities, when the public are crying for a million men to be enlisted, clothed and put at the front in a minute, the task assumes the proportions of a mountain in a fog.

Take the quartermaster-general, for instance. It is his duty to see that the big army which the President has called to give battle to the Spanish is clothed at the very earliest possible moment. His usual sources of supply are quickly exhausted. Others must be found. The clothing must be made. The first thing the quartermaster-general does is to ascertain, as nearly as possible, the exact number of suits required, the kind of suits, the number of shoes and underclothing, also hats. The exact kind is then specified in detail, and



ASTOR BATTERY IN AN IDEAL TROPICAL UNIFORM FOR SERVICE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

bids for the whole or part of the clothing needed. Accompanying every bid is a check to guarantee that the terms of the contract will be carried out to the letter.

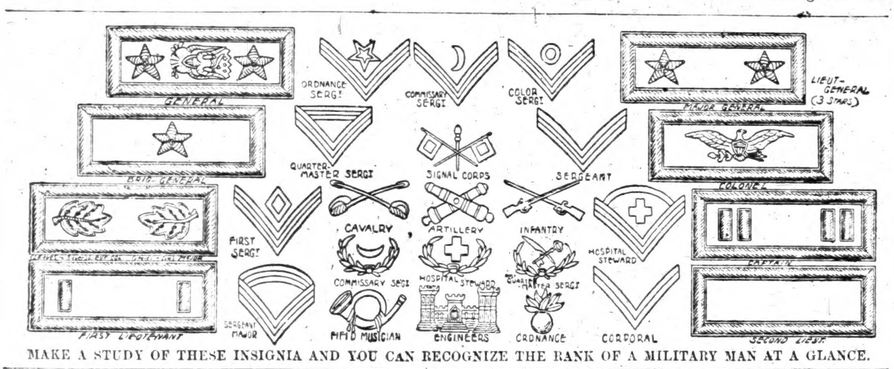
These bids are submitted, together with samples of the goods required. The bids are carefully examined and compared and the lowest bidder (the quality of goods being satisfactory) gets the contract. The goods contracted for must be ready on time and delivered to the Government. When they are delivered they are inspected by Government officials and, if all right, accepted. Then they are forwarded to the store house of the army at Philadelphia to await orders.

When a regiment is recruited and sworn into the United States service, the captain of each company makes out a requisition for the number of uniforms needed and forwards the requisition to the quartermaster of the regiment. The colonel approves of the requisition, and then it is forwarded to the brigade quartermaster, who, if he has not the clothes required on hand, makes a requisition on the corps quartermaster. The latter, when uniforms are needed, makes a requisition on the quartermaster-general, who draws the supplies needed from the depot at Philadelphia.

Upon the delivery of the clothing to the regimental quartermaster, the captains of the several companies are notified. The captains march their men to headquarters and there they receive the clothing apportioned to them and for which the captain gives a receipt to the regimental quartermaster, who keeps it for his voucher. The same formula for the issuing of clothing is followed in the navy.

The army and navy uniforms are made in nearly every large city of the Union, and the cost of those for the privates is about $5, and those for men before the mast is about $8 per man. The officers' uniforms range in price from $50 to $75. A bullet will, however, pierce the one as quickly as the other. The uniform of the general officers of the army is a double-breasted blouse of dark blue cloth or serge, with four outside patch pockets with flaps, a rolling collar, with two rows of buttons, grouped according to rank, of the same kind as those worn on the dress coat. For all other officers a single-breasted blouse is worn, of dark blue cloth or serge, with four outside pockets with flaps, falling collar, with five buttons in front of the same kind as those worn on the dress coat. The skirt of the dress coat extends from one-third to one-half the distance from the hip joint to the knee.

Quite as important as the clothes are the shoes. For Cuban service the men will wear dark brown canvas clothes, but the shoes will be the same as worn at home. They are common brogans, these shoes, stout of upper and mighty of sole and heel. In fact, the army shoe is not a thing of beauty, but on the march it is a joy forever, as every veteran knows. They are made of cowhide, and, if possible, of the hide of a very tough cow at that. They are exceedingly broad of sole and heel, and are made with the double view of securing durability and comfort.



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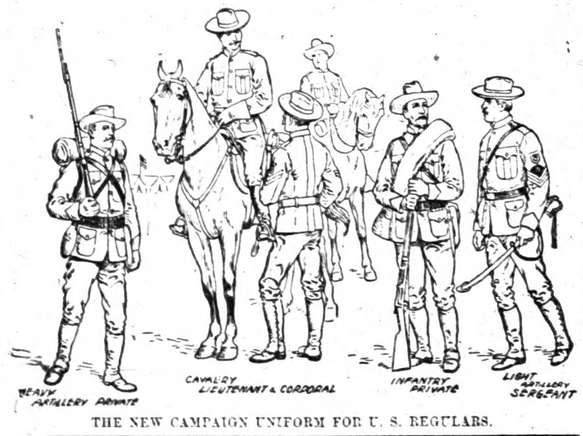
NEW U. S. ARMY UNIFORM—LIGHT AND HEAVY MARCHING ORDER.



THE NEW CAMPAIGN UNIFORM FOR U. S. REGULARS.

Suits of these materials weigh less than half as much as the uniforms now in use, and because of their looser weave are much cooler. The cotton drill uniforms, which are of a light buff color, weigh just two pounds and fourteen ounces, while the duck, which are light reddish tan, weigh four ounces more.

No colors could be found better adapted for service in a country where the men are exposed to dust and dirt in all kinds of weather, and even after a hard, long campaign it is expected the uniforms will still present a fairly respectable appearance.

In style the coats for all depart-

Record in Clothes Making.

Thomas Kitson, employed in one of the cloth mills of Pennsylvania, had six sheep sheared at 6.30 o'clock one morning recently. The wool was then sorted, scoured, dried, carded, spun, woven into cloth and the cloth was given to the tailors and made up into a suit of clothes which were given to Mr. Kitson at 12.34 o'clock, or six hours and four minutes from the time of shearing. The best previous record was about eight hours.

HE WROTE "DIXIE."

Dan Emmett Lives to See the North and South Sing His Famous Song Together.

Perhaps very few people know that Dan Emmett, who wrote "Dixie," is still living.

His home is in Mount Vernon, Ohio, where he was born and where he hopes to end his days. The old man is a picturesque figure on the streets of the town. In his prime he was one of the mid-century dandies of New York City, but now, with calm indifference to the conventional, he usually carries a long staff and wears his coat fastened in at the waist by a bit of rope.

His home is a little cottage on the edge of the town, where he lives entirely alone. On almost any warm afternoon he can be found seated before his door reading, but he is ready enough to talk with the chance visitor, whose curiosity to meet the composer of one of the national songs of America has brought him out from town.

It was this curiosity that took me to the cottage. The old composer was seated in the shade by his house with a book open before him. As I went up the path I said, for I had some doubt in my own mind:

"Are you Dan Emmett, who wrote 'Dixie'?"

"Well, I have heard of the fellow; sit down," and he motioned to the steps.

"Won't you tell me how the song was written?"

"Like most everything else I ever did, because it had to be done. One Saturday night, in 1859, as I was leaving Bryant's Theatre, where I was playing, 'Bryant called after me, 'I want a walk-round for Monday, Dan.'

The next day it rained and I stayed indoors. At first when I went at the song I couldn't get anything. But a line, 'I wish I was in Dixie,' kept repeating itself in my mind, and I finally took it for my start. The rest wasn't long in coming. And that's the story of how 'Dixie' was written.

"It made a hit at once, and before the end of the week everybody in New York was whistling it. Then the South took it up and claimed it for its own. I sold the copyright for $500, which was all I ever made from it. I'll show you my first copy." He went into the house and returned in a moment with a yellow, worn-looking manuscript in his hand.

"That's 'Dixie,'" he said. "I am going to give it to some historical society in the South one of these days, for, though I was born here in Ohio, I count myself a Southerner, as my father was a Virginian."

Half a century ago Emmett was a famous minstrel. Those were the balmy days of burnt cork art, when Bryant's Theatre on lower Broadway was one of the most popular resorts in New York City. Emmett was born in 1815, at Mount Vernon. He began life as a printer, but soon abandoned his trade to join the band of a circus

DAN EMMETT.

company. He was not long in discovering that he could compose songs of the kind in use by clowns. One of the finest of these was "Old Dan Tucker," of pleasant if inebriate memory. Its success was so great that Emmett followed it with many others.

Finally he took to impersonations, singing his own songs in the ring, while he accompanied himself on the banjo. He made a specialty of old men, and blackened his face and donned a wig of kinky white hair. He became such a favorite with the patrons of the circus in the South and West that at last, partly by chance and partly through intention, he invaded the stage himself.

This was some time in 1842, at the old Chatham Theatre in New York city, when, with two companions, he gave a mixed performance, made up largely of songs and dances typical of slave life and character. The little troupe was billed as the "Virginia Minstrels," and their popularity with the public was instantaneous.

Healthy Hungary.

In Hungary there are thousands of villages and hundreds of small towns without a doctor within ten miles.

Hard Luck.

Terrible situation of Henpeck, who enlisted to get away from his wife and found her at the front as a Red Cross nurse.

THE REALM OF FASHION.

Graceful Morning Gown.

Blue and white striped percale makes this pretty and graceful morning gown, embroidered edging and insertion decorating the collar and wrists. The

LADIES' MORNING GOWN.

stylish adjustment is made over fitted lining fronts that reach to the waist line only. The full fronts are gathered at the neck edges at each side of the centre-front and arranged over the lining fronts. The closing is effected at the centre with buttons and buttonholes and the fulness at the waist is held in position by a girdle of blue taffeta ribbon that is inserted at the under-arm seams and carried forward to the centre, finishing with stylish bow and long ends. Under-arm gores give to the gown a smooth effect over the hips, the back being fitted with curved side and centre back seams. The wattean is closely gathered at the neck and below this point, falls in graceful fulness to the lower edge of the skirt, all seams being sprung below the waist to give the required fulness. A neat rolling collar completes the neck.

The one-seamed sleeves are but moderately full and are gathered at the top and again at the wrists where they are confined by a band of insertion finished with a frill of embroidery. The mode is adapted to cotton or wash fabrics or to soft woolen, flannel, challies, etc.

To make this gown for a lady in the medium size will require nine yards of forty-four-inch material.

An Attractive Shirt Waist.

Roman striped foulard makes the attractive May Manton shirt waist shown in the large engraving, the fronts of which are cut bias and arranged so as to meet in V shape under the straight, narrow box plait in the center. The yoke presented the ever-popular double points in back, reaching further forward on the shoulders, a feature that marks the '98 styles. The fronts are gathered at the top onto the straight yoke edges, the gathers at the waist being arranged to give a modified pouch effect. The under or lining portion of the yoke is cut with a straight back edge, onto which the gathers are arranged, the pointed yoke being then laid over and stitched firmly down on its edges, thus holding the gathers in position and giving a neat and firm finish. Over the standing linen collar is worn a bias stock of material, a narrow string tie finishing the neck. The use of this stock is optional as the linen collar may be worn alone, but the pattern provides for both. The up-to-date shirt sleeves that differ materially from those of a season ago are shaped by inside seams and gathered slightly at upper and lower edges. The usual slashes at the back are finished by under and over laps that are closed

LADIES' SHIRT WAIST WITH REMOVABLE COLLAR AND STOCK.

LADIES' BLOUSE WAIST.

place and is elaborately adapted both to wools, but as shown material being black and white checked taffeta, trimming black velvet ribbon with white satin. With this is worn a sailor hat with a and quills.

The fitted lining pieces and centre front ted by shoulder only, the beneath the full plaston ranged upon the sary depth. A flaring collar black. The

finished with puffs at the and frills that fall over the

To cut this waist for a dium size three and one material twenty-two inches be required

REALM OF FASHION.

...ning Gown.

...just above the cuffs with single ... to pull over the head, ... and buttonhole ... "turn up ... evening gown, cuffs completing the natty ... ...r with insertion sleeves. Shirt waists in this style ... and wrists. The ... be made of silk, wool, linen or ... fabrics, the infinite variety now ... making a selection of material a ... purely easy matter.

To cut this waist for a lady of ... ium size three and one quarter ... of material thirty-six inches wide ... be required.

EVENING GOWN.

The skirt is made over fitted ... reaches to the waist ... front are gathered ... at each side of the ... arranged over the ... closing is effected ...

LADIES' BLOUSE WAIST.

First Women's Club in Paris.

Paris will have its first wom... club. Modelled in some respects ... the same lines as the London Club ... will have unique features of its ... as well. Not only will the prop... charges make membership in this ... an expensive luxury, but the memb... ship itself will be limited by ... method. It is reported that ap... ...me candidates are to be subjected ... tests which only the most aristoc... women in France will be able to ...

Trimming For Pique Gowns.

White pique gowns are braided ... black, trimmed with bands of ... blue, or they may have three bias ... of the material for trimming aro... the skirt, to be an inch or an inch ... a half wide with as much or more s... between.

The Latest in Hatpins.

Hatpins headed with pretty e... elled flowers and leaves, insects ... various kinds, and tiny birds ... outspread wings add to the variet... tuns useful little necessity of ... Irregular pearls set around with ... monds are also very fashionable.

The Slightly Bloused Waist Popular.

In spite of all prediction the sli... blonsed waist continues to hold ...

...ou Can Get Tired

...then you can get ... are tired all the ... blood is poor, ... Sarsaparilla, the ... tired feeling because ... and vitalizer of the ... and appetite, nerve, ... strength in

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...Will Have to Win.

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Small boats must keep near the shore.

If you can't be a sun, don't be a cloud.

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Proof Enough.

Mrs. Blouser (after some years)—I suppose you don't love me.

Mr. Blouser—Don't love you! Don't I live in the same house with you?—Boston Transcript.

If there are any Spaniards in heaven, we don't want to go there.

Saunterer.

He was a man of simple habit, and evidently from a far distance, and he had wandered into a large city museum. The attendant found him looking with interest at a meteorite, and he asked the attendant what it was.

"That," said the attendant, "is a meteorite."

"Hum! Where did it come from?"

"It fell from the sky."

"Fall near here?"

"No. It fell on a farm out in the country."

"Anybody hurt?"

"No; there was nobody about when it fell."

"Might have been, though?"

"Yes."

"Hum!" The man of the simple habit thought a moment.

"Well," he said finally, "the Lord's kind, but it does seem's if sometimes He was mighty keerless."

Bicyclists and Dogs.

It frequently happens that a bicyclist would like to drive off an annoying dog, but doesn't want to kill the beast, run the risk of a bullet hitting a bystander, nor attract the attention which a cartridge explosion is certain to do. The dog is consequently encouraged to try his trick on the next rider. A soundless pistol, shooting water, ammonia or other liquid, is now mailed postpaid for 50 cents in stamps by the Union Supply Co., 135 Leonard St., New York City. One of these will drive off the most vicious animal, and still not really injure it. A few drops of ammonia in the eyes, nose or mouth of any animal will give it something to think of other than bothering a cyclist. It is a boon to wheelmen and wheelwomen.

War Was Preferable.

"I have about decided," said Dowling, "to go to Cuba and join the insurgent army."

"Oh, you take my breath away," exclaimed Mrs. Dowling. "Going down there where you will have to sleep out on the ground and be eaten up by snakes and mosquitoes?"

"Yes."

"Don't you know you are likely to starve to death?"

"I do."

"And take yellow fever or cholera?"

"I know."

"Or may be captured or shot or something?"

"I know that, Maria, but they won't bang on the piano after I have gone to bed, nor make me get up after midnight to look after burglars."—Atlanta Constitution.

Modern Longevity.

In the seventeenth century the average duration of life was only thirteen years; in the eighteenth, twenty; in the present century it is thirty-six. This great increase in the average length of human life is not, however, an indication of an increase in the vigor and vitality of the race, but it is rather due to the fact that cholera, the black plague and other devastating scourges which formerly overspread whole countries at frequent intervals, sometimes several times during a century, have been brought more and more under control by improved public sanitation and quarantine. The real test of the vitality of the race is not the average length of human life, but the proportion of centenarians. The proportion of persons who have attained great age is without doubt at the present time much less than ever before in the history of the world.

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ANOTHER RAILROAD FOR ALABAMA

The Road is to Be Built from Garland to a Point in Covington County.

The second move on the chess board of Southeast Alabama has been made by the railroads. Mr. Plant made the first real move by building his road from Newton, on the Alabama Midland, over to Elba, in Coffee county. It has been rumored that Mr. Plant intends to get Pensacola instead of Elba as the terminus of this road, the connection to be made by means of a lumber road running out to Florala.

Now comes what is thought to be the next move—it is said that it is made by the Louisville and Nashville people. A railroad is to be built from Garland, a station on the M. & M., sixty-seven miles below Montgomery, to River Falls, or Andalusia, in Covington county, the place that was said to be the objective point of the Central people.

The road is to be thirty miles long, and the contract says that it must be finished—grading, laying ties, rails, and everything—in four months, or by January 1. The contract is to be let this week.

John B. Weakley Killed.

John B. Weakley, Sr., of Florence, was thrown from a wagon Saturday and instantly killed. He was returning to his country home in a wagon with another man. The wagon gave a lurch and the two men were thrown under the mules, which took fright and ran away. Mr. Weakley was dragged a long distance and terribly mangled.

Duel With Pen Knives.

About seventeen miles from Tuscaloosa, on North river, a duel with pen knives was fought between Joe Winter and Millard Gregg. Gregg was severely cut and was carried to the house of Nat Day. Winter followed in a short time and breaking into the room through a window, he brained Gregg to death with a limb of a tree, crushing his skull.

Alabama's Coal Output.

"The output of coal for 1898 will be over 6,000,000 tons," said Assistant State Mine Inspector Culverhouse, in response to an inquiry. He has been making a visit to the various mines in the State recently, and he bases his estimate on what has been done so far this year, and what work is in prospect at the different mines.

Off to Washington.

Mayor J. R. Stephens, Captain Milton Humes and T. W. Pratt of Huntsville are now in Washington urging the war department to make Huntsville a point of mobilization of troops of the United States.

Two Prisoners Escape.

David McDaniel and John Lovelady, convicts at Coalburg, hid in the mines and later surprised and overpowered the guard and escaped. Both were captured after a long chase with dogs. Lovelady was fatally shot.

Gen. Wheeler a Candidate for Re-Election.

General Wheeler has written from Santiago to friends in his district that he thinks that the war will be of short duration and asking their support in the primaries for the congressional nomination.

SANTIAGO IS OUR PORT

And Her Trade Has Formally Begun to Run.

NEW YORK.—The actual opening of the commerce of Santiago as an open American port stated Saturday morning on the departure of the steamship Philadelphia of the Ward line. Her sailing preparations were attended with great demonstrations on the part of the shipping and commercial circles. The ship carries a full complement of passengers.

Europe Objects to Watson's Fleet.

It would not be surprising if it should develop that strong European influences are being brought to bear to dissuade the navy department from dispatching Watson's fleet to Europe, but so far they appear to have been ineffectual, for it is officially stated that the departure of the squadron is only delayed, not abandoned.

Klondike Gold Coming.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The steamer Garrone has arrived here from St. Nicholas. Her purser reports that her 111 passengers brought down close to $1,000,000.

Famous Cavalry to Go With Brooke.

Five troops of cavalry at Camp Alger, Va., have been ordered to proceed to Newport News for embarkation on transports for Porto Rico to reinforce General Miles. They will leave if practicable with General Hains' brigade. The troops sent are all famous ones in their section, the list being troops A and C of New York cavalry, the Governor's troop, Sheridan's troops and the Philadelphia City troop of Pennsylvania.

To Defend San Juan.

The Spaniards at San Juan de Porto Rico are making extensive preparations to resist an expected attack upon the part of the United States warships which are said to be convoying the army of invasion, commanded by General Miles.

Defense Measures.

A dispatch from Havana says that a meeting of engineers and other experts held here, over which Capt.-Gen. Blanco presided, adopted various measures for the defense of the city.

Anecdotes of Macready.

Mr. Sala charged Macready with having habitually used foul and blasphemous language behind the scenes. An apologist hints that Mr. Sala may have been led astray by the fact that in the last act of "Macbeth" Macready invariably lashed himself into a sort of fever, which he aggravated by using all sorts of expressions. When Mr. Phelps played Macduff to him for the first time, he was not a little amazed during the fight at the close of the last act to hear Macready call him a beast, a scoundrel, a hell-born villain, a base-born cur and a devil. Full of resentment, Phelps hurled back the epithets with energy, and heaped foul names upon Macready. At the close Macready said:

"Thank you, Mr. Phelps, thank you; I've never been so well supported."

In another play, where it was necessary to enter in a panting fury, full of rage, exhibiting the gasping exhaustion of mad passion, Macready used to have a hired "super" whom he would grapple and shake and curse at, off the stage, so that he could enter naturally. One night the regular "super" sent a substitute who did not quite understand the business. He resented Macready's rough treatment, which delighted the comedian, who went at his man with increased vigor. The substitute presently "let him have it," and the pair fought savagely a good round. Macready that night burst upon his audience in a splendid rage, out-Macreadying Macready. When the substitute learned the true state of affairs, however, he bolted; but he was unearthed, for Macready came off after the first scene, gasping:

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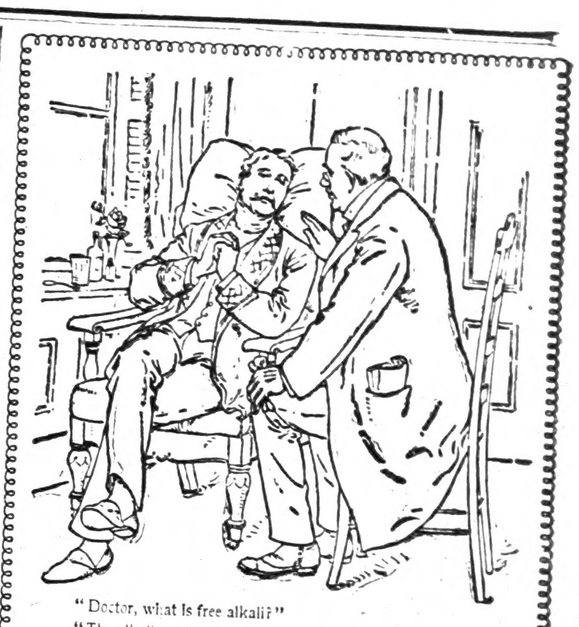
Scarlet fever is extremely rare both in Asia and Africa.



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The above figures are correct so far as we have been able to obtain them, but those for Dake and White are not complete.

As we have not been able to get the complete returns for the other State officers and for the Birmingham Amendment we have omitted them altogether.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Thorsby, Ala., Aug. 2nd 1898.
Editor BANNER: We wish to say there was a man came to this community about four weeks ago claiming to represent Tatem & Whitfield of Troup co, Ga., saying they run a large flouring mill and that he was taking orders for flour for them. He had fine recommendations from the Probate Judge, Circuit Clerk and Sheriff of Troup county and also recommendation signed by Tatem & Whitfield. Through these recommendations J. W. Moore, G. S. Collins and J. N. Flowers bought and paid him for one barrel of flour each at $4 40 per barrel. He promised to deliver the flour in three days from date of purchase. He said his name was E. S. Henderson. He is about sixty years of age, tall and slender built, weight about 160 lbs, complexion light blue eyes and clean shaved wore spectacles all the time. He seemed to be greatly interested in the war and was very restless and seemed to be quite religious. After waiting sufficient time and the flour did not come, we wrote to the firm of Tatem & Whitfield, the letter was returned unclaimed. We then wrote the Postmaster at Gabbetville, Ga. We received answer that there was no such firm or mill there and also that they knew nothing of such a man, and that several other letters had been received by them of the same inquiry from this State. We learn that the names signed on his recommendations are not the names of the officials of Troup co, Ga.

J. W MOORE
J. N. FLOWERS
G. S. COLLINS.

I, J. Bice, N.P. Ex-off. J.P., hereby certify that the above is true. Mr. Henderson, as he called himself, tried to sell me some flour from the same firm as above mentioned.

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A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Dr. J. S. Johnson's, Drug Store. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

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Marlesville.

We regret to state it is yet raining almost every day thunder showers with more or less rainfall every day; farmers are groaning about cotton shedding.

Dr. Woolley has sold his property here to Lathram & Bro. We will miss his good drugstore when sick, have no use for it when well.

Another heinous murder was committed here the night of the 31 of July. The body of a colored man was found on the Alabama Southern railroad having been placed there after being murdered and robbed. The good law abiding citizens have investigated the case and will endeavor to mete out justice to the murderer.

J. W. Savage, of Anniston, has been to his brother here.

Mr. J. Caine, of Strasburg, and F. M. Matthews, of Matthews, have been the guests of Mrs. Glover.

F. M. Kelley, of Selma, has been to see his sister, Mrs. R. D. Martin at this place.

Friends are pleased to see Miss Lizzie Gunlock here again.

Mr. Moody, of Mobile, has rented the Foshee store and will soon open with a stock of goods.

Mrs. Ray has been on a visit to Mrs. Smitherman.

G. L. Hanks, of Clanton, has been with friends here.

Mr. Gus McKee, of Avondale, is with relatives here.

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About one month ago my child, which is fifteen months old, had an attack of diarrhoea accompanied by vomiting. I gave it such remedies as are usually given in such cases, but as nothing gave relief, we sent for a physician and it was under his care for a week. At this time the child had been sick for about ten days and was having about twenty-five operations of the bowels every twelve hours, and we were convinced that unless it soon obtained relief it would not live. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was recommended, and I decided to try it. I soon noticed a change for the better; by its continued use a complete cure was brought about and it is now perfectly healthy.—C. L. Bostos, Stumptown, Gilmer Co., W. Va. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Jumbo.

The camp meeting here this week has been a most grand and successful one and greatly enjoyed by all. We feel sure that every heart made a full surrender to God and started this day for Christ.

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Mr. Will Robinson, of Coopers, attended the meeting Saturday and Sunday.

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We regret to state that Mr. Joe Burks has been seriously ill for several days.

Mr. J. M. Milton and family, accompanied by Mrs. W. J. Milton, have been visiting relatives in Harrisburg this week.

Mr. Sam Griffin and Major McCarthy spent the day in Selma last Wednesday.

Mr. H. A. Wilson, of Lomax, was in our city Wednesday.

Rains continue to come, our crops are looking fine. STAN.

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Billingsley, July 30, 1898.

As I read Old Mike's letter I can't help saying a word in regard to the dog and road law. We may need a dog law but I don't think that the people of Chilton county need the Dallas county road law, nor I don't think that Old Mike will say so if he will come in to Autauga county and look at the roads. Autauga claims to have the good part of Dallas road law, and if so, God pity the worst for Autauga county is cursed with such law, and the roads are in worse fix than I have seen them in ten years. They are washed in holes and gullies so that the public can hardly travel. They have had the new law nearly two years and I think that if the citizen's ticket sends James Willis to the Legislature and will keep this law, there will be no roads, but I think that the first Monday will put Mr. Willis right where Toney hid the wedge and there will be good roads and farewell to citizens ticket.

BILLY.

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Death of Mr. John Wright.

Mr. John Wright, a son of our highly esteemed townsman, Mr. William Wright, and who was well known to most of our readers, was found dead in the road near Wetumpka last Saturday night. He resided in the suburbs of Wetumpka and was on his way home when he was knocked down by some person with a heavy instrument, and falling forward in the sand died partly from the effects of the blow and partly from suffocation. It appears he had had some little difficulty during the day, and the presumption is he was attacked by someone in revenge. So far as we have been able to learn no arrest has been made.

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E. C. Blanks, of Lewisville, Texas, writes that one box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was worth $50.00 to him. It cured his piles of ten years standing. He advises others to try it. It also cures eczema, skin diseases and obstinate sores. Stanfield & Mathews.

CHILTON BOYS AT MIAMI.

U. S. Camp, Miami, Fla. July 26, '98

Editor BANNER. I send you a few lines telling you something of camp life in the army, especially at this place, Miami, which is decidedly the worst place for soldiers in the United States, if not in the world. Now, while I am, as are all the boys, as patriotic as when I enlisted and as willing to fight, and even die, for Old Glory and suffering humanity, which I consider the principle cause of this war. Having volunteered my service for my country my motto is "Victory or Death," and as long as I can shoulder my rifle will never consent to the Stars and Stripes being trampled in the dust. While, as before stated, the boys are still very patriotic, yet we unanimously think our lot might be more pleasant than it is.

The following is what we have to go through with. We have about got our camp cleaned up after digging stumps and piling rocks for some time. We now are barred from sleep as we have to fight mosquitoes all night, rise at 4 o'clock in the morning, walk about two miles in sand shoe-top deep, and drill about four hours, then walk back to camp there to find water that has been condensed and is so warm that actually a hog would refrain from wallowing in it. This is actually true, and we ask can't something be done for suffering humanity at home?

The Clanton boys are well, although there is about 900 sick at present in camp and an average of three deaths a day.

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Boston's latest is a fine innovation. It is nothing less than putting swimming in the public school curriculum. All the public school pupils are to be taught to swim without charge, the city furnishing bathing suits. Twenty-six expert swimmers have been engaged as instructors, headed by the champion swimmer of the country. This is a piece of practical education that every city might well hasten to adopt. It would cost no more than some of the wood-carving and paper-cutting courses that now take up the time of the pupils.

Not satisfied with palming off corn starch on innocent purchasers for wheat flour, thus lowering the price of wheat to the farmer and crippling the legitimate milling industry, the flour adulterators are said to be using a substance known as "mineraline," announces the Louisville Courier-Journal. This is a kind of clay, dried and powdered, and shipped from Greensboro, N. C. The miller who sells corn starch in his flour because it is cheaper is likely to use clay because it is cheaper. Any suspicious flour ought to be sharply watched. Corn meal is cheap and good, but the man who wants corn bread does not care to pay flour prices for it.

For several years a growing interest has been manifested in the value of the study of animals and plants by the young, and in the improvement of the instruction in these subjects in the high schools. Instead of the time-worn method of the analysis of plants attention is being turned to life processes of plants, the function of plant parts and the interpretation of obscure processes through some of the microscopic plants. In the summer school at Cornell University during 1898 special courses are offered for the purpose of training teachers for presenting this new method in the high schools. In view also of the growing popular interest in nature study, and in the study of mushrooms, courses are offered in these subjects.

Every month there is a statement of the number of business failures; but we look in vain for a statement of the causes of failure, remarks the Youth's Companion. It might not be pleasant reading, but it would certainly be instructive. We are told that some men fail because they are too honest to practice the tricks of trade and others because they are too mean to gain and keep confidence; some because they do not give full attention to their business, and others because they drive business recklessly. Some lines of trade are overcrowded. In others the strong and shrewd push the weak to the wall, and small operators are "frozen out" by large ones. Competition, which is said to be "the life of trade," is often its death.

The Minister of Finance of the Republic of Hawaii has submitted his report for 1897, showing the extraordinary increase which has taken place within the period covered in the Pacific archipelago's volume of imports. In the aggregate, Hawaii purchased goods in foreign markets last year amounting to $8,838,730, or $1,618,975 in excess of the sum for the preceding year. Most of the trade thus represented was carried on with the United States, the exact figures covering Hawaii's purchases in this market for the past year amounting to $7,800,028. Some idea of the rapid rate which has marked the growth of Hawaii's import trade may be gathered from the fact that in 1843 she purchased in foreign markets only $223,388, while up to 1894 she purchased only $2,738,213. With respect to Hawaii's exports for the past year, they aggregated the enormous sum of $16,021,775. These figures serve to emphasize the republic's marvelous resources.

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

WHAT PORTO RICO MAY BRING OUR WAGE-EARNERS.

Why We Need the Pretty Island—Salvation Army Colony Prospering—Striking Illustration of the Truth That Progress Makes Work.

Speed the Prow.

Not the ship that swiftest saileth,
But which longest holds her way
Onward, onward, never faileth,
Storm and calm, to win the day;
Earliest she the haven gains,
Which the hardest stress sustains.

O'er life's ocean, wide and pathless,
Thus would I with patience steer;
No vain hope of journeying scathless,
No proud boast to face down fear;
Dark or bright his Providence,
Trust in God be my defence.

Time there was,—'tis so no longer,—
When I crowded every sail,
Battled with the waves, and stronger
Grew, as stronger grew the gale:
But my strength sunk with the wind,
And the sea lay dead behind.

There my bark had founder'd surely,
But a power invisible
Breathed upon me:—then securely,
Borne along the gradual swell,
Helm and shrouds, and heart renew'd,
I my humbler course pursued.

Now, though evening shadows blacken,
And no star comes through the gloom,
On I move, nor will I slacken
Sail, though verging towards the tomb:
Bright beyond,—on heaven's high strand,
Lo, the lighthouse!—land, land, land!

Cloud and sunshine, wind and weather,
Sense and sight are fleeing fast;
Time and tide must fall together,
Life and death will soon be past;
But where day's last spark declines,
Glory everlasting shines.

Why We Need the Pretty Island.

It appears certain that at the close of the war the island of Porto Rico will become part of the territory of the United States, whatever may be the disposition made of Cuba and the Philippines. Its acquisition will be a decided gain, industrially, to this country, in two respects: It will place us much nearer great South American markets, where we have never yet been able to win the consideration to which we are entitled, and it will also give to American enterprise a great home field to develop. Porto Rico, like every other Spanish possession, has never been developed, industrially, as Americans understand that term. Unlike most Spanish possessions, it has not been ruined, nor have its inhabitants been so grievously harassed as elsewhere. It is a fertile land, with a salubrious climate, has excellent highways, broad and deep rivers, and a magnificent harbor. Even the easy-going methods there in vogue have made it a more productive colony for Spain than Cuba. Fruits, coffee, sugar, tobacco, and live stock are the chief staples. These are exchanged for manufactured articles or money from abroad, for manufacturing, as here understood, is unknown there. According to latest statistics, American trade with Porto Rico has been gaining at the rate of $3,000,000 each year. The colony's annual exports to Spain have amounted to something like $6,000,000 of late, while those to America amounted to $75,000,000. Simply with the removal of the burdensome and unjust taxes which Spain imposes upon industry and trade, the productivity of Porto Rico must greatly increase. When to that is added the impetus which American methods, push and money will impart, it can be readily seen that Porto Rico's products must rapidly and enormously increase. And almost all of this wealth will most naturally be exchanged for things made in the States—the thousand and one necessaries and luxuries that people buy when they have money. It is further to be noted that the acquisition of this island carries with it no industrial disadvantages, to temporarily diminish the advantages. Its inhabitants are not in competition with us, and are not likely to be to any material extent for years—certainly not until they have become so thoroughly impregnated with distinctively American ideas that they will be as fully of our kind as are our own people. And when that state exists, their competition will not be of the kind to be dreaded, but simply the kind to which every one is accustomed. Valuable as Porto Rico is of itself, the effect which our possession of it will have upon our South American trade must be an even greater factor of industrial advantage. Nothing will separate the great republic of North America from the republics, great and minor, of South America, but a comparatively narrow strip of ocean—a convenient water highway, rather than a barrier. And this means much. If this country can but once gain its rightful place in South American markets the demand for the product of mills and factories will increase to such a degree that tens of thousands of workers in many occupations would immediately perceive the difference, and welcome it with joy. The South American republics number their citizens by the millions. We already buy a great portion of what they produce—fruits, coffee, tobacco, hides, etc., for the sufficient reason that we cannot supply our demand at home. In return we sell them little. English and German cotton mills clothe their people while our mills in New England are shut down for want of orders. We are so little known that much of what we do sell them has to be shipped via Liverpool, and provided with an English tag, before it finds a market. The great, decisive industrial advantage that will accrue from the possession of Porto Rico lies in this, that it will make a barrier that now separates us from South America and diverts the current of its trade to Europe, a band binding the two continents, and attracting trade that will set in motion cotton mills of New England and the South, keep iron mills glowing in Pennsylvania, and increase the output of the furniture factory, the shoe shop, and the scores of other places where men work and earn money when there is a buyer for the ware.

Progress Makes Work.

Inventions of better and more economical methods of doing things already done, or of performing things before impossible, make work. They throw some men out of work; they destroy or impair some occupations. But they make places, directly or indirectly, for more men than they displace, and they create occupations greater and more remunerative than those impaired or destroyed. Consider electricity for a moment. The rapid increase of the electric business of this country is shown by the fact that at the time of taking the last census, that of 1890, no serious effort was made to give figures showing the extent of the use of electricity. There are in the United States nearly a million miles of telegraph wire, and there are 22,000 telegraph offices, exclusive of those maintained by the railroad companies for the conduct and regulation of their trains. Taking into account telegraph operators, telegraph company employes and those in the telegraph service of railroads, there are 150,000 persons connected with the transmission of telegraphic messages in the United States. There are now 600,000 miles of telephone wire in the United States, more than 1,000 exchanges, and an equal number of telephone branch offices, exclusive, of course, of pay stations. The number of the employes of the telephone companies of the United States is 25,000, exclusive of those engaged in construction and repair work for the companies. The gradual substitution of the electric current for horse power on surface railroads has added largely to the number of employes of electric railroads. There are now in the United States 14,000 miles of electric or trolley roads, and these roads give employment, it is computed, to 100,000 persons as motormen, conductors, clerks, inspectors and electricians. Then there is the item of electric lighting, which is one of the most important branches of the development of electrical service, but likewise one the figures of which are most fragmentary. Nearly every important city of the United States, and many smaller cities, too, are lighted by electricity, as well as private houses, stores, public buildings, tunnels, bridges, caves, mines and parks, and the use of the electric current in manufacturing is constantly on the increase. Machines are run by electricity, many manufacturing operations are run by electricity, fans for cooling purposes are run by electricity, and as these uses are extended the number of persons employed is steadily being increased. There are still to be added the figures of another branch of the business, one of the most important, the manufacture of electric appliances, which, it is computed, gives employment to more than 250,000 persons.

Taking all the figures together, it is probably not far from the truth to say that there are 1,000,000 persons in the United States dependent upon electricity for a livelihood.

Salvation Army Colony.

A year ago the Salvation Army established a colony for the poor at Fort Romie, Salinas county, Cal. Results to date induce its projectors to believe that they now see the solution of the problem of relieving the needy. Ground was broken for the settlement last October and 75 persons were placed on a tract of 500 acres. An irrigating plant was erected at a cost of $8,000. The land was very dry and this season there has been a drouth, but in spite of these conditions splendid crops were raised on 225 acres. The colony now has 32 houses, a postoffice, a schoolhouse, a store, an assembly hall, a blacksmith shop, and a butcher shop. Colonel Holland, national colonizing secretary, is in Salinas to establish another colony. A very large tract has been offered for a reasonable sum. The colonies are open to all farmers of whatever creed or nationality.

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France exports rails to Japan.

Another trust of large proportions is being formed which will, it is expected, take in the largest cutlery concerns in the country.

Hamilton, Canada, is the largest place to be taken with the idea that a municipal council can profitably add a fire insurance department to the machinery it looks after.

Oregon has sent to the Omaha exhibition a sixty-foot stick from a tree in the forest near Scappoose. The timber contains $1,000 worth of lumber and it is without a single knot or blemish. The cost of getting it out was about $100.

Siam offers a tremendous opportunity for cotton growers in the United States. The Siamese demand for cotton increases each year. Of the 500,000,000 inhabitants of the oriental countries 400,000,000 wear cotton clothes. There are in the whole orient only about 100,000 square miles of land suitable for raising cotton. All the cotton not raised on this land must be imported. American cotton is preferred to any other kind.

Jesus as a Helper.

This morning I was reading a passage that came sweetly to my heart: "For He knoweth our frame, He remembereth that we are dust." I am weak—Jesus knows it all. I have my anxieties—He feels them all. I am very imperfect—He understands it all. You sit down by your friend and tell him your experience. You ask him: "Did you ever feel so?" If he has, you are satisfied to think some other person feels as you have felt. Go and tell Jesus how you feel. He says: "I have felt the same." Blessed be God, there is not a sorrow of my heart but Jesus understands it. There is not an anxiety, not a depression, but He helps me to bear them.—Bishop Simpson.

TERMS OF PEACE WITH SPAIN

Have Been Agreed Upon by the President and Members of Cabinet.

OPPOSED TO ACQUISITION OF PHILIPPINES.

Spanish Sovereignty in the Entire Caribbean and West Indian Waters Must Close—Government Will Assume No Indebtedness of the Islands.

WASHINGTON.—The cabinet discussed the president's answer to Spain's peace proposal and reached the following decisions:

The absolute surrender of Porto Rico to the United States.

Recognition of the independence of Cuba.

Cession of one of the Ladrone Islands to the United States as a coaling station, and the cession to the United States of at least a coaling station in the Philippines.

It can be stated that there is practically no difference of opinion in the cabinet on the question of the retention of the Philippine Islands as a whole, all the members being opposed to our acquisition of these islands.

There has been no decision, however, as yet on the extent to which the government will go in its decision respecting the future of these islands, but it is probable that the answer of the president will express the willingness of this government to leave the matter of the future government of the Philippines entirely in the hands of a joint commission to be appointed by this government and the government of Spain.

The probability is that the United States will insist upon a guarantee of certain reforms in government in the Philippine Islands.

The cabinet also decided that Spanish sovereignty in the entire Caribbean and the entire West Indian waters must be entirely removed. This means not only that Porto Rico and Cuba must be relinquished, but that the Spanish flag must be taken down on every one of the numerous small islands in the hemisphere.

Two other propositions were disposed of. The indebtedness assumed by Spain and charged against both the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico will not be assumed by this government, and moreover, commercial treaties now existing between these islands and other portions of Spanish domain will be invalidated by the transfer of authority, the cabinet having decided not to recognize them.

Our answer will make no mention of the money indemnity. Neither will there be any armistice at all. The answer will be in the nature of an ultimatum, and if Spain does not accept it she will fare worse in the future.

The note from Spain, it is said, was a very adroit and equivocal document, from the reading of which one would think that the only question involved was Cuba. Apparently Spain might not have really intended getting a direct answer from us, but only to open diplomatic correspondence. This government will not have any such correspondence, but will make a straightforward statement of its peace terms for Spain's acceptance or rejection, naming conditions that under the circumstances are reasonable and even generous.

Cambon Receives McKinley's Reply.

After a day of anxious deliberation and important consultations the reply of the United States government to the Spanish overture for peace Saturday afternoon was at last placed in the hands of M. Cambon, the French ambassador, to be by him transmitted to the government of Spain. It was 4:30 o'clock before the minister received the answer, and as it makes about 1,100 words in all and must be reduced to the diplomatic cipher and then transmitted by cable. At 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning the members of the cabinet began to assemble at the white house to resume their discussion at the point where it was interrupted Friday by adjournment. The points of the answer were ratified as they stood Friday.

As to the Philippines, the cabinet agreed upon the following points: That Manila bay, with the city and surrounding territory, should be retained in the possession of the United States, at least for such a length of time as is necessary to devise and put in operation some plan for the future of the entire group.

It was finally decided that what we desired could best be done by the appointment of a joint commission, limited in its representation to the governments of the United States and Spain, which commission is to endeavor to settle the details of the government of the Philippines and to determine what rights shall be accorded the insurgents, the United States army and navy meanwhile occupying Manila and Manila bay, and thus retaining a position to force speedily the verdict that shall be finally reached by the commission.

Has Manila Surrendered?

A telegram from Madrid says that a cable dispatch has been received at the Spanish capital announcing the surrender of Manila to Admiral Dewey. The war department has no official confirmation of the report.

Business Anxieties at Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—A panicky feeling prevails in business circles here owing to a fear that the Americans will turn the city over to the Cubans for self-government. No confidence exists owing to the uncertainty of the future.

BISMARCK IS DEAD.

Death of the Iron Chancellor Came as a Surprise to all Europe.

BERLIN.—Prince Bismarck died Saturday night at Friederichsruhe. The end came peacefully, and it was about 11 o'clock when the Iron Chancellor passed away.

The death of the ex chancellor comes as a surprise to all Europe. Despite the family's denials, there was an undercurrent of apprehension when the sinking of the prince was first announced, inspired more by what the family left unsaid than by any information given. But when the daily bulletins chronicled improvements in the prince's condition, detailed his extensive bills of fare and his devotion to his pipe, the public accepted Dr. Schweninger's assertion when he said there was no reason why Bismarck should not reach the age of 90 years.

It appears that the ex-chancellor's death was not precipitated by sudden complications, but was rather the culmination of chronic disease, neuralgia of the face and inflammation of the veins—which kept him in constant pain, that was borne with the iron fortitude which might have been expected.

The beginning of the end dates from July 20, when the prince was confined to his bed. He had been several days prostrated before an inkling of his decline reached the world.

Prince Otto Edward Leopold Bismarck Schoenhausen was born of an old noble family of the "Mark" (Bradenburg), at Schoenhausen, April 1, 1815. He was created a count September 16, 1865, and Prince (Fuerst) Von Bismarck in March, 1871. He was educated at the universities of Gotingen and Griefswald, spent some time in the army, and subsequently settled down as a country gentleman.

Brought up in the political faith of the Junkers, or Prussian tory squirarchy, he became in 1846 a member of the provincial district of Saxony and of the Prussian diet, in which he first attacted attention by his fiery speeches in defense of the old monarchial party. During the revolutionary period of 1846 the services he rendered in the public debates to the conservative cause led to his appointment as the representative of Prussia in the diet of the old German bund at Frankfort. Austria was then all powerful in the German bund. From the time of Bismarck's appearance, however, the voice of Prussia began to have increasing weight. The successful audacity with which he checkmated Austrian intrigue at Frankfort was the source of constant irritation at Vienna and naturally tended to produce some estrangement between the Austrian and Prussian courts.

Bismarck was sent as ambassador to St. Petersburg in 1860, and held that position until 1862. In May of 1862 he became Prussian ambassador at Paris. Five months later he was made first minister of the Prussian crown. Within the next ten years he assembled the Austrian empire, destroyed the French empire, and created the new German empire. He remodeled the map of Europe, dismembering Denmark and France. He enlarged the frontiers of Prussia by the annexation of various provinces, including the dominions of three dethroned German princes, and succeeded in placing Germany, which had previously been the weakest and less respected of all the great powers, at the head of the states of Europe.

Will Connect Our Possessions by Cable.

The San Francisco Post says that the United States will soon be connected by cable with her newly acquired Pacific possessions, and the cable will connect the United States from San Francisco with Hawaii, the Ladrones, the Philippines and Hong Kong. The paper says that most of the surveys have been made. The contract for the laying of the cable has already been let, and according to the terms of the contract the work must be completed within six months.

His Thoughts Are of Death.

The pope has issued an encyclical to the Scotch people, the terms of which are significant in view of the recent reports that the thoughts of his holiness are absorbed with his death. He says that in his stress he addressed them because he sees that his last day is approaching; and in the most solemn terms he recalls the services of the dead Scotch heroes to the church and beseeches the people to return to their ancient faith.

England Considers the War at an End.

All Europe, save a few Spanish radicals, considers the war at an end. For weeks the press of London, Paris, and even Berlin has been advising Spain to ask for peace before going to utter ruin. Everywhere there is a belief that the United States will demand and ought to obtain the independence of Cuba, the cession of Porto Rico and the Ladrones, with a coaling station in the Philippines. There will be a general recognition of America's right to at least this much. The principal comment is on the question of indemnity, and whether the Philippines should be taken.

Hobson Will Visit Alabama.

Lieutenant Hobson was granted leave of absence Friday by the navy department to visit his home. He will remain with his people but a few hours, and will then proceed to Santiago.

Camara at Cadiz.

Captain Annon, minister of marine at Madrid, has received a dispatch from Admiral Camara announcing that his fleet has cast anchor at Cadiz.

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The Madrid correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: The government will combat to the end against a cession of Porto Rico to the United States. It would rather sacrifice one of the Philippines, contending that Porto Rico has been loyal and outside the war.

Sickness in Camp at Miles.

Of the troops stationed at ... Fla., 1,200 are sick with typhoid and other dangerous fevers.

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PONCE, PORTO RICO.—The port of Ponce surrendered to Commander C. D. Davis, of the auxiliary gunboat Dixie, Thursday. There was no resistance, and the Americans were welcomed with enthusiasm.

Major General Miles arrived here at daylight Thursday with General Wilson's brigade and immediately started for the town of Ponce, three miles inland, which capitulated on arrival.

The American troops are pushing toward the mountains and will join General Henry with his brigade at Guamco, which has been captured by our troops.

A fight before the latter place on Tuesday last was won by the American volunteers. The Spaniards ambushed eight companies of the Sixth Massachusetts and Sixth Illinois regiments, but the enemy was repulsed and driven back a mile to a ridge, where the Spanish cavalry charged and were routed by our infantry. General Garretson led the fight with the men from Illinois and Massachusetts and the enemy retreated to Yucon, leaving four dead on the field and several wounded. Nine of our men were killed and only three were slightly wounded.

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There are suspicions of coming European intervention in the Philippines, says a London dispatch. England thinks the United States only want to take all of Spain's colonies. Russia, France and Germany are believed to be arranging concered action.

Spain Will Not Cede Porto Rico.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: The Spanish government will combat to the death against a cession of Porto Rico to the United States. It would much rather sacrifice one of the Philippine Islands, contending that Porto Rico has always been loyal and outside the sphere of the war.

Sickness in Camp at Miss...

Of the troops stationed at ... Fla., 1,200 are sick with typhoid and other dangerous fevers.

PEACE VIRTUALLY REACHED

...t a Conference Held Between President McKinley and M. Cambon.

...RENCH AMBASSIOOR GIVEN FULL POWER

...o Conduct Peace Negotiations, Which Are Now Beyond Preliminary Stage. Only Ratification by Madrid Government Needed to End War.

A Sunday's special from Washington says: Events of the most momentous character occurred at the conference at the White house this afternoon between the president, Ambassador Cambon, of France, and Secretary Day, representing the peace negotiations which have now reached the point of a preliminary basis of peace between the government of Spain and the government of the United States, needing only the ratification of the Madrid cabinet. What was done today to bring the war to an end. It was accepted on the part of Spain, when Ambassador Cambon presented to the president credentials he had received from the Spanish government, appointing him envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary, with instructions as to the manner of action on the peace negotiations.

With these credentials authorizing him to speak as plenipotentiary for the government of Spain, and with full instructions on every point at issue, Ambassador Cambon, in behalf of Spain, not only received the peace conditions laid down by the cabinet earlier in the day, but thereupon entered upon the full discussion with a view to reaching a final and complete agreement. After strong argument, the president and Secretary Day consented to a modification of the American demands on one particular.

What that modification relates to is not disclosed, but it is believed not to apply to the cession of the absolute sovereignty of Cuba, the cession of Porto Rico or the granting of adequate coaling stations in the Philippines. The modification brought about practically a unanimity between the president and M. Cambon, and the latter has now transmitted the results of the conference to Madrid for approval, which, if acceptable, will end the war.

What the modification that has been agreed to is can be only conjectured, but there is reason to believe that it relates either to the time when actual hostilities will be suspended or else to the extent of our interest in the Philippines, leaving unchanged the condition that Spain shall withdraw from Cuba and Porto Rico, grant the United States coaling stations in the Pacific and make concessions in the Philippines. It is now for the Madrid government to give final approval to what has been practically accomplished today. It is even possible that this approval may be given very speedily, within a day or two, as there is no need of extended correspondence. All the facts have been published today, when M. Cambon acted as plenipotentiary. The fact that he acted under instructions from the prospect would seem to indicate Spain ratifying what

...NGER CLAIMING VICTIMS

...e City of Havana—Bread Riots Have Already Begun.

...m Key West says:
... many victims,
... Havana. Since the
... has closed the ports
... Nipe and Batan-
... northern prov-
... Cuban capital,
... store in the ware-
... unmasted. Bread
... Two broth-
... killed by a mob for
... loaves. Charity
... the wealthy them-
... assistance."

Columbia Is Defiant.

... Rome says the
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...ttacks Made on Manila.

... British gunboat
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Over 1,000 Sick.

... Friday posted
... General Shafter:
... of the Army: Con-
... Total sick, 4,122;
... new cases fever,
... returned to duty,
... J. H. Farrell,
... Infantry, at
... fever; Corporal
... D, 24th Infantry,
... fever; Private W. H.
... Infantry, cerebral

IN LIBERTY'S NAME

General Miles Issues Proclamation to the People of Porto Rico.

PORT OF PONCE, PORTO RICO—General Miles has issued the following proclamation:

"In the prosecution of war against the kingdom of Spain by the people of the United States in the cause of liberty, justice and humanity, its military forces have come to occupy the island of Porto Rico. They come bearing the banner of freedom, inspired by a noble purpose to seek the enemies of our government and of yours, and to destroy or capture all in armed resistance.

"They bring you the fostering arms of a free people, whose greatest power is justice and humanity to all living within their fold. Hence they release you from your former political relations, and it is hoped this will be followed by your cheerful adoption of the United States government.

"The chief object among our military forces will be to overthrow the armed authority of Spain and give the people of your beautiful island the largest measure of liberty consistent with this military occupation. They have not come to make war upon the people of the country, but on the contrary, they bring protection not only to yourselves, but to your property, promote your prosperity and bestow the immunities and blessing of our enlightenment and liberal institutions and government.

"It is not their purpose to interfere with the existing laws and customs which are wholesome and beneficial to the people, so long as they conform to the rules of the military administration, order and justice. This is not a war of devastation and denotation, but one to give all within the control of the military and naval forces the advantages and blessings of enlightened civilization."

TROUBLE WITH INSURGENTS.

Aguinaldo Has Declined an American Protectorate.

WASHINGTON.—Aguinaldo, the Philippine insurgent chief, has declined an American protectorate. The administration has cabled Admiral Dewey to grant no terms which do not include the absolute subjugation of Aguinaldo to the scheme of American military operations. The President and his cabinet are united on the absolute necessity of preventing Aguinaldo from capturing Manila. Humanity, civilization and common sense protest against the subjugation of a city of 200,000 white people by a mob of Malays.

Augusti's Terms of Surrender.

MANILA.—Augusti, who believed Camara was coming to his relief, is now discouraged and ready to capitulate on demand. His terms are: Spanish troops marching out with honors of war; the soldiers, the military and civil officials to be granted parole to return to Spain; protection to be assured of life and property of the Spaniards against the natives.

All foreign interests, involving immense capital, are now at a complete standstill. The foreigners are urging surrender. Even the Germans concede it is foolish to resist.

Augusti's rank and file are ready to yield. Only the intermediate officers, loafing in cafes, suffering no hardships and seeking false glory, are in favor of longer hostilities. Dewey expects to take the city without loss of life.

Aguinaldo, insurgent chief, is going to cause trouble here, and already Admiral Dewey regards him as an enemy rather than a friend. While he has kept up a friendly front he has issued secret orders to his men not to permit the Americans to secure necessary horses and other equipments.

The insurgent commander has recently been dropping his mask, and has become openly insolent.

DuBosc Expelled From Canada.

Senor DuBosc, the former Spanish charge d'affaires at Washington, has been formally requested by the Canadian government, through Sir Wilfred Laurier, to leave Canada, on the ground that he was using Canada for the purpose of belligerent operations against the United States.

Gen. Merritt Arrives at Manila.

A dispatch from Manila, via Hong Kong, says: Gen. Wesley Merritt and the transports and troops under his command arrived at Manila on the morning of July 25. All were well. Gen. Merritt will at once assume command.

ORDERED TO BOMBARD.

Italian Warships May Throw Shells Into Cartagena, Colombia.

A Colon, Colombia, dispatch says: The position of the Cerruti matter is now extremely serious. Three Italian warships are in front of Cartagena, one being here and another lying at Buena Ventura. The Italian minister at Bogota is here on board the steamer Atrato en route to Europe. The Italian admiral has received orders to bombard Cartagena. Great Britain and the United States are intervening, and the admiral having represented the situation to his government, is now awaiting final instructions.

Supplies Landed for Cubans.

Lieutenant Heard, commanding the Wanderer expedition for relief of the Cuban patriot forces in the western province, reports from off the blockade line that he safely landed two lots of supplies. The former near Mariel and the latter east of Cojimar.

Sailed for Manila.

The Third battalion of the South Dakota volunteers, and the Thirteenth Minnesota recruits, sailed for Manila on the St. Paul Friday.

GENERAL MERRITT REPORTS.

He Assumed Command of the American Forces Upon His Arrival.

WASHINGTON.—The following has been received at the war department:

CAVITE, July 25.—Arrived today about 12. Health of command good. Remainder of fleet about four days in the rear. All troops assigned me will probably be needed. MERRITT,
Major-General, Commanding.

A dispatch received from Admiral Dewey announces that Aguinaldo has assumed a bold attitude of defiance and that it would take a large force from this country to subdue the insurgents.

General Merritt assumed command of the American forces immediately after he had reported to Admiral Dewey. He has established headquarters at the Cavite arsenal.

The Newport was escorted to an anchorage near the cruiser Charleston by the gunboat Concord, the crews of the vessels of the American fleet giving her a rousing welcome. At the close of his official visit to the Olympia, Admiral Dewey's flagship, General Merritt was officially recognized by a salute of thirteen guns.

Until he shall have received the reports of the officers who preceded him and familiarized himself with the situation, General Merritt cannot determine as to his future course.

SPAIN WILL NOT ACCEDE

If the United States Insists on Disposition of the Philippine Islands.

WASHINGTON.—It was stated Friday night in a high diplomatic quarter, in such manner as to give some semi-official character to the expression, that if American control or supervision of the Philippines was an indispensable proposition laid down as the basis of peace negotiations, it was practically certain that the Spanish government would not accede to this condition, but would determine rather to continue the war.

As to the other peace conditions understood to have been decided upon by the cabinet, those who are best able to judge the disposition of the Spanish government feel that while these terms are hard, yet they do not present any insurmountable barrier to the speedy restoration of peace, and while there is no authority for saying Spain would accept these terms and retire from Cuba and Porto Rico, there is every indication that she would yield rather than continue a disastrous war. The future of the Philippines appears to be of as much concern to the Spanish government as it is to the American cabinet just now, and there is even greater insistence on the continuance of Spanish sovereignty over this group than there is over the more valuable islands of Cuba and Porto Rico.

PORTO RICANS VOLUNTEERING

To Serve in the United States Army With General Miles.

General Miles, in command of the Porto Rican expedition, sent the following dispatch from Ponce to Secretary Alger, which was made public at the war department Sunday night:

PONCE, PORTO RICO.—The volunteers are surrendering themselves with arms and ammunition. Four-fifths of the people are overjoyed at the arrival of the army. Two thousand from one place have volunteered to serve with it. They are bringing transportation, beef, cattle and other needed supplies. The custom house has already yielded $14,000. As soon as all the troops are disembarked they will be in readiness to move.

McKinley Sends a Message.

By direction of the president the following dispatch was sent to Hon. Andrew D. White, United States ambassador to Germany:

The president charges you to express in the proper official quarter to the bereaved German nation and to the family of the deceased statesman, the sorrow which the government and people of the United States feel at the passing away of the great chancellor, Bismarck, whose memory is ever associated with the greatness of the German empire.

Nuevitas Has Been Bombarded.

Reports have reached Key West that Nuevitas, on the north coast of the province of Puerto Principe, Cuba, has been bombarded by the ships of the blockading squadron, evacuted by the Spanish and subsequently burned. No details are known.

Captain Dodge Dead.

A telegram received from Santiago announces the death of Captain Dodge, of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, well known in the West.

Yellow Fever in Mexico.

State Health Officer W. Ringen, of Austin, Tex., has received positive information that there is yellow fever in epidemic form at Tampico, Mexico.

Death Under the Wheels at Nashville.

Martin J. Sanders, an employe of the repair department of the Louisville & Nashville, was run over in East Nashville yards and instantly killed.

First Lady of Liberia Dies.

Mrs. Ophelia Coleman, wife of the president of Liberia, in the executive mansion at Monrovia, died June 24. She was a native of Arkansas, and emigrated to Liberia in 1895, where she was married to President Coleman the following year.

Captain Thomas Catchings, son of Congressman Catchings, of Mississippi, on duty in General Lee's command, died Friday at Jacksonville, Fla., aged 27.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

TROUBLE NEAR CUSSETA.

Fight in Which Several Persons Were Wounded Grew Out of Politics.

Saturday night a desperate fight, brought on by politics, nearly precipitated a race war near Cusseta. Friday the democrats held a meeting near Cusseta, and their orators divided time with the populists. Saturday night the populists held a meeting, and reports say refused to divide time with the democrats. Thereupon the democrats withdrew and started up a separate speaking, and in the midst of these movements some one shot at a Mr. Mitchell and wounded his horse. He left at once for Cusseta and swore out warrants for the parties and returned. When he again reached the scene his posse was fired into, and they returned the fire, and a desperate fight ensued.

After the fight was over it was found that the following whites were seriously wounded: W. J. Busbee, W. W. Meadows. Also the following negroes John Hull, Will Floyd, Tom Combs, Charles Morgan.

A report says that the negroes were arming and gathering for the purpose of wiping out the white race.

Forty men, armed to the teeth, left Opelika for the scene. When they got there they found white men pouring in from all the surrounding country. Lafayette furnished about seventy-five white men, and West Point sent as many more.

A number of the instigators have been arrested, but the ringleaders escaped.

INTENSE HEAT KILLS TWO MEN.

While the Lightning Took the Life of a Third One.

Alpheus Turrentine, a white farmer living in Gourdvine beat, Morgan county, dropped in his field from heat prostration and died shortly after being taken home. John Jacobs, a negro tenant on Turrentine's place, was also found at a spring, where he had gone to drink, in a dying condition. The heat spell was followed by a terrific play of sharp lightning, during which John Warrick, a crippled white man of good family, was killed. A large oak tree overhead was shattered and told the tale of the bolt which killed Warrick.

Two Men Killed in a Wreck.

Saturday afternoon a freight wreck occurred on the Blocton branch of the Mobile & Ohio railroad, between Eoline and Scottsville, caused by lumber cars carelessly loaded by mill hands. Conductor J. B. Tinsley, acting extra brakeman, and Will Washington, colored brakeman, were killed by the timber on the cars.

Resumed Operations.

The finishing department of the Alabama rolling mills at Gate City and the puddling department of the Birmingham rolling mills resumed operations on Monday, which means that all departments of both institutions are now in full blast. The two mills give employment to about 1,500 men.

Farmers' Fatal Quarrel.

At Winfield, Marion county, Dock White, a prominent merchant, aged 45, and Tom Berryhill, a clerk for a rival mercantile firm, engaged in a pistol duel on the street, the result of a quarrel over business matters, it is thought. White was fatally wounded.

Gen. Oates Gets a Command.

General Oates has been assigned to the command of the Second brigade, Second division of the Second army corps, at Camp Alger. His brigade is composed of the Sixth Pennsylvania, Fourth Missouri and Seventh Illinois.

Progress of the Great Steel Plant.

The work of grading and excavating for the steel plant of the Alabama Steel & Shipbuilding Company, at Ensley City, has been practically completed. The contract for the stone, brick and concrete work has been let.

New Industry at Decatur.

At Decatur, Holmes Bros. have leased the lower floor of the Decatur Mineral and Land Company's building and have put in a complete tobacco manufactory.

Extending Telephone Line.

The American Bell Telephone company has a force of about 200 men at work at Decatur pushing its line from that place to Birmingham and Montgomery.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

A fire at Renfro destroyed the saw mill and lumber there, worth $30,000.

The narrow guage road from Chehaw to Tuskegee has been changed to standard gauge.

The Avondale hoop factory, near Birmingham, was burned last week, causing a loss of $1,000.

The first regular passenger train on the Montgomery division of the M. & O. railroad was run Monday.

Adam Jones and Fields, negroes, fought near Montgomery, and Jones shot Fields to death. Jones was arrested.

Demand Retention of the Philippines.

The Portland, Ore., chamber of commerce has adopted resolutions regarding the Philippines, declaring:

"That we believe that any other course than the retention of these islands would be construed as a surrender to the menaces of foreign powers; that we unhesitatingly demand the retention of these islands; that the commerce of the Orient may be shared in by our people without dictation from any European power whatsoever."

THE BANKRUPTCY BILL.

How the Law Recently Enacted by Congress Affects Different Interests.

Public interest has been directed to the subject of bankruptcy in view of the fact that a general bankruptcy law has been passed by congress during the last days of the session which has just closed. Lawyers, merchants and all persons interested in the collecting of debts, as well as debtors who are hopelessly insolvent, are anxious to be informed of the exact provisions of the law in detail. It has been many years since there was a bankruptcy law in force in this country, and in consequence the public generally is not informed on this now all-important subject. We present to our readers a classified statement of the general features of the law which is now in force, prepared by Mr. William M. Bethea, attorney-at-law, Birmingham, Ala., which is as follows:

There are two officers created under the law known as the referee and as the trustee. The referee is appointed by the judge of the district court of the United States and the trustee named by the creditors. The law was approved July 1 and took effect immediately on that day, but no petitions for voluntary bankruptcy could be filed under the act until thirty days after July 1, and no petition for involuntary bankruptcy can be filed until four months after the first day of July, 1898.

The district courts of the United States are, under the express terms of the act, constituted courts of bankruptcy and are vested with such jurisdiction at law and in equity as will authorize them to exercise original jurisdiction in bankruptcy proceedings.

Any person, except a corporation, may become a voluntary bankrupt. This includes a partnership. Any natural person who is insolvent may be declared an involuntary bankrupt on proper allegations and proof except a person engaged in the tillage of soil and a wage-earner (who is defined in the act to be "an individual who works for his wages, salary or hire at a rate not exceeding $1,500 per year.") Any unincorporated company and any corporation engaged principally in manufacturing, trading, printing, publishing or mercantile pursuits owing $1,000 may be declared an involuntary bankrupt. Private bankers may be declared involuntary bankrupts, but no national bank or banks incorporated under state laws can be declared bankrupt.

The acts of bankruptcy upon which a person may be declared an involuntary bankrupt are: "(1) Having conveyed, transferred, concealed, or removed, or permitted to be concealed or removed, any part of his property with intent to hinder, delay, or defraud his creditors, or any of them, (2) having transferred while insolvent any portion of his property to one or more of his creditors, with the intent to prefer such creditors over his other creditors, or (3) suffered or permitted while insolvent, any creditor to obtain a preference through legal proceedings, and not having at least five days before the sale or final disposition of the property affected by such preference vacated or discharged such preference, or (4) made a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, or (5) admitted in writing his inability to pay his debts and his willingness to be adjudged a bankrupt on that ground."

It will be observed that acts which under the laws of Alabama would authorize the filing of a creditors' bill, on the grounds of fraud, or would authorize an attachment for having fraudulently disposed of your property, are acts of bankruptcy. And further, that certain preferences, allowed or attempted to be allowed, which under the laws of Alabama would be a general assignment, are acts of bankruptcy.

During the existence of the bankrupt statute there are not apt to be any general assignments, as this alone is an act of bankruptcy, and hence will, in almost every instance, end in the bankruptcy court. This will be of advantage to a creditor, in that under the bankrupt law the creditors name the trustee, and will in all probability not name a person favorable to the assignor.

Under the bankruptcy law persons are allowed the same exemption as they are entitled to under the laws and constitution of the state of their domicile, but the courts of bankruptcy have the exclusive jurisdiction of passing upon and adjudicating all questions relative to the allowance of the exemptions to a person declared a bankrupt.

The court cost of a bankruptcy proceeding is as follows: Ten dollars for the referees, $5 for the trustee, $10 for the clerk, and the marshal is entitled to the usual fees, which depends on the amount of work in his department. In case any assets come into the hands of the court the referee is entitled to 1 per cent. of amount paid as dividends and commissions; trustees are allowed such fees as the court may deem proper, not to exceed 3 per cent. of the first $5,000 or less, and 2 per cent. of the second $5,000 or less, and 1 per cent. of such sums in excess of $10,000.

The effect of the law will be beneficial to the country; it will enable many who have been embarrassed by debts which they never will be able to pay, to surrender all they have except their exemptions and get a final discharge from all of their debts, except what is due to the United States, your own state, county or municipality for taxes or for judgments in actions for fraud or obtaining property under false pretenses; or from debts which have not been duly scheduled in the petition of the bankrupt, or debts which were created by fraud, embezzlement, misappropriation or defalcation while acting as an officer or in any judiciary relation. It was said by Senator Hoar that in the United States more than 250,000 would take advantage of the act during the first year of its existence.

University of Alabama.

"It is gratifying to note that the trustees of our State University have endeavored to place the advantages of that institution within the reach of every ambitious, aspiring young man in the State by reducing the fees. One hundred and thirty dollars and fifty cents will defray all necessary expenses for a year, including board, lodging, laundry, etc. The faculty is strong and able. The equipment is extensive and admirable. The location is beautiful and healthful. Where in all the land can such facilities be had for so little money?"—Tuscaloosa Times.

President Jas. K. Powers (University, Alabama,) will be glad to send catalogues on request.

Two Soldiers Killed.

At Chickamauga Park Corporals Henderson and Lawson, while engaged in whitewashing the targets in the ditches, were accidentally killed. The head of each was exposed and was bullet-pierced.

Snow in Nebraska.

An unprecedented snap is giving Nebraska a premature taste of fall. At Kimball, near the Wyoming line, it snowed for seven minutes Sunday morning, the first time snow ever fell there in July.

Teresa Will Be Floated.

The Infanta Maria Teresa, upon which the wreckers are now engaged at Santiago, will be floated and brought to Guantanamo as soon as a small leak is located which is somewhere in the bow of the ship.

Wife Kills Her Husband.

At Preston, Ga., a white woman, Mrs. McGuirt, killed her husband by knocking him on the head with a plank, seemingly without provocation.

To Defend San Juan.

The Spaniards at San Juan de Porto Rico are making extensive preparations to resist an expected attack upon the part of the United States warships which are said to be convoying the army of invasion, commanded by General Miles.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

The amount of gold coin in actual circulation in the world is estimated by the Bank of England officials to be about 865 tons.

Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco is the "best of the best." 2 ounces and cigarette book for 10 cents. Try it.

Great Britain's volunteer force of 24,000 is maintained at a cost of under $1,000,000 a year—less than $42 a head.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

About 40,000 people without homes are sheltered nightly in the common lodging houses of London.

DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA (TEETHING POWDERS) is the preparation that has gained so much reputation in all our large cities in saving the lives of teething Children and so diminished their mortality, and to Mother should fall to use them if she desires to preserve the life of her little one. TEETHINA Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels and makes teething easy.

Five hundred thousand boys and girls attain the age of 21 in England and Wales every year.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

At a recent English inquest it came out that of five persons who had received legacies of $200 each two years ago four had already drunk themselves to death.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

America has eight towns named Madrid, three of which are considering the expediency of changing their name to something less politically and aggressively Castilian.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

There are now about 12,000 miners at work in the gold mines of Siberia. The grains of Siberian gold are said to be of an average larger than those of any part of the world.

Scrofula.

With the following symptoms. Inflammation of the nostrils and eyelids, rotten gums, poor teeth, swelling of the glands of the neck causing scrofulous ulcers, sometimes called Lupus. All cured by B. B. B. A powerful vegetable blood remedy. Large bottle $1.00. At druggists. Send for book, free. Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Capital punishment in Massachusetts will hereafter be by the electric chair.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

One acre of land will comfortably support four persons on a vegetable diet.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Rev. H. P. Carson, Scotland, Dak., says "Two bottles of Hall's Catarrh Cure completely cured my little girl." Sold by Druggists, 75c

We have not been without Piso's Cure for Consumption for 20 years.—LIZZIE FERRELL, Camp St., Harrisburg, Pa., May 4, 1896.

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DON'T forget to come to Clanton on Saturday, get the official returns of the election, hear an address of thanks from Probate Judge elect Adams, and generally celebrate the return of your nominees.

PEACE negotiations are in progress between the United States and Spain and it appears probable the war is about ended, although there may possibly be some fighting in Porto Rico yet before the negotiations are concluded.

ONE of the surprises of the election has been the strength of the vote cast for Mr. Arledge for Representative. Of course, it was generally conceded he could not be elected, and it was thought he would only receive a light vote. Mr. L. H. Reynolds again is victorious.

All things considered Mr. W. A. B. Falkner made a good run for Clerk of the Circuit Court, but the popularity of the Populist nominee, Mr. E. B. Deason, easily overcame the claims of the Independent candidate. Mr. Deason received the highest vote cast in the county, 1155.

OUR County Superintendent of Education elect, Mr. Judson Strock who had no opposition, polled the second highest vote in the election, 1043, and as soon as inducted into his office will continue the good work of Superintendent Moore.

ALL Populists are especially invited to attend a grand rally to be held at Clanton on Saturday next, and celebrate the victory. After the official count has been declared, Probate Judge elect, S. M. Adams, will return thanks to his supporters, and a good time generally is anticipated.

WE have taken especial pains to secure the correct figures of the election, and so far as the vote for Governor, and the different county officers is concerned we believe our figures are absolutely correct, and of course will be substantiated by the official count on Saturday. It was impracticable to procure all the figures for the other State officers, and we will therefore give the complete returns next week.

WE raise no objection to the use of a shed for a polling place, but we most earnestly protest against having to pass a whole day surrounded by filth which could have been removed in ten minutes. The reporters and clerks at Clanton had the privilege of running the risk of contracting fever or of not holding any election, and of course they took the risk and had a most uncomfortable day.

The wonderful fighting of the first three days of July around Santiago is described by expert writers in the Review of Reviews for August. Mr. Winston Churchill gives in detail the clearest account yet published of the destruction of Cervera's fleet. The story as he tells it forms one of the most thrilling chapters in the history of the American navy. This is followed by Mr. John A. Church's review of the land engagements that ended in the capitulation of Santiago July 17. Both articles are brilliantly illustrated from Hemment's photographs taken immediately after the fighting.

THE ELECTION.

THE election of '98 is now a matter of history, and so far as Chilton county is accepted by our people as entirely satisfactory. As we predicted a few weeks ago the entire Populist county ticket was elected, and S. M. Adams is our Probate Judge elect, E. B. Deason our next Circuit Clerk, L. H. Reynolds returns again to the House of Representatives, and Judson Strock will assume control of the office of Superintendent of Education. So far, good!

There are several lessons may be learned from this election, and should be taken to heart by all our people. Inasmuch as our government is one of parties this election emphasizes the necessity of thorough party organization, and not only that the party be organized but that each individual member should recognize the imperative necessity of standing by the nominees of his party, and not indulge himself in running after strange gods.

It is not our intention or desire to reflect in any manner upon any of the independent candidates, but each can surely see for himself how his position would have been greatly strengthened had he been recognized as the representative of some party, whether it was Democratic or Republican. And any man before separating himself from the the party to which he has been aligned should seriously consider the effect his action may have not only upon his own political fortunes but also upon the party to which he owes allegiance. The time has passed when any man's personality alone is sufficient to carry him into office. But when a man breaks away from his party he is almost certain to carry some following with him, and in this way for the time being he is inflicting serious injury when possibly he may not intend to do so. The time to test a man's popularity is before the primary, and not the general, election, then the party is left intact to engage the opposition. However, we have no doubt but that such Populists who refrained from voting the full Populist ticket in this election will now see the error of their ways and again resume their place in the ranks. This temporary defection is already forgotten. There is no hard feeling, the staunch and true Populists who voted straight are satisfied with the result of the election and will gladly welcome their wandering brethren back to the fold. Let by-gones be by-gones!

So far as the State election is concerned our information is not of an encouraging nature. It is true our knowledge is derived from Democratic sources, but it really seems as if the Democrats had been victorious throughout the State, and that several counties which for the last few years have been in the control of the Popalists have gone back to Democracy. Where Populists had control of a county we know the election was honest and fair, and if a majority of the voters in those counties voted in favor of Democratic candidates it undoubtedly shows a reversion of political sentiment and a return to the "home of their fathers." However much we may deplore this state of affairs it is of no use shutting our eyes to it, and we look forward, with some anxiety it must confess, to what the triumphant Democrats will do in the future.

According to this (Thursday) morning's Age-Herald Governor Johnston's majority is about 65,000. Deans carried nine counties, and in 15 counties the Populists have elected Probate Judges. Six years ago Populists elected thirty-five Probate Judges.

The Rev. W. B. Costley, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Ellenwood that state, was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my life. It relieved me at once." For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 3, 1898

A tremendous amount of abuse is being heaped upon the "government" apropos of the new revenue stamps. It is amusing to note that the chief complainants among private citizens still claim to be loyal Republicans, being abe with the agility which voting the G. O. P. ticket seems to insure, to separate the administration from its misdeeds. Many of the great trusts and combines that contributed largely to the campaign fund of '96 are evading the tax. The government officials when the matter is referred to them decline to give any opinion and up to the present the individual has been forced to pay the tax.

Alliances between the gold Democrats and Republicans are daily being announced. Jointly they will succeed in electing many congressmen.

Angered by his dominance of the recent Illinois state convention, the enemies of ex Governor Altgeld are heaping all manner of abuse upon him. The insertion of the initiative and referendum and state control of natural utilities, has had the effect of rousing the gold wing of the Democracy to issuing calls for meetings and the distribution of leaflets warning all Democrats against the present leaders of the party in Illinois, the silver question and the Chicago platform.

James R. Sovreign, past Grand Master Workman, of the Knights of Labor has recently returned to his home in Arkansas after an extended tour throughout the North-west in the interest of the Mohawks, the new Silver organization.

A great German corporation has purchased land immediately outside of the "model" (?) town of Pullman, Illinois, and will enter the manufacture of steel with the intention of breaking down the American Steel Trust. Success to them.

Fusion between Populists (?) and Republicans is reported from many counties in Arkansas.

Trouble among the striking coal miners still goes on.

The strike at Omaha resulted in a complete victory for the working men. Every demand made by them was granted by the packing companies.

The Chicago dailies have added a cent to the price of their sheets, giving as the reason for so doing the necessity of recouping in some way their losses during the recent strike. So far no means of making good their losses by the same methods have been discovered by the strikers.

The Populists and Democrats of North Dakota have united on a joint state ticket headed by D. M. Holmes of Grand Forks as candidate for Governor. Col. H. M. Creel, of Devil's Lake was named as candidate for congressman.

The Populists of Texas have nominated their state ticket with Barnett Gibbs of Dallas as candidate for governor and E. W. Kirkpatrick of Sherman for lieutenant governor. No delegates were elected to the Cincinnati convention.

Gov. Stephens of Missouri is one of the staunchest friends of silver in the West. In a recent published article he defines his position very clearly and predicts that free coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1 will be the leading issue in 1900, notwithstanding the war with Spain.

Gen. Weaver will be the candidate for congressmon from the Sixth Iowa district on the Populists and Democratic tickets.

Gov. Pingree, of Michigan, favors establishing republics in colonies captured from Spain, the United States acting as guardian. A. R.

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CROP REPORT

The weekly Crop Bulletin says: "Nearly normal temperatures obtained during the past week but the sunshine was deficient. Daily showers were quite general, and, while they were mostly light, the rainfall was heavy in some localities, and dry weather is needed for all crops. Cotton is in a generally healthy condition and continues to fruit well, but reports of rust and shedding are more numerous, and there are several complaints of its running to weed, and a few complaints of vermin; it is opening slowly, and only in a few middle and southern counties, but dry weather will cause it to open rapidly. Corn is maturing well and still promises a good yield; fodder pulling is being retarded by wet weather. Cane, sorghum, peanuts, field peas and potatoes continue very promising, and pasturage is excellent, though the continued rains have interfered with hay-making. Peaches and grapes are rotting some, but both are making a large yield; pears will make a fairly good yield, but apples are shedding. Fall gardens are thriving, and watermelons and cantaloupes continue plentiful."

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Miss Gertrude Woolley, of Maplesville, made a flag and embroidered on it "M. & O. R. R" and presented it to President Russell. It was carried on the first passenger train which left Montgomery last Sunday and passed through Maplesville.

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The editor of the Evans City, Pa. Guide, writes, "One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It cured my children after all other remedies failed." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. Stanfield and Mathews.

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Mr. J. H. Chandler is sick in bed.

Mr. Tom Marcus yesterday removed his family to Pletchers.

Mr. B. E. Bree Hove, of Marchiville, Ga., has been appointed assistant depot agent, vice Mr. E. Zeigler promoted.

Col. Louis V. Clark, of Birmingham, is in town to-day.

Miss Pattie Robinson returned home this morning after a pleasant visit to Ishkooda.

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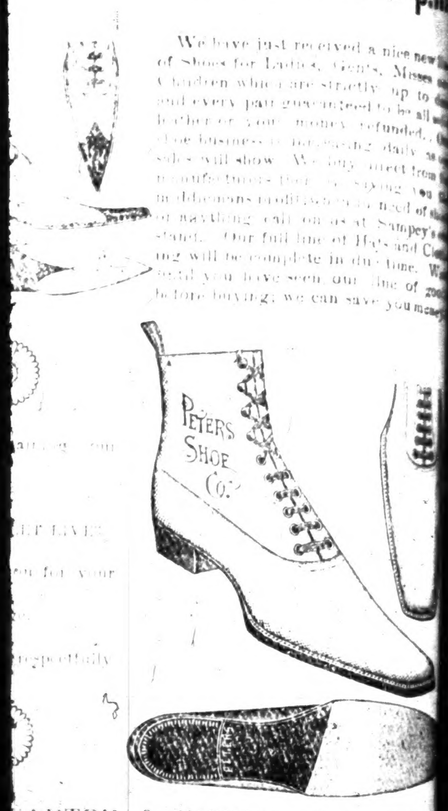

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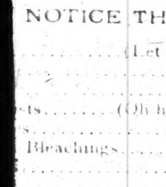

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A young woman I know went to a spiritualist seance once upon an evening, and though she strained every nerve in an effort to concentrate her mind on her dear and gone acquaintances there was no message for her. Quite late in the evening the medium announced the presence of a spirit calling himself Uncle Jimmy. The young woman immediately rose and claimed him. Uncle Jimmy said he was doing nicely, sent his love to all the family and departed. As the young woman left the hall the escort ventured to say:

"Why, I didn't know you ever had an uncle named Jimmy."

"I never did," said the young woman cheerfully, "but I wasn't going to pay 50 cents to get into that seance and not get anything at all for my money."—Washington Post.

Bright Excuses.

"Shiftless as ever, Thomas?" said the wealthy uncle. "Still making a failure of life, as you always have done?"

"I don't know that I'm such a terrible failure," sulkily answered the poor relation.

"Why, you have nobody but yourself to support, and you can't make both ends meet."

"Well, the rainbow has only itself to support, and it doesn't make both ends meet either."—Chicago Tribune.

The Power of Mystery.

"I can't afford to have people think I don't know about this particular question," said the politician, "and I haven't the time I need to read up on it."

"Well," replied his wife, "in that case I'll tell you what I'd do. I'd look wise and get some paper to announce that you decline to be interviewed."—Washington Star.

The Blind Children.

It was the general hour for recess at the great New York Asylum For Blind Children. Down the bare wooden stairs a troop of eager boys clattered with so much of the usual bustle and push that one could hardly believe were it not for now and then a pair of cautious hands extended that all those restless, bright eyes were sightless. Out through the open doors to a small, barren playground they rushed. The feet of a foremost boy felt under them the joy of ice. There was a scream of pleasure. The two or three visitors standing near smiled at one another. It was merely a tiny, contracted patch of frozen drippings from the eaves that boys who know whole rivers and ponds of winter pleasure would have passed unnoticed. But, lo, this little afflicted one, whom we had been pitying as having lost most of life's pleasures, had found the key to that most precious of all earthly possessions—contentment. He threw up his happy little arms in a transport of pleasure. "Come on, boys!" he shouted, sliding down the narrow confines. "Come on! Come on! Here's a lake of ice."—

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"Yes," said the second man hesitatingly.

"Quite simple," the first went on. "So I set myself to remember Sankey."

"And did you do it?"

"No," answered the French student disgustedly; "of course when I came to five I said 'Moody.'"

And the woman sitting near who had overheard the conversation so far forgot herself as to laugh aloud. —New York Times.

The Yellow Fever Bugaboo.

The lessons taught by General Butler in New Orleans in 1862 may be applied in Cuba in 1898. Yellow fever is no match for energy and common sense.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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MODERN HOSPITAL SERVICE ON THE BATTLE-FIELD AND IN THE AMBULANCE SHIP.

The Government devotes much time to arrangements for the comfort and treatment of its wounded soldiers, and the medical department of the army has made so many improvements in that direction in the course of the last ten or fifteen years that some of the surgeons who saw service in the Civil War find a new state of affairs at the present time. During the Civil War the medical corps was much smaller than it is at present, and, aside from the regular medical officers and hospital stewards, there were few men in the regiments who could be utilized for field hospital work in time of need.

About ten years ago the hospital corps was organized in the United States Army, and the system has been followed by nearly all the National Guard organizations, with the result that a great hospital corps, working under identical rules and regulations, exists in the regular and citizen armies, and is so well equipped and trained that the battle-field risks have been reduced. In the United States Army there are now to every company of sixty men four who are detailed as litter-bearers. When the companies are larger there are more litter-bearers, and a full company of 100 men would be entitled to eight men. In addition to these there are stewards and acting stewards and privates who are detailed for hospital corps service, and these men receive regular instructions in first aid to the injured.

RED CROSS NURSE MINISTERING TO ONE OF UNCLE SAM'S BOYS.

The regulations prescribe that there shall be one hospital steward at every post, and two hospital stewards if the garrison has six companies, and one for every additional six companies. At every post of two companies there is an additional acting steward, and three privates are detailed for hospital corps duty at every post, and this number is increased when the post consists of more than two companies. The stewards and acting stewards are men who have some knowledge of pharmacy; many of them have been licensed to practice as druggists, and the privates who are selected to act with them are always chosen because of their general intelligence, and even in time of peace these men, by constant practice, attain a high degree of proficiency in first aid to the injured.

"But the Government has gone still further in the matter," said Colonel Burns, the officer in charge of the medical department at Governor's Island, "and has paved the way for a more extended and complete medical field service. The War Department recently issued an order directing that all first and second lieutenants shall receive instruction in first aid to the injured from the regular medical officers, and that the lieutenants, in turn, shall devote a certain number of hours every month to instructing the non-commissioned officers and privates in first aid to the injured. By this means every man becomes an assistant to the surgeons, and a source of comfort to his wounded comrade."

Surgeons who took their first degree in the Civil War say that thousands of men might have been saved in the course of that conflict if the present system had been in vogue.

"It was not only the private," said an Army surgeon, "who failed to receive proper attention because of inadequate preparations and insufficient help. General officers shared the same fate, and died on the battle-fields from wounds which under the present arrangements would not be necessarily fatal. A notable example was General Albert Sidney Johnson, of the Confederate Army, who was shot in the thigh at the battle of Pittsburg Landing. His surgeon was about to attend to him when he heard that another officer, of whom he thought much, had been wounded. He asked the surgeon to minister to the other officer, and before the medical man returned to the place where Johnston was resting, surrounded by his staff officers, the General had bled to death. There were similar cases on every battlefield, and we should see the same distressing scenes in this war if the medical service had not been improved."

In the National Guard commanding officers may cause to be enlisted in their hospital corps or transferred to it from companies men suitable for such service to the number of twelve for a regiment, eight for a battalion or squadron and two for each signal corps, company of infantry or battery.

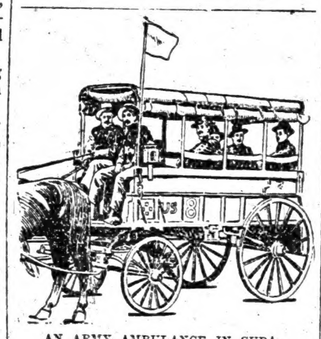
These men form a separate and distinct command. They wear a badge on the sleeve above the elbow of each arm, which is described as a lozenge of white cloth, containing in the centre a Geneva cross of red cloth.

"Drills and practice in making and handling litters may do much toward perfecting the hospital corps and fitting its members for actual service," said an army surgeon, "but it requires actual field work to bring out the true value of the organization. The first aid to the injured instruction has made it an easy matter for the litter-bearers and the members of the hospital corps to improvise litters out of muskets and straps, pieces of wood and strips of blankets, and the men all know how to make bayonets, scabbards and shoe soles take the place of splints until a permanent dressing may be applied. The men who render first aid are not supposed to dress the wounds of the men whom they pick up and carry to the rear, but their business is to bandage broken limbs so that the bones do not chafe and scarify the flesh, to make the men as comfortable as possible and in all cases to stop hemorrhages. They know the anatomy of the human body well enough to apply compress bandages at the proper places and prevent the flow of blood, and they know also when and how to administer stimulants and restoratives.

"When the man has been carried to the rear to the field hospital the work of the first aid men is over, and the patient goes into the hands of the regular medical officers. The treatment is the same as it would be in any well-regulated hospital. There are points and features about a hospital because everything is of a temporary character, but the surgeons' kits contain everything necessary for antiseptic surgery, and the temporary operating tables are kept as clean as the surroundings will permit. A field hospital may be a dismounted ambulance, a barn or a church or schoolhouse, and no surgeon can make arrangements much before he needs it for the place where he will establish his headquarters.

"The object is to have the wounded beyond the line of danger, and when the place has been selected, the senior surgeon becomes the commanding officer. The tent or building is guarded and protected by a detachment of troops detailed for that purpose, the hospital flag is hoisted, and in case of defeat and retreat the wounded are moved under cover of a guard in ambulances to a place of safety—if possible."

GREWSOME SCENES ON THE BATTLE-FIELDS AND IN THE HOSPITALS.



AN ARMY AMBULANCE IN CUBA.

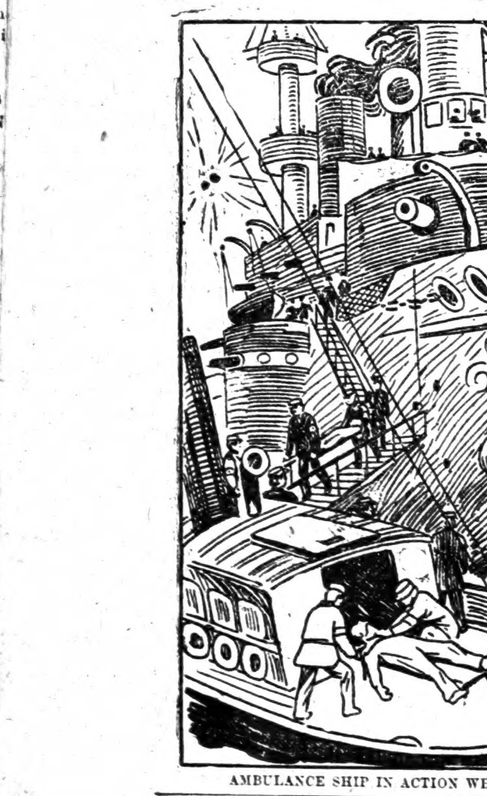
The pouches carried by the hospital corps orderlies contain crossed-bar wire for splints, four roller bandages, six gauze packages, four first-aid packages, one iodoform sprinkler, one Esmarch tourniquet for arresting hemorrhages, half an ounce of carbolized vaseline in a tube, two ounces of ammonia in a glass bottle in a leather case, two ounces of plain gauze, one ounce of lint, one irrigator, one bottle of ligatures, one pair scissors, one forceps and needle-holder, one diagnosis book, one case of pins and needles, three ounces of chloroform in a glass bottle in a leather case, half a yard of wire gauze for splints, one hypodermic syringe with tablets and a small medical case containing tablets of acetanilid, camphor and opium, quinine, cathartic compound and antiseptic.

The hospital corps pouches contain each six rolled bandages, two yards of gauze, one ounce of absorbent lint, one iodoform sprinkler, one tourniquet, one-half ounce carbolized vaseline, one spool of rubber plaster, one pair of scissors, one jackknife, two ounces of ammonia, one case of pins and needles and four first aid packages.

The regulations provide that corporals and privates of the hospital corps shall, in active service, carry a canteen of water, a knife of approved pattern and the hospital corps pouches.

The handling of wounded on ships of war is a subject which is engrossing the attention of the naval authorities of the world. The vessels utilized for this service must be swift steamers of fairly good capacity so far as room for the sick is concerned, and yet not of too large size to prevent quick turning and darting around and among a fleet of vessels. The treatment of the crew of such a craft is precisely that accorded the Red Cross Brigade. It is an unwritten law of every civilized nation that a wounded man and the man who aids him are both to be protected.

A difficulty that has been carefully considered lies in the removal of the wounded from the cruiser's decks to those of the ambulance ship. It is believed, however, that this difficulty has been surmounted by an arrangement that is as admirable as it is simple. It merely consists in placing the injured man on a mattress in a hammock, lashing him to the hammock, and then by means of safety hooks attached to the end of a stretcher-bar to the boat from the ambulance ship, which lies alongside. This action can be performed, unassisted, by two men, so far as transporting the injured man from the place where he falls to the boat's crew is concerned.



AMBULANCE SHIP IN ACTION WHEN A BATTLE IS RAGING.

HOW TO FURNISH A VERANDA.

A Pleasant Warm-Weather Room For Country Houses.

Every year the veranda is becoming more and more an integral part of the house beautiful. It is no longer merely a shelter from the elements, sparsely furnished with chairs, but is a living room and treated as such, and is furnished with the same taste and care that are bestowed upon the rest of the rooms. Of course, it goes without saying that both the textile and furniture employed must be as far as possible weather-proof, but this is no handicap nowadays, as rugs and materials that defy rain and snow are to be had in the greatest variety—except directly on the seashore, where the dampness and high winds make it impossible. An outdoor room, netted in so that the lights at night will not attract troublesome insects, prettily and comfortably furnished, should be a part of every country house. Curtains made of colored awning cloth and hung with small brass rings on a slender galvanized iron rod, so that they may easily be pushed forward and back, are both useful and pretty, although some people prefer Venetian blinds or the rattan shades, which now come for verandas of any width desired. Hammocks, of course, are the natural lounging places for a veranda room, but they are now made much more elaborately than formerly,

UTILIZING SPACE.

with valances hanging on either side, and piled up with cushions of many colors.

The accompanying sketch shows one which filled a corner of the veranda of a seaside cottage last summer. The shape is an irregular elongated triangle, with two sides against the walls of the house, and consists of a frame a foot high, on which is a mattress covered with India rubber cloth. Over this is a buttoned covering of green denim, with a flounce, and the drapery consists of an old sail and a fish-net, which is held up by a pair of oars and a crab-net, all of which have been well-seasoned by wind and weather.

Fire Crackers in China.

The use of fire crackers is universal in China, and has been so as far back as history records. It is most probable that in the beginning they were used to frighten away evil spirits. Now they are most frequently an expression of good feeling or of ceremonious compliment. They are used at weddings, births and funerals; at festivals; religious, civil and military ceremonies; at New Year; to salute persons about to make a journey; and, in fact, on all occasions out of the ordinary routine.

The Youngest Captain.

Captain Smith, of Company D, One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, now at Camp Alger, Va., is the youngest Captain in the volunteer army. He is nineteen years of age, and a son of Captain S. M. Smith, a veteran of the Civil War.

CAPTAIN E. BOSS SMITH,
Of Washington, Ind.

An Expensive Tomb.

The finest tomb in Great Britain is undoubtedly that of the Duke of Hamilton, in the grounds of the Duke's seat. It cost over $1,000,000.

More than forty per cent. of the British people could not write their names when the Queen ascended the throne. The proportion in that condition has now been reduced to seven per cent.

THE REALM OF FASHION

The Latest Headgear.

Sunbonnets have taken on a new aspect this season, writes May Manton, and are the latest headgear for the maidens who play golf and tennis, or indulge in any other form of outdoor recreation. Quite fanciful and dainty they look made of sheer fabrics, such as organdie, silk, muslin, dimity or fine lawn, with lace-edged frills and ruchings of the same material. The front is made over a stiff lining of canvas, which holds it in shape away from the face and protects the complexion from freckles and tan. Picturesque bonnets in this style are made to match the gown, and are worn for morning and afternoon walks in the country, for boating and picnic parties. For more practical purposes, such as working in the garden, gingham may be used.

A FETCHING GOLF BONNET.

The pattern comprises four portions—front, crown, curtain and tiestring, the ruching, hemmed or lace-edged, and from two to three inches wide, being laid in double box pleats and stitched on in centre.

While quite as protective as the old-fashioned sunbonnet, this style has the advantage of lighter weight and coolness, the thin crown rising up from the head and the flaring front standing well out from the face.

To make this bonnet will require one and one-half yards of material thirty-six inches wide.

Yoke Effects on the Increase.

Guimpe and yoke effects are on the increase, and many new gowns are made low-cut and sleeveless, several styles of guimpes being provided to wear with them, and thus give charming variety to the toilet. Two styles are shown in the large engraving. No. 1, of white silk mousseline, made over a lining of pink taffeta, is designed to be worn with a gown of ash gray veiling. The lining is fitted with double bust darts, under-arm gores and a centre-back seam, that may end just below the bust or at the waistline, as shown. The closing is effected invisibly in centre-front by hooks and eyes. The lining is fitted, the shoulders seamed and the standing collar joined to the neck before the shirred material is applied. The mousseline is arranged in graduated puffs by gathers at funnel-shaped spacings, front and back, indicated on the pattern by perforated lines. This is applied to the lining at corresponding perforations on the collar, bust and back, as illustrated. Rows of shirring to match extend the whole length of the sleeves, that are arranged over two-seamed linings. No. 2 shows the lining cut off below the bust, the guimpe and sleeves being made of pale blue Liberty silk, decorated in the sun-ray style, with narrow ruchings of the same material that radiate from the neck. A stock of the same, with ruche-finished ends, covers the standing collar and closes in centre-back. While sheer materials are chosen for midsummer wear, guimpes in this style will be made from silk, velvet, brocade and guipure lace, over satin, as the season advances. Insertion, gimp, ruchings of net or ribbon, or rows of frilled ribbon and braid, can be used to decorate in lattice or diamond outlines.

WOMAN'S GUIMPE.

To make No. 1 for a woman of medium size will require three and one-quarter yards of material thirty-six inches wide. To make No. 2 will require two yards of the same width material with lace insertion over white. The tiny revers that roll back from the fronts are faced with white. Applique bands of white embroidered chiffon form the handsome decoration around the square-cut neck and down the edges of each front, ending at the wrist. The stylish arrangement of the waist is made over perfect-fitting linings that close in centre-front. The seamless back can either have a full yoke applied over the material, or the material can be cut away to form the fashionable guimpe effect, or the waist of one fabric if so preferred. The plastron is included in the shoulder seam, its edges being joined to the lining under right front and the left edge and shoulder seam separately, and provided with hooks to close at the shoulder and down the front. The standing collar, to match the yoke, is joined to the neck and closes at the left side. The waist is drawn well down over the waist line, and the front is arranged in the fashionable blouse effect. A fancy belt may be worn at the waist.

Stylish sleeves, very similar to those of No. 1, are arranged over fitted linings, and epaulettes with applique edges are gracefully disposed on the shoulders of mousseline. The neck and sleeve edges finish the waist. Charming combinations of color and coloring can be made by the modes, which include all qualities and kinds of material and style of trimming. To make for a woman of medium size of material forty-four inches will be required.

WOMAN'S WAIST.

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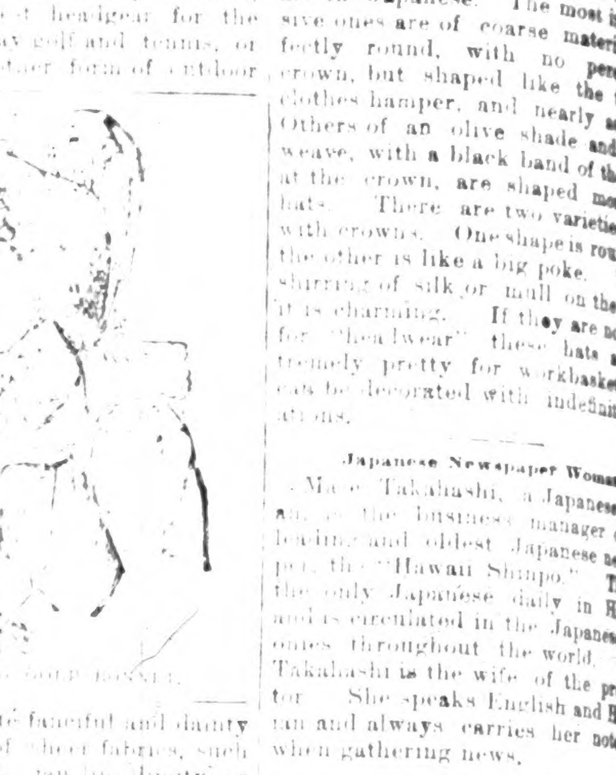

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The Japanese Straw Hats.

The prettiest things in hats ... are the Japanese. The most ... sive ones are of coarse material ... fectly round, with no ... crown, but shaped like the ... clothes hamper, and nearly ... Others of an olive shade and ... weave, with a black band of the ... at the crown, are shaped more ... hats. There are two varieties ... with crowns. One shape is round ... the other is like a big poke. ... shirring of silk or mull on the ... it is charming. If they are not ... for "headwear" these hats are ... tremely pretty for workbaskets, ... can be decorated with indefinite ... ations.

Japanese Newspaper Woman.

Miss Takahashi, a Japanese ... as the business manager of ... leading and oldest Japanese new... per, the "Hawaii Shimpo." This ... the only Japanese daily in Ha... and is circulated in the Japanese ... onies throughout the world. ... Takahashi is the wife of the pro... tor. She speaks English and ... tan and always carries her note... when gathering news.

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Very pretty waists classed with ... waists are made of linen batiste ... bands of lace insertion between ... of tucks down the front and back ... the waist fastens. The collar is ... ply a transparent band of lace ... cords long enough to tie in a bow.

A Stylish Waist.

Hydrangea blue silk, woven ... bayadere stripes of white, that ... double cord, is here delightfully ... bined with a square yoke plastron ... finely tucked mousseline de soie ...

WOMAN'S GUIMPE.

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THE PHONOGRAPHIC CLOCK.

Evils and Benefits of an Invention Just Put on the Market in Germany.

Some modern inventions are a boon to humanity and others are not. The phonographic clock which has just been launched upon the market in Germany belongs to the latter category. One must admit the alarm clock in the theory of modern life, but a phonographic alarm clock adds insult to injury. If one must be wakened, one must; but how can one turn over and take the final luxurious forty winks when the depressing programme of a busy day has been shouted into one's ears? Things that seemed natural and practicable the night before present an appalling front in the early morning; and the breakfast hour, announced in strident tones, is much more insistent than when suggested by an impersonal metallic clang.

Some valuable possibilities the new invention does possess. The housewife needn't laboriously explain breakfast details to the servant at night, and find the next morning that all important points have been conscientiously forgotten. She sets the phonographic alarm for an early hour, talks directions into it, and the next morning the cook is wakened by a stern voice telling her exactly what is expected of her in regard to breakfast preparation.

Paterfamilias, too, can work the combination. No more will he sit up until his pretty daughter's caller goes home and resort to time-honored hints to hasten the departure. He will not slam shutters and noisily lock doors and bid the other members of the family good night at the top of his voice and drop his shoes on the bedroom floor with a force that shakes the parlor chandeliers, and call down to the daughter that she must be careful about turning off the gas and locking the door. He will never be goaded by a sense of parental duty into walking into the parlor and making a scene and reducing the daughter to a point of tears. Oh, no; he will simply set the phonographic alarm for the hour when he thinks young men should end their calls. Then he will go serenely to bed; and when the fatal hour strikes a specimen of the old gentleman's finest irony will be hurled at the offending guest. Exit young man. The maiden wrathfully weeps alone.

A Humane Engineer.

One never knows the value of an amiable deed till he knows all its consequences; and the merit of it is in not knowing them all beforehand.

An engineer of a passenger train on a Mississippi railroad was driving through a snow-storm, eagerly scanning the track as far as he could see, when, half-through a deep cut, something appeared, lying on the rails. It was a sheep with her two little lambs.

His first thought was that he could rush on regardless of them, probably without damage to his train; but the sight of the innocent family cowering in the storm touched him, and as they paid no heed to his warning whistle he pulled the air-brake and sent his fireman ahead.

In a few minutes the fireman came back with a terrified face. There had been a land-slide, and just beyond the cut the track was covered with rocks. It seemed certain that if the train had gone on at full speed, in the blinding snow, it would have been impossible to stop in time to escape disaster.

In the absolute sense the incident was providential,—as everything is,—but circumstantially the passengers on that railway train owed their safety, if not their lives, to an engineer who was too tender-hearted to kill a sheep and her lambs.

Missed Gold and Made Money.

If a man has a little information that a great many other persons must have he is likely to find that his small bit of knowledge is as good as a valuable gold mine. This has proven the case with W. L. Foster, of Astoria, Ore., who went to the Klondike to prospect for gold, but who made a small fortune piloting vessels through the dangerous White Horse rapids. All of the boats that go up the Yukon river to the best gold country must pass the rapids, and only a few men know how to safely steer a boat through the treacherous shallows. Mr. Foster failed to locate a gold mine, but he learned the rapids, and from May 22 to June 12, 1897, he piloted 217 boats, receiving as much as $200 for piloting a single vessel and making $12,000 in all. The time required to take a boat safely through the rapids was about forty minutes, so you see the pilot received pretty good pay for his information and service.—Chicago Record.

Treasures in Spanish Cathedrals.

The cathedrals and churches of Spain are richer than any in the world outside of Rome and Moscow. In 1808 the French army looted many of the churches and carried off millions of dollars' worth of relics and treasures, including the famous pulpit in the mosque at Cordova, which is said to have been worth $4,000,000, but the priests took pains to hide the greater part of their jewels and their gold and silver altar furniture, and now at Burgos, Valladolid, Salamanca, Toledo, Cordova, Valencia, Malaga, Seville and other places there are treasures that justify the expectations above cited. Doubtless the precious metals and gems on the altars of these churches would bring $250,000,000 if they could be offered to the public, and $500,000,000 would be a moderate estimate of the value of the ecclesiastical treasures of Spain.

The Coral Island of Key West.

The island of Key West is of coral formation, contains about 2000 acres and has a population of some 25,000—Americans, Cubans, Chinese and colored people.

Bootblacks in London.

The force of American demand is being once more exemplified in London by the placing at all important railroad stations of chairs in connection with the bootblack brigade. This work is undertaken by the Central Shoeblack Society. There is already such accommodation provided at Viaduct station. It appears that American gentlemen visiting London express surprise that they are expected to stand while they have their boots blacked, as they are accustomed to sit during the operation at home.

The society has sixty boys, who are lodged, taught and partially boarded on the premises of the institution, and there is an ingenious allotment of their earnings into three parts after an allowance for food required out of doors, one-third being their own, another third the society's and the remaining third going to their bank account, on which they can draw for special purposes.

Misinformation in Australia.

The following account of the proper way of reaching the Klondike is taken from an Australian newspaper: "The real starting point for the Klondike is Spokane. There the traveler takes a canoe, by which he voyages to Vancouver, B. C. At the latter point he takes a sailing vessel direct to Dawson City."

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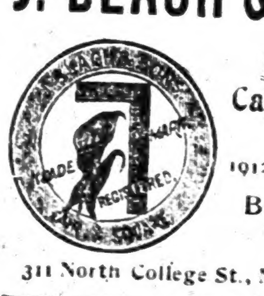

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The other State officers, not enumerated above, received the following vote: T. H. Maxwell 931, R. P. McDavid 586; W. B. Killebrew 760, G. W. Ellis 616; J. M. Whitehead 785, C. G. Brown 530; A. J. Hearn 731, J. W. Abercrombie 596; L. Reese 690, I. F. Culver 636; Associate Justices: J. Haralson 594, H. A. Sharpe 379, John R. Tyson 608.

For the Birmingham Amendment 1417, Against 733.

A. J. Warner received 36 votes for Governor, and W. B. Witherspoon 15. The total number of votes cast was 2150.

Stanton

Mr. Charles Thomas has bern at home for some time on the sick list.

Miss Georgia Rasberry, of Lily, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Parnell.

Mr. J. B. Gullaborn, who some few weeks ago badly cut his hand in the molding machine, and who has been resting at Clanton, returned to his home here this week.

Miss Lula Culver has returned home after several weeks visit to Troy.

Mr. S. T. Nelson, is in Gordo this week, where he will probably stay for some time.

Our Sunday-schools are progressing nicely.

Miss Ellen Rucker, of Wilcox, is visiting relatives here.

Mr. Charlie Rasberry was in town last Thursday.

Mrs. Houston, of Selma, is visiting Major McCarthy's family this week.

Mr. Moody Parnell was in Clanton Saturday.

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Death of Mr. J. H Chandler.

For several years Mr. J. H. Chandler has been one of the valued citizens of Chilton county, and his passing away on Monday morning, in the prime of life, age about 48 is greatly regretted by the entire community. He had been sick with typhoid fever the last two or three weeks, and it was hoped until the last that he would recover, but an All-wise Providence saw fit to take him away. He was a member and a deacon of the Baptist church, and an honored member of the masonic fraternity. As a citizen he will be missed, while to his family and immediate friends his loss is irreparable. A good husband and a kind father is mourned by his widow and five children, whose consolation is in the knowledge that a well-spent life has its reward above. The funeral took place on Tuesday evening at the cemetery at Clanton, the religious services being held in the Baptist church, Rev. B. D. Gray officiating. There was a large number of citizens paid their last tribute of respect to the deceased gentleman, and the masons gave their departed brother the usual masonic interment rites. In common with all our citizens we offer our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mr. Chandler, of Newnan, Ga., a brother of the deceased, came over to attend the funeral, but unfortunately arrived too late.

Mr. Tom Brooks, of Newnan, Ga., a brother of Mrs. Chandler, came over to the funeral.

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There are three very happy Populists in the state. They have been elected Probate Judges: Mr. Zell Gaston of Butler, (re-elected) Mr. Samuel Adams of Chilton, and Mr. A. P. Longshore of Shelby. Widely known names, these.—Montgomery Journal.

Rev. R. D. Wear, chaplain of the 5th volunteer regiment (immuned) as soon as he found the regiment might have to face yellow fever at Santiago, resigned his commission and returned to Birmingham where his action has excited a good deal of indignation.

Turn-Round Topics.

The series of meetings here is now in progress.

W. H. Kendrick visited relatives here last week from Elmore.

Miss Beulah Johnson is spending this week with Miss Martha Pyron of Verbena.

Miss Susie Mercer, of Elmore, is visiting Mrs. Kendrick.

Miss Lona Connell, of Cross Roads, was a pleasant visitor to Mrs. Kendrick first of this week

Walter Kendrick, Jno. W. Pattillo, J. P. Pattillo and Walter Claughton, of Verbena, spent Sunday in Birmingham

There was baptizing here Wednesday morning and a heavy rain fell shortly afterwards.

J. P. Jones visited Mountain Creek Wednesday.

Wm. A. Connell and family, after a month's visit to parents here, left Wednesday morning for their home in Tuskaloosa.

George Glenn, wife and sisters, of Coosa, were visitors to relatives here last week.

Work was begun Tuesday getting out sills for our new church, and will commence building soon as possible.

Johnnie Connell, of Prattville, visited us Saturday.

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About one month ago my child, [illegible] years old, had an attack of diarrhoea and was reported by [illegible] I gave it eight remedies as are usually given in such cases, but as they gave relief, we sent [illegible] it was undertaken [illegible] week, [illegible] for about ten [illegible] was [illegible] out two [illegible] every [illegible] Strock

Clanton Locals.

The heavy rains yesterday swelled the creeks to such an extent that fordings was dangerous. Mr John Oates went through the creek with the water up to his neck, on his way home last night.

Mr. Walter Kendrick, of Burwell, is in town to-day.

Mr. G. Higgins, our genial depot agent, smiles all over, on account of the arrival at his home of a bouncing baby boy.

Messrs. Tipton Mullins, Frank B. Irwin and Jim Garner are the only delegates from Chilton attending the congressional convention.

Mr. W. M. Adams is building an office on the Adams' place, for the convenience of his law practice.

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Liver troubles quickly result in serious complications, and the man who neglects his liver has little regard for health. A bottle of Browns' Iron Bitters taken now and then will keep the liver in perfect order. If the disease has developed, Browns' Iron Bitters will cure it permanently. Strength and vitality will always follow its use. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

A Chase After an Escaped Convict.

Yesterday afternoon, in the middle of the heaviest downpour of rain, City Marshal Dudley was handed a telegram telling him to look for an escaped convict who was making his way north and was supposed to be stealing a ride on freight train No. 20. Just as the marshal was reading the telegram, No. 20 pulled into the depot. Away, through the deluge, went the marshal at a 2.40 gait, and Dr. Campbell and Dick Hadley joined in the chase. Sure enough, the convict was on the train, but he saw the posse coming and blew up the track through the cut. The marshal and the doctor are both good sprinters but they were not in it with the escapee, who plunged into the swamp and was last seen up to his waist in water. Another posse is after him on horseback.

The following is a description of the convict. Yellow negro, about nineteen years old, scars on breast and right leg.

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The Best Remedy for Flux.

Mr. John Mathias, a well known stock dealer of Pulaski, Ky., says: "After suffering for over a week with flux, and my physician having failed to relieve me, I was advised to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and have the pleasure of stating that the half of one bottle cured me." For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Pleasant Grove.

There is a large school of both vocal and instrumental music taught by Profs. J. B. and J. W. Colley. They are having good success with their school.

Rains are plentiful at present and crops are fine and melons are better.

The girls at our school are taking a good part in the studies of music. Of course they never talk with the boys (?).

Many wishes for the success of the BANNER.

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Billingsley.

Another voter, twenty-one years hence, arrived at the home of Mr W. P. Headley on Saturday evening, and W. P. is the proudest man in town.

We are sorry to say Mrs. W. C. Dickinson is quite sick.

BILLY.

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When you call for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the great pile cure, don't accept anything else. Don't be talked into accepting a substitute, for piles, for sores, for burns Stanfield & Matthews.

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PROGRAM OF TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

An Institute for white teachers will be held at Unity church, one mile east of Clanton on 16 and 17 of Sept. 1898.

FRIDAY.

1:30 a.m. Devotional exercises.

11:00 Welcome address, James Thacker. Response, S. W. Collins. The Teacher, L. E. Byrum.

12:00. Dinner.

2 p.m. Education in its threefold sense—How best obtained? E. Y. McMorries.

3. Educational value of arithmetic. J. M. Corderie.

3:30. Educational value of reading, Mrs. Bowdoin.

4. Educational value of history, Miss Kate Garner

4:30. Educational value of grammar, W. C. Evans.

SATURDAY.

9 a.m. The value of music in our common Schools, Miss Mary Moody.

9:30. The relation of patrons to the School, W. A. Mims and E. H. Parrish.

10:30, Educational Address, Judson Strock. Dinner.

2 p.m. Why should teachers attend the Institutes, J. B. Jones.

3. Query box.

J. W. Moore
Judson Strock - Committee
W. S. Garner

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WORN-OUT WOMEN

Most women are drudges. Some are willing, some are unwilling. Some women drudge for themselves, some for their family. Their routine is endless; no matter how ill they feel they work.

Women never half take care of themselves. Early decay and wrecked lives abound, mainly through neglect. Every woman should have the book called "Health and Beauty," which the Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O., will mail on request. It tells women some easy things to do to protect health, and all about the virtues of Pe-ru-na for women's peculiar ills. Miss Lizzie Peters, Mascoutah, Ill., writes:

"I am perfectly cured of female weakness by taking Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin. I have gained thirty-seven pounds since I began taking Pe-ru-na. My friends are wondering what makes me look so bright and healthy. I would like to let the world know what a wonderful medicine Pe-ru-na is."

Woman's diseases are mainly catarrh of the pelvic organs. Pe-ru-na drives out every phase of catarrh.

Mrs. Eliza Wike, No. 120 Iron Street, Akron, O., writes:

"I would be in my grave now if it had not been for your God-sent remedy, Pe-ru-na. I was a broken-down woman, now I am well."

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CLANTON, - ALABAMA

The dynamite cruiser Vesuvius has proved true to her name. She breathes forth ruin and desolation at will.

The Vesuvius has a dangerous cough, but it is of a kind that worries the other fellow.

England will not have her customary naval review this year. She doubtless feels that America is presenting a somewhat more impressive exhibition in the same line.

It is barely possible that the dynamite cruiser of the Vesuvius class will supplant both the torpedo boat and the monitor in future naval armament, thinks the Chicago Times-Herald.

American lumber exports are on the increase as shown by returns for the last two years. During 1895 the value of lumber exports was $30,000,000, during 1896 33,000,000, and for 1897 there was an increase of 20 per cent., bringing the total up to $40,000,000.

Angusti, the Spanish governor of the Philippines, offered a reward of $25,000 for the head of Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader. The latter captured the governor's wife and children, whom he treated as tenderly as if they were his own. Perhaps this is an exhibition of the Philippine savagery that Madrid talks so much about.

The first railroad in Sweden was opened in 1855, and the country has now in proportion to its population, more railways than any other country in Europe. They are owned partly by the state and partly by private corporations. Sweden has the only railway in the world which passes the polar circle, i. e., the state line from Lulea to Gellivare, in the Lapland district.

The progress of English toward universal use was shown when Doctor Nansen recently addressed the Russian Geographical society on the theme of his Arctic adventures. He spoke in English, saying he knew no Russian, was not sure of German, and could not use French with any degree of ease; but not one of his audience complained of not being able to understand English.

The poverty and low state of social life and civilization of the Spaniards is indexed quite accurately by their wage rates, states Gunton's Magazine. For instance, the average weekly pay of a bricklayer in Spain (Malaga) is $3.80; in the United States $21.18; of a mason $3.30 in Spain, $21 in the United States; of a carpenter $3.90 in Spain, $14.35 in the United States; of printers $4.50 in Spain, $16.42 in the United States; of laborers, porters, etc., $2.75 in Spain, $8.88 in the United States. While rents, and possibly prices of a few native products are lower in Spain than in the United States, the difference comes nowhere near equalling the wide disparity of wages. Moreover, in a comparison of this sort the quality of the living must be considered as well as the nominal cost. Thus lower rents nearly always imply inferior accommodations, and, to the average Spaniard, most of the comforts and conveniences in ordinary use here are unattainable luxuries.

It would appear from all accounts that M. Chacot's enterprise of the manufacture of spiders'-web silk is to be pursued on a large scale, a factory in Paris having been taken for the purpose. Here the spiders will be kept and worked at regular hours, and, when one of them is used up, he will be fed and helped back to condition again, while another will take his place on the bobbin. An expert, fully acquainted with the habits of the insect, will be in control of the spider department of the factory, the care of them, feeding, housing, etc. In obtaining the requisite supply, if the latter exceeds what is necessary for the industry, experiments will be made with a view to ascertaining which of the different varieties produces the finest quality of silk, and in this way those not favored with a fine web will be weeded out. Trials will likewise be made with different diets, in order to determine whether or not it is possible to train the spider to give forth a web that is an improvement on the ordinary product—the expectation being that perseverance in this respect will result in securing a quality of silk hitherto unsurpassed.

ORDERED TO COME HOME.

General Shafter's Army Are Preparing to Move Northward.

EIGHTEEN TRANSPORTS SENT TO SANTIAGO.

Sickness in the Army Causes the War Department to Order the Removal of the Troops to Healthier Climes. Embarkation Begun.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—Major-General Shafter has received orders to move his entire army north at once. The six transports here will take the first shipments and the embarkation has begun. There is great rejoicing among the troops.

From the moment Secretary Alger's cable message was received ordering the instant removal of the army north everything has been activity and bustle at headquarters. The transports here, three in number, have been ordered to discharge their cargoes and to get ready without loss of time to take on board the first shipments for home. Other transports are expected here shortly and it is expected that eighteen transports will soon be conveying our soldier boys back to the United States.

General Shafter's orders for the movement of his command provides the following programme:

The embarkation of the Third and Sixth Regiments of Cavalry; then the First Regiment of Cavalry and First Volunteer Cavalry (Rough Riders) will be embarked. The regiments have been ordered to go on board ships not later than Saturday. For the present the Ninth and Tenth Cavalry will remain in camp. Only the private horses of the officers will be taken. The other horses will be turned over to General Wood, who remains as military governor.

All the tents will be left standing and all the extra worn clothing and bedding, which may be possibly infected, will be destroyed. All the men who are suffering from yellow fever or infectious diseases will be left here.

RUSSIA AND ENGLAND

May Soon Be Mixed Up in a Fight—Admiralty is Preparing for Emergencies.

LONDON.—That extreme diplomatic tension exists between St. Petersburg and London is generally admitted. It is hoped that the firmer stand adopted by the Marquis of Salisbury during the last few days, which seems to have already created some misgivings at St. Petersburg, will have the desired effect of arresting Russian aggressiveness. It is felt both here and on the continent that the outcome of the dispute in regard to the new Chwang railroad extension is the crucial point of the success or failure of Great Britain's policy of the "open door." As evidence of the fact that Great Britain appreciates the gravity of the situation, the Associated Press learns that the admiralty is preparing for all emergencies, and it will soon be ready to mobilize the entire fleet on the shortest notice.

SKIRMISH IN PORTO RICO.

Gen. Brooke's Advance Guard Rout a Force of 500 Spaniards.

PONCE.—General Brooke's advance guard entered Guayama after a sharp skirmish in which several on both sides were wounded. The general advance was delayed by the grounding of the transport Massachusetts. The Massachusetts floated and will proceed to Atroyo. The cavalry troops will go overland if peace is declared. The plans of the army are to cross the island, and they will probably be unmolested.

The Spanish force at Guayama, numbering 500, were driven back toward Cayay with a loss of one killed and two wounded.

Off for Hawaii.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The transport steamers Lakeme and Charles G. Nelson, bearing five companies of the First New York Volunteers and the Second United States Volunteer engineers, sailed from San Francisco for Honolulu Saturday.

Messina Shaken Up.

There was a severe earthquake shock at Messina Saturday. The inhabitants were panic-stricken, but there was no damage done.

Library for the Alabama.

Mrs. Lelia Seton Wilder, who went as Governor Bradley's invited guest to the christening of the Kentucky, has inaugurated a movement to buy a splendid library for the battleship Alabama, in addition to the usual service of silver to be contributed.

All Volunteer Troops Will See Service.

Secretary Alger says that Major-General Wade's division will go to the front in Porto Rico. The troops of all states which have not yet seen service will be given all the opportunity they want in garrison duty, and, if the war is continued, in the field around Havana.

Powerful Squadron Will Visit Europe

Admiral Sampson will take to the Mediterranean, as soon as circumstances will permit, the most powerful vessels of his squadron.

Captain Clark Ordered Home.

Capt. Charles E. Clark, commander of the battleship Oregon, now in Cuban waters, off Santiago, has been invalided home.

An American Bank at Santiago.

The North American Trust Company, of New York, has established a bank at Santiago.

ARMISTICE WILL BE DECLARED.

Will in No Way Interfere With Former Plans to Garrison Santiago.

WASHINGTON.—An armistice will be declared in all probability by Wednesday, and the proclamation promulgated. The officials of the war department say that it will in no way interfere with their plans to garrison and occupy Cuba, but that those troops ordered to Porto Rico, which are now already on their way, when the proclamation is issued will not be permitted to preceed, as there are sufficient troops there now to garrison the island. Those regiments which are partially embarked will be allowed to proceed.

It is known that Ambassador Cambon has received Spain's reply, and that it contains the full acceptance of the president's terms of peace. As soon as the armistice is declared the blockade at Havana will be partially lifted, sufficient to allow food supplies to reach the island. In all other respects it will be maintained. The question as to using the Spanish soldiers to police the island is causing some trouble, as it is feared that they could not be trusted, but will pillage the people, feeling no sense of responsibility in their work. The president is determined, if possible, to keep our troops out of Havana until the fall and will employ almost any means to do so.

MACIAS ADVISED TO SURRENDER.

The Spaniards in Reply Announced That They Were Ready to Fight.

PONCE, ISLAND OF PORT RICO.—United States Consul Hanna has received information that the foreign consuls at San Juan de Porto Rico, the capital of this island, advised the Spanish authorities to surrender the island to the American troops. The Spaniards, however, in reply, announced that they had resolved to fight. Thereupon, the consuls notified the Spanish commander, Captain-General Macias, that they would establish a neutral zone between Bayamon and Rio Piederas, in which to gather the foreign residents and their portable property in order to insure their safety in the event of a bombardment of the place by the American forces. The consuls sent a similar notification to General Miles. In spite of this brave talk, it is understood that the Spanish officers of minor rank have refused to fight or to imperil their lives in defense of San Juan.

TRIBUTE TO COURAGE.

Admiral Cervera Pays a Neat Tribute to Lieutenant Hobson.

In response to an invitation extended in the name of the people of Greensboro, Ala., to visit Lieutenant Hobson's home, Admiral Cervera writes:

"I thank you very much and also the citizens of Greensboro for the kind expressions contained in your letter, and you will allow me to say that it is I who should render thanks (which I do with the greatest pleasure) for the kind and generous treatment which I am receiving at the hands of the American people. It would be gratifying to me to accept your invitation to visit Greensboro, where was born the brave Lieut. Richmond Pearson Hobson, but it will be impossible for me to do so, for as soon as the war is ended it will be obligatory upon me to return immediately to Spain to account for my conduct, which must be judged as provided for by the law. Nevertheless, I shall not fail to carry through all my life the remembrance of such brave officers as Lieutenant Hobson, and also the flattering invitation tendered me by the city of his birth."

Force Landed to Collect Cerruti Claim.

Italy has notified the United States of her intention to land a military force somewhere in Colombia in default of a compliance with her demands in connection with the Cerruti claim. The American government replied, recognizing Italy's full right to do so, and expressing the hope of a pacific solution.

Cervera Visits His Sick.

Admiral Cervera, accompanied by his son, Lieutenant Cervera, who have been prisoners of war at the naval academy at Annapolis for several weeks, has received special permission from the navy department to visit Spanish officers who are under medical treatment at Newport News and Norfolk.

Thirty People Drowned at Sea.

The tug W. J. Keyser, which left Pensacola, Fla., Tuesday to meet a tow off Cape San Blas, encountered a storm about midnight, was thrown on her beam ends and rapidly went to pieces. Nine of the crew of thirteen escaped in a life boat and after eight hours were tossed upon the beach at St. Joseph's bay.

The Mobile tug Nimrod lost her smokestack, was badly damaged, but succeeded in reaching St. Joseph's bay. Her tow, the dredge Hernion, and two scows from Mobile, which were being carried to Dry Tortugas, foundered and every man on board, twenty-six in all, were lost.

Lost It Gambling.

The Mississippi State Board of Education has received notification that Q. D. Gibbs, superintendent of education of Yazoo county, is $2,294.25 short in his accounts. Gibbs claims to have lost the money at the gambling table.

Shafter's Report of the Sick.

The sanitary report of the army at Santiago for August 4 is as follows: Total sick, 3,354; fever cases, 2,548; new cases of fever, 504; returned to duty, 549; deaths, 15.

WELCOMED AS LIBERATORS

The Americans Are Taking Peaceful Possession of Porto Rico.

NATIVES ARE OFFERING NO RESISTANCE.

Marines Land and Capture Lighthouse at San Juan—General Macias Issues Proclamation Saying He Can Drive Off Americans.

OFF SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.—The Americans have taken peaceful possession of the eastern portion of the island. Small parties of marines have been landed, who have lighted lamps in the lighthouse at Cape San Juan and at other lighthouses along the coast. They met with no resistance. Indeed, at Cape San Juan deputations of citizens came out to meet them.

Off San Juan the cruiser New Orleans alone maintains the blockade. The city is grim and silent, but back of her yellow walls there will be plenty of determination and fight when the Americans open fire.

Captain-General Macias has issued a proclamation, in the course of which he says: "Spain has not sued for peace, and I can drive off the American boats, as I did Sampson's attempt before."

Miles Steadily Proceeding.

PONCE, PORTO RICO.—General Miles is proceeding without regard to peace negotiations. Krag-Jorgensens are being issued. The Second and Third Wisconsin are moving up to the Sixteenth Pennsylvania. Colonel Hulings has captured 500 pounds of rice. Thus far the enemy has not molested him.

General Brooke's landing at Arroyo was successful.

The troops from the Roumanian, four batteries from the Twenty-eighth Indiana, the First Missouri, the First Pennsylvania and the Third Illinois are disembarking there. The Morgan troops of the Fifth Cavalry and the Mississippi commissaries have arrived here.

TREATY WILL BE SIGNED.

Draft of Answer to America Read Before Spanish Cabinet—Cortes Will Meet to Approve It.

A Saturday's special from Madrid says:

Duke Almodovar de Rio, minister of foreign affairs, read the draft of the answer to America tonight at a cabinet council. The peace treaty will be signed as soon as possible and the cortes convened immediately to approve it. The cabinet members declined to state officially the exact terms, but there are good reasons for believing Spain will accept all the American conditions.

Approved by the Queen.

A Madrid special says: "The queen regent has approved the reply of the Spanish government to the United Statse, accepting the conditions laid down by the latter, under which peace will be concluded."

Favored by the Cabinet.

MADRID.—The cabinet has approved the basis of the reply to the peace conditions of the United States. Duke Almodovar de Rio, the minister of foreign affairs, is charged with revising the reply, which will be read and approved at the cabinet council. It is stated on good authority that the Spanish reply will give no occasion for a further response from the United States.

Spain Objects to Paying the Cuban Debt.

Spain's answer will accept all the American terms except that regarding the Cuban debt. The government will fight this point on the ground that in all other cessions of territory by one nation to another, the ceded territory has carried with it its own debt, or the proportion belonging to the nation by which it is ceded. President McKinley will receive the answer on Monday, or at the latest on Tuesday.

Captain Hubert Dead.

Captain Edgar Hubert, Eighth Infantry, died of brain fever at Ponce, Porto Rico, last week. Captain Hubert was born in Georgia and appointed to West Point from that state.

The Prince May Visit Us.

It is reported in connection with the Anglo-American movement that strong endeavors are being made to get the Prince of Wales to visit the United States and Canada next summer, and it is added that encouragement has been given the idea in responsible quarters.

Maria Teresa Floated.

Advices received from Santiago makes it certain that the Infanta Maria Teresa is now floated and is found to be in fairly good condition as to her machinery and boilers. She will shortly start for Norfolk under her own steam.

May Remain in the State.

Orders have been received for the First North Carolina regiment, in camp at Jacksonville, Fla., and the First Alabama and Second Texas regiments, now at Miami, to communicate with General Wade at Washington and to hold themselves in readiness for early departure for Porto Rico. These orders were sent from Washington before the prospects for peace were so favorable as they are now, and it is surmised that there may be a change, and that the regiments will remain in Florida.

STATE NORMAL COLLEGE.

An Institution Well Known for Its High Standard of Scholarship.

The State Normal College, Florence, Ala., has long been known for its high standard of scholarship. It has pursued the policy of selecting its faculty from the best universities and training schools of this country. The new members of the faculty are as follows:

Chair of Languages—Prof. D. S. Burleson, who has taught in several Virginia colleges and has just completed the Ph. D. course in Latin and Greek at the University of Virginia.

Chair of Pedagogy and Methods—Miss F. M. Witter, who has been for the past ten years assistant Methods Teacher in the State Normal School at New Paltz, New York.

Assistant in Model School—Mrs. Sallie Kirkman Vaughn, who is well known in this state, and who has for the past year pursued special studies at the Peabody Normal, Nashville.

Principal of the Model School—Miss Caroline W. McNair, a graduate from the State Normal School, Geneseo, New York, and from the University of New York. Miss McNair has taught in some of the best graded schools of New York and New Jersey, and for one year taught the Training Class in the Birmingham city schools.

The prospects of the institution were never brighter. Its graduates have gone out into every county in the state, and wherever they have gone, they have demonstrated that trained teachers are the best teachers. There is a demand for these teachers. Young men and women are beginning to realize that the profession of teaching offers to competent teachers as fair remuneration as any other profession, and much greater opportunity for usefulness. The Florence Normal has proven a good investment for the state. It has trained hundreds of men and women who not only make a comfortable living for themselves, but make better schools for the state.

The fall term will begin September 12th. Already a large number of people, many of them teachers, have signified their intention of entering next session. The average expense for the year is only about $100, a remarkably small expense for so many excellent advantages.

Troy (Ala.) Normal.

President Eldridge, of Troy Normal college, recently favored Shelby county with a visit, delivering eloquent and instructive lectures at Calera, Columbiana and Shelby. Dr. Eldridge as an educator and platform speaker is among the most eminent in Alabama. He has the deepest interest in the best development of every part of our educational system. He is a vigorous and untiring opponent of those who in their unwisdom and narrowness of vision would sacrifice one part of our educational system in the supposed interest of another part. He is thoroughly posted as to the educational developments elsewhere, and is working hard to keep Alabama in line with the best progress. He knows that Alabama can not keep step with her sister states nor wisely accomplish her mission along educational lines without high ideals in respect to teacher training. The value of such a man to a state is beyond computation.

Not long since we had the special privilege of visiting every department of the college at Troy and seeing the teachers at their work. They are expert teachers in their different lines. A special note should be made of the fact that the school is in the hands of Christian men. This is a state institution where the moral and religious atmosphere is all that could be desired.—Congregational Guide, Shelby Ala., Rev. A. T. Clarke, Editor.

SPAIN WANTS WOODFORD

As One of Our Commissioners, and Requests That Final Negotiations Be Carried On in Paris.

PARIS.—At the suggestion of the Spanish ambassador here, Senor Castillo, the Spanish government has asked, through M. Cambon, that the United States send ex-Minister Woodford to Paris as peace commissioner; and also, that after the signing of the preliminary compact, the negotiations should be conducted in Paris. Senor Castillo received discretionary power several weeks ago to approach Ambassador Porter regarding peace, but he preferred to wait in hope of dealing with Woodford. Senor Castillo knows that Ambassador Porter helped to block the Spanish loan in Paris, and he is, therefore, anxious to negotiate with Woodford.

Disgruntled With Porto Rico.

The Spaniards are disgusted with the welcome the natives of Porto Rico have given the Americans, and with the news that the volunteers have thrown down their arms. The general opinion is that it is not worth while to risk the lives of soldiers and spend millions of money for the sake of territories which are worse than disloyal to the mother country. It is assumed that there will be no internal troubles over the evacuation of the West Indies. The war has cost $350,000,000.

TROOPS GOING TO SANTIAGO.

Five Thousand Are Now at Savannah—Alabama Boys in It.

Five thousand troops have arrived at Savannah to embark on ships for Santiago to relieve the troops there.

The troops, which are all immunes, are the Third Georgia regiment, from Macon, and the Third and Fifth volunteer infantry regiments, from Columbus, Miss. The latter regiment is made up of Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana men.

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Cuba, Y[illegible]

AMERICANS TO OCCUPY [illegible]

The Rebel Leader Wants Them to March Through Manila With Colors Flying—Will Surrender Its Guns to Us—A Side Remark Not Complimentary to Our Intentions.

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A Friday's special from Washington says:

Nothing has as yet been heard from Spain. The administration is actively awaiting the reply from Ambassador Cambon, but at this hour to-night it has not come from him asking for an audience.

The best informed persons here say Monday as the time the United States government is likely to receive the formal answer, but this is simply conjectural, for there is not the slightest means of knowing the tenor of it in Madrid. There is the same unshaken belief among the officials that has existed from the first that Spain's answer will be reluctant but conclusive acceptance. At the same time, it was suggested in some quarters that there was a possibility that the discussions made by the American general at Santiago touching the serious condition of affairs might be a straw at which the Spanish cabinet would grasp.

A Double Killing.

A double killing occurred at Little Rock, Ark. A negro named Bishop was advancing with an axe on J. H. Fullighu, a guard, when the guard shot and killed him. A dispute arose over the matter between Warden Gillis Hudson and a guard Potts, another guard. The negro passed and Potts shot and killed him.

Second Alabama Reaches Jacksonville.

The Second Alabama regiment arrived at Jacksonville, Fla. [illegible] from Miami and went into camp near the Louisiana regiment in the northern part of the city.

No Friction Anticipated With Cuba.

The letter of President McKinley to the Cuban provisional government, President McKinley has given great pleasure to the president and others. It is taken to mean that no Cuban of prominence will follow Garcia's lead. "With such a leader as such a people," said an official of the state department, "there need be no trouble in establishing a permanent government without friction, present or future."

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A Wheeling Outfit.

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Fashion's Fancies.

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Small ostrich tips are much [illegible] hair with evening toilets.

Pleated silks and satins [illegible] ched favor this season.

With street costume the [illegible]

ORMAL COLLEGE.

Well Known for Its High ...rd of Scholarship.

...Normal College, Flor... long been known for ...ard of scholarship. It ...e policy of selecting its ...e best universities and ...of this country. The ...of the faculty are as fol...

...Prof. D. S. ... has taught in several ...s and has just com... ...D course in Latin and ...versity of Virginia. ...lazay and Methods – ...ork. She has been for ...e assistant Methods ...State Normal School at ...York.

...hool Mrs. Sa... ...whom we know ...e has for the past ...ical studies at the ...Normal.

...the Model School ... W. McNair, a grad... ...State Normal ... New York, and ...ersity of New York ... taught in some of the ...h of New York and ...for the year taught ...in the Birmingham ...

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FRIENDLIER TO AMERICA

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The Rebel Chief Wants His ... March Through Manila When ... City Surrenders—Gives a Strong Blow to Our Indecision.

A dispatch from Manila bay, by ... of Hong Kong, says:

"Aguinaldo, the insurgent ch... becoming more friendly to the A... cans. He has made two propos... to General Merritt, which may ... the insurgent problem in a ... highly advantageous to the U... States. In the first place, he ask... commander-in-chief of the Amer... head forces to permit the rebel ... to march through the streets of M... when the city surrenders. Ge... Merritt appears inclined to conc... this. It would gratify the vani... the natives to let them indulge in ... will seem to them a triumphal ... as victors through the capital of ... enemy they have been success... combatting and besieging since ... wiping out of Montejo's fleet.

"In the second place Aguinaldo ... gested the formation of Philippine ... ments with American officers. ... is considered a highly important p... sition, bearing upon the whole ... tion throughout the islands. It is ... believed that they would be obedient ... easily controlled under tactful A... can commanders. The Amer... troops occupy the trenches in fro... Manila. The rebels withdrew to ... the American forces take their p... close to the Spanish lines."

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Woman's World

Patriotic Fans.

...part for fans is the last addition ...ake articles. The first one in... ...ced in the market was the shape ...ordinary fan; the next was an ...ark, and the third was a hand... ...d with the flag stretched ...a regular frame, and the latest ...ecific of all is the American flag on the ...ck, with the stars on the left with ...ange staff.

The Widow's Visiting Card.

...The proper form for ... cards is often discussed. ...ities and etiquette usually ...ide that a widow may retain her ...band's name upon her cards if she ...es that the maiden name is ...generally used. If the widow ...d a married son of the same name she ...ld sometimes add after her name, if she uses ...husband's.

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New Occupations For Women.

Demand for work by our women has ...many cases created a supply of oc... ...tions. Some of them new and ...ers simply improvements on famil... ...lines of labor. A clever woman ...recently found it necessary to be ...manicurist, decided to become a ...companion to invalids, con... ...and persons depressed. ...ly in the art of entertain... ...She can play every game ...and also chess, draughts, ...and fox and geese. She ...of humorous anec... ...at talk, she is posted ...home and foreign ...in touch with all ...publications. Her visits ...several hours, and in ...are highly enjoyed. An... ...is to be a child's ...vocation demands ...as well as patient, ...cated woman, who ...various ages from ...them out for a ...or an entire ...the hours are spent ...in bad weather the ...exercised. The companion ...ay with her little ...stories and to ...in regard to the

A Whirling Outfit.

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Fashion's Fancies.

...combs are pretty for ...

...tips are much worn in ...evening toilets.

...ks and satins are in ...this season.

...street costume the hair is gen... ...erally worn high, with many curls and puffs.

Ribbons are no longer considered at all appropriate decorations for the the hair.

Jewelled ornaments are worn in the hair, even when one is dressed in street costume.

The pretty duck costumes in white or colors, in plain or fancy effects, are in greater vogue than ever this year.

A pretty patriotic belt is composed of various pennants in enamel. The buckle shows "Old Glory" mounted on an oblong square foundation.

Patriotic gowns are of blue, the seams strapped with red, with red epaulettes on the shoulders, a red cap with a visor, and, of course, brass buttons.

A noticeable feature among the bonnets is a bow of velvet ribbon spotted with white. Bunches of cherries are also worn under the brim of hats of any color.

To be in the latest fashion in millinery one should have for evening wear a bonnet turned up from the face and trimmed with lace and light blue forget-me-nots.

Stylish parasols of green and white silk, with silk and satin stripes, have handles of light wood and large knobs of rock crystal set with gems. The ebony sticks of the bright plaid silk parasols, with black satin stripes crossing the black, pink and drab check, have crystal knobs also.

The plain silk parasol has no place in fashion this season except as a sun umbrella, for whatever the material of a parasol may be, it is more or less an elaborate production of tucks, hem-stitching, ruchings, plaitings and insertions of lace. It is made of every sort of silk on the list, and of Swiss, mulle and pongee as well.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

The heat of comets is said to be 2000 times greater than red-hot iron.

Sirius, the dog star, is nearly 550,000 times farther from the earth than the sun is.

According to a German authority, the human brain is composed of 300,000,000 nerve-cells.

The new gas, krypton, recently discovered by Professor Ramsay, is obtained by evaporating large quantities of liquid air.

Hydrogen, recently liquefied by Professor Dewar, is in that condition the lightest liquid known, having a density one-fifteenth that of water.

In recent experiments it was proven that the X-rays hasten the germination of seeds, and that the result, which is of no practical value, is not due to heating of the soil.

Since the introduction of the serum treatment, the mortality from diphtheria in thirty-one hospitals of Bohemia has fallen to 18.6 per cent., whereas formerly it ranged from fifty to eighty per cent.

The fact has recently been ascertained that male butterflies and moths are much more given to drinking than the females, and that the habit is indulged in to the greatest extent when the latter are away laying their eggs.

It has been found in Germany that lightning rods do not protect high furnaces, the electric discharge preferring to pass to earth by the column of heated smoke, which, of course, is rich in carbon, a conductor of electricity.

The most expensive thermometer is in use at the Johns Hopkins University. It is known as Professor Bowland's thermometer, and is valued at $10,000. It is an absolutely perfect instrument, and the graduations on the glass are so fine that it is necessary to use a microscope to read them.

An Inventive Colored Genius.

In the southern part of Kansas City, Mo., is an old colored man named Hathman, who is a genius at thinking out labor saving devices. He put a broom attachment to a lawn mower last summer so he could sweep long sidewalks with as little effort as possible, and this year he has patented a "grass bag" to catch grass as it is cut and carry it about the yard.

The ordinary grass bag attachment to a lawn mower must be dumped every ten or fifteen minutes. This worried "old Hathman" into inventing a bag that would not require so much care, so now he has a grass catcher that he need empty only about once an hour, and he is highly pleased.

The grass bag is a big square of sheeting about six by six feet. One side of it is fastened to a wooden pole that is attached to the mower, while the other three sides are draped together and tied to the lawn mower handle. The bag has the capacity of six ordinary grass catchers, and it saves its owner much work.

Sugar Industry in Russia.

The Russian sugar industry is assuming large proportions. During the last season 245 works were in operation, as against 227 in 1896. The government encourages this industry to a large extent. The Russian beet sugar is of a good quality, and is now largely exported, especially to Finland and Asiatic countries.

BLANCO SEES THE END.

Says Spain Was Forced to Accede Peace Terms.

According to advices received from Havana by the Cuban junta, Captain-General Blanco appreciates the fact that he must soon withdraw himself and his forces from the island of Cuba. He has assumed a mildness of demeanor which compares strangely with his previous bombastic attitude and frequently expressed determination to hold out in Havana to the death, and he is treating the insurgents with great consideration.

In a recent proclamation he made known to the Spanish people of Cuba that Spain, through the intervention of foreign powers, had been forced to a disgraceful issue of suing for peace, and that there would be no more war and no further use for soldiers. He offered a pardon to all Cuban political prisoners, and more than 150 were released in Havana. Havana, he says, will be given over to the Americans, and the Cubans and Spaniards will be forced to evacuate.

He suggests that the Cubans be forgiven and no longer regarded as enemies, and that no unkind feelings be cherished.

COST OF THE WAR.

Figures Giving the Number of Killed and Wounded in the Army.

WASHINGTON.—Our war with Spain, according to figures obtained from the auditing bureau of the treasury department, will cost us about one thousand million dollars. The figures are as follows:

Expenses army and navy to date	$120,000,000
Expenses probable before mustering out	250,000,000
State expenses	12,000,000
War claims	30,000,000
Interest on war debt	90,000,000
Pensions (future)	350,000,000
Industrial losses (soldiers' labor)	75,000,000
Total	$927,000,000

In the matter of casualties the United States fared well. The losses thus far reported are: Army—Killed, 1,080; wounded, 2,300. Navy—Killed, 7; wounded, 48.

It is impossible to give exact figures of dead and wounded with Shafter's army. The general's partial reports are not concise and so complete report has been made.

Former Sheriff Owes the State.

State Examiner Purifoy has filed with Governor Johnston his report with reference to the office of former Sheriff Morrow, sheriff of Jefferson county, Ala. It brings Dr. Morrow in debt to the state $2,800.52, with interest, aggregating $3,150.77. The errors shown are all of a clerical nature, or grew out of misinterpretations of statutes relating to the office.

Major Hugh Carlisle Dead.

Major Hugh Carlisle, the wealthiest land owner in Alabama, died at his home in the mountains of Marshall county from the effects of a broken hip. Major Carlisle was a native of Scotland and was 78 years old. Decrees issued by United States courts last year awarded Major Carlisle 125,000 acres of railroad lands for which he had been contesting twenty years.

Members of Cabinet Will Resign.

It is stated in Washington that three cabinet resignations wait on the war's conclusion. Secretaries Day, Bliss and Alger's portfolios, it is said, will be turned in when the nation is again at rest. Both Bliss and Day are suggested as possibly appointees on the commission to be appointed to settle the terms of peace.

Cotton Crop Damaged.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver has just returned from the eastern and southeastern portions of Alabama and reports that during the last ten days the cotton crop has been damaged by continuous rains, boll worms and rust. The percentage as compared with last year is from 25 to 35 per cent. short.

Curzon, Viceroy of India.

Geo. N. Curzon, the parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, has accepted the viceroy of India in succession to the Earl of Elgin. His wife is an American, formerly Miss Leiter, of Chicago.

Ebers is Dead.

A dispatch from the villa Ebers at Tutzing, Bavaria, announces the death of General Maurice Ebers, the novelist.

Two Soldiers Killed By Lightning.

While the First Texas was boarding cars at Miami, Fla., for Jacksonville a group of soldiers was chatting in a doorway of the refreshment room and a bolt of lightning instantly killed C. H. Humphreys, of Company E (Houston,) and Private Gills, of New Orleans.

Killed in a Railroad Wreck.

Three men were killed and several mail clerks badly injured by an accident to the mail and express from New York to Boston. The engine jumped the track and caused the wreck.

More Gold.

The steamer Alliance arrived at Seattle, Wash., from St. Michaels with 120 passengers, 112 are from Dawson City. Only about forty had gold. The amount they had is estimated at $300,000.

Two Killed While Going to a Funeral.

Near Hixon, in Monroe county, Ala., two negro women going to a funeral were thrown from a buggy and killed. The mule which they were driving became frightened and ran away.

SPAIN'S REPLY RECEIVED.

Cambon Delivered the Answer to the President Tuesday.

DOCUMENT HAS NOT BEEN MADE PUBLIC.

Fear Is Expressed That Spain Has Incorporated in Her Answer Something About the Cuban Debt, Which Will Make Reply Unsatisfactory.

The reply of Spain was cabled to Washington Monday. Of course there are sensational rumors afloat regarding it, and some of them to the effect that the answer is unsatisfactory appears to be well founded. The fear is expressed in official circles that Spain has incorporated in her answer something concerning the Cuban debt, which will make the response unsatisfactory. A member of the cabinet said that if the reply attempted in any way to open up the discussion of the Cuban debt that Admiral Sampson would be ordered to sail instanter for the coast of Spain.

Ambassador Cambon has declined to answer any questions, and until he actually presents his paper to President McKinley the matter must continue in doubt. There is more indifference shown on the part of the administration toward the answer than one would imagine. Should Spain refuse to meet his terms in full the president will push the war until there will be nothing left for Spain to arbitrate. This is positively the last opportunity to save the Carolines, the Canaries, and even a part of the Philippines, and the indifference which the administration manifests is born of the inward desire to continue the war until some of these islands become the permanent possessions of America.

Should the reply prove satisfactory, however, it means an immediate cessation of hostilities. It would mean that the division under General Wade would not go to Porto Rico, which is of interest to Alabama, especially as her regiments are brigaded in this division.

This division would be kept intact, however, for garrison duty in Cuba. The president has determined that no troops shall be sent into Cuba, until after the yellow fever season. He made the positive statement Monday that not another man, than those necessary to hold Porto Rico, should be sent to Cuba until frost.

FIGHTING IN THE PHILIPPINES

Two Hundred Spaniards Killed—American Loss Small.

MANILA, via Hong Kong.—A heavy engagement took place on July 31st between the American and Spanish forces at Malate. The Spanish made an attack attempting to turn our right. After three hours' fighting they were repulsed. The troops engaged were the Tenth Pennsylvania, first battalion; First California battalion, Third artillery regulars and battery A, Utah. Our loss was nine killed and forty-four wounded. The Spanish loss was upward of 200 killed and 300 wounded. Our volunteers made a glorious defense against upwards of 3,000 of the attacking force.

NEW RAILROAD FOR ALABAMA.

Charter for the Aberdeen and Nashville Railroad Asked For.

Application has been filed with the secretary of state by Captain F. S. White, of Birmingham, for the charter of the Canton, Aberdeen and Nashville railroad company. The proposed route of this road is from West Point, Miss., across the border into Fayette county, Ala., thence through Lamar and Marion counties. It will touch the Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham road at Winfield. Sooner or later it is proposed to run the road on to Decatur over the site of the old Decatur and Danville road, then over a partially constructed road to Fayetteville, Tenn., and then on to Nashville.

Armies Are Close Together.

General Brooke is at Ponce, Porto Rico, in conference with General Miles. His force is still at Guayama. A force of about 400 regular Spanish troops are stationed about eight miles away.

Merritt Has 15,000 Men.

The transports Scienda and Arizona are expected to sail from San Francisco for Manila the latter part of the week. There is a growing belief that they may not carry the number of men intended; that the beginning of peace negotiations will mean the mustering out of the troops remaining at Camp Merritt and Presidio. General Merritt has now 15,000 men at Manila.

Bismarck, N. D., Destroyed.

Fire destroyed the best portion of the city of Bismarck, N. D., Monday, licking up hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of property.

A Brigadier-General Dead.

Brigadier-General John S. Poland, in command of the second division, first army corps, at Chicamauga Park, died Monday of typhoid fever.

Third Alabama Mustered In.

The Third Alabama regiment, (colored) was mustered into service at Mobile Saturday at Camp Joseph F. Johnston.

Ex-Mayor Sutro, of San Fracisco, is dead.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

SCANDAL IN U. S. COURT.

Commissioner Alexander Is Alleged to Have Falsified Accounts.

A Washington dispatch says: "The department of justice is again in trouble with the United States North Alabama officials. This time it is with Commissioner C. D. Alexander, of Attalla, an appointee of Judge John Bruce. It is said Alexander's accounts, which have for some time been suspended for apparent frauds against the government, have recently been investigated by a department of justice examiner. The report shows that Commissioner Alexander has variously falsified his accounts. One of his methods was to give witnesses before his court larger certificates for mileage and per diem than were due them, and then buy the certificates at a large discount. It is said that his practice was to buy all the witnesses' certificates for sale, and to adjourn court from day to day for the purpose of increasing the per diem of himself and other officials."

Alabama Crops.

Commissioner of Agriculture I. F. Culver has issued the report on the condition of Alabama crops at the end of July. The report shows very fine crops all over the state, except in a few localities. Frequent rains during the latter part of the month in some sections may damage the cotton. Reports of rust, shedding and running to weed in some sections. Cotton is opening slowly. The reports of the corn crop are the best in many years. Sugar cane, sorghum, field peas, peanuts, potatoes and hay are very fine.

The State's War Fund.

Collector J. H. Bingham, of the internal revenue department for the district of Alabama, has completed his reports for the month of July, showing the receipts from the war revenue law for the first thirty-one days of its operation as follows: Bankers, $18,088.11; beer, $7,964.25; spirits, $4,826.25; cigars, $1,604.46; snuff, $367.74; tobacco, $79.20; special taxes, $17,732; documentary stamps, $15,680.60; proprietary stamps, $3,753.57; total, $70,156.18.

Bankruptcy Districts.

Judge Bruce, of the federal court, has announced the formation of the following bankruptcy districts in Alabama:

Dallas and Perry—G. H. Craig, Selma, referee.

Autauga, Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Chilton, Chambers, Clay, Coffee, Coosa, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Elmore, Geneva, Henry, Lee, Lowndes, Montgomery, Macon, Pike, Randolph, Russell, Tallapoosa—H. Booth, referee, Montgomery.

Fort Payne Deal Closed.

Congressman M. W. Howard, of the Seventh district, who has for some time been negotiating a deal with eastern capitalists for the properties of the DeKalb company, including the site of Fort Payne, has returned from Washington and reports that the deal has been closed. He says that the new company will at once begin the work of developing its property and will place agents in the northwest to interest farmers in the advantages of Alabama.

Next Legislature.

The official count in the various counties show that the democrats have elected all the members in the next general assembly that they have claimed. The complexion of the senate will be twenty-seven democrats and six populists. The house will have eighty-four democrats, fifteen populists, and one republican.

Big Land Deal.

The deeds to the property recently purchased by the Ivy Coal and Coke Company from B. M. Long, located near Horse Creek, Walker county, between the Big and Little Warrior rivers, have been signed, and the control of 11,000 acres of land has been transferred to the Ivy Company.

Gen. Oates Ordered to Report for Duty.

Brigadier General W. C. Oates, who has been at his home in Alabama for some weeks awaiting orders, has been ordered to report to Major General M. C. Butler, commanding the Second division of the Second corps, for assignment to duty as commander of the Second brigade.

The First Bale.

The first bale of cotton for Alabama was received in Selma Saturday and sold at auction. It was raised by Clark Craig. It weighed 445 pounds, and will be raffled for the benefit of the Dallas Dragoons.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

The negro soldiers at Mobile are being rapidly mustered into service.

A special term of the supreme court has been called to assemble on August 15.

Robert Beecham lost his home at Decatur by fire. Loss, $3,000; insurance, $1,000.

The only beat carried by the prohibition candidate in the election was Lanier, in Talladega county, in which the vote stood: Deans, 21; Johnston, 50; Warner, 2; Witherspoon, 92.

The farmers of Limestone county are becoming greatly alarmed over the rains. The heaviest that section has ever witnessed has been falling almost daily now for three weeks, and unless there is a let up cotton will be seriously damaged. The crop is rapidly growing to weed, and not fruiting for want of sun.

THINGS MADE OF WOOD PULP.

A Variety of Articles Made from It. Cellulose as a Rival of Iron, Steel and Wood.

A close rival of coal tar in adaptability to unexpected purposes is wood pulp or cellulose. Since it was discovered that excellent paper could be made from this substance wood pulp has been used as a substitute for leather or otherwise for iron, steel, wood, stone, glass, ivory and innumerable kinds of animal and vegetable matter. As a material for car wheels certain manufacturers have found it superior to any kind of metal, being about nine times as durable as steel and much more elastic. When subjected to great pressure wood pulp takes on a high degree of ordinary hardness. It has been found available as a material for bricks, drain tiling, and even for electric cables.

For ivory, which is becoming scarcer every day, cellulose is a perfect substitute that has yet been found. Today it forms the material for cheaper billiard balls and has also been used successfully for the manufacture of artificial teeth. When properly treated wood pulp is practically proof against heat and moisture, hence it has been found superior to timber for telegraph poles and screws. Coffins, too, are often made of wood pulp. They are susceptible of a high polish, look as well as the finest wood, and are much cheaper.

Cannon, too, and bicycles are made out of wood pulp in Germany, and Chicago respectively, while a Frenchman has succeeded in producing a thread from the same substance which he declares can be worked up into all sorts of fabrics. Another Frenchman has produced wood pulp carpet lining, and another again wood pulp sail cloth, while a Vienna inventor declares that his wood pulp leather is superior to animal leather in fineness and durability.

For resisting the action of fire and water wood pulp appears to be a success. It is used to make waterproof paint for ships, fireproof and waterproof paper, and even stoves, which are said to be superior to iron ones. Wood pulp window panes have been in use for several years, particularly for greenhouses, and in France portable dwelling houses built of the same material have been found a success.

Among the other articles made of wood pulp are boats, canoes, cuspidors, pails, flower pots, tables, chairs, bureaus, barrels, wagons, horse shoes and imitation porcelain ware. The manufacture of silk from wood pulp is now an important industry of England and France. The raw material is really the same as that of natural silk.

It is only a case of doing by machines and chemicals what the silk worm does because it cannot help it.

The Speed of Insects.

It is the popular belief that the flight of birds is much swifter than that of insects, but a number of naturalists who have been making a study of the matter think that such is not the case. A common house fly, for example, is not very rapid in its flight, but its wings make 300 beats a second, and sends it through the air twenty-five feet, under ordinary circumstances, in that space of time. When the insect is alarmed, however, it has been found that it increases its rate of speed to over 150 feet per second. If it could continue such rapid flight for a mile in a straight line, it would cover that distance in exactly thirty-three seconds.

It is not an uncommon thing, when traveling by rail in the summer time to see a bee or wasp keeping up with the train and trying to get in at one of the windows. A swallow is considered one of the swiftest flying birds, and it was thought until a short time ago that no insect could escape it. A naturalist tells of an exciting chase he saw between a swallow and a dragon fly, which is among the swiftest of insects. The insect flew with incredible speed, and wheeled and dodged with such ease that the swallow, despite its utmost efforts, completely failed to overtake and capture it.

Freedom and the Russian Serf.

Although nearly forty years have passed since the ukase of emancipation was promulgated, it is still too early to give a definite judgment upon its results. The expectations of its framers have not been attained, in part because of the immensity of the task and diversity of conditions to be met, and in part because the immediate application of the ukase was made not by those who had thought out the scheme, but by officers who were either indifferent or even hostile to the measure. The serf has not generally become an independent landholder, nor has he gained that economic self-reliance that was so ardently desired. He is even less able than before to encounter a bad season, short crops, or a cattle plague, for he has no master who may make good his losses and help him to tide over his difficulties. On the other hand, the peasant has not secured what he believed to be his rights, and is not a little discontented that his dream of full and free possession of the land has not be fulfilled.—Appletons' Popular Science Monthly.

The Incomes of Monarchs.

The income of the emperor of Russia for one day is about $25,000; that of the sultan of Turkey, $18,000; emperor of Austria, $5,000; emperor of Germany, $8,000; king of Italy, $6,500; queen of England, $6,500; and the king of Belgium, $6,500. The president of the United States receives about $130 per day.

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IT is much to be feared the continued heavy rains are inflicting great damage upon the crops, cotton especially being the greatest sufferer.

THE official count of the election was made in the Court House last Saturday, the large court room being crowded by those eager to get the news at first-hand. Sheriff Cooley opened the boxes, Circuit Clerk VanDerveer called out the returns, and Dr. Stewrrt did the figuring. The complete returns will be found on first page of this issue. Everything was found regular and there was nothing for any of the late candidates to find fault with. All's well that ends well.

THE Democratic Congressional convention of the Fourth District met at Talladega Springs on Tuesday and after casting 223 ballots, and failing to make a nomination, adjourned on Wednesday to meet again in Anniston on August 25. It is impossible to say who will eventually receive the nomination. The last ballot resulted exactly the same as the first, Merrill receiving 4 votes, Thomason 11, Plowman 15, Robbins 23. Plowman and Robbins are the two strongest candidates, but they love each other so much it is quite possible that one of the first-named gentlemen will get the nomination, as neither the supporters of Plowman or Robbins will give way to the other. It will be interesting to watch the adjourned convention.

IN the absence of any information, regarding the election, from Populist headquarters, we are compelled to accept the statements of the Democratic press as correct, and that the Democratic ticket has been elected by about 60,000 majority. What the total Populist vote we have, up to the present, not been able to learn. That it was far short of the three previous elections is certain. Various are the reasons adduced to account for this falling off, but all agree on the one fact that to a considerable extent it has gone back to the Democratic party, whether temporarily or permanently remains to be seen.

This reduction of the Populist vote does not nesessarily mean, as many of our Democratic friends persist in asserting, the extinction of the Populist party in Alabama. Far from it. We are of the opinion that the future course of Populists in this State depends very largely upon the action of the Democratic party, and any attempt upon the part of the victorious Democrats to proceed to extreme legislation will find not only a reunited Populist party but a greatly increased Populist party.

The Democratic party has now, unquestionably, a great opportunity before it to lessen the political breach between the white people of the State. If wise and conservative council prevails and the best interests of the whole people of Alabama are studied, then it is probable the Democratic party has an easy time before it. But, on the other hand, if a new constitution, containing objectionable features, is attempted to be forced on the people, then the Democratic may look for, and expect, a decided reverse at the next election. The Populist party is not dead—only sleeping.

The August number of The New Time is in keeking with the high standard set by this magazine. It is splendidly illustrated and there is not a dull paragraph from cover to cover. The frontispeice is a fine portrait of S. M. Jones, the famous reform mayor Toledo, of Ohio. The cartoon work of this magazine excels that of any publication in the country and those of the August number are specially striking. "The Last Slave" is a group showing the emancipation of the negro in 1863, the freeing of the Cuban in 1898 and the continued serfdom of the American workman, "the Last Slave." The editorials are in Mr. Adams' best vein and add to his reputation as a writer on social and industrial economics. With the August number Mr. Charles H. Kerr, the book publisher, retires from any connection with the magazine, his interest having been purchased by Mr. McBride, and The New Time will no longer be complicated with the publishing business. We congratulate The New Time on its well-deserved good fortune and pledge our best co-operation. Forward us a dollar for an annual subscription or take advantage of our club rate of $1.50 for a year's subscription to The Banner and The New Time.

THE negotiations for peace are making progress, and it seems probable the preliminary conditions may be signed the end of this week. It is thought that Spain has accepted all the demands of the United States, but the details are a profound secret known only to the President, Secretary Day and the French ambassador.

IN the Phillipines General Merritt's troops met the Spanish on July 31, August 1 and 2. The Spaniards got the worst of it, but thirteen American soldiers were killed and about fifty wounded.

IN Porto Rico there has been a general advance by Gen. Miles, and it is possible there will be no more fighting there before peace is declared. General Wilson captured the town of Coamo on Tuesday morning with a loss of seven wounded.

Now that the State election is over it will soon be necessary for the Populists of this District to hold their congressional convention.

To thrash the Spaniards is to throw their colonial estates into bankruptcy under circumstances which compel us to assume the receivership. We owe a duty not merely to the native races in the Philippines, but also to all persons of European race or extraction who own property there or have business interests of any sort, including the non-combatant Spanish population on the islands. At present there seems to be no way by which we can make over that responsibility to any other sovereign power. We may not like the task and may think ourselves ill qualified. But when we cast about for an alternative we are likely to find that the easiest and simplest solution, at least for the immediate future, is for us to exercise sovereignty where Spain has lost it in consequence of our aggressive action. In short, we are at this moment in such an attitude at Manila that we must in any case complete our conquest before we can withdraw, and we have no apologies to make for being in that attitude. When we shall have completed the conquest—presumably within a few days or a few weeks—we shall have to administer the islands until the end of the war and the conclusion of a treaty of peace with Spain. We shall conclude no treaty of peace until our victories all along the line have been so complete that we can dictate the terms.—From "The Progress of the World" in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for August.

The Rev. W. B. Costley, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Ellenwood that state, was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my life. It relieved me at once." For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 10, 1898

Revived by assurances of loyalty from such high sources, Ignatius Donnelly and Thos. Watson, Wharton Barker Republican) of Philadelphia, now announces that when he gloomily declared his Cincinnati nominating convention of September, '98 off a few days ago, he was too previous. He was first resuscitated by the announcement from Georgia that Watson and his set would go to Cincinnati and nominate if no other state was represented. Tactics never before heard of on land or sea are being used to elect men to attend the remarkable meeting. In Minnesota the self elected state committee is appointing men to represent counties and congressional districts.

Dr. Benjamin Andrews, late of Brown University, having identified himself more closely with the common people by taking charge of the public schools of Chicago than acting as the president of a plutocratic university, is further adding to his good work by lecturing on the labor problem and the effects of the present war on the common people.

The Silver Republicans of Oklahoma are making a vigorous campaign.

The conventions of the three parties, Populist Silver Republican and Democratic of Nebraska, held most interesting and exciting conventions at Lincoln. Mr. Bryan's departure from the state to take an active part in the war, caused a hiatus that threatened, for a time to bring about serious confusion. Wise council prevailed, however, and arrangements satisfactory to all were perfected after lengthy sessions. Following are the nominees: W. A. Poynter, Populist, Governor; E. A. Gilbert, Silver Republican, Lieutenant Governor; John F. Cornell, Populist, Auditor; W. F. Porter, Populist, Secretary of State; C. J. Smythe, Democrat, Attorney General; Jacob Wolf, Populist Commissioner Public Lands and Buildings; W. Jackson, Populist, Superintendent of public Instruction. All excepting Poynter and Cornell are the present incumbents.

The Nebraska Populists will make a unique campaign this year. All are familiar with the campaign promise, but they will give a pleasing contrast by simply referring in detail to the past administration as an assurance of what the voters may expect in future. Every State official invites investigation and asks that his work be contrasted with that of his predecessors.

Senator Stewart is being dubbed an "Imperialist" owing to his taking the ground that the United States should hold all territory gained in the war with Spain. He also is an enthusiast over the government immediately taking steps to build and operate the Nicaraugua canal.

Friends of General James Weaver will rejoice to hear that he has been nominated by the allied parties to represent the 6th Congressional district of Iowa, with every prospect of being elected. At any rate a warm campaign is assured the Republicans when the General takes the stump.

The old whiskey trust not being sufficiently binding and extortionate and having been formed under war revenue conditions, a new trust is about to be effected.

The metropolitan press is kept busy affirming and denying the rumor that an extra session of both houses of congress is soon to be called. The power of the president to keep the troops out-side the regular army on a war footing is denied by some such high authorities that an extra session would seem to be necessary. That our standing army will be very largely increased has been an assured fact from the first.

Those who remember the floods of campaign wit sent over the country by Judge during the stirring times of '96, its numerous cartoons in which the believer in silver and greenbacks was made to figure as a more or less insane crank, will be surprised to learn that that paper has recently assigned, location one million. And this about its mid-vaunted McKinley prosperity.

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CROP REPORT

The Weekly Crop Bulletin says the temperature was slightly deficient, owing to cool nights and lack of sunshine. Daily rains are quite general, and, on several dates, the rainfall was heavy to excessive in many portions of the State. Destructive wind-storms, on the 3rd, seriously damaged cotton, corn and fruit in the southeast counties, the greatest damage being done in Chambers, Lee, Macon, Russell, Barbour, Dale and Henry, and in a few north western counties corn was damaged by high winds.—The continued wet weather is causing cotton to run too much to weed; rust and shedding are now quite general and there is some complaint of lower bolls rotting; the crop will be very seriously damaged if the wet weather continues much longer; it is opening very slowly and no picking is reported as yet. Corn is maturing slowly, but it is in generally excellent condition and now promises a large yield. Fodder pulling is being seriously delayed and considerable fodder has been damaged by the wet weather, which is also preventing the saving of what would, under favorable conditions, be a large hay crop. Cane, sorghum, peanuts, field peas and potatoes continue very promising. Peaches and grapes are still abundant, but are rotting some, and the continued rains have prevented curing of fruit; apples continue to shed and pears are ripening slowly. Watermelons and cantaloupes are still plentiful and late gardens are doing well, though all crops would be decidedly benefitted by a period of dry weather. Pasturage continues excellent.

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General Oates

Brigadier-General William C. Oats has received an order from the war department to report to the Second corps at Camp Alger. Major General Butler is in command of the division of which General Oate's brigade will form a part. General Oate's young son, William, lies exceedingly ill of typhoid fever at the general's residence in Montgomery and his departure will be delayed a day or two on this account.

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Make the Best of It.

We may if we choose make the worst of it. Every one has his weak point; every one has his faults. We may make the worst of these. We may fix our attention constantly upon these. But we may also make the best of one another. We may forgive even as we hope to be forgiven. We may put ourselves in the place of others and ask what we should wish to be done to us and thought of us were we in their place. By loving whatever is lovable in those around us love will flow back from them to us, and life will become a pleasure instead of a pain, and earth will become like heaven, and we shall become not unworthy followers of his whose name is love.—Exchange.

The Pipe's Antiquity.

In Asia and Africa, beside America, the pipe dates from prehistoric times, and in Europe generally it has been in use since and during the Roman period, if not before. One of the most learned antiquarians—Dr. Petrie—says that smoking pipes of bronze are frequently found in Irish tumuli, or sepulchral mounds, of the most remote antiquity.

The Reason.

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One Exception.

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"The remembrance of a kindly act done to the United States by an Englishman in a former row with Spain ought to revive our interest in the ancient legend that 'blood is thicker than water,'" said Mr. Henry P. Dillon of Boston recently.

"In the Virginius affair, when the Spaniards slaughtered some of the crew of that vessel, it was an English sailor who went to Santiago de Cuba and demanded the surrender of the survivors under penalty of bombardment of the city. He rescued our men, carried them to their own shores, and then, as modest as he was gallant, refused a public reception in New York city. As it was, leading citizens called upon him informally and presented him with a brick of silver, on which were inscribed the words, 'Blood is thicker than water.' The motto still holds good, and if the combined powers of Europe were to be against America in this or any other quarrel it is safe to say that Great Britain could always be excepted. There will never come the shadow of war between the mother land and her powerful daughter."—Washington Post.

"Short, Sharp and Decisive."

Chairman Dingley's estimate that the war will cost our government $2,000,000 a day is, of course, merely an instance of rough figuring, yet it sets forth a very good reason in itself, if there were none better, for making the campaign short, sharp and decisive.—Philadelphia Record.

A Philosophical Vicar.

A dishonest gardener of the Rev. S. C. Malan had received notice of discharge, and after an unsuccessful attempt to vindicate his character by plausible platitudes said mournfully to the vicar:

"Ah, sir, you will miss me before I be gone half an hour!"

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To Scare Thieving Birds.

An easy method of frightening birds away from ripe cherries and other fruits is to hang bells so that they can be rung by pulling a string reaching into the house. Old cowbells, or a few old-fashioned sleighbells, will answer the purpose nicely. The frightened birds will return after awhile, but it is but little trouble to jerk the string now and then, and off they will go again. This is much better than to shoot them. It is true that dead birds will eat no more cherries, but neither will they destroy more insects nor sing more happy songs.

Shade For Poultry.

During July and August the fowls, both young and old, should be provided with plenty of shade. If confined in yards where there are no trees, or large weeds, shelter of some kind ought to be arranged.

An old piece of muslin spread over posts will serve the purpose, but does not in any way compare with the comfort afforded by nice branching trees.

Almost any kind of fruit trees, such as apple, cherry or plum, will give sufficient shade after two or three years.

Still, no matter how provided, fowls must have shade in the hot weather just as they must have shelter in winter, and unless they get it, disease in some form will almost certainly visit the flock. Do not, though, carry the idea to extremes, and keep the fowls where no ray of sun can reach them. They need some sun; in fact it is only during the midday that fowls suffer from the heat. It is then they will hunt the shady nooks, and there remain until evening, when they will again come out in search of food.

See to it at once that some kind of protection from the sun is provided, not only for the old fowls, but also the chicks, and at the same time remember that fowls relish cool water several times daily.

Supporting Fruit Trees in Grazed Orchards

The practice is becoming more and more prevalent of pasturing hogs and sheep in orchards. The plan is excellent. The animals thrive on the grass and fallen fruit, and they in turn enrich the orchard and destroy countless grubs and worms. With animals in an orchard, however, it is impossible to prop up heavily laden boughs, for such props will very quickly be knocked down. Fig. 1

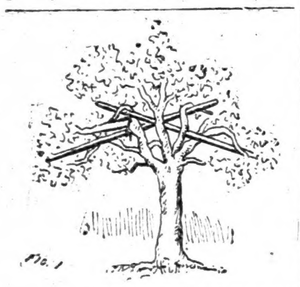

FIG. 1. SECURE SUPPORT FOR FRUIT TREES

shows a plan that can be used in almost any tree. The central branches furnish a fulcrum for the support of the poles used. One end can be placed under the branch to be supported, or tied to it, and the other end brought down under a branch on the opposite side, or tied to a branch if it is not possible to confine it under a limb. Another way is to fasten a pole to the trunk of the tree, allowing it to extend up through the top, as

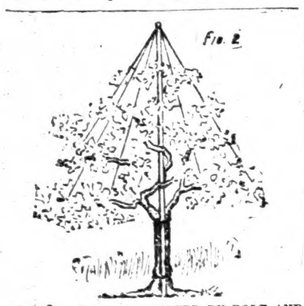

FIG. 2. TREES SUPPORTED BY POLE AND WIRE.

shown in Fig. 2. Wires extending from the top of the pole to heavily laden branches will support these in the best possible manner.—American Agriculturist.

Farm Brevities.

At mid-day feed boiled oats, while yet soft and warm.

Watch the setting hens, that their nests are not held by the enemy, vermin.

Too much corn for the chickens will bring on indigestion and liver troubles.

After the morning feed keep pans of millet seed where the chicks can run to them all day.

Young stock should not be allowed to get out on the wet grass early in the morning. Cold and dampness will cause great loss of stock.

Hens given plenty of exercise and a variety of food will produce more fertile eggs than hens that are fed corn and given but little exercise.

Chicks running with a mother hen affected with scaly legs will contract the disease. Dampen the feathers and legs of the hen with kerosene and lard mixed.

Fleas may be driven from the barn by spraying sides, floor and ground with crude carbolic acid, and keep away dogs, hogs and sheep. If they infest the residence scatter powdered borax.

The greatest trouble the poultry raisers have to contend with, especially with brooder chicks, is indigestion. Too much heat, too much cold, allowing them to become chilled on improper food, will cause bowel trouble.

For a morning meal, scald ground feed, adding the potato parings of the day before after cooking them soft. Stir well together, cool and "dishout" in long troughs made for the purpose. Watch that the weaker ones get their share.

The slant of the roof should be toward the rear to shed rain and snow water. The underpinning of the house and slope of the ground should be also such that the water will be drained away from and not back into the house.

No hen can be forced to lay eggs. Nature gives her a certain period of time during which the eggs are to be developed. It is not difficult to supply her with the needed elements for this purpose, and any surplus bestowed will only be wasted.

To secure the most profitable hens, breed as far as possible from the best layers. Most hens are from thirty to thirty-six hours in developing an egg. By careful attention it is believed a strain can be developed that will do the work in twenty-four hours. This is the aim of the up-to-date businessman.

Trout and the Weather.

If trout rise merrily in the very midst of a storm, why do they invariably sulk when the thunder is only "in the air?" The explanation is simple; but it occurred to me only the other day. Trout sulk when the storm is gathering from the cause which makes men at the club decline to look at the billiard cues during the same weather. The atmosphere lacks oxygen, and therefore all sentient life is languid. When the lightning has come the sultriness is dispelled; fish and men have something more cheering than carbonic acid gas to breathe; both are in a humor for food or play.

The same reasoning explains why, as a rule, it is necessary to have a ripple if you are to catch trout. The accepted explanation is that the ripple conceals the casting line, leaving visible to the fish the flies alone; but one has only to use one's eyes to discover that that is no explanation at all. Even in a gale, if there is sunshine, the gut is as easily visible to the human eye as it would be in a dead calm; and to what the human eye can see in the water the trout is surely not quite blind. No; trout rise in a ripple more readily than in a calm simply because the wind is oxygenating the water. Whoso doubts this is invited to make an experiment. Let him put half a dozen live trout into a pail of water. Within an hour they will be sickening; some of them will be near death and turning on their backs. A few quarts of water plunged a yard or two through the air into the pail will make all the trout revive as if by magic. The fish want oxygen just as the fellows at the club on a sultry afternoon want a thunder-storm or other stimulant.—London Saturday Review.

In the Czar's Richest Church.

"In the famous mass held on Christmas Eve in the Cathedral of Saint Isaacs was one of the most beautiful services I ever attended," writes Lilian Bell from St. Petersburg, Russia, in the Ladies' Home Journal. "In the first place, Saint Isaac's is the richest church in all Russia. It has, too, the most wonderful choir, for the Czar loves music, and whenever in all his Empire a beautiful voice is found, the boy is brought to St. Petersburg and educated by the State to enter the Emperor's choir. When we entered the church the service had been in progress for five hours. That immense church was packed to suffocation. In the Greek church every one stands, no matter how long the service, for there are no seats.

"By degrees we worked our way toward the space reserved for the Diplomatic Corps, where we were invited to enter. Our wraps were taken and chairs were given to us. We found ourselves on the platform with the priest, just back of the choir. What wonderful voices! The bass holds on to the last note, and the rumble and echo of it rolls through those vaulted domes like the tones of an organ. The long-haired priest, too, had a wonderfully resonant voice for intoning. He passed directly by us in his gorgeous cloth-of-gold vestments, as he went out."

Use of Oyster Shells in Manila.

A unique feature of nearly all homes and offices in Manila is the use of tiny square panes of translucent oyster shells instead of glass. The windows measure on the average six feet long and four feet wide and contain 260 of these oyster shell panes, which temper the fierce glare of the sun in the building. In a country where many people go blind from the constant sunshine this a precaution very necessary to be taken.

GOOD ROADS NOTES.

To Prevent "Disintegration."

A subject of importance which has not yet received the attention it requires is brought to the fore by a statement recently made to the effect that "the smooth surface of the New Jersey stone roads, so much admired by bicycle riders, is rapidly disappearing, owing to the infrequency of rains in summer, the prevalence of sweeping winds, and the absence of trees and hedges from the roadside. The disintegration of the New Jersey stone roads, especially of those over which a constant stream of heavy wagons rolls into the city markets, must sooner or later raise the question of the expediency of giving a part of the annual State appropriation to the repair of the roads on the same plan of division of cost upon which new roads are built."

Up to the present time so much attention has been given to efforts to secure hard roads, and considerations of how they should be laid, that their maintenance when put down has largely been lost sight of. Many, indeed, have supposed, and some have asserted, that when once laid, it would not be necessary to touch them for years. Such ideas are radically wrong, and, if acted upon, lead to disastrous results.

As a matter of fact, macadam roads require constant attention and care if they are to be kept in good condition, the greatest efficiency secured from them, and economy of maintenance obtained. All these things will vary largely with the character and quality of the roads, some requiring attention much more quickly and far more constantly than others, but the principle of maintenance is the same for all.

All stone roads are liable to "disintegration" under certain conditions, and will speedily be ruined if the tendency is not checked at the outset or, better still, warded off, so to speak, by constant care and attention. The smooth surface disappears, ruts form, water settles in them, and the road gradually breaks up.

The trouble with many of the New Jersey roads is not due particularly to the winds or "absence of trees and hedges from the roadside," but it is due to four principal causes, one of which is the "infrequency of rains in summer," and the others are the excessive use of clay for "binding" purposes in constructing the roads, insufficient rolling, and failure to adopt an adequate system of care and maintenance after they are constructed.

We have repeatedly pointed out the features necessary to obtain and maintain good macadam roads, and no community which builds them can afford to overlook them, viz.: thorough drainage; abundant rolling of each layer of stone as laid; little or no clay for "binding" purposes; and a complete system of care and repair, which involves the constant employment of a suitable force of men to keep the roads clean, fill up the smallest ruts as they appear, and regular sprinkling in dry weather.—Good Roads Bulletin.

Good Roads and Vacation Time.

Communities that look for income from the summer boarder cannot afford to ignore any feature of their surroundings that will add to their attractiveness. Times change and we all change with them. Nearly every family going away for the summer takes several wheels along, and the thousands who get away for a two weeks' vacation look for localities in which they can use their machines to best advantage. With all, the character of the roads is of first importance. This fact makes it possible for less alluring spots to rival their more popular competitors, by providing superior roads and advertising their excellences, and each succeeding year will make this plan increasingly effective.

Broad-Tired Street Sprinklers.

The up-to-date cities now use street sprinklers with wheel tires six inches wide, and the outside of the front tire is placed even with the inside of the rear tire, the machine thus rolling twenty-four inches of street as it moves along, and doing excellent work in keeping the streets in good condition. I am glad to see that the grand jury of Fulton County has taken this economy of broad tires for vehicles in hand. The small addition to the first cost of vehicles is easily compensated in the increased haulage and reduction of repairs. It is the grossest extravagance for our city and county to build expensive roads and then have them ruined by the cutting edge of narrow-wheeled vehicles. The city and county could easily inaugurate a saving reform in having all public carts and wagons tired as above suggested. Good roads mean low taxation and cheap traction.—Atlanta Constitution.

Notes of the Crusade.

Narrow tires form ruts; ruts retain moisture; moisture ruins roads.

Next to good schools, upon good roads depend the future welfare and prosperity of our country towns.

The asphalt streets of St. Paul are cleaned by flushing them with fire hose at night three times a week.

A citizen of Denver has obtained a verdict of $4200 damages for injuries received by falling over a piece of iron pipe which a city employe had left protruding six inches above the sidewalk.

Water in the wrong place is the road's greatest enemy. A little moisture in the shape of light sprinkling is needed to keep the surface firm; but, beyond this, or beneath the surface, water plays havoc with a road-bed.

In Amador County, California, they are building a stretch of macadam road by day labor, and figure the cost to be $2777 per mile instead of over $5000 as asked for in the bids received. The members of the Bureau of Highways give their services.

Reports from south New Jersey say that some of the stone roads are in bad condition. The freeholders, who have them in charge, are farmers, and will not look after them while busy with farm work, nor employ a supervisor to care for them. This will prove an expensive policy, as a thorough system of care and repair is essential to maintain stone roads in condition and secure the greatest efficiency for them.

USE OF MOUNTAIN BATTERIES.

France and Italy Employ Them on the Frontier in the Alps.

The mission of a mountain battery is to seek out and destroy, at close range and piecemeal, an enemy whose forte is a protracted and unceasing system of guerrilla warfare that is extremely harassing and discouraging to troops accustomed to a "fair field and no favor," even though they be seasoned and well-tried veterans. In British India this type of artillery has been brought to a high standard of perfection, and its effectiveness in the continually recurring conflicts with the hill tribes has demonstrated that the mountain gun is the only weapon that can successfully cope with the guerrilla style of warfare practiced by the natives of the Himalayas.

It is but little known to the outside world that both France and Italy have adopted the mountain battery as an integral part of the home defenses. When, in 1887, it became uncertain that Italy had joined the Triple Alliance, the then Minister of War in France determined that something must be done to defend the Alpine boundary from even the possibility of invasion in the event of hostilities by the new coalition. For that purpose he organized a perfect system of mountain artillery on the model of the British Indian force, and manned it with specially selected mountaineers. Italy, in turn, was compelled to provide a similar corps for the defense of her side of the range, and soon the two regiments, begotten in haste, began to fraternize and banquet one another. The same amicable relations have existed ever since, and the batteries have established a friendly rivalry that animates both parade and carousal.

The United States Army for the first time made use of this arm in active warfare in the Mexican War of 1845–48. The light and portable nature of the guns made them extremely valuable in the irregular skirmishes that took place, but their most important use was found in clearing the streets from a point of vantage on the roofs of the flat-topped houses of the City of Mexico. The ease with which the guns could be carried or slung to the roofs rendered them invaluable in repelling the street attacks, which were of daily occurrence after General Scott and his heroes had taken the capital.

The guns of the Astor battery are very different from the smoothbore muzzle loaders of the Mexican War. In fact they are in advance of the armament of the most perfect mountain batteries that India boasts to-day. The standard type that has done such good work against the Afridis and their sangars, or stone wall intrenchments, is a rifled muzzle-loading piece of ordnance, the barrel and breech sections of which are separate and screw together just behind the trunnions. As will be seen, this weapon is rather out of date, the improvements which have been made during the last twenty years along the entire line of artillery not seeming to have affected or reached the lonely depots of the Himalayas. The guns of the Astor battery are wholly different. They are Hotchkiss rapid fire guns of special construction and remarkable rapidity of fire, issued to the company of volunteers through the patriotic generosity of Colonel Astor.—New York Sun.

Corns and Bunions.

These would never occur if none but soft, well-fitting boots, shoes or stockings were worn. Treatment: The hard corns on children's feet may be picked or scraped off with the finger nail or a blunt knife, directly after soaking them in warm water, or by covering them all, and every night, with common soap spread thickly on rag, and repeating the scraping each morning, as long as necessary. Soft corns or warts between the toes should be touched with lunar caustic, or covered with a pinch of finely powdered chalk or prepared (or French) chalk over night, then scraped or picked out with the finger nail next morning. The chalk thus used in the morning, after washing, will also prevent chafing, as will zinc ointment so used at bedtime. Bunions should be painted every second or third day with tincture of iodine. If much inflamed, they should be first leeched and poulticed. —New York Ledger.

A Museum of Scientific Relics.

The Emperor William of Germany has ordered that the Saalburg, near Bad-Homburg, which is to be restored at his expense, shall then be called "The Limes Museum of the Empire," and shall contain all scientifically valuable relics dug up in future in and near the sites of the Roman frontier (limes) fortifications and colonies, the old museum at Wiesbaden being full. The Saalburg is said to have been built by Drusus about the year 11 B. C. and renovated by Germanicus twenty-six years later. It was the scene of many a fight till 1243, when a part of the excellent material of which it was built was used for the construction of highways.

The Longest Electric Railway.

The longest electric railway in the world is said to be that operated between Kenosha and Wankesha Beach, both in Wisconsin. This line is sixty-two miles long.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY.

"Silence in Heaven," the Subject—The Mighty Import of the Cessation Described in Revelations—Half Hours Which Have Determined Destinies.

TEXT: "There was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour."—Revelations, viii, 1.

"Take this watch and keep it," said a dying Christian as he picked it up from the stand at his pillow. "I have no more need of it. I am going where time shall be no longer." But it seems from my text that heaven was at least once measured by an earthly time-piece.

The busiest place in the universe is heaven. It is the center from which all good influences start; it is the goal at which all good results arrive. The Bible represents it as active, with wheels and wings and orchestras and processions, mounted or charioted. But my text describes a space when the wheels ceased to roll and the trumpets to sound and the voices to chant. The riders on the white horses reined in their chargers. The doxologies were hushed and the processions halted. The hand of arrest was put upon all the splendors. "Stop, Heaven!" cried an omnipotent voice, and it stopped. For thirty minutes everything celestial stood still. "There was silence in heaven for the space of half an hour."

From all we can learn it is the only time heaven ever stopped. It does not stop, as other cities, for the night, for there is no night there. It does not stop for a plague, for the inhabitant never says, "I am sick." It does not stop for bankruptcies, for its inhabitants never fail. It does not stop for impassable streets, for there are no fallen snows or sweeping freshets. What, then, stopped it for thirty minutes? Grotius and Professor Stuart think it was at the time of the destruction of Jerusalem. Mr. Lord thinks it was in the year 311, near the close of the Diocletian persecution and the beginning of the wars by which Constantine gained the throne. But that was all a guess, though a learned and brilliant guess. I do not know when it was, and I do not care when it was, but of the fact that such an interregnum of sound took place I am certain. "There was silence in heaven for the space of half an hour."

And, first of all, we may learn that God and all heaven then honored silence. The full power of silence many of us have yet to learn. We are told that when Christ was arraigned "He answered not a word." That silence was louder than any thunder that ever shook the world. Ofttimes, when we are assailed and misrepresented, the mightiest thing to say is to say nothing, and the mightiest thing to do is to do nothing. Those people who are always rushing into print to get themselves set right, accomplish nothing but their own chagrin. Silence! Do right and leave the results with God. Among the grandest lessons the world has ever learned are the lessons of patience taught by those who endured uncomplainingly personal or domestic or political injustice. Oh, the power of patient silence! Eschylus, the immortal poet, was condemned to death for writing something that offended the people. All the pleas in his behalf were of no avail, until his brother uncovered the arm of the prisoner and showed that his wrist had been sacrificed for his country at the battle of Salamis. That silent plea liberated him. The loudest thing on earth is silence if it be of the right kind and at the right time. There was a quaint old hymn, spelled in the old style, once sung in the churches:

> The race is not forever get
> By him who fastest runs,
> Nor the Battel by those peopell
> That shoot with the longest gun.

My friends, the tossing sea of Galilee seemed more to offend Christ by the amount of noise it made, for He said to it: "Be still!" Heaven has been drowning Kings and Queens unto God for many centuries, yet heaven never stopped a moment for any such occurrence, but it stopped thirty minutes for the coronation of Silence. "There was silence in heaven for the space of half an hour."

Learn also from my text that heaven must be an eventful and active place, from the fact that it could afford only thirty minutes of recess. There have been events on earth and in heaven that seemed to demand a whole day or whole week or whole year for celestial consideration. If Grotius was right and this silence occurred at the time of the destruction of Jerusalem, that scene was so awful and so prolonged that the inhabitants of heaven could not have done justice to it in many weeks. After fearful besiegement of the two fortresses of Jerusalem—Antonio and Hippicus—had been going on for a long while, a Roman soldier mounted on the shoulder of another soldier hurled into the window of the temple a firebrand, and the temple was all aflame, and after covering many sacrifices to the holiness of God, the building itself became a sacrifice to the rage of man. The hunger of the people in that city during the besiegement was so great that as some outlaws were passing a doorway and inhaled the odors of food they burst open the door, threatening the mother of the household with death unless she gave them some food, and she took them aside and showed them that it was her own child she was cooking for the ghastly repast. Six hundred priests were destroyed on Mount Zion because the temple being gone, there was nothing for them to do. Six thousand people in one cloister were consumed. There were 1,100,000 dead, according to Josephus. Grotius thinks that this was the cause of silence in heaven for half an hour. If Mr. Lord was right, and this silence was during the Diocletian persecutions, by which 844,000 Christians suffered death from sword and fire, and banishment and exposure, why did not heaven listen throughout at least one of those awful years? No! Thirty minutes! The fact is that the celestial programme is so crowded with spectacle that it can afford only one recess in all eternity, and that for a short space. While there are great choruses in which all heaven can join, each soul there has a story of divine mercy peculiar to itself, and it must be a solo. How can heaven get through with all its solos, as well as all its recitatives, with all its cantatas, with all its grand marches, with all its victories? Eternity is too short to utter all the praises.

Not only are all the triumphs of the past to be commemorated, but all the triumphs to come. Not only what we now know of God, but what we will know of Him after everlasting study of the Deific. If my text had said there was silence in heaven for thirty days, I would not have been startled at the announcement, but it indicates thirty minutes. Why, there will be so many friends to hunt up; so many of the greatly good and useful that we will want to see; so many of the unscrutable things of earth we will need explained; so many exciting earthly experiences we will want to talk over, and all the other spirits and the ages will want the same, that there will be no opportunity for cessation. How busy we will be kept in having pointed out to us the heroes and heroines that the world never fully appreciated—the yellow fever and cholera doctors, who died not flying from their posts; the female nurses who faced pestilence in the lazarettoes; the railroad engineers who stayed at their places in order to save the train, though they themselves perished and went down through the open drawbridge.

Hubert Goffin, the master miner, who, landing from the bucket at the bottom of the mine, just as he heard the waters rush in, and when one jerk of the rope would have lifted him to safety, put a blind miner who wanted to go to his sick child in the bucket, and jerked the rope for him to be pulled up, crying: "Tell them the water has burst in and we are probably lost; but we will seek refuge at the other

A NORWEGIAN'S PRAISE

Captain Gade, of the Royal Norwegian Navy, has returned from Santiago, where he was instruction of Cervera's fleet by his Government to study said: "I think the battle of the grandest sight that has marksmen, and the work of set at rest forever any doubt of such nations who may be luded that Americans do not fight.

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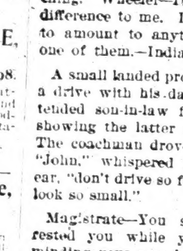

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Lesson Text: "The Shunammite's Son"—II Kings iv., 25-37—Golden Text: Ps. lv., 22—Commentary on the Lesson by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

25. "So she went and came unto the man of God to Mount Carmel." In the town of Shunem there was a great woman who, with the consent of her husband, prepared a chamber for Elisha and furnished it with a bed, table, stool and candlestick and constrained him to turn in thither whenever he passed that way (verses 8-10). They had no children, and Elisha in gratitude for their kindness to him asked God, and He gave them a son. One day when the lad was grown he was in the field with the reapers and his father. He was suddenly taken with pain in his head, was carried home and in a very short time died on his mother's knees. She laid him on the bed of the man of God, shut the door, called for a servant and an ass and hastened to Carmel to Elisha.

26. "Run now, I pray thee, to meet her and say unto her, Is it well with thee? Is it well with thy husband? Is it well with the child? And she answered, It is well. Even though our grief be very great and our heart be breaking, with confidence in God we can say, "It is well." We can say with Eli, "It is the Lord; let Him do what seemeth Him good" (I Sam. iii., 18), or with Job, "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord" (Job i., 21).

27. "And the man of God said, Let her alone, for her soul is vexed within her, and the Lord hath hid it from me and hath not told me. Gehazi would have driven her away, as the disciples would have sent away the mothers with the children, and perhaps in something of the same spirit in which they also found fault with Mary of Bethany when she with the precious ointment anointed our Lord and to their fault finding He said, "Let her alone." There are still those who find fault with others for clinging too closely to our Lord, but happy are all whom He approves.

28. "Then she said, Did I desire a son of my Lord? Did I not say, Do not deceive me?" I suppose she thought it better never to have had such a gift than to have received him and then when he had taken hold of her heart thus to lose him; but she did not know all God's plan for her. We must not judge of God's ways till we have seen the end (Jas. v., 11; Ezek. xiv., 23).

29. "Then he said to Gehazi, Gird up thy loins, and take my staff in thine hand, and go thy way, and lay my staff upon the face of the child." This seems a little perplexing; it looks like making light of the case on the part of the prophet, though we do not so judge. Better to have at once done as Elijah did (I Kings xvii., 21), and as he afterward did. When Joshua made light of Ai and sent only a few men to take it, they were defeated. Contrast Joshua vii., 3, 4 and viii., 1.

30. "As the Lord liveth and as thy soul liveth I will not leave thee." She did not see God in Gehazi, nor in Elisha's staff, but she had recognized God in Elisha. It is our Lord's desire that He should be so seen in us that people may be drawn to Him through us (Gal. i., 16, 24). Take the cases of Ruth, Ittai and Elisha himself as parallels in clinging (Ruth i., 16; II Sam. xv., 21; II Kings ii., 2).

31. "And Gehazi passed on before them and laid the staff upon the face of the child, but there was neither voice nor hearing." One has said, "Deliver us from Gehazis who only carry a staff." Those who would lead others to life must have life themselves. The truth we use must be a part of us, not something we hold as a staff in our hand.

32. "And when Elisha was come into the house behold the child was dead and laid upon his bed." When the woman prepared the bed for the prophet, she little dreamed that she would ever use it for such a purpose. In doing good to others we are often making a resting place for our own sorrows and also a place of deliverance from them. In dealing with the children for their souls' salvation we must remember that they are dead in sin (Eph. ii., 4, 5) and must be placed in the warmest sympathies of our hearts.

33. "He went in therefore and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the Lord." He now does as Elijah did. It is good to take the children one by one alone with God. It is well sometimes to have those with us in prayer who are in sympathy, as when Jesus took Peter, James and John, and the father and mother of the little girl whom He would restore to life. It is at other times wiser to be alone with God.

34. "And he went up and lay upon the child." The verses go on to tell just how he did it, mouth to mouth, eyes to eyes, hands to hands. The late C. H. Spurgeon, to whom I am indebted for many thoughts on this lesson, said that to stretch oneself down to a child was the hardest kind of stretching, but unless we can find grace to put ourselves as far as possible in the place of the children whom we seek to reach, seeing and thinking as they do, we may not hope to reach them.

35. "Then he returned and walked in the house to and fro and went up and stretched himself upon him, and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes." First the flesh waxed warm, then followed the sneezing and then the opened eyes. The boy might have revived at once, as in the case of the little girl or the widow's son or Eutychus, but our Lord does not often do the same work in the same exact way any more than He makes two leaves or two faces exactly alike.

36. "And he called Gehazi and said, Call this Shunamite. So he called her. And when she was come in unto him he said, Take up thy son." Now she received him alive from the dead, more to her than ever before, yet doubtless held henceforth with very different feelings from formerly. In the first place, he was, like Isaac, a supernatural child (verse 14), and now he was a child actually given back from the dead, so that this great woman of Shunem was made to see the great power of the God of Israel in a twofold way.

37. "Then she went in and fell at his feet and bowed herself to the ground, and took up her son and went out." Let some mother who has lost an only son describe this mother's joy at such a time and under such circumstances. We may imagine her bowing before God with him and saying like Hannah, "He shall be given to the Lord as long as he lives." Let all our hearts turn more fully to the Only Begotten Son of God whom God spared not, but delivered Him up for us all, and let us remember that with Him He has freely given us all things (Rom. viii., 32). May no one and no thing come between our hearts and Him.—Lesson Helper.

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The Madrid government has given orders that the minister of war shall not force resistance in Porto Rico to the utmost. This is at the instigation of Premier Sagasta, who deplores any unnecessary loss of life, knowing that Porto Rico will inevitably fall into the hands of the Americans.

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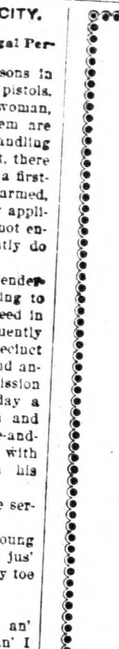

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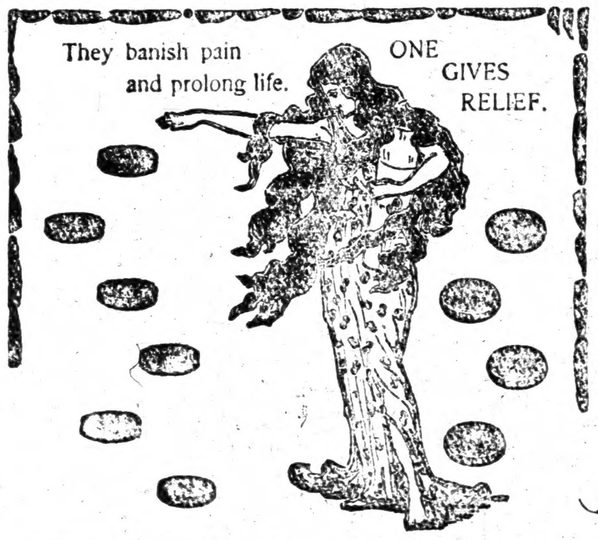

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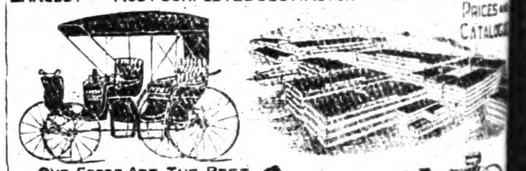

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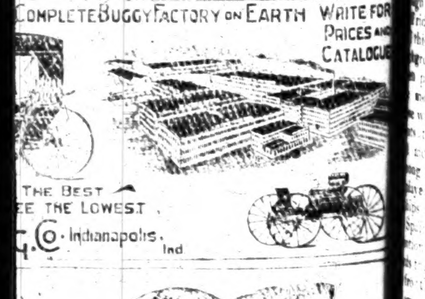
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A PRIVATE WRITES FROM JACKSONVILLE.

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 11, 1898
Editor Banner: At last we have escaped from Flaglerville more dead than alive and now are beginning to get over the punishment inflicted upon us. All have heaved a long sigh of relief and settled down to the enjoyment of civiliza... again.

We are very comfortably situated on the banks of the St. Johns River, in Fairfield park, about two miles from the city and only two hundred yards from an electric car line which takes us into the city in short time. We have a floor of fine, clear, white sand, carpeted with luxurious grass, over head is a leafy roof festooned with Spanish moss and illumined here and there with the blossoms of the cape myrtle. At our feet glides the broad St. Johns and it glistens and sparkles as the sun shines upon it. Over it many stately vessels and many upon which the eyes of the ...ons have been turned. In the ...ar now is that fearless filibuster, the Dauntless, who has played important a part in the Cuban ...surrection and the early days of present war. The water supply is more abundant and healthier ...n that we have just left, but it ...s a strong sulpher taste. The boys ...y that this sulpher is healthy and ...gradually becoming accustomed ...o it although they will drink other things, too, all the same.

Jacksonville is a beautiful city ...s much like a northern city ...an other in the south. It is ...paved and well lighted, with ...pure water supply ... The city has a ...ecidedly, although ...of a northern town, ...found in the south. ...the fashionable shop... ...at this time a perfect ...wing soldiers and ...and there the glint ...ments of an officer ...the summer dress ... Through the ...ic electric cars often ...ir almost capacity ...eight or with civ... Often is seen a ...rymen from Torrey's ...s or a general and his ...through the wide streets, ...the store windows as a ...and this background ...proves more attractive than ...morning drama beyond. In ...ows are set all inducements ...catch the soldier's eyes ...especially his money. ...things for sale are also ...ken from the battlefields of conquered ...always attract ...often bring into ...ier's desire to get to

...y to report that Aristo ...left in the hospital ...a case of measles. ...have just told me ...d from him and ...ng well and would ...day or so. The ...nty boys, so far ...well and enjoying ...mp. Sergeant ...unfortunately ...nose is much better ...entirely well. ...was very much affected ...receipt of the news ...ckshers sad injury. ...was a universal favorite ...boys and all join ...a speedy recovery.

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Kincheon, Aug. 15, 1898
Editor BANNER—I saw in your issue of August 4 someone, who signed himself Billy, writing from Billingsley, in reference to working roads by taxation. It seems to me he has some very peculiar ideas. He says that they have worse roads in Autauga county than they have had in ten years.

Now, Mr. Editor, don't we all know that if the said road law is properly enforced we are bound to have better roads than we now have? And doesn't anyone know that where public roads are worked by taxation that the more property a man owns the more he uses the roads and the more tax he pays, and the contractor who works the roads gives bond for the faithful performance of his duty, thereby insuring us good roads.

I think Billy had better look again. I say let us have the public roads worked by taxation. I generally work the roads about three days a year. Let us say that my time is worth 50 cents per day, that is $1.50 a year, and if I was taxed for that purpose the tax would not be over 15 or 20 cents per year.

But, says one, the men who are 45 years of age, who are now free from that duty, would be brought in again under that law. Let me ask where is the man who would not rather pay a few cents per annum and have good roads, than to be road free and have such roads as we have under the present laws?

Again, let us have the road law, and let there be a dog law also, there is a lot of bread consumed by worthless dogs that children ought to have.

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Death of Mrs W. M. Wilson

Early on Friday morning last the angel of death carried away the immortal spirit of Allie, the beloved wife of Mr. W. M. Wilson. The news came upon our town like a thunder-clap from an unclouded sky—it was so unexpected. Only the day previous Mrs. Wilson had been out on the streets in, apparently, her usual health, but "the Lord giveth, and the Lord taketh away."

Mrs. Wilson was born near Maplesville thirty-eight years ago, and spent the happy days of her girlhood there until thirteen years since when she was married to Mr. W. M. Wilson, and has since that event lived in Clanton beloved and respected by all who knew her.

For the last twenty years of her life she was a faithful member of the Methodist church, and was always eager and willing to assist her neighbors when in grief or distress. A good woman has gone, leaving a host of grieving friends and relatives, an inconsolable husband and three little motherless children to mourn for her.

The funeral took place Saturday morning, and seldom has a larger congregation gathered at the cemetery, testifying to the high esteem in which the deceased lady was held. Rev. W. B. Dennis read the burial service in his most impressive manner, and many tears were dropped for the dearly loved sister who is now at rest.

Mr. W. M. Wilson desires to return his heartfelt thanks to kind neighbors and friends for their assistance and sympathy in his bereavement.

Maplesville.

Deep groans are yet coming from farmers of too much rain, all outdoor work is done between showers, cotton is remarkably heavily fruited here, is shedding some owing to too much rain.

Many regiments of soldiers passed through making short stops, many were from Mo., ladies handed them boquets which were accepted as only a soldier can.

Mrs. Foshee and family have been to Clanton to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Wilson. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended the family.

Mr. Worthington, of Selma, has visited his kinsman, Noah Cooper, the latter has been to Clanton on business.

Mrs. Wadsworth, Vines and Mrs. John Foshee have all been visiting friends here.

Miss Gertrude James, from near Centreville, is visiting relatives here.

Our peach yield has been remarkable. Many trees are broken from heavy fruitage.

Our town is bearing her usual good health record, the Goodwin house is full to overflow, many applicants have been refused for want of room.

We have had a very pleasant addition by way of Mr Steel's family of Mobile, they occupy Mrs. Foshee's house.

The festive tramp visits us occasionally, a generous citizen gave one a good dinner on the promise that he would saw some wood, trusting to his honor they went to find the needed article when the wood was not sawed, but in its place was a neatly folded paper written in elegant handwriting "tell them that you saw me but did not see me saw"

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The Baptist series of meetings closed Wednesday night with four additions, two by letter and two by experience.

Mr. David Kendrick and Miss Susie Mercer, visited Cross Roads Sunday.

Quite a large crowd of white people from several miles around attended the colored people's baptizing here last Sunday.

Messrs. Adelbert and Eugene Goss visited relatives at Cross Roads Sunday.

Miss Lula Johnson, of Pine Flat is visiting Miss Vena Pyron this week.

Mr. John Lock, of Deatsville, paid us a flying visit Sunday, carrying back with him Mrs. Peace, who will spend several weeks there and elsewhere.

Work on our new church is going right on, the framing is now being hauled from Bozeman mill.

The heavy and continued rains last week caused Mr. W. W. Wadsworth to lose about six thousand logs. He had them thrown here in Chestnut creek and both, the boom across mouth of creek and the one across the river broke, causing the logs to pass, and no doubt but that some of them visited Mobile. Quite a heavy loss on Mr. Wadsworth, hope he will not have that misfortune any more.

The meeting at Canaan did not protract this time as we expected, but will second Sunday prox.

Miss Beulah Johnson returned Friday from a visit to Miss Martha Pyron at Verbena.

Mrs. Roy, of Prattville, has been staying awhile with relatives here.

Sore eyes have become an epidemic in this community, a good many have suffered and a good many are suffering very badly.

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Lily.

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Rev. J. G. Lowery filled his appointment at Mulberry the 1 Sunday. Bro. Lowery expects to begin a series of meetings at Mulberry, Wednesday before the first Sunday in September.

The writer has just closed a singing school at Valley Creek. Miss Ophelia King serving as accompanist.

Miss Lula Rasberry is visiting her grandmother at Stanton.

Messrs. Walter and Luther Lenoir left for Waxahachie, Texas, last Thursday.

Quite a number of the people of Coosa have visited these parts this summer.

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Mr. Frank Letcher wes in Centreville Tuesday.

Mr. C. McDowell and sister, Miss Mary, visited friends here on Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Lawrence, of Montevallo, is visiting Mrs. Plant this week.

Mrs. Osborn and Miss Gertrude have returned home after several days visit to Birmingham.

Mrs. Wright, of Selma, is visiting Mr. Sam Griffin's family this week.

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Verbena.

Last Thursday at Verbena, Sidney, the loveable and gifted son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Beale of Montgomery, after a short but severe illness, breathed his last, surrounded by the deeply bereaved family. Sidney was nearly 14 years of age, his twin brother, Jesse, surviving him. His was an exceptionally sweet and sympathetic disposition. He was the idol of his parents and their innumerable friends. The latter deeply feel the great and irreparable loss sustained of the fond and distressed parents, and all have the undivided sympathy of the whole community. All who knew him predicted a bright and useful future for Sidney Beale.

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About one month ago my child, which is fifteen months old, had an attack of diarrhoea accompanied by vomiting. I gave it such remedies as are usually given in such cases, but as nothing gave relief, we sent for a physician and it was under his care for a week. At this time the child had been sick for about ten days and was having about twenty-five operations of the bowels every twelve hours, and we were convinced that no relief would be obtained of it would not live. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was recommended, and I decided to try it. I soon noticed a change for the better by its continued use a complete cure was brought about and it is now perfectly healthy.—C. L. Boggs, Stumptown, Gilmer Co., W. Va. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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FRIDAY.

1:30 a.m. Devotional exercises.
11:00 Welcome address. James Thacker. Response, S. W. Collins. The Teacher, L. E. Byrum.
12:00. Dinner.
2 p.m. Education in its threefold sense—How best obtained? E. Y. McMorries.
3. Educational value of arithmetic. J. M. Corderie.
3:30. Educational value of reading, Mrs. Bowdoin.
4. Educational value of history, Miss Kate Garner.
4:30. Educational value of grammar, W. C. Evans.

SATURDAY.

9 a.m. The value of music in our common Schools, Miss Mary Moody.
9:30. The relation of patrons to the School, W. A. Mims and E. H. Parrish.
10:30. Educational Address, Judson Strock. Dinner.
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Clanton Locals.

Mr. Will Carter, of Billingsley, was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Duke of Billingsley visited relatives here this week.

DIED on Monday morning, 15th inst., at her home near Maplesville, Mrs. Bettie Smitherman, the mother of Mrs. W. M. Wilson, who had only preceded her to the realms of glory on the previous Friday. Mother and daughter are re-united in that happy land where parting is no more. The family of Mr. Wilson, as well as that of Mr. Smitherman, are enduring their double bereavement with Christian patience and fortitude, well knowing their loved ones are "Where the wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest."

Mrs. N. W. Foshee, her daughter, who was attending to the household of her brother-in-law, Mr. W. M. Wilson, was called home to her dying mother Monday morning, but unfortunately arrived too late.

WORN-OUT WOMEN

Most women are drudges. Some are willing, some are unwilling. Some women drudge for themselves, some for their family. Their routine is endless; no matter how ill they feel they work.

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PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

Only nineteen per cent. of those who applied for service in the regular army passed the severe physical tests applied by the government.

The masses in Spain are not proper subjects of sympathy in the present crisis. Any governmental change is likely to mean a betterment of their condition.

A prominent bacteriologist states that scarcely one dog in 10,000 supposed to be mad in the sense that his bite will communicate hydrophobia is really so. A knowledge of this fact will cause a comparative feeling of security, but then a close lookout should be kept against the one dog.

The Hawaiians are more akin to the Papuan than to the Malay race. They are a family of the brown Polynesian race, which inhabits the Tonga, the Society, Friendly and Samoan islands. The New Zealander and the Hawaiian, although 5000 miles apart, can understand each other, so similar is the language. The original Hawaiians are olive in color, with black, wavy, glossy hair, large eyes, full lips and a nose inclined to be flat. They are peaceful, gentle, imitative and yielding.

The Berlin (Germany) sewer system transports annually from sixty million to seventy million tons of sewage for distribution over an area of twenty thousand acres lying from seven to fifteen miles beyond the limits of the city. Although the cost of the drainage is about $25,000,000 a year, the enormously increased fertility of the land makes it a paying operation. Besides that, it is the most sanitary and scientific mode of disposing of the city's sewage.

The regular troops of the United States army have done so exactly what was confidently expected of them that their splendid performances before Santiago excited less comment than did the equally heroic deeds of the volunteers. We all accepted as a matter of course that the regulars and their West Point officers would act up to the highest standard fixed by the history of their organization. But matters of course should not pass without recognition. All but three regiments of the army which accompanied Shafter are regulars, well trained, perfectly disciplined, hardy, intelligent American soldiers, officered by men whose superiors are not found in the armies of the world. The work of the regulars has proved this.

Spain's red and yellow banner has been kissed by the suns and fanned by the breezes of every clime. Each of the races of the earth has paid gold into her treasure vaults—the red man of our own forest primeval, the Malay of the Southern seas, the Mongolian Islanders, the natives of Africa—all of these have spent the sweat of their brows and the blood of their hearts to the profit and glory of the kingdom of Spain. By the daring of her navigators and the force of her arms Spain placed her flag at the four quarters of the earth, muses the New York World. The lust of conquest lay at the Spaniard's feet. Then came a period in which over-confidence and government prostitutions worked hand in hand. One by one the colonies proclaimed red-eyed revolution. One by one the nation lost her neglected own. It has taken four centuries to do this—three of them slow, unprogressive centuries—but time has done his work well.

The famous English statistician, Mr. Mulhall, has made estimates of the wealth of the leading nations of the world at the end of the year 1895. His figures are as follows: United States, $81,750,000,000; Great Britain, $59,030,000,000; France, $47,950,000,000; Germany, $40,260,000,000; Russia, $32,125,000,000; Austria, $22,560,000,000; Italy, $15,800,000,000; Spain, $11,900,000,000. The comparative figures for annual earnings are as follows: United States, $15,580,000,000; Great Britain, $7,115,000,000; Germany, $6,402,000,000; France, $5,995,000,000; Russia, $5,020,000,000; Austria, $3,535,000,000; Italy, $2,180,000,000; Spain, $1,365,000,000. It will be seen that the United States leads all the other nations in wealth and still further in annual earnings. Compared with Spain, we have nearly seven times as much property, while our annual earnings are twelve times as much. The difference in the average intelligence of the two nations is even greater.

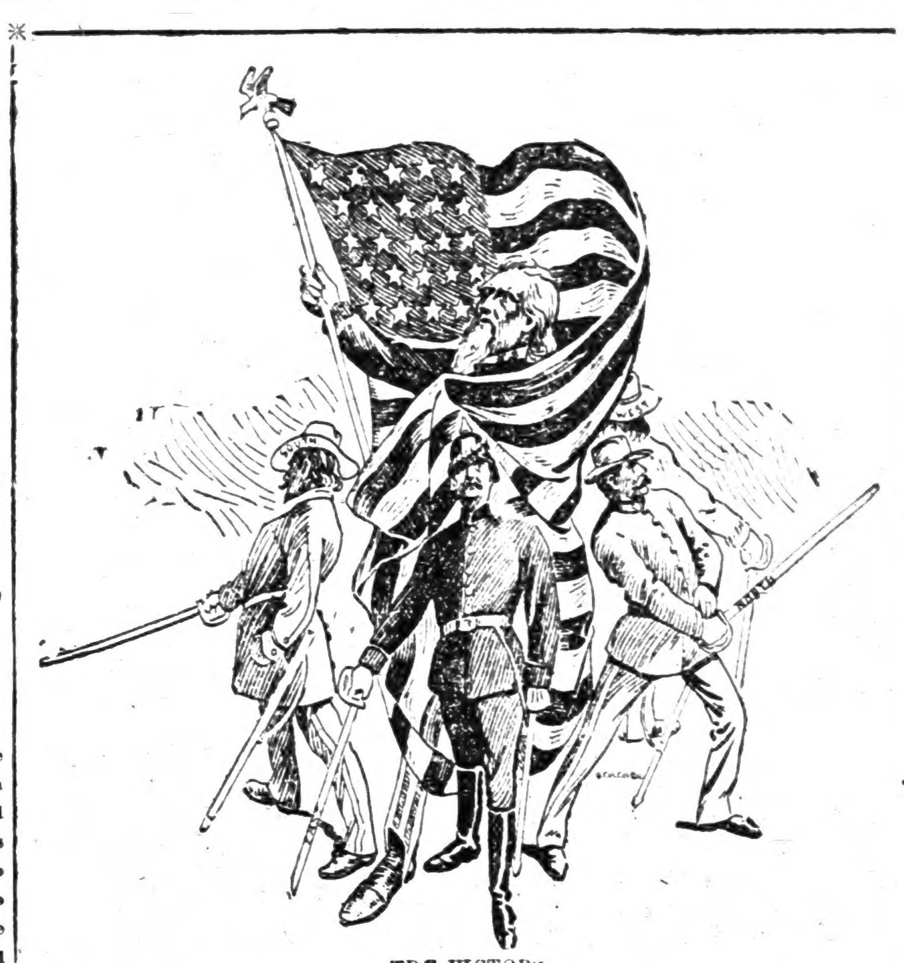
END OF THE WAR WITH SPAIN.

Peace Protocol Signed by Secretary Day and Ambassador Cambon in the Presence of President McKinley.

HISTORIC SCENE IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

Imperative Orders Cabled to Cuba, Porto Rico and Manila to Stop Bloodshed.

Spain Yields to Our Ultimatum—Peace Commissioners Appointed Forthwith to Make a Treaty, Which Madrid Thinks Will Be Ratified by the Cortes Without Difficulty—Spanish Troops to Evacuate Forts, American Forces to Occupy Them—Porto Rico Ours—The Blockade of Cuba, Porto Rico and Manila Raised—Orders Immediately Issued to United States Naval and Military Commanders to Cease Hostilities—Work on the Treaty—Not More Than Five Commissioners on Each Side, to Meet in Paris by Oct. 1.



THE VICTORS.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The war between the United States and Spain, which was formally declared to exist by Congress at 3 o'clock on the morning of April 21 last, was practically ended at 4.23 o'clock Friday afternoon, when Secretary Day and M. Cambon, French Ambassador representing Spain, affixed their signatures to duplicate copies of a protocol establishing a basis upon which the two countries, acting through their respective commissioners could negotiate terms of peace. Immediately following the execution of the protocol President McKinley signed a proclamation

SECRETARY OF STATE DAY.

(Who signed the protocol in behalf of the United States.)

declaring the existence of an armistice, and, pursuant to a provision of the protocol, orders were transmitted at once to General Miles in Porto Rico, to General Shafter in Cuba, and to General Merritt in the Philippines, and to Admiral Dewey at Manila and Admirals Sampson and Watson at Guantanamo, to cease hostilities; and to Admiral Howell at Key West, in command of the blockading fleet, to raise the blockade of Cuban and Porto Rican ports. The orders also include the liberating of the port of Manila from the blockade that has been maintained there by Admiral Dewey since May 1. Copies of the proclamation were sent to our Ambassadors and Ministers in South America, and notification of the signing of the protocol was sent to all other diplomatic representatives of the United States.

The full text of the protocol was not made public. It is a document of about 1200 words, and some of the provisions withheld, it is believed, relate to matters concerning which it is deemed expedient for the present to maintain in reserve.

The Protocol.

The protocol provides:

1. That Spain will relinquish all claim of sovereignty over and title to Cuba.

2. That Porto Rico and other Spanish islands in the West Indies and an island in the Ladrones, to be selected by the United States, shall be ceded to the latter.

3. That the United States will occupy and hold the city, bay and harbor of Manila, pending the conclusion of a treaty of peace which shall determine the control, disposition and government of the Philippines.

4. That Cuba, Porto Rico and other Spanish islands in the West Indies shall be immediately evacuated, and that commissioners, to be appointed within ten days, shall, within thirty days from the signing of the protocol, meet at Havana and San Juan, respectively, to arrange and execute the details of the evacuation.

5. That the United States and Spain will each appoint not more than five commissioners to negotiate and conclude a treaty of peace. The commissioners are to meet at Paris not later than October 1.

6. On the signing of the protocol, hostilities will be suspended and notice to that effect will be given as soon as possible by each Government to the commanders of its military and naval forces.

The President Declares an Armistice.

The proclamation declaring the existence of an armistice reads:

"By the President of the United States of America:

"A PROCLAMATION.

"Whereas, By a protocol concluded and signed August 12, 1898, by William R. Day, Secretary of State of the United States, and his Excellency Jules Cambon, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of France at Washington, respectively representing for this purpose the Government of the United States and the Government of Spain, the United States and Spain have formally agreed upon the terms on which negotiations for the establishment of peace between the two countries shall be undertaken; and,

"Whereas. It is in said protocol agreed that upon its conclusion and signature hostilities between the two countries shall be suspended, and that notice to that effect shall be given as soon as possible by each Government to the commanders of its military and naval forces:

"Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, President of the United States, do, in accordance with the stipulations of the protocol, declare and proclaim on the part of the United States a suspension of hostilities, and do hereby command that orders be immediately given through the proper channels to the commanders of the military and naval forces of the United States to abstain from all acts inconsistent with this proclamation.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington, this 12th day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-third. WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

"By the President. WILLIAM R. DAY, Secretary of State."

Suspension of Hostilities Ordered.

The armistice proclamation was followed at once by orders from the War Department to the several commanding Generals in the field directing that all military operations be suspended. Practically identical cablegrams were sent to Major-General Miles in Porto Rico, Major-General Shafter in Santiago and Major-General Merritt in the Philippines. This is the text of the message to General Miles:

"ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, August 12, 1898.

"Major-General Miles, Ponce, Porto Rico:

"The President directs that all military operations against the enemy be suspended. Peace negotiations are nearing completion, a protocol having been signed by representatives of the two countries. You will inform the commander of the Spanish forces in Porto Rico of these instructions. Further orders will follow. Acknowledge receipt.

"By order Secretary of War.

"H. C. CORBIN, Adjutant-General."

SIGNING THE PROTOCOL.

Simplicity of the Formalities at the White House.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—With simplicity in keeping with democratic institutions, the war which has raged between

M. JULES CAMBON.

(French Ambassador who signed the protocol as the Representative of Spain.)

Spain and the United States for a period of three months and twenty days was quietly terminated at 4.23 o'clock Friday afternoon, when Secretary Day, for the United States, and M. Cambon, for Spain, in the presence of President McKinley, signed a protocol which will form the basis of a definite treaty of peace.

The protocols were signed at the request of the President in the Cabinet room at the Executive Mansion. There were present the President, William R. Day, Secretary of State; John B. Moore, Assistant Secretary of State; A. A. Adee, Second Assistant Secretary of State, and Thomas W. Cridler, Third Assistant Secretary of State. At four o'clock the French Ambassador, M. Jules Cambon, was announced. He was accompanied by his secretary, M. Eugene Thiebaut.

They were conducted to the library, where they had conducted the negotiations with the President and Secretary Day, and here they were met by Judge Day and escorted to the Cabinet room, where they were welcomed by the President.

There was no delay in proceeding with the work at hand. As soon as the gentlemen had greeted one another, Messrs Cridler and Thiebaut compared the copies of the protocol that has been prepared, and, finding them satisfactorily engrossed, they were placed on the table preparatory to being signed. The document had been prepared in duplicate; the text ran in parallel columns, one being English, the other French. In one copy the English version occupied the first column; in the other the French came first. The latter was first signed, "M. Jules Cambon" appearing on the upper line and "William R. Day" on the lower. The signatures to the other copy were reversed, that of Secretary Day coming first and that of M. Cambon last. This copy will go into the archives of the State Department; the other M. Cambon carried away to transmit to Paris, whence it will reach Madrid, its final resting place.

The writing was done upon the table around which the members of the Cabinet sit during their sessions, at the place allotted to Secretary Long, whose chair was occupied in turn by M. Cambon and Secretary Day. The act of signing was witnessed by the President, who rose from his seat at the other end of the table as M. Cambon sat down.

The President, as soon as the protocol had been signed expressed his great satisfaction at the completion of the ceremony. To M. Cambon and to M. Thiebaut he extended his thanks in an earnest, impressive way for their active and sympathetic co-operation in bringing so speedily and successfully to their present stage the efforts looking to a resumption of peace between the two countries. M. Cambon returned his thanks for the warmth and evident sincerity of the President's greeting, and expressed his own pleasure at being able to participate in such an auspicious event.

Congratulations were exchanged among all those present, and after President McKinley had signed the proclamation announcing the existence of an armistice, which he did within two minutes after the protocol had been signed, a short period of relaxation and refreshment followed. Souvenirs of the event were secured by several members of the party, Assistant Secretary Moore getting the pen used by the signatories to the protocol.

The pen to be used in signing the proclamation directing a suspension of hostilities was handed to the President by M. Thiebaut, who remarked that he desired to retain it as a momento of the occasion, and the President received it, expressing pleasure at the part played by M. Thiebaut in the peace negotiations.

Before the party dispersed the Secretary of War, General Alger, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Allen and Adjutant-General Corbin, who had been invited to be present, called and joined in the felicitations.

CONDENSED HISTORY OF THE WAR.

Hostilities begun, April 21, 1898.
Peace proposal accepted, August 2, 1898.
Protocal signed, August 12.
Number of days of actual war, 113.
Cost in lives to Spain, about 11,000 killed. (No official report of Spanish casualties published.)
Cost to the United States, about 253 men killed and about 1324 men wounded.
What we lost: The Maine, with 266 men.
What Spain lost: Montojo's fleet, Cervera's fleet, Cuba, Porto Rico, one of the Ladrones and possibly the Philippines.
Strength of the United States Army when war was declared, 27,532 men.
Strength now, 278,500 men.
Strength of United States Navy when war was declared: Battleships and cruisers, 14; monitors, 19; unarmored steel vessels, 16; gunboats, 19; torpedo boats, 23.
Strength now: Battle ships and cruisers, 39; monitors, 19; unarmored steel vessels, 31; gun boats, 25; torpedo boats, 25; special craft, 45.
May 1, Dewey destroys Spanish fleet at Manila.
May 19, Cervera's fleet reaches Santiago.
June 22, Shafter's army lands at Baiquiri.
July 3, Cervera's fleet destroyed.
July 14, Santiago surrenders.
July 26, Miles lands at Guanica.
July 29, Ponce surrenders.

SPAIN'S VIEW OF PEACE.

Government Preparing to Meet Any Uprising That May Arise.

MADRID, Spain (By Cable).—The protocol having been signed, the Government is now considering the domestic situation for the best means of allaying the excitement and propagating the idea that Spain's surrender is not so complete as indicated.

In order to allay public feeling Spain has caused the publication of a semi-official note expressing the hope that the Philippines will remain under Spanish sovereignty, and that the armies in Cuba and Porto Rico will be permitted to depart honorably.

The Liberal, one of the most influential papers in Spain, however, admits that Spain's mission in the New World is completely ended.

Nebraska Republicans in Session.

The Nebraska Republican State convention at Lincoln nominated Judge M. L. Haywood for Governor, at the head of a full State ticket, and adopted the platform advocated by the Conservatives as to the proper policy of the Nation toward conquered territory, and containing the following financial plank: "We reaffirm unswerving allegiance to the principles enumerated in the Republican National platform of 1896. We are in favor of the maintenance of the present gold standard and unalterably opposed to the free and unlimited coinage of silver."

The Oldest Person in America Dead.

Mrs. Margaret Fallon, who has just died at King's Ferry, Cayuga County, N. Y., at the age of one hundred and seventeen, is believed to have been the oldest person in America. It has been found from the records that she was born in Lusfuth Parish, Kings County, Ireland, in 1781. She has been a widow fifty years and is survived by four sons and five daughters. The oldest daughter is eighty and the oldest son seventy-five.

Licensed Fertilizers.

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture has licensed over a thousand brands of fertilizers.

Wyoming Republican Convention.

The Wyoming Republicans met in State Convention at Douglas, Wyoming, and nominated by acclamation De Forest Richards for Governor. F. W. Mondell was nominated by Congress. The platform indorses the "twin measures of the Republican party, protection and prosperity;" approves the Dingley tariff law, supports the Administration in its vigorous prosecution of the war against Spain, praises the country's heroes, approves Hawaiian annexation, and favors the construction of the Nicaraguan Canal, and favors the retention of all the territory which American arms have conquered.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY.

"Writing in Dust" the Subject—A Denunciation of Hypocrisy—The Injustice of Condemning in Woman Sins That Are Overlooked in Man.

T[illegible] stooped down [illegible] with his fingers wrote on the ground [illegible] viii, 6.

You must take [illegible] on the especial [illegible] door if you would [illegible] mosque, which stands [illegible] where once stood Herod's temple [illegible] my text. Solomon's temple had [illegible] Nebuchadnezzar had [illegible] Zerubbabel's temple [illegible] there, but had been prostrated. Now we have our places in a temple [illegible] Herod built because he was fond of great architecture, and he wanted the preceding temples to seem insignificant. Put [illegible] ten modern cathedrals together, and [illegible] would not equal that structure. It covered nineteen acres. There were marble pillars supporting roofs of cedar, and silver tables on which stood golden cups, and there were carvings exquisite, and inscriptions resplendent, glittering balustrades and ornamented gateways.

In that stupendous pile of pomp and magnificence sat Christ, and a listening throng stood about Him when a wild disturbance took place. A group of men are pulling and pushing along a woman who had committed a crime against society. When they have brought her in front of Christ, they ask that He sentence her to death by stoning. They are a critical, merciless, disingenuous crowd. They want to get Christ into controversy and public reprehension. If He say "Let her die," they will charge Him with cruelty. If He let her go they will charge Him with being in complicity with wickedness. Whichever way He does, they would howl at Him.

Then occurs a scene which has not been sufficiently regarded. He leaves the lounge or bench on which He was sitting, and goes down on one knee, or both knees, and with the forefinger of His right hand He begins to write in the dust of the floor, word after word. But they were not to be diverted or hindered. They kept on demanding that He settle this case of transgression, until He looked up and told them they might themselves begin the woman's assassination, if the complainant who had never done anything wrong himself would open the fire. "Go ahead, but be sure that the man who flings the first missile is immaculate." Then He resumed writing with His finger nail in the dust of the floor, word after word. Instead of looking over His shoulder to see what He had written, the scoundrels skulked away. Finally, the whole place is clear of pursuers, antagonists and plaintiffs, and when Christ has finished this strange chirography in the dust He looks up and finds the woman all alone.

The prisoner is the only one of the courtroom left, the judges, the police, the prosecuting attorney having cleared out. Christ is victor, and He says to the woman: "Where are the persecutors in this case? are they all gone? Then I discharge you; go and sin no more." I have wondered what Christ wrote on the ground. For do you realize that this is the only time that He ever wrote at all? I know that Eusebius says that Christ once wrote a letter to Abgarus, the King of Edessa, but there is no good evidence of such a correspondence. The wisest Being the world ever saw, and the One who had more to say than anyone who ever lived, never writing a book or a chapter or a paragraph or a word on parchment. Nothing but the literature of the dust, and one sweep of a brush or one breath of a wind obliterated it forever.

Among all the rolls of the volumes of the first library founded at Thebes there was not one scroll of Christ. Among the books of the Alexandrian Library, which, by the infamous decree of Caliph Omar, were used as fuel to heat the baths of the city, not one sentence had Christ penned. Among all the infinitude of volumes now standing in the libraries of Edinburgh, the British Museum, or Berlin, or Vienna, or the learned repositories of all nations, not one word written directly by the finger of Christ. All that He ever wrote He wrote in dust, uncertain, shifting dust.

My text says He stooped down and wrote on the ground. Standing straight up a man might write on the ground with a staff, but if with His fingers He would write in the dust He must bend clear over. Aye, He must get at least on one knee, or He cannot write on the ground. Be not surprised that He stooped down. His whole life was a stooping down. Stooping down from castle to barn. Stooping down from celestial homage to monocratic jeer. From residence above the stars to where a star had to fall to designate His landing-place. From Heaven's front door to the world's back gate. From writing in round and silvered letters of constellation and galaxy on the blue scroll of Heaven to writing on the ground in the dust which the feet in the crowd had left in Herod's temple.

Christ came down from the highest Heaven to the broiling of fish for His own breakfast, on the banks of the lake. From emblazoned chariots of eternity to the saddle of a mule's back. From the homage cherubic, seraphic, archangelic, to the paying of sixty-two and a half cents of tax to Cæsar. From the deathless country to a tomb built to hide human dissolution. The uplifted wave of Galilee was high, but He had to come down before, with His feet, He could touch it, and the whirlwind that arose above the billow was higher yet, but He had to come down before with His lip He could kiss it into quiet. Bethlehem a stooping down. Nazareth a stooping down. Death between two burglars a stooping down. Yes, it was in consonance with humiliations that went before and self-abnegations that came after, when on that memorable day in Herod's temple He stooped down and wrote on the ground.

Whether the words He was writing were in Greek or Latin or Hebrew, I cannot say, for He knew all those languages. But He is still stooping down, and with His finger writing on the ground; in the winter in letters of crystals, in the spring in letters of flowers, in summer in golden letters of harvest, in autumn in letters of fire or fallen leaves. How it would sweeten up and enrich and emblazon this world, could we see Christ's caligraphy all over it. This world was not flung out into space thousands of years ago, and then left to look out for itself. It is still under the Divine care. Christ never for a half second takes His hand off of it, or it would soon be a shipwrecked world, a defunct world, an obsolete world, an abandoned world, a dead world. "Let there be light," was said at the beginning. And Christ stands under the wintry skies and says, let there be snowflakes to enrich the earth; and under the clouds of spring and says, come ye blossoms and make redolent the orchards; and in September, dips the branches in the vat of beautiful colors, and swings them into the hazy air. No whim of mine is this. "Without Him was not anything made that was made." Christ writing on the ground.

If you could see His hand in all the passing seasons, how it would illumine the world! All verdure and foliage would be allegoric, and again we would hear Him say, as of old, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow;" and we would not hear the whistle of a quail or the cawing of a raven or the roundelay of a brown-thresher, without saying, "Behold the fowls of the air, they gather not in barns, yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them;" and a Dominic hen of the barnyard could not cluck for her brood, but we would hear Christ saying, as of old, "How often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings;" and through the redolent hedges we would hear Christ saying, "I am the rose of Sharon;" we could not dip the seasoning from the salt-cellar without think-

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Yes, I think [illegible] the ground [illegible] Christ was the [illegible] What pretension [illegible] of those hypocrites [illegible] fox begins to pray [illegible] ens. One of the [illegible] times was going [illegible] of the martyrs and [illegible] torn "In the name [illegible] "stop!" says the martyr, [illegible] name of God!" Yet how [illegible] are practiced under the g[illegible] and sanctity! When in s[illegible] ferences, ministers of the [illegible] to say something un[illegible] kind about a member, they [illegible] begin by being ostentatious [illegible] venom of their assault [illegible] the heavenly flavor of the [illegible] to devour a reputation the[illegible] before meat.

But I am sure there was [illegible] in that dust. From her en[illegible] am sure that arraigned w[illegible] pentant. She made no apo[illegible] in nowise belittled her sin [illegible] plicatory behavior and [illegible] Him, and when He stooped [illegible] on the ground He wrote tha[illegible] imperial word, forgiveness.

When on Sinai God wrote [illegible] wrote it with finger of lightning [illegible] of stone, each word cut as [illegible] the hard granite surface [illegible] writes the offence of this w[illegible] it in dust so that it can be [illegible] out, and when she repente[illegible] was a merciful Christ! I [illegible] legend that is told in the [illegible] Him. He was walking thro[illegible] of a city and He saw a crowd [illegible] dog. And one man said [illegible] some object is that dog!" [illegible] other, "his ears are ma[illegible]" "Yes," said another, "even [illegible] not be of any use to the [illegible]" said another, "the odor of [illegible] dreadful." Then Christ [illegible] said: "But pearls cannot [illegible] ness of his teeth." Then the[illegible] by the idea that anyone [illegible] thing pleasant concerning [illegible] said: "Why, this must be [illegible] reth!" Reproved and convi[illegible] away.

But while I speak of Christ [illegible] His stooping down writing [illegible] not think I underrate the [illegible] dust. It is the most tre[illegible] literature. It is the grandest [illegible] ries. When Layard exhumed [illegible] was only opening the doo[illegible] dust. The excavations [illegible] only been the unclasping of [illegible] nation's dust.

Oh! this mighty literature [illegible] Where are the remains of [illegible] Attila and Epaminondas a[illegible] and Trajan and Philip of [illegible] Julius Cæsar? Dust! W[illegible] guests who danced the floors [illegible] lora or the Persian palace [illegible] Dust! Where are the [illegible] played, or the orators who [illegible] sculptors who chiseled, and [illegible] who built, in all the centu[illegible] own? Dust! Where are [illegible] books that once entranced [illegible] Dust! Pliny wrote twenty [illegible] tory; all lost. The most [illegible] writings lost. Of one hund[illegible] comedies of Plautus, all gone [illegible] Euripides wrote a hundred [illegible] gone but nineteen. Aeschylus [illegible] dred dramas, all gone but [illegible] tilian wrote his favorite bo[illegible] ruption of eloquence, a[illegible] books of Tacitus lost. [illegible] eighty books, only twenty [illegible] sius's history all lost. [illegible] living book there are a [illegible] books.

Oh! this mighty literature [illegible] is not so wonderful; after a[illegible] chose, instead of an ins[illegible] sionable sand on the floor [illegible] temple, and instead of a [illegible] forth His forefinger, with [illegible] nerve and muscle and [illegible] that which makes up [illegible] and wrote the awful [illegible] and full and complete [illegible] pentant sinners, even the [illegible] about the ocean of Christ [illegible] four ships upon that ocean [illegible] sail out in opposite dir[illegible] sand years, and see if [illegible] shore of the ocean of the [illegible] them sail to the north a[illegible] the east and the west [illegible] thousand years of voyage [illegible] back and they will re[illegible] shore to the ocean of [illegible]

And now I can believe [illegible] how that a mother kep[illegible] in the window every nigh[illegible] and one night, very late [illegible] street entered. The aged [illegible] her, "Sit down by the fire [illegible] said. "Why do you keep [illegible] window?" The aged w[illegible] to light my wayward [illegible] returns. Since she went [illegible] ago, my hair has turned [illegible] blame me for worrying a[illegible] see I am her mother and [illegible] dozen times a night, I op[illegible] look out into the darkness [illegible] zie! 'Lizzie!' But I must [illegible] more about my trouble, for [illegible] the way you cry, you have [illegible] of your own. Why, how [illegible] seem! Oh, my! can it be [illegible] Lizzie, my own lost child [illegible] you are home again!" A[illegible] rejoicing there was in [illegible] night. And Christ aga[illegible] and in the ashes of that [illegible] up, not more by the great [illegible] by the joy of a reunited [illegible] the same liberating wo[illegible] written more than eigh[illegible] ago in the dust of the [illegible] Forgiveness! A word [illegible] high enough to let pass [illegible] armies of Heaven, a m[illegible] white horses, nostril to [illegible] flank.

. TALMAGE.

...THE LAMENTATION OF DI... AT JERUSALEM SUNDAY.

...Subject—A Dream ...—The Injustice of ... Who Do Not Like ... Make.

...ILIPPINE CAPITAL HAS SURRENDERED.

...s of Peace Negotiations Failed to ... Time to Save City.

...L-GEN. AUGUSTI FLED TO HONG KONG.

...y Bombarded the City While Gen. ...rritt Opened Fire on the Fortifica... on the Land Side—Germans Aided Spaniards With Arms.

...ka, Special.—On Saturday ... Dewey opened fire on ... with the guns of his fleet and ... bombardment until the ... surrendered unconditionally. ... bombardment from ... Merritt opened fire on the ... fortifications from the land ... with their guns. The execu... was heavy. Details are difficult ...

...ported by Consul Wildman.

...Hong Kong.—The department of ... has just issued the following: ... dispatch was received ... department of state August 15 ... Consul Wildman, Hong Kong: ... Dewey bombarded Ma... Saturday city surrendered un... Navy Augusti was taken by ... launch Kaiserin Augustin ... to Hong Kong. I credit ...

...Captain-General Augusti Escapes.

...Hong Kong.—General Augusti, cap... general of the Philippines, arriv... the Kaiserin Augustin. He re... to be interviewed and will say ... more than that he is going to ... at the first opportunity. It is a ... fact that while the fastest ... has brought General ... he brings only a small pack... for the German consul. ... is now in Canton and his ... remains unopened. The ... facts are not known, but it is ... that General Augusti fled ... Philippines. Augusti is ac... by his wife and family.

...Spaniards Assisted by the Germans.

...Hong Kong.—Manuel ... a sergeant in the ... army, who was cap... a few days ago, is responsible ... statement that the ... have given the Spaniards ac... He said: "The Ger... supplied us from their ... first-class field guns, ... used to good advan... just which guns ... were given by the ... I am sure there were at ... When informed that if ... proved it might have ... the relations of the ... and Germany, he said ... truth so far as he ... all his fellow-officers ... it to be true beyond ... He even ventured to add: ... have landed pro... governor-general and ... als, providing them ... things that they ... otherwise, and supply... wants."

...ILIPPINES AGGRESSION.

...and That Chinese Government ...mises Li Hung Chang.

...foreign office, it is ... as yet the report ... intends to demand ... government dismiss ... from power on ... is responsible for ... British attitude of the ... The foreign office, ... had under spe... question of seiz... on the Gulf of ... of the Pekin river. ... Tsin, the port of ... of China refusing ... demand, holding ... is assured.

...ance Resigns.

...Government has re... General Blanco a ... his resignation. ... by General Blanco ... he does not wish ... evacuation of Cuba.

...Congratulations.

...ams received Sunday ...ations of a foreign ...cessful termination ...Spain. Italy, through ... Baron Fava, commu... the department an ex... satisfaction at the ...peace negotiations, ... this country might ...ts of peace.

...Fires Near Montgomery.

...in Montgomery county, ...ner was shot and in... attempting to put ...ames, John and Henry ...uncle's store.

...Favors Annexation.

...nomist government ... It is believed that the ...ment will decline to ...ations of Governors ... and Augusti. Havana ...sent the Spanish ele... as favoring Amer... as the best means to ... and avert anarchy.

...Are Coming Home.

...order sends word that ... Alabama immediate y ...

THE MORRO'S LAST GUN.

Without Warning the Old Castle Opens Fire on the Flagship San Francisco.

KEY WEST, FLA.—The flagship San Francisco, the monitor Miantonomah and the auxiliary yacht Sylvia were fired upon by the Havana batteries shortly before 5 o'clock Friday morning. One 14 or 12-inch shell struck the San Francisco's stern as she turned to get out of range and tore a hole about a foot in diameter, completely wrecking Commodore Howell's quarters and smashing his book case to fragments. Nobody was injured and being under orders not to attack the batteries the ships retreated as fast as their engines would carry them. The flagship and the Sylvia lay parallel to each other not more than a mile from Morro castle and separated from each other by a distance between three-eighths and one quarter of a mile. The Miantonomah lay about three-quarters of a mile to the rear of the others. All were within range of the Spanish batteries and the temptation was too strong to be resisted.

The one-sided engagement had scarcely ended when the men of the Sylvia were treated to another surprise. The little yacht gunboat which is manned by the New York naval militia, reached the blockading station only two weeks ago and this was her first war experience. She had barely recovered from the tingle of it when the flagship called the vessel over and Captain Bellers was given a packet of private documents which he was ordered to take into Havana under a flag of truce. Without wasting words the white flag was ordered hoisted over the Sylvia and she steamed toward the guns which had just given her such noisy greeting. Her men are very proud of their first, and doubtless last, war experience.

GREAT COST OF THE WAR.

The Expense in Money Over a Million Dollars Daily.

WASHINGTON.—Although the war with Spain lasted only 113 days, it is estimated that it has cost the government so far $150,000,000, of which $98,000,000 has been actually paid out of the treasury. Beginning with March 1, when the first increases in the expenditures in anticipation of war became apparent in the daily expenditure of the treasury the actual disbursements on this account have been approximately as follows:

March—Army, $600,000; navy, $2,400,000. Total, $3,000,000.

April—Army, $1,200,000; navy, $9,800,000. Total, $11,000,000.

May—Army, $12,000,000; navy, $7,900,000. Total, $19,000,000.

June—Army, $16,500,000; navy, $6,500,000. Total, $23,000,000.

July—Army, $29,500,000; navy, $5,500,000. Total, $35,000,000.

To August 13—Army, $5,500,000; navy, $1,500,000. Total, $7,000,000.

Total charged to war department, $65,300,000; total charged to navy department, $32,700,000. Grand total, $98,000,000.

The appropriations made by congress on account of the war aggregate about $360,000,000, and cover the time to January 1, 1899.

TWENTY LIVES LOST

In a Cloudburst Near Rogersville, Tenn. Great Destruction of Property.

A terrible cloudburst, in which at least twenty lives are known to have been lost, was Saturday visited upon the community of Beach Creek, near Rogersville, Tenn. The torrent of water fell in the vicinity of the home of William Figan, a well-to-do farmer, and his entire family—wife and five children—was drowned and washed away in the flood. Figan, however, escaped. The deluge of water carried with it every human being within its reach, and the only names of the lost reported, in addition to the Figan family, are John Arnold and Samuel Henry and wife. The cloudburst destroyed several thousand dollars' worth of property.

McKinley Sends Thanks.

After signing the protocol of peace between the United States and Spain, at Washington, President McKinley asked that Jules Cambon, the ambassador of France, thank his government for its good offices in bringing about the approachment between the two nations leading to a cessation of hostilities.

Gen. Garcia is Besieging Holguin.

Dispatches have been received announcing the occupation of Gibara on the north coast of the province of Santiago de Cuba by General Garcia's troops. Gibara was evacuated by the Spaniards. They left a thousand sick and wounded. "General Garcia, with 8,000 troops, is besieging Holguin, now occupied by the Spanish General Luque, whose surrender has been demanded.

War Tariff for Porto Rico.

Secretary Alger cabled to General Miles to apply immediately to the Porto Rican ports captured by him the tariff drawn up by the government for Santiago and other Cuban ports.

Shafter's Sick List.

The following is General Shafter's sanitary report for August 10. Total number of sick, 3,255; total number fever cases, 2,151; total number new cases of fever, 307; total number of fever cases returned to duty, 235; deaths, ten, of which four were of yellow fever, three of typhoid, two malaria and one diarrhoea.

Lord Mayor Coming.

Rt. Hon. Horatio David Davies, Lord Mayor of London, will soon come to America on a pleasure trip.

SULLEN HOSTILITY TOWARD AMERICANS

Shown by a Certain Class of Cubans to An American Protectorate.

THE BETTER CLASS FAVOR ANNEXATION.

Wild Rumor That Cuban Army Will Attack Santiago as Soon as the American Garrison is Weakened and Capture It, to Glory of Insurgent Arms.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—Tronble with the Cubans is breeding. Their attitude is one of sullen hostilities toward Americans. The better class in Cuba favor the annexation of the island to the United States and a majority of the masses are ready and anxious to work and accept the shelter and protection afforded by an American protectorate, but they are influenced by a certain class of rabid orators and breeders of sedition and rebellion against anything smacking of law and order. This inflammatory class demands and urges the recognition of Cuba for Cubans and spurns all offers or suggestions tending to prosperity under an American protectorate and excite popular discontent.

Their advice to the Cubans is to repudiate all offers of peace or cessation of hostilities and to look upon an armistice as an agreement between the United States and Spain on their own account and not binding upon the free and independent state of Cuba, whose liberating army not only repudiates pacification, but will ignore the armistice to the point of continuing to wage war and shooting every Spaniard in the field.

A wild rumor is afloat to the effect that the Cuban army will attack Santiago and capture it to the glory of the Cuban arms as soon as the American garrison is weakened. This is directly traceable to the same source.

RIOTING IN HAVANA.

The Disorder Began Over the Posting of the Protocol.

News has reached the war department that Spanish regulars and volunteers in Havana were rioting and fighting Sunday. The rioting began over the posting of the protocol. The news of its signing reached General Blanco Saturday night, at the time Sagasta's orders to suspend hostilities were conveyed through General Greeley. The terms of the protocol were posted in Havana on Sunday. The volunteers resented the compliance of Blanco as a part of a conspiracy against the local government, and rioting began. The regulars were required to restore peace. The war department has no details of casualties.

Sending Spanish Prisoners Home.

The Spanish steamer Isle de Luzon sailed Sunday from Santiago for Spain, having on board 2,136 Spanish soldiers. The embarkation of the prisoners is being pushed with great activity. This is rendered imperative by their horrible condition. The mortality is so great in the Spanish camp, where disease is rampant that no longer are the dead buried. A funeral pile of ten or twelve bodies is made, saturated with kerosene and set fire to, cremating the bodies in the open air.

Camp Wheeler Established at Huntsville

General Coppinger and staff have secured permanent headquarters in East Huntsville. The headquarters is an old ante-bellum mansion without gas or electricity. Several orders issued make the camp known as Camp Wheeler in compliment to Major-General Joseph Wheeler, of the First cavalry. The first troops ordered to proceed to this camp are the Fifth regular cavalry and Second Ohio volunteer cavalry, which left Tampa Monday.

Eleven Lives Lost.

Further advices from Melbourne say that two persons, named Peterson and Krug, were saved from the American bark C. C. Funk, Captain Nillson, bound from Tacoma for Melbourne, the wreck of which, on Flynder's Island, Tasmania, with the loss of eleven lives, including the captain, his wife and two children, has been reported.

Indemnity Paid to Japan by Hawaii.

Minister Sewall, at Hawaii, has informed the state department that Hawaii has paid to Japan $55,000 as indemnity for the refusal of the Hawaiian government to allow certain Japanese to land in Hawaii at various times during the past three years.

General Wheeler Arrives.

The Rough Riders are home. With Colonel Theo Roosevelt and "Fighting Joe" Wheeler, they have reached Montauk Point, N. Y. They came on the Miami, which, with the Gate City, the St. Louis and Vigilancia and the Matteawan, lie anchored off shore now.

Fitzhugh Lee for Senator.

General Fitzhugh Lee will enter the senatorial race in Virginia. This announcement was made without any qualification. It was authorized by General Lee himself, who dictated the statement to a representative of the Washington Post.

Tornado Kills Seven People.

A tornado struck twelve miles northwest of Canby, Minn., killed seven people, destroyed many building and did great damage to the crops.

THE LAST BATTLE OF THE WAR

It Falls to the Lot of the Navy at Manzanillo.

Acting Secretary Allen of the navy department has received a dispatch notifying him that a naval force sent by Admiral Sampson had appeared in the harbor at Manzanillo and demanded its surrender.

The commandant of the city declined to comply with the demand and an engagement took place, which is said to have resulted victoriously for the Americans.

The fight at Manzanillo was begun at 4 o'clock, twenty-three minutes before the protocol was signed, by a bombardment from the fleet. It was reported that marines had been landed, but the dispatch received by Gen. Greeley from the signal officer at Playa del Este made no such statement.

At the navy department it is said that the only vessels at Manzanillo are some small blockading ships which could not have conducted the operations described in the message received.

It is said that Admiral Sampson is at Guantanamo, and that Capt. Goodrich, with the Newark, Scorpion and Suwanee, is in the vicinity of the Isle of Pines, and that, therefore, neither of those officers could have had anything to do with the engagement.

In view of the signing of the protocol and the suspension of hostilities every effort was made by the authorities to stop the fight at Manzanillo. A dispatch was sent by Adjt.-Gen. Corbin to Santiago directing Gen. Shafter to get into communication with Manzanillo as soon as possible and inform the naval commanders there that hostilities were over.

Philippinos Desire Annexation.

HONG KONG—The Philippine junta called publicly on Consul General Wildman and declared that their country desires annexation.

They protested against ths reports that Aguinaldo had declined to aid the Americans in the battle of July 31; that he had deserted the trenches and failed to warn the Americans of the Spanish attack. The junta alleges that Aguinaldo retired his forces from the trenches below Malate at the request of General Merritt, the same as they retired from Cavite at the request of General Anderson.

The junta says Aguinaldo has kept every promise made since he left Hong Kong, and that his life and the lives of his men are always at the command of General Merritt and Admiral Dewey.

DISPOSITION OF PHILIPPINES.

Larger Share Will Go to Spain, Says the Madrid Liberal.

The Madrid Liberal, commenting on the gravity of the situation as regards the Philippine Islands, says it appears certain that the peace commission will accord to Spain sovereiguty over almost the whole of the archipelago, but that Spain will lose more than she will gain if Aguinaldo's insurgents do not make submission.

The Tiempo urges the government to hasten in every way possible the completion of peace negotiations.

DARK SPOTS HAVE DISAPPEARED.

Southern States Expect a Great Increase of Commercial Activity.

The New York Journal has received dispatches from the heads of commercial and manufacturing associations in all parts of the country, and in every case the report is enthusiastic. There is no dark spot anywhere in the picture. From Massachusetts, from Montana, from Pennsylvania, from Illinois and from Texas come the forecasts of the approaching boom. The southern reports are particularly glowing in their promises of forthcoming increase of commercial activity.

English Papers Pleased.

The London morning papers are unanimous in expressing gratification that the American-Hispano war is ended. The comment mainly turns on the fact that the protocol leaves untouched the hardest problems now facing America. The Times believes it will be a real peace, adding:

"We trust it is no violation of neutrality to express the satisfaction of the great majority of Englishmen in America's success, and we venture the prediction that Cuba, twenty years hence, will be a prosperous and tranquil island."

THE JUNTA SATISFIED

With the Protocol and Orders the Cubans to Cease Hostilities.

Senor Palma, the head of the Cuban junta, has sent the following cable, by way of Santiago, to Bartolomo Masso, president Cuban republic:

"I have, this 13th day of August, 1898, accepted, in the name of the Cuban provisional government, the armistice proclaimed by the United States. You should give immediate orders to the army throughout Cuba suspending all hostilities. Preliminary terms of peace, signed by representatives of Spain and the United States, provide that Spain will relinquish all claim over and title to Cuba."

Gen. Lee Called to Washington.

General Fitzhugh Lee, commanding the Seventh corps, has gone to Washington, in response to a telegram received from the adjutant-general, stating that the secretary of war desired to confer with him. During his absence the Seventh corps will be under the command of Major-General J. Warren Keifer.

Haywood Nominated.

Nebraska republicans have nominated M. T. Haywood for governor.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Four prisoners broke out of jail at Elba Saturday and escaped.

Cotton worms have made their appearance in Montgomery county.

The First Alabama regiment reached Jacksonville from Miami Saturday.

At Birmingham Geo. W. Creever had his life crushed out while trying to cross the track on a bicycle.

Work has been commenced on a short line of road, thirty miles in extent, from Georgiana to River Falls.

Judge Wm. Richardson, of Huntsville, has withdrawn from the race for congress against General Joe Wheeler.

Congressman M. W. Howard has announced that he will not stand for re-election to congress from the Seventh district.

In a difficulty over a small debt Charley Calhoun, colored, shot and killed Will Ely, also colored, at Bessemer.

Tramps on a Southern train killed a negro brakeman who tried to put them off. The affair took place near Oxanna junction.

Judge James M. Hobson, father of Richmond P. Hobson, of Merrimac fame, has been appointed postmaster at Greensboro.

Montgomery received her first bale of new cotton last Thursday. It was was raised in Autauga county and will be sold at auction.

Captain W. B. Beeson, defeated candidate for probate judge of Etowah county, has filed, through his attorneys, papers of contest of office.

Captain J. E. Logwood, deputy United States collector at Athens, and family, were poisoned by the cook putting rough on rats in the coffee. The family recovered.

Somerfield Dennis, a negro boy less than 17 years of age, was hanged at Snow Hill for killing his stepfather with a shotgun, because the latter whipped him for laziness.

The governor has appointed Warren S. Pugh to be tax collector of Washington county, in succession to A. J. Wood, who resigned to run for probate judge and who was defeated.

Charles Evans, a farmer living near Valhermosa Springs, in Morgan county, who shot and instantly killed his neighbor, James Robertson, about two months ago, has been apprehended by the police in Marion, Ark.

At Opelika Albert Sidney Watkins, aged 20 years, walked out on the front porch of his father's residence last Friday and sent a bullet through his heart and another through his brain. No cause is assigned for the deed.

Capt. J. B. Banister, surgeon of the Second infantry, United States regulars, now with Gen. Shafter in Cuba, has been promoted to brigade surgeon for conspicuous gallantry during the battle before Santiago. Surgeon Banister is an old Huntsville boy.

Chess Mates, W. R. Taylor, Mark Blankenship and John Littlejohn, four hardy mountaineers of Talladega county, have been arrested, charged with the intimidation and murder of W. A. Thompson, who was a witness against them in illicit distilling cases now pending in the United States district court.

Fourth Corps Ordered to Huntsville.

Major-General Coppinger, of the United States army, in command of the Fourth army corps, has been ordered to proceed from Florida to Huntsville, to which place the whole corps will be removed within the next ten or fifteen days. It is now stationed at Fernandina and Jacksonville. The following volunteer regiments make up the Fourth army corps: Third Ohio, Fifth Ohio, One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Indiana, Second New York, Sixty-ninth New York, Second Georgia, First Florida, Fifth Maryland, Third Pennsylvania, Thirty-second Michigan. Each of these regiments originally had its full strength of about 1,300 men each, and the corps now consists of something like 12,000 men.

First Shipment of Hematite Ore.

The first shipment of brown ore from the new mines of the Sloss Iron & Steel company, near Leads, took place Saturday. It consisted of twenty cars of high grade hematite brown ore, very superior in quality, and the use of which is expected to reduce the cost of pig iron production considerably in this district. The total investment made by the Sloss company in the undertaking is $150,000.

Death From a Poisoned Melon.

Mrs. Dora Pugh, who lived near Cotton Hill, St. Clair county, went into the watermelon patch of a neighbor, Tom Bowlin, and pulled a melon and ate some of it. She became very sick, and in a short while died in great agony.

It is stated that work will soon commence on another important industry at Ensley, an offspring from the new million-dollar steel plant, now under construction. The new plant, an iron foundry, will be the largest in the district. It will cost about $150,000.

CROP CONDITIONS.

Commissioner Culver Reports Rains as Damaging the Cotton.

Commissioner of Agriculture I. F. Culver has just completed a trip through East and Southeast Alabama. He reports the cotton crop, which ten days ago was very fine, the prospect better than for years past, is being cut off very rapidly by the continuous rains, boll worm and the rust. There is no telling to what extent the damages will be, if the rains continue, as August is the cotton-making month. A fine crop of corn is made, and the pea crop is very promising.

State Normal College.

We are informed that this college has the finest prospects for the next session that have ever been, and though the annual enrollment has been greater than any other white college in Alabama, yet it is believed there will be a considerable increase, still, the next session over previous years. This phenomenal growth is due to the following things, viz

1. The large and excellent faculty, each a specialist in his department. There are above twenty professors and teachers, all told.

2. The best of facilities that are afforded, at the very low expense rates, and the way this college keeps down extra personal expenses to the minimum.

3. The scholarships, granted on the nominations of senators and representatives of the Alabama legislature.

4. The plan of giving students in the junior, senior and post-senior classes opportunities to teach in the College Model and Practice School, by which these become skilled for work in the best schools after graduation. Such teachers are in great demand by wide-awake, up-to-date school boards, and the president, Dr. E. B. Eldridge, has many calls for such teachers, and the college influence is constantly exerted to locate such teachers.

5. Troy, Ala., the seat of this college, is 598 feet above sea level, and yellow fever never goes that high, and, besides, it is a city of churches and intelligence and virtue, to an unusual degree, a most proper home for a teachers' college.

We can assure our readers that this college is ready to answer all interrogatories of parties seeking a good college for general or special education. —State Normal Exponent, Troy, Ala.

Probable Peace Commissioners.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary Day, Senator Allison and Senator Gorman in all probability will be three of the commission, and either Joseph Choate or Elihu Root, of New York, will be appointed. Senator Davis, of Minnesota, will be offered a place on the commission, but it is expected he will decline, and that a fifth man, not a United States senator, will be selected.

A Blue Jacket Killed.

One more name has been added to the small list of the navy's war victims. Emanuel Kourtouris, a coal passer on the gunboat Bancroft, was shot and instantly killed during a sharp engagement with Spanish riflemen at a point of land jutting in Cortis bay, on the south coast of the province Pinar del Rio. It is not known how many Spaniard's lives paid for his, but the Spanish loss was undoubtedly severe.

Sampson and Schley Promoted.

The administration has made the following promotions: Commodore Wm. T. Sampson, advanced eight numbers and appointed a rear admiral for eminent and conspicuous conduct in battle; takes rank next after Rear Admiral John A. Howell. Commodore Winfield S. Schley, advanced six numbers and appointed a rear admiral for same reasons; takes rank next after Rear Admiral Wm. T. Sampson.

Soldier Courtmartialed and Shot.

Word has been received from Ponce, Porto Rico, that Private Laduke, of the Second Wisconsin, who shot and killed Private Stafford, of the regular army, during a quarrel in a saloon at Ponce, was courtmartialed August 3, found guilty, and shot on the morning of August 4.

Cuban Armistice.

Jack York, of Pennsylvania, who has been serving with Garcia, has just arrived at Santiago. He reports that Garcia has suspended operations for thirty days and given his men permission to go home, with instructions to report to him at the end of that period.

Cholera in India.

The cholera is epidemic at Madras, India. Between Monday morning and Friday night there were fifty-five deaths from the disease, and the fatalities prior to the day first mentioned were 117.

Earthquake Shocks.

Two slight shocks of earthquake were felt at Seattle, Wash. The vibrations were from east to west and about four seconds in duration.

Sampson and Schley Going North.

Admirals Sampson and Schley will go to New York on their respective flagships, which have been ordered to that point.

Small Output of the Klondike.

F. A. Leach, superintendent of the United States mint in San Francisco, estimates that the gold output of the Klondike this year has been about $5,000,000.

Parliament Prorogued.

The English house of commons met Friday.

The Alabama and Georgia Long Distance Telephone Company has opened up several new offices in St. Clair county, as follows: Pell City, Coal City, Riverside, Easonville and Cropwell.

Disbandment of Volunteer Army.

Thus far the question of the disbandment of the volunteer army has not been given serious consideration by the war officials. A considerable force necessarily will have to be maintained for several months, perhaps a year. In the opinion of the war department officials the force will be about 125,000 men. It will be kept in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines principally, although a few troops will be stationed at the various forts in this country.

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THE bonds of the newly elected county officers are all in good shape and, we understand, have been accepted by Probate Judge Honeycutt.

In the Seventh Congressional District yesterday the Populist convention nominated O. D. Street, a son of the Probate Judge of Marshall county, for Congress, to succeed M. W. Howard, who declined to be a candidate.

THE BANNER is desirous of getting a full discussion among the people of Chilton as to the desirability of the State of Alabama adopting a new constitution. As we have previously remarked, there is no doubt but that the Democratic party intend if possible at the next session of the Legislature to provide for a constitutional convention. Let our people go to work and strengthen the hands of our Representative, by an expression of their views on this important question.

THE Supreme Court on Monday rendered a decision that will be generally endorsed by the people of the State. The coal oil inspection law was declared unconstitutional, as being in conflict with Art. IV, Section 38 of the State constitution which says:

"No state office shall be continued or created for the inspection or measuring of any merchandise, manufacture or commodity; but any county or municipality may appoint such officers when authorized by law."

The effect of the decision is to displace all inspectors appointed under the act. Now, if the "Expert" examiners of accounts are put to work and will find how much in fees the oil inspectors have illegally received they of course, will at once refund the amount.

A portion of the volunteers are to be mustered out of the service at once and others are to follow until the volunteer force of the country is narrowed down to merely a sufficient number to garrison Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines. As soon as congress meets it will be asked to raise the standing army so that the entire volunteer force can be disbanded and all garrison work done by regulars.

Secretary Alger has practically scrapped out his plan. It is to ask permission of congress for authority to increase the standing army to 70,000 men to take the place of the volunteers who can be returned to their homes. If he cannot get this number, he will ask for 75,000. The authorities in the war department believe that within six months after congress convenes, the authority will be given to raise a sufficient number of regulars so that every volunteer will be allowed to return to his home.

The Weekly Crop Bulletin reports: The last three days were ... very comparatively warm ... favorable for all crops. Cotton ... has been greatly damaged by ... long, wet period, which decidedly lowered the prospective yield; in the northern counties, the damage is not so great, but over the entire southern half of the state the crop has made very rank growth, and rust, rot and shedding are very general; boll-worms are also doing considerable damage. Cotton is opening slowly and picking is just beginning; the first bale of this season's crop was marketed at Montgomery on the 11th instant, and "first bales" have also been marketed at a few other places in the state. Corn continues in generally excellent condition, and, while there are a few complaints of smut and sprouting, it will make a very large yield.

The American Cotton Growers' Protective Association is no more, a new one having been perfected, which those who led in the work believe will result in success. The name of the new organization is the National Cotton Growers' Union, and it will be conducted upon entirely different lines from those which have marked the career of the old association. Individual ideas have been eliminated. The purpose of the new organization is to further the general interests of the planter. Two meetings were held to-day under the new organization, the old one having gone out of existence Tuesday night and at both of them the delegates were engaged in canvassing the report of the committees appointed for the purpose of preparing the constitution and by-laws. It was in that report that the scheme for the new organization was unfolded.

The meetings to-day were in executive session, for the reason that a portion of the scheme which is now in effect is secret.

DIRECT LEGISLATION

Education will intensify the good effects of Direct Legislation. A well-trained and educated community will make more rapid progress under it than an ill-trained one, but it will be good for both. The ignorant community will not have as good laws as the other nor make as rapid propress, but Direct Legislation will educate it and the individual in it. It will make more mistakes, but a burnt child dreads the fire, and its mistakes are the most effective education a community can have. There is no need of waiting for some ideal time in the future when the people are fitted for Direct Legislation; they are fitted for it now, and they need it to fit them for a finer state in the future. But one trouble now is, not that our laws are too far in advance of the people, but that the mass of the people are in advance of the laws. The good that is in the people cannot voice itself and exercise leadership. Our law-makers are not chosen because they have special fitness for making laws, but because they are able politicians and because their want is money, power or influence. Under Direct Legislation there would be no use in going to the Legislature, because if a job was lobbied through, the people would veto it. Gradually, the capable, high-minded men would take place as leaders. Our laws would be suggested, drafted, criticised by the best of the people who would be true leaders, because they would be the best servers or servants of the people. Thus our laws would be ahead of the people all the time, leading and educating, but not so far ahead as to be beyond comprehension. Should a group of ardent reformers urge a law which the people were not ready for, they would defeat it and there would be some disgruntled reformers who would have to start at educating again. Thus would the education in this great national university proceed, and the best of it would be that it would be continually developing, training and educating individuals into "thinking and self-sustaining citizens" by throwing responsibility and power into their individual lives. It would develop individuality. It would bring out strong personalities. It would raise the state to a higher pre-eminence than ever before by improving the individuals, of which it is composed. On the other hand, by the communion and responsibility of voting it would develop a solidarity or feeling and a social conscience, uniting with a higher patriotism, a nobler and more vital social organism than the world has ever known. The argument of education for Direct Legislation is one of the strongest of its many strong arguments.—Ellwood Pomeroy in The New Time.

The Rev. W. B. Costley, of Stockbridge, Ga., while attending to his pastoral duties at Ellenwood that state, was attacked by cholera morbus. He says: "By chance I happened to get hold of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and I think it was the means of saving my life. It relieved me at once." For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

Population Conditions in Hawaii

The Sandwich Islands have been the home of a considerable number of American families for a long time. The grandchildren of the American missionaries who transformed the islands are now mature men and women. They send their children to an excellent American college at Honolulu that has been in existence for many years, although it is the custom for young Hawaiin-Americans to obtain at least a part of their educational training in this country. Our race exhibits no sign of deterioration in those islands. The men of the second generation have shown great ability, and the young men of the third generation are worthy of their American ancestry. It is true, of course, that the native Hawaiians and the Chinese and Japanese agricultural laboress constitute the bulk of the population. But the influences that have shaped institutions and given type to the progress and civilization of the islands have been distinctively American. There are by far more people of the negro blood than of white in South Carolina; but to say that South Carolina is not an Anglo-Saxon community in the strickest sense is to play with mere verbal fallacies. The welfare of all races in the Sandwich Islands requires that they should be under white control. It is sheer nonsense to talk of obtaining the consent of the entire population to annexation, if one means to include the great body of coolie, yellow-skinned laborers who are there not as domiciled families, but as indentured visitors, working on the five-year-contract plan, with the prospect of either voluntary or involuntary return to their own homes at the end of the labor period. These laborers have been much better off under President Dole's government than in their own countries. If they have not been allowed to participate in the administration of Hawaii, where they are sojourners, it is enough to reply that they do not, in fact, participate when at home in the governments of China or Japan. As to the Hawaiian natives, they are—under the present Hawaiian constitution—accorded as much political privilege as they are capable of exercising. Their rights will be far better assured under American oversight than they could possibly be under the government of corrupt and half-barbarous monarchs of their own race, easily swayed by scheming adventurers. Moreover, the race is dying off.

A perfectly direct line drawn from San Francisco to Manila passes through the Ladrone group. Honolulu lies some distance south of that line. Nevertheless, a direct line from Honolulu to Manila also passes through the Ladrone group. The Ladrones extend from north to south in a row 400 or 500 miles long, and are usually said to comprise about twenty islands. They lie directly north of the Caroline group, which it will also be our duty to claim and protect, and they are perhaps 1,500 miles from Manila and 3,500 from Honolulu. They have a population of only 8,000 or 10,000, the natives being akin to those of the Philippines. They are small islands, but by no means insignificant; for their total area is usually set down as about 1,250 square miles. They are of considerable commercial importance. They have a varied topography, with mountains and valleys and abundant rainfall, and they are extremely productive. Under improved methods of government and agriculture, such as the United States would easily introduce, the already important exports of the Ladrones would be very rapidly increased. They are exceedingly salubrious, and would yield large supplies of products, both of the temperate zone and of the tropics, under American exploitation. A direct cable line to Manila would naturally find a halting at San Ignacio de Agana, which is the capital of the islands and is situated on the largest of the group, Guajan, which is of a rounded contour and 50 or 60 miles long.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for August.

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The conditions of peace must be made by the treaty-making power, which consists of the President and the Senate. Treaties must be submitted by the President to the Senate, and ratified by two-thirds of those present and voting. No less power than this can make peace in time of war. The President has not proposed any terms of peace to Spain. He has only proposed certain conditions under which he would be willing to open negotiations for a treaty of peace to be submitted to the Senate. More than this he could not do under his oath of office to support the constitution. The President, as commander-in-chief of the army and navy, has prosecuted the war declared by Congress. Dewey in the Philippines, Shaster and Schley at Santiago, and Miles at Porto Rico, have, under his command, made havoc with the naval fleet of Spain, and have taken possession of her colonies in both hemispheres.

In the consideration of the terms of a treaty of peace the President can act in the first instance through any agents he may choose to select; but he can give these agents no power whatever. They will discuss the terms under his directions, and will listen for him to the terms proposed by the Spanish commissioners.

If President McKinley has postponed the Philippine question to bridge over the congressional campaign it is a shrewd manœuver. In such a case there will be an armistice during negotiations, some delay over the selection of commissioners, and a prolongation of their work beyond November. This would put off the final responsibility of the President to the American people. But after all a treaty must be negotiated, and the treaty will be Mr. McKinley's, subject to the approval of the Senate. It will not be the treaty of the commissioners. He alone can submit a treaty to the Senate, and he alone can frame one. He may wreck himself and his party by that treaty and he will do both if he disappoints the reasonable hope and expectation os the people that what we have forcibly wrested from the bloody claws of the Spanish tiger in a just war shall remain under the flag and sovereignty of the United States.—Silver Knight.

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... Southerman, of Maplesville was a pleasant call today.

... Blackshear who has recovered from his accident, returned ... regiment at Jacksonville ...

... A. B. Lovett, President ... University, Bessemer, ... nothing important to ... men and women ... going off to school ... Don't fail to drop ...

... Mr. Morries returned ... after an extended ... Alabama ...

... Mr. Wetumpka ... and friends ...

... Stewart, and children, ... is visiting the family ... Sartor.

... Arnold, of Montgomery ... town.

... Middleton left for Texas Monday, where he ... the mercantile business ...

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On Sunday evening a party of poker experts were seated in a prominent up town hotel lobby, and some good stories were the outcome. One of the veterans at thumbing the pasteboards related an incident in his own career where he had been dealt six cards.

"It was at a critical stage of the game," said the old sport, "and when I looked at the cards they were of the most needful variety."

"What did you do with the sixth card?" queried an attentive listener.

"I ordered a ham sandwich," was the reply, "and, concealing the card between the bread and meat, ate the whole outfit."

When the laugh over this story was ended, another member of the party told of a jack pot which was opened on a pair of nines. In the draw the holder of this pair took in another nine spot and cleaned up the table pretty thoroughly with three nines. When it came to a show down, the query was made, "What did you open with?"

Innocently enough the holder of the big hand acknowledged a pair of nines. His hand was claimed to be a foul one, and the pot was divided among the players according to their bets. This procedure did not suit the jack pot opener, and he left the table, denouncing all present as sharpers and swindlers.—New York Dispatch.

Think Success.

The oftener one gives exercise to any faculty—uses, not abuses, it—the stronger and more flexible it becomes. A Frenchman said once on a time that whenever he wanted a book on a certain subject and could not find it he wrote one.

There is a tremendous lesson in that; it means that each one of us can find out as much about anything we wish to be informed upon as any other human being in the world if we will only determine to do so. We can achieve and conquer anything another can if we make up our minds to the performance of it and make the determination the law of our life. Success has its laws, the basic principle of which is, "Give your best to get the best." A writer on mental forces says, "Think success and you win success."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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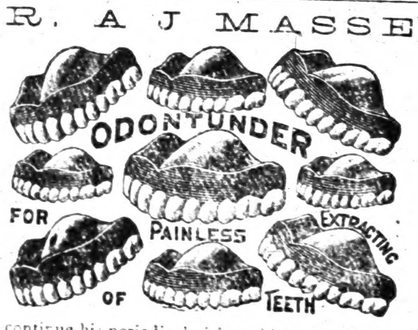

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Kinchcon	Beat 6		October	1
Benson	" 3		"	3
Maplesville	" 7		"	4
Scoultz	" 7		"	5
Dixie	" 8		"	6
Stanton	" 8		"	7
Macedonia	" 3		"	10
Providence	" 2		"	11
Jemison	" 2		"	12
Mineral Springs	" 1		"	13
Strasburg	" 9		"	14
Clanton	" 4		"	15
Coopers	" 5		"	18
Verbena	" 5		19 &	20
Davis & Rollins' Gin,	Beat 6		"	21
Albert Headley's Store	" 6		"	22

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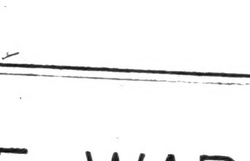

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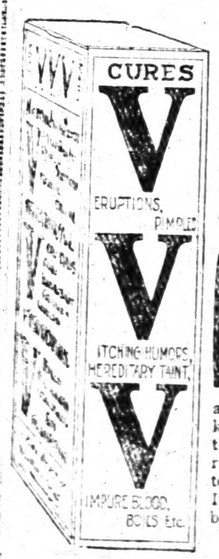

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OUR PRISONERS OF WAR.

Humane Treatment That Has Opened the Eyes of the Captured Spaniards.

ADMIRAL CERVERA'S BILLET.

Civilization while you wait would be an appropriate motto for the prison stockade at Camp Long. The camp is on Seavey's Island, part of the Navy Yard, which on the map appears in Kittery, Me., and on official documents at Portsmouth, in New Hampshire.

Two days before the St. Louis steamed into the harbor with 692 Spanish prisoners of war on board the camp ground was not much better than a desert. This end of the island is bound with rocks which stick up through the blueberry bushes and scrubby grass on knolls and hillsides.

Within thirty-six hours from the arrival of the St. Louis in the lower harbor the village had been equipped with all the creature comforts demanded by a free born American citizen.

The landing of the Spaniards was without ceremony or display. Two black, flatiron shaped barges were brought up, one after the other, from the big liner, about a mile away, and made fast to Lieutenant Greely's landing place, at the foot of old Fort Sullivan, now used as a reservoir. There were a few workmen and a few ladies and children from the post on the shore, and a cordon of pleasure boats on the water, but no official demonstration of any sort. There was not an officer, nor even a marine, in sight, and no indications that the island was garrisoned.

On the first barge Lieutenant Catlin, a survivor of the Maine disaster, brought with him Captain Moreu, of the Cristobal Colon, to act as interpreter, and about a dozen American marines to take care of a bootload of four hundred Spanish prisoners of war. Lieutenant Catlin had a navy revolver in his belt instead of a sword, but went at his work without any fuss or feathers. When six marines had scrambled ashore and were strung along the bank, the gangway was opened to the prisoners, who went off the barge in an irregular straggling.

They were defeated and shipwrecked sailors, and they showed it. Bareheaded and barefooted, with straggly

QUARTERS OF ADMIRAL CERVERA AND HIS OFFICERS AT THE ANNAPOLIS NAVAL ACADEMY.

beards, and only a couple of dirty garments in most cases covering legs and bodies, they passively obeyed the orders of Captain Moreu, and were gathered in ship's companies by the calling of the roll. Hardly had a hundred men been landed before the sick began to drop groaning upon the dusty roadside.

After the mustering was over the first shipload of prisoners was surrounded by marines from the garrison and marched into the stockage, the barefooted ones being chiefly anxious to avoid the nettles that lurked in some of the grassy places.

After one day in camp these same hungry looking prisoners could hardly be recognized. The day's rations of beef, bread, coffee and pickles were devoured at one meal, each man eating more than a pound of meat. They found hammocks, comfortable hair mattresses and government blankets provided for them, and after a few puffs from borrowed cigarettes the well Spaniards slept long and soundly. More meals followed with surprising abundance and regularity, and great wagon loads of clothes were hauled over from the Navy Yard and dumped at the feet of the prisoners.

The few industrious spirits volunteered for camp work, and their working made a pleasing spectacle for those who were not industrious. With warm, new clothes and a comfortable fulness under one's belt, it is agreeable to sit in the sun, or at least out of the rain, and discuss why it was that Admiral Cervera did not utterly destroy the American fleet. To be sure there are sentries and deep water in front, and sentries with a high board fence, backed by barb wire and Gattling guns, in the rear. What would you? Shall sane men run away from good food, good clothes and a good company to lose themselves in a strange country and starve?

The landing of the prisoners and the establishment of the camp was accomplished without the slightest hostile demonstration on the part of the Spaniards. Some of the men passively object to being clean, but they can put up with cleanliness if only they get plenty of tobacco.

Colonel Forney has in the barracks at the Navy Yard and on duty at the stockade about two hundred men, but Surgeon Parsons says that if the Spaniards only understood that they were to have their three square meals a day a marine guard would be required, not to keep them on the island but to drive them away from it.

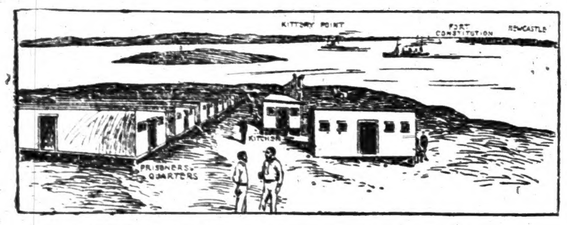
Two Spanish chaplains, two surgeons, an apothecary's steward and five junior lieutenants have had a building built for their special accommodation, and have been fitted out with sailor's clothes from the navy yard storehouses. Their wardroom is fitted out with bunks and abundant furniture.

The civilizing influence of a short piece of rope is still to be seen in Camp Long. In the olden times the rope was used to cow starved and ill treated prisoners. To-day it serves a different purpose. The members of the officer's mess hardly got new clothes before they began devising amusements, and jumping rope has become very popular. Two of the more sedate officers swing the rope while the others take turns jumping.

The horrors of war already seem far away, and the most important things in the world seem to be the delights of good living. Admiral Carpenter, who is in temporary command of the Navy Yard, has closed the island to curious visitors, who are not annoying when they get long range views from the New Castle and Kittery shores.

The scene on shore of the prison front on Seavey's Island on a recent afternoon between five and six o'clock presented a most novel and interesting picture. The prisoners had just finished their afternoon meal and had swarmed to the water's edge to wash their bowls, plates and spoons. The clatter of the dishes and the laughter and animated conversation of the prisoners made such a babel of noises that they could plainly be heard on the Newcastle shore on the other side of the Piscataqua River.

Hundreds of boats gathered in front of the Spaniards on the beach and watched them at their work and enjoyed the animated scene, for the "Dons" seemed happy as larks and evidently greatly pleased at the attention shown them. Many ladies in the



BARRACKS ON SEAVEY'S ISLAND, PORTSMOUTH HARBOR.
(Where the rank and file of the Spanish prisoners are confined.)

boats had provided themselves with kodaks, and hundreds of pictures were taken of the prisoners that will prove valuable souvenirs of the American-Spanish war as time goes by. The Spaniards enjoyed having their pictures taken, and many of them gathered in groups and posed in picturesque attitudes and waited their turns for the camera.

A colored prisoner, black as Erebus, waded out into the water up to his knees, and, striking his bowl and plate together to attract attention, placed his hands by his side, rolled the whites of his eyes heavenward, and stood expectant. Scores of kodaks snapped, and the colored sailor triumphantly rejoined his comrades on the shore. A lady in one of the boats threw a bunch of flowers into the water near the shore, and instantly twenty or more of the prisoners struggled for the possession of the trophy. The Spaniard who captured the bouquet was generous, however, and divided the flowers among his comrades, who proudly held aloft the mementos, bowing and smiling to the lady who threw them into the water.

After the dishes had been washed many sat in groups on the bank, some of them singing the songs of their native land, some playing cards, others writing letters home, and all of them apparently pleased with the situation. It was a scene never before witnessed in the Harbor of Portsmouth, but its repetition is likely to happen every pleasant day in the weeks to follow.

So much for the humbler prisoners. Those of higher rank, Admiral Cervera and his captured officers, are held at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.

Admiral Cervera would be taken for an English merchant by ninety-nine out of a hundred persons who didn't know who he was. He is prosperous-looking, well-made, and wears a gray beard. His son, Lieutenant Angel Cervera, is tall and handsome, and wears a coal-black beard. Altogether, the Spaniards are quite a distinguished-looking group, and when they are fitted out in appropriate garments will doubtless make much social progress in Annapolis, as nearly all of them have given orders for visiting cards.

The parole signed by all the prisoners except Admiral Cervera, who waved it aside when presented, with the remark that his sword of honor was sufficient, and Captain Eulate, of the Vizcaya, who declined to sign it because he declared the other officers should be permitted to give their word as well as the Admiral, is as follows:

"I do pledge my word of honor that during the period of my retention at the United States Naval Academy as a prisoner of war I will not go beyond such limits as may be prescribed by the Superintendent of the Naval Academy, and freely agree to abide by such regulations as said Superintendent may from time to time establish.

"The limits now established will be the grounds of the Naval Academy and the city of Annapolis from 8 o'clock until sundown."

Admiral Cervera's house, which is

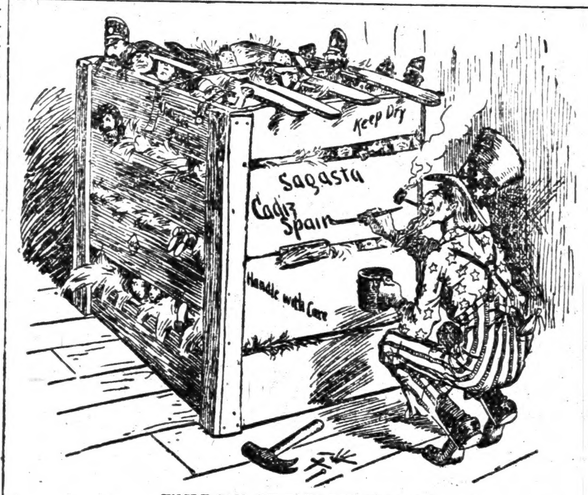
A GROUP OF SPANISH PRISONERS ON SEAVEY'S ISLAND.

known as No. 17 Buchanan row, is an old brick painted a dark drab, with brown outside shutters, and its front windows overlook the oak-shaded grounds of the academy. The commandant's house is two doors distant at the corner, and diagonally across the lawn to the left is the superintendent's office. A fine marine view is obtained from the rear windows, with the parade grounds in the foreground.

The whole house except the hall, which is approached by a flight of stairs from the road below, is heavily carpeted. The parlor is supplied with comfortable furniture. Opening into the parlor by broad doors is the dining room, which is carpeted like the parlor and contains an oak dining set. The passage chamber, which communicates with the bed room, is the Admiral's private office. It is provided with a desk, chairs, good lights and writing material. All the mail matter sent and received by the prisoners goes through the office of the superintendent, and is censored.

The Spanish officers are not being pampered with luxuries. They are receiving the same food that is given to the naval cadets.

Admiral Cervera has a house which is occupied by three or four others besides himself and his son. The cook and the steward of the Santee have been placed at his disposal, and a servant to attend to his personal wants. The last occupant of the house was Lieutenant Gove. The other prisoners occupy the old cadets' quarters on Stribling row.

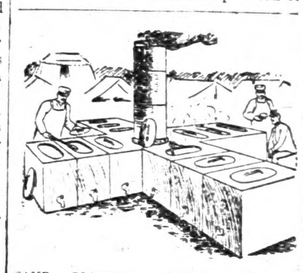


UNCLE SAM, HE PAYS THE FREIGHT.
(The cartoonist of the New York Herald gives his idea of how the prisoners will be sent home to Spain.)

COOKING FOR SOLDIERS.

German Army Inventors Pay Much Attention to the Subject.

The interest shown by all classes of people at present in the matters of military manœuvring and equipments is so great that a recent exposition of



CAMP COOKING APPARATUS FOR A SMALL BATTALION.

army and camp furnishings was a gigantic success, as demonstrated by the throngs of people which flocked to the place day after day. Evidently the German inventor has been working on the theory that a full stomach is the best equipment for a fighter, and cooking implements were displayed in the greatest variety. A clever cooking outfit is shown herewith. The stove for a battalion is designed for use in the open. It is formed of several iron chests arranged in the shape of a cross, with a chimney in the middle. A smaller one is built to accommodate a squad of about thirty men, and for use where there are no general cooking provisions made for the men, each one looking after the preparation of his own rations.

It is gratifying to note that the subject of caring for the dead and wounded has received a great deal of attention at the hands of army and navy inventors. A large variety of devices was shown, having for their object the care and comfort of the wounded warrior.

People Who Live in Trees.

Of all the islands of the South Seas New Guinea is in some respects the most peculiar. With its towns built on the water, its native castles in the trees and its strange native inhabitants, who have been steadily dying

A TREE TOP HOME.

out since the advent of the white man, it is an intensely interesting bit of the world. The natives are gifted with such remarkable powers that they can see into distances far beyond the vision of the white man; they can track the wild beast by signs that the white man cannot learn; they can find food and drink in deserts where white men would perish of thirst and starvation.

The accompany picture represents one of the tree houses built by natives of the island. Among the savage tribes are warriors who are known as the "head hunters." The aerial houses are built as refuges from the head hunters. When the cry is raised that the head hunters are coming the feeble and the women flee to the tree huts and the able men arm for the fight.

A Natural Sun Dial.

An immense sun dial, certainly the largest in the world, is at Hayon Horoo, a large promontory extending 3000 feet above the Aegean Sea. As the sun swings around the shadow of this mountain it touches, one by one, a circle of islands, which act as hour marks.

Magnanimous.

Jimmy (the terrible scrapper)—"Say, me young friend, I could chew yer up an' neber know dat I had fed, but I'll refrain! An' now go home an' tell yer beautiful sister dat I spared yer fer love of her."

Sharp Tools.

There is little danger that either the scythe or cradle would be left dull while these operations had to be done by hand. But we have often seen mower knives dulled by contact with stones, or gummed up by the juices of grass so that it required far greater force to run the machine, besides frequent failures to cut all the grass. In such times an hour's work at the grindstone, sharpening the mower knives, will be work that well pays.

Protecting Newly Set Grafts.

It often happens that a graft requires several weeks to effect a union with the stock, and until this is done it is liable to be moved by winds, thus loosening its hold and making union impossible. To prevent this evil, it is always best to fit closely over the graft a small, conical paper cap, which is extended downward far enough to be secured there. This will keep drying winds from browning the leaves, and thus destroying the life of the graft before the union is effected. The cap should be removed as soon as it is known that the union of scion and stock has certainly been effected.

Water in Farm Crops.

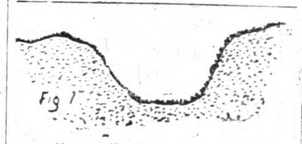
Those crops always pay best which have most water in them, as nature furnishes the water without charge. The farmer who sells potatoes or roots of any kind or fruits sells what is four-fifths water, while most of the solid part of the fruit or root is taken by the leaves from the air. In growing such crops cultivation so as to retain moisture in the soil is more important than manures. Whatever deepens the soil enables it to hold more moisture and to grow better those crops which depend on abundant supplies of water for success. It may seem paradoxical, but it is true that soil made deep by thorough underdraining will be the moistest in time of drought.

Potato Cultivation.

Planting a field of potatoes involves considerable expense for labor and seed, and puts the farmer under obligations to give the crop good and prompt care. With this crop promptness is more important than with almost any other. A single day's neglect may cause a loss of several dollars an acre. The weeds and the beetles are ever at work. Both size and quality of potatoes depend upon the foliage. It is through the leaves that the crop gets the carbon which in the juices of the potato turns to starch. Beetles and their larvæ may be attended to next week, but after the foliage has been half eaten up the crop cannot be expected to amount to very much. They must ever eat some of the leaves to get poison enough to kill them. The most careful cultivators prefer hand picking from the beginning of the season.—Farm News.

Smoothing Rough Fields.

On thousands of farms are fields having "runs" or "gullies," the bottoms usually being wet and producing poor hay. Such "runs" can often be greatly improved by building a stone wall across the lower end and then plowing down the sides. The two accompanying cuts show the beneficial changes thus made. The hay in the first must always be harvested by hand with great effort, and the land cannot be top dressed nor cultivated. When in the shape shown in Fig. 2 the work can be done by machinery and the hay will be of the first quality, for the land can be cultivated. Where water flows through



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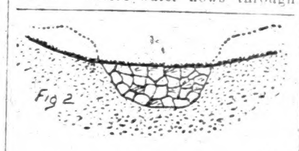

THE "GULLY" AFTER IMPROVEMENT.

the run a stone drain can first be laid and then the banks worked down. This is a practical method of improving a farm.

Keeping Fowls Out of Mischief.

In all the years while we were farming, we never found it necessary to confine fowls all the time. We tried it once, but the egg product fell off so much that we concluded that letting the hens out two or three hours toward night, and keeping them near the henhouse by good feeding, would answer every purpose. Something more, however, than feed is necessary to keep fowls from running to the garden or the newly planted corn field, and scratching among the dirt. Hens do this, less to secure the grain than to rid themselves of vermin by thoroughly dusting themselves. If a place close by the henhouse is kept plowed, and is strewn twice a week with grain and harrowed, fowls will rarely leave it for anything. Fowls are not naturally half so fond of strawberries, or grapes as they are of grain that is partially swelled in the ground. If the place near the henhouse is plowed and cultivated regularly, no other place will have [illegible] their fr[illegible]

Cultivation.

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An Indian Sherlock Holmes.

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A Bell With a Story.

There is [illegible] bell in the [illegible] at Glen Island, [illegible] with interest by persons [illegible] tion was presented [illegible] children by a certain [illegible] The story is told [illegible] this:

In one of the [illegible] many centuries ago [illegible] a bell to be [illegible] the public square [illegible] Bell of Justice [illegible] any one who had [illegible] go and ring [illegible] magistrate and [illegible] tice. And when [illegible] the lower end [illegible] away, a vine [illegible] it. One [illegible] were awakened [illegible] of the bell. [illegible] that had been [illegible] and turned [illegible] tower, and in [illegible] the bell. The [illegible] see who dared [illegible] odd, starving [illegible] owner of the [illegible] he had toiled [illegible] be summoned [illegible] that, as his [illegible] bell of justice [illegible] tice, and that [illegible] the horse's life [illegible] vide for him [illegible] and stable. An [illegible] Island is that [illegible] Mr. Starin, while [illegible] Italy, found, with [illegible] to it, and brought [illegible] with him.—New York Tribune.

Indian Peddlers' Queer Ruse.

In Main street [illegible] Mexico sell bananas [illegible] a dozen, but when ordered [illegible] cents on payment [illegible] nanas the peddlers [illegible] marbled twenty [illegible] of reasoning is [illegible] cents, two [illegible] eight reals [illegible] traveling must [illegible] bananas, but [illegible] will convince [illegible] not right.

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Twentieth St., near Union Dep[illegible]
.....Birmingham
OBSON, THE HERO OF THE M[illegible]
[illegible] you want to know anything ab[illegible] a ship, write Hobson, care [illegible] [illegible], but if you want to know a[illegible] about Typewriters, communicate [illegible]
A. R. Dearborn & C[illegible]
1921 First Ave., Birmingham
[illegible] have the only complete repair [illegible]
ROPSY NEW DISCOVE[illegible] quick relief and [illegible] book of testimonials and [illegible] Free. Dr. H. H. GREEN'S SONS, A[illegible]
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Cultivation of Raspberries.

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ABOUT HAY FEVER.

Season Is Approaching When Lots of People Will Suffer.

"The season is approaching," said a prominent physician to the writer recently, "when a great many people will suffer from what is known as hay fever, and as but few who are susceptible to the complaint know how to avoid, much less to cure, it, a few remarks about the nature and treatment of the ailment may not be uninteresting.

"Hay fever is a nervous affection usually, most prevalent during the spring and early summer, from which the poorer classes and more especially those living in populous towns rarely, if ever, suffer. It is known only to the educated, whose nervous systems are highly developed, and, though not in any sense dangerous, it is at all times very irritating and troublesome. The smell of hay, grass, the pollen of flowers, the odor of fruit, dust or draught will generate the complaint or excite an attack in persons subject to it, but rain or damp weather invariably brings relief. At one time it was generally supposed that the odor of hay when being mown or carried could alone induce the affection, which is closely analogous to asthma, but recent observation shows that its prevalence is entirely independent of the existence of hay fields and is really a nervous derangement.

"A visit to the seaside, a trip to sea or residence in a populous town will, however, remove the asthmatic tendency, but one of the best remedies is tobacco smoke, retained in the mouth as long as possible and then ejected through the nostrils. The inhalation of the steam of ten drops of creosote in a pint of hot water is also good, or twenty drops of spirits of camphor to the same quantity of water makes a very effective inhalation. But the affection being a nervous one, tonics and nourishing diet are more essential than any of these palliatives, which merely afford temporary relief."—Washington Star.

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Shafter Coming Home.

A new department of the army, to be known as the department of Santiago, has been created. Maj.-Gen. Henry W. Lawton is assigned to its command. Brig.-Gen. Wood will continue in command of Santiago city. Gen. Shafter returns to this country with the Fifth army corps.

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Lesson Text: "Naaman Healed," II Kings v., 1-14—Golden Text: Jer. xvii., 14—Commentary on the Day's Lesson by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

1. "Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and honorable." The verse goes on to tell why, but closes with the sad statement that he was a leper. The Word of God from beginning to end reveals God to us working in and through and, for His people and for all who are willing to receive His mercy. Even by those who do not know Him He sometimes works as in this case, delivering Syria by Naaman. All the great and honorable men of Scripture, such as Boaz, the mighty man of wealth (Ruth ii., 1); Mordecai, who was great among the Jews (Est. x., 3), and others lead the believer to say with heartfelt gratitude, "I know a greater and more honorable than all others, and He can heal even lepers."

2. "Brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid, and she waited on Naaman's wife." Thus did the Syrians with God's permission, but what about the little maid's father and mother, and what about her own poor little heart? It is very evident that God does not always seek the comfort of His people, but He does always seek the highest good, and the greatest eternal glory of each one. Consider Joseph and Daniel, etc.

3. "Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! For he would recover him of his leprosy." But for the love of God manifested through the little maid we might never have had the story of Naaman. The faithfulness of the little boy Samuel and of this little girl are great lessons for all boys and girls. Jesus at the age of twelve was about His Father's business, and it is the business of all who know Him to make Him known to others.

4. "Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel." So said one to the king, and thus the message of the little maid is passed on to headquarters, even the words of a little boy or girl are worth being passed on and will accomplish God's pleasure if they concern Him or His servants who live unto Him. He will use any vessel that is willing to be used by Him that He may be glorified.

5. "And the king of Syria said, Go to, go and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel." So Naaman departed, taking as a present ten talents of silver, 6000 pieces of gold and ten changes of raiment. God gave His Son freely and with Him freely all things (Rom. iii., 24; viii., 32). Those do not know Him who think to buy His gifts, neither do those know Him as they should who bring Him no thank offering.

6. "Now, when this letter is come unto thee, behold I have therewith sent Naaman my servant, to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy." Our messages for God often get twisted and perverted by those who hear them, but God will somehow accomplish His pleasure. It is not for us to worry if we have acted according to Jer. xxiii., 28. The little girl had said that the prophet, not the king, would do it.

7. "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy?" Thus said the king of Israel when he had read the letter and imagined that the king of Syria sought to quarrel with him. True, he was not able either to kill or make alive, but he should have known the God of Israel and His servants, the prophets, and have been able to point people to the one only living and true God.

8. "Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? Let him now come to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel." Thus sent Elisha to the king when he heard that the king had rent his clothes. Here is a man conscious of the fact that he is on earth for God and that God is with Him. He has seen the power of God in the dividing of the waters, the healing of the waters and in the miraculous supply of water, in the increase of the oil, the raising of the Shunamite's son and the healing of the pottage. He knows God and feels free to expect whatever will glorify Him.

9. "So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot and stood at the door of the house of Elisha." A wonderful sight truly to be seen at a poor man's door! It makes us think of the time when all kings shall fall down before Him whom Elisha served, when every high thing shall be brought down and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day (Ps. lxxii., 11; Isa. ii., 11).

10. "Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean." Thus said the messenger whom Elisha sent to the door, for Elisha thought it not necessary to go himself. He stood like Elijah before God and considered no greatness that was not of God.

11. "But Naaman was wroth and went away and said, Behold, I thought he will surely come out to me." Naaman had it all planned in his own mind just how it ought to be done, for was not he a great and honorable man and did he not deserve to be honored before his soldiers and by this darkskinned? Was he not prepared to pay well for all he got and was this any kind of a way to treat such as he? His pride would not stand it, and he went away in a rage.

12. "Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel?" The water might be as good or possibly better for some purposes, but they were not God's way for His cleansing. Cain's fruits were probably much more attractive than Abel's bloody lamb, but they were not God's way. Good works and a good moral character are very beautiful and all right in their place, but they are not God's way of cleansing the leprosy of sin, and therefore of no avail.

13. "How much rather then when he saith to thee, Wash and be clean?" His servants, wiser than he, thus reasoned with him that he would gladly do some great thing, and why not this simple thing? There are many who would give much money and do many so called good works if thus they could be saved, but simply to receive Christ and depend wholly upon Him and to have all their righteousness count for nothing is too humiliating for some people, and they will not submit (Rom. x., 3).

14. "Then went he down and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God, and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean." He certainly was not worthy, but he was obedient, and he was cleaned. There is no other way but God's way (Acts iv., 12), and all, without exception, who accept the way (John xiv., 6) are made clean (John xiii., 10; Rev. i., 5, 6; I Cor. vi., 11; Isa. i., 18).—Lesson Helper.

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Jacob Schontag, for forty years head of the claque at the Vienna Opera House, is dead. He knew all the operas of the repertory by heart, knew the strong and weak points of all the artists, and held a rehearsal of his subordinates in the afternoon before the production of an opera, when he drilled them on the parts of a production where their work was to be put in. He watched them during the performance from a seat that commanded a view of the whole house, but never applauded himself, save in desperate cases.

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EPIDEMIC AMONG CATTLE.

Mr. R. C. Calen, one of Dallas county's most prominent farmers and stock dealers, residing at Summerfield, reports an epidemic among his cattle which in three days carried off three of his valuable heifers in succession, which were in fine condition. Mr. Calen, talking to an Age-Herald representative, said: "This disease in this section is evidently an epidemic. I have lost three fine heifers to die on my farm in three days, with the same symptoms and while they were in good condition, and I learn that similar deaths have occurred on other plantations. The symptoms are that the animal is suddenly seized with violent pains and dies quickly. I made an examination of one of my cows that died with the disease and found bloody matter in the bladder of the animal and the intestine spotted with black marks. The papers a few days since called attention to a fatal epidemic now raging among the cattle around Louisville, Ky., which the veterinary surgeons call 'anthrax.' Perhaps that may be the disease here in Dallas. In this connection the Farmer-Journal in its last issue gives the following item:

Early yesterday morning, Mount ..., died of blood poisoning at his home on Union and ... streets, New Albany.

Johnson had been in the employ of ... as a contractor of ... about three weeks ... he took sick from a cow ... which he had ... While at work ... on the arm by ... which had been observed ... carcass. A few ... appeared ... arm where he ... insect. This ... apparently in... stubbornly re... remedies, and ... succumbing super... of the pa... before he died.

... Journal is ... following: The ... Farmers ... which is located ... miles south of ... about 200 car... ... to northern ... June and July. ... something over ... King the neat ... $25,000 drop... during by time. ... fed farm... ... than the ... which gives them ... to whittle ... grievances ... by everything ... from Uncle Sam ...

... for DeWitt's ... the great pile ... anything else. ... accepting a ... for sores, for ... Matthews.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

The Patrons of the University School

Are reminded that the next session begins at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 7. If you are not supplied with books, call on me without delay at my residence and get list. Don't neglect this. And don't fail to be on hand the FIRST DAY of School. Don't put it off a day. It is most important to the progress of your children that they start with their classes.

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Jemison, August 23, '98

At the home of Mr. Lum Langston, at 4 a.m. 14 inst. the happy spirit of Mrs. Huldy Edwards, escorted by angels, rose to the higher life. After suffering many weeks with consumption. She was about 85 years old, had been a faithful member of the Baptist church over fifty years. Over a half century on Christ's roll call. Her quite gentle life will be cherished by her many friends. Mr. Lum Langston, soninlaw of the deceased, will have the sweet pleasure of a good conscience in administering personal aid, and calling medical attention even to the last night. Sleep on dear old friend we will ere long, join you over the river.

We have not seen the death of Mr. Zac Langston announced, which occured on the 13th of June, after but a hours illness. He left a wife and many children to mourn his loss. O how they will miss him. He was a good husband and father, a good neighbor, and a useful man in his community. A member of the Baptist church in which fellowship was his delight. He was a steady worker in the Subbath-school. Thus we see his absence is deplorable. To the family and many friends we say mourn not. Deceased in the blissful home will be waiting and watching for you as you go on up one by one.

Mrs. I. CAMPBELL.

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About one month ago my child, which is fifteen months old, had an attack of diarrhoea accompanied by vomiting. I gave it such remedies as are usually given in such cases, but as nothing gave relief, we sent for a physician and it was under his care for a week. At this time the child had been sick for about ten days and was having about twenty-five operations of the bowels every twelve hours, and we were convinced that unless it soon obtained relief it would not live. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was recommended, and I decided to try it. I soon noticed a change for the better; by its continued use a complete cure was brought about and it is now perfectly healthy.—C. L. BOGGS, Stumptown, Gilmer Co., W. Va. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Longstreet Locals.

The farmers of this section are now quite busy pulling fodder; some few have commenced picking cotton. The cotton crop is considerbly cut off on account of so much rain.

Mrs. Fowler, of Sylacauga, was a pleasant visitor to Mrs. Gilchrist's family last week

Mrs. G. V. Teel visited relatives here Monday.

Some of the young folks attended the protracted meeting at Mountain Springs this week.

Miss Beulah Armstrong and brother attended services at New Salem Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Lowe had a horse to die last Monday that has been owned by the family 28 years.

Miss Pearl Wooley, of Montevallo, visited friends and relatives here last week.

Mr. Marion Gore and Miss Kate Garner went to Salem last Sunday.

L. F. W.

Out of every million persons 1200 die from gout.

Loweville.

Mr. John Marlar, of Billingsley, visited his parents here last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodyard attended services at Salem last Sabbath.

Mrs. George Lodge returned to her home at Billingsley last week after a very pleasant stay with relatives at Loweville.

The charming and accomplished Miss Beulah Armstrong, of Longstreet, visited friends here last week.

Mr. W. H. Foshee, of Clanton, was among friends here Monday.

Miss Annie Marlar made a business trip to Clanton last week.

Miss Lilla Danforth visited her friend, Miss Armstrong, at Longstreet Sunday.

Mrs. Gilchrist and daughter, Mrs. Burnett, spent Friday with Mr. Danforth's family.

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For nearly forty-seven years she has been a highly esteemed and devoted member of the Primitive Baptist church. She was a good woman and to her family and immediate friends her loss is irreparable. A good wife and kind mother being mourned by her husband and eight children.

The burial services took place at the Eiland cemetery, Elders J. T. Nobles, of Elmore, and A. L. Foshee, of Chilton, officiating. Many tears being shed for the dear beloved sister who is now at rest.

Elder J. M. Dykes desires to return his heartfelt thanks to his neighbors and friends for their assistance and sympathy in his bereavement.

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NOTICE. I desire to state to the public that I am the only Justice of the Peace in precinct No. 6, in Chilton county, and that all collections and other business intrusted to me will receive prompt attention. JOHN MILFORD J. P.

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THE ARMY AND NAVY DISCUSSED BY A PRIVATE

Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 22, 1898

Editor BANNER—At last the war has come to an end and "Old Glory" floats again triumphant over an increased nation. And besides it there waves another almost as fair and towards which many eyes have been turned while the life lustre fled away. The flag of Spain is torn and dragged in the blood of its many victims; it is soiled with the infamous treachery and the barbarous cruelty it has permitted to be done under its folds.

The navy of the United States has again proven its superiority, has shown to the assembled nations that its ancient prowess remains the same as in its infancy and that the spirit of Hull, Perry, Preble, Farragut, Semmes and all the men who brought fame to our navy still lives in Dewey, Sampson, Schley and their captains. The men, too of the navy, have proven themselves to be the same sturdy, valiant fighters loving their country's honor as they do their life. We revere and mourn the few dead heroes killed at their posts of duty. I say few for from Ensign Bagley to the coal passer killed off Guantanmo, the number does not exceed a score.

While the navy has done a great part of the work in winning the victory, yet the army should receive its due amount of praise for services rendered on the field of battle. Although the battles may considered three—the siege of Santiago which resulted in the capitulation of the city and was really the only fighting done, the invasion of Porto Rico, an ovation rather than a conquest and the seizure of Manila city, described by one of the participants as a "walk to breakfast" yet in at least one a magnificent exhibition of our American courage, courage and dogged resolution that won the fight instead of superior generalship. The training of the regulars and the valor of the volunteers was too much for the Spaniard, and it stands us in good stead even against the countless bayonets of Russia or Germany. The flag waves as proudly over the land and sea, and the eagle screams as fearlessly as ever.

There is still another army whose heroism, although not fire-tested, has been as great and whose power although not expressed by bullets, has been as forcible as the armies across the seas. This is the great waiting army, the army that helped to convince Spain that resistance would be useless. This army, although it welcomes peace and cessation from further bloodshed, yet it would have gladly received and obeyed orders to go to the front and to defend their country's glory.

Now that peace has been declared and the battles have ceased, some of the men who enlisted solely for the defence of their country and who ardently desired to meet death in battle now wish to lay down their arms and return to their homes; some who enlisted for the picnic of the thing, are trying their level best to get out, as has been their endeavor ever since they struck the first hard spot in camp life. The reasons that the latter class give, while they mostly pose as business matters etc. are among the most ridiculous possible. For instance they say we will have to clean up the streets of Havana and to undergo horrors worse than those endured in Miami. The most of the army has thoughtfully seen the necessity of an army of occupation and are willing to serve as such.

I could go on at greater length concerning the situation of the United States, but I know the value of space in any newspaper.

Aristo Armstrong, who has been seriously ill in the hospital, is now convalescent and will be ready for duty in a few days.

Charlie Willis has been in the hospital for the last few days with a touch of Flagler's miasma. He says he has disposed of it and is enjoying the more salubrious breezes of Jacksonville.

The Montgomery Greys will long remember Miami but will speak no good of the place. The company has just lost two of its best comrades, Sir...mons and O'Neil.

General Lee has just returned from Washington and favored our regiment with a visit this afternoon; he was cheered to the echo. He promises to hold a review of the whole seventh corps, 35,000 strong, sometime next week.

A PRIVATE.

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Clanton Locals.

Camp meeting begins at Fair View, known as the old Shelby Jones place, ten miles south-west of Clanton, third Sunday in September. All are invited to come.

Mr. G. H. Milner, of Birmingham, who has been spending the last few weeks in Chilton, has bought and shipped to points in Tennessee and Kentucky, over 3,400 head of sheep.

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PROGRAM OF TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

An Institute for white teachers will be held at Unity church, one mile east of Clanton on 16 and 17 of Sept. 1898.

FRIDAY.

1:30 a.m. Devotional exercises.

11:00 Welcome address. James Thacker. Response, S. W. Collins. The Teacher. I. E. Byrum.

12:00. Dinner.

2 p.m. Education in its threefold sense—How best obtained? E. Y. McMorries.

3. Educational value of arithmetic. J. M. Corderie.

3:30. Educational value of reading. Mrs. Bowdoin.

4. Educational value of history. Miss Kate Garner.

4:30. Educational value of grammar. W. C. Evans.

SATURDAY.

9 a.m. The value of music in our common Schools. Miss Mary Moody.

9:30. The relation of patrons to the School, W. A. Mims and E. H. Parrish.

10:30. Educational Address, Judson Strock. Dinner.

2 p.m. Why should teachers attend the Institutes, J. B. Jones.

3. Query box.

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SUMMER CATARRH

Catarrh of the bowels, because it is most prevalent in the summer months, is called summer catarrh.

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CARNIVAL OF CRIME REIGNS IN ARKANSAS

Reports of Murders, Homicides and Various Tragedies Daily Occurring.

PORTO RICAN NATIVES WILL RETALIATE.

Will Try to Exterminate Spanish Soldiery. Gold Reserve Greater Than in Many Years—Third Alabama Will Be Kept Under Arms for a While.

The carnival of crime inaugurated in Arkansas several weeks ago continues without abatement.

Saturday an assassination somewhat similar to the killing of John T. Orr, which resulted in the lynching of four negroes and the suicide of Mrs. Orr, at Clarendon, occurred at Paragould, when Henry L. Bramlet was shot and killed by an unknown assassin. Bramlet was asleep alone in his bed when the assassin crept up to his window and shot him, killing him instantly.

A terrible cutting affray, in which two prominent farmers figured, is reported from Macarool county. A. C. Massey and a neighbor named Phillips fought with knives, and the latter was fatally stabbed.

The decomposed body of a man was found near Blackville, in Conway county. The head was entirely severed from the body, and a bloody axe near by told the story of a fearful crime.

Alvin Smith, a young farmer, was found near Mt. Pleasant suffering from a fractured skull. He died without regaining consciousness.

At Harrisburg two negroes fought. One negro is dead and the other is in jail.

PEACE WITHOUT FRUITS.

Madrid El Liberal Complains of the Press Censorship.

The Madrid El Liberal, in an article headed "Peace Without Fruits," says:

"The government is beginning to be frightened by its own handiwork, and it has gained nothing by imposing silence upon the press. Parliament and the public ought to be informed fully as to the progress of events, so that the Spanish people will not be driven to accept the wild rumors that come from abroad.

"We are now entering a period most difficult and perilous, and it may have in store for Spain fresh disasters greater than those of the past."

The government has accepted the resignation of the governor-general of the Canaries, Gen. Manzano. His successor has not yet been appointed.

PORTO RICANS WILL RETALIATE.

Will Try to Exterminate the Spanish Soldiery.

PONCE, PORTO RICO.—A war of retaliation against the Spanish residents of the island within the American lines is threatened—retaliation for the horrible outrages committed by the Spanish troops at Ciales, where over eighty persons are said to have been macheted by the soldiers. The revolting details of the butchery of men and women have stirred a cry for vengeance.

The natives have burned the town of Cola, seven miles from here. The Spanish residents fled for their lives. Throughout the surrounding country the Spaniards are terror-stricken, and are appealing to the Americans for protection.

THE GOLD RESERVE.

Goes Beyond the Two Hundred Million Mark.

For the first time in ten years, the gold reserve in the treasury exceeds $200,000,000. The treasury statement shows it to be $201,139,672.49. The available cash balance in the treasury, including the gold reserve, is $273,771,011.41. The war-revenue law is very satisfactory, and with some modifications which will be made at the next session of congress, is likely to stand on the statute books for some time. It is believed that the sources of income will be maintained for the purpose of the building up the navy for which elaborate plans will be submitted to congress.

Third Alabama Wins.

The Third Alabama regiment will not be mustered out of service at present and will in all likelihood be kept under arms the full term of the enlistment. Colonel R. S. Bullard, with Captain C. H. Scott and Major J. A. Sheffield, are in Washington for the purpose of protesting against their regiment being mustered out, as it was scheduled to be. General Corbin said that instead of being mustered out, the Third being made up of colored men, mostly immunes, would most likely be sent to Cuba and possibly to Santiago at once.

Mexico's Congratulations.

United States Minister Clayton, of Mexico City, has notified the foreign relations department of the conclusions of peace preliminaries with Spain and Minister Mariscal formally replied, congratulating the United States government that peace is now assured.

Large Assignment.

The Black Diamond Coal company, operating mines in the Jellico, Tenn., coal district, was thrown into the hands of a receiver upon application of local creditors.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Dead in the Woods.

Saturday night Urial Smith was found dead in the woods near Blocton. His body was found between the forks of a tree, and it is supposed he suffered an accidental death.

Steel Mill at Gate City.

It is reported that the Alabama Rolling Mill company, which operates a large rolling mill at Gate City, will at an early date erect a steel mill in connection with its plant at a cost of $150,000.

Better Health in First Alabama.

Lieut. P. Searcy Dement, Company F, First Alabama, is off on a ten-days' furlough. He says the men of the First are enjoying much better health since they were removed from Miami to Jacksonville, and have no desire to be mustered out of the service just at present.

Col. John T. Milner Dead.

Col. John T. Milner, the wealthiest man in Jefferson county and one of the state's most prominent citizens, died suddenly at his home in Newcastle as the result of a stroke of paralysis. Col. Milner was 72 years old. He was president of the Milner Coal and Railroad Company, one of the largest mining companies in the Birmingham district.

Wire and Rod Mill.

It is learned that a deal has been closed for the erection at Ensley City of a half-million-dollar wire and rod mill, as a result of a recent visit here of Chicago steel manufacturers. The Illinois Steel Company and American Wire and Rod Trust are understood to be behind the enterprise. Steel will be obtained from the new million-dollar plant now being erected at Ensley City.

Two Fatal Accidents.

J. S. Brannon, a well-known locomotive engineer, and formerly a captain of the Birmingham police, was run over and fatally hurt Saturday while attempting to board an East Lake electric car.

Ed King, an employe of the Gate City Rolling mill, was fatally hurt by a pulley dropping on his head while at work.

To Jail Without Bail.

At Birmingham Commissioner Wilson has bound over without bond the alleged murderers of W. A. Thompson, a government witness. The men thus held are Chess Motes, Robert Taylor, Dodge Blankenship, John Littlejohn, Walter Motes and Jasper Robertson. After the action of Taylor, one of the accused, in turning state's evidence and implicating all of those named in the murder, the defense offered no evidence, but submitted the case.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Major John W. Westmoreland, of Athens, is dead.

Terrell Robertson died at his home near Evergreen. He was 98 years of age.

Mr. A. Jacobs, an old citizen of Goodwater, suicided last Saturday by taking rough on rats.

Near Pleasant Hill, some fifteen or sixteen young men gave Alex Walker, colored, a severe whipping, from the effects of which he died.

R. J. Scott is under arrest at Bridgeport. He is charged with killing his wife and brother-in-law at Somerville.

Sam Morgan, who was struck on the head with a rock by Leu Phillips, at Iron City, some time since, has died from his injuries.

Willie Knowles, who lived at Shady Grove, Pike county, was bitten by a mad dog six months ago. A mad stone was finally applied and seemed very effective, but only a few days ago he was taken down and on Tuesday died of hydrophobia.

The Tennessee river has been higher during the week at Florence than for forty years. For the first time in years St. Louis boats have come to Florence in August.

Limestone county is to have a roller flouring mill. It will be built at or near Cartwright, seven miles west of Athens, by Messrs. Lakin Hightower and R. N. Cartwright. The mill is to have a thirty-barrel capacity.

Gen. Wm. C. Oates, of Alabama, will be detailed to the command of the Second brigade, First division, to succeed Gen. Gordon, who has been placed on the Cuban commission.

William and John Mattox, farmers of the Chulafinee neighborhood, were killed by gas while digging a well.

The committee of arrangements for labor day celebration in Birmingham has invited Gen. Joseph Wheeler to be orator of the day.

The Pioneer Mining and Manufacturing Company has blown in its No. 2 furnace at Thomas, after a long idleness.

Anniston is making a strong effort to have a few thousand of the soldiers of Uncle Sam's volunteer army to pitch tents there.

Judge Oliver Street has been nominated by the populists of the Seventh district for congress.

SPAIN WILL INSIST

That the Surrender of Manila Shall Have No Unfavorable Effect on Settlement.

The Madrid government has resolved to insist that the capitulation of Manila after the signing of the protocol shall have no effect in the peace negotiations unfavorable to Spain. In any event the government holds that the capitulation, having been signed by the commander of the town, does not entail the surrender of the whole of the Philippines.

THE PHILIPPINES WERE CAPTURED.

Not Only Manila But Entire Group in Our Grasp.

TEXT OF THE TERMS OF CAPITULATION.

Merritt's Official Report Upon the Surrender of Manila—Commission Appointed to Determine the Details Have Made Their Report.

WASHINGTON (Special).—Official announcement of the terms of capitulation agreed on at Manila reached the war department Saturday in a dispatch from Major-General Merritt. It was the first notification officially of the stipulations, and embraced the complete terms in six articles. There is considerable difference of opinion as to the exact significance of the terms of capitulation, but the best opinion obtainable construed the language to embrace all Spanish possessions in the Philippines, and not Manila alone. Following are the terms as made by the commission appointed to determine the details of capitulation:

1. The Spanish troops, European and native, capitulate with the city and defenses, with all the honors of war, depositing their arms in the places designated by the authorities of the United States, and remaining in the quarters designated and under the orders of their officers and subject to control of the aforesaid United States authorities, until the conclusion of a treaty of peace between the two belligerent nations. All persons included in the capitulation shall remain at liberty, the officers remaining in their respective homes, which shall be respected so long as they observe the regulations prescribed for their government and the laws in force.

2. Officers shall retain their sidearms, horses and private property. All public horses and public property of all kinds shall be turned over to the staff officers designated by the United States.

3. Complete returns in duplicate of men by organizations and full lists of public property and stores shall be rendered to the United States within ten days from this date.

4. All questions relating to the repatriation of officers and men of the Spanish forces and of their families and of the expenses which said repatriation may occasion shall be referred to the government of the United States at Washington. Spanish families may leave Manila at any time convenient to them. The return of the arms surrendered by the Spanish forces shall take place when they evacuate the city or when the American army evacuates.

5. Officers and men included in the capitulation shall be supplied by the United States according to their rank with rations and necessary aid, as though they were prisoners of war, until the conclusion of a treaty of peace between the United States and Spain. All the funds in the Spanish treasury and all other public funds shall be turned over to the authorities of the United States.

6. This city, its inhabitants, its churches and religious worship, its educational establishments, and its private property of all descriptions are placed under the special safeguard of the faith and honor of the American army.

ROASTED TO DEATH.

Fire at Hot Springs, Ark., Burned Three Persons and Injured Many Others.

A fire which resulted in the loss of two hotels, a livery stable and several private residences, and costs at least three human lives, visited Hot Springs, Ark., Saturday. The identified dead are: Abe Matthews, Greenville, Miss.; W. H. Wills, Randolph county, Arkansas; Mr. Hughes, Tulsa, I. T. A dozen or more were more or less injured, and it is believed by some of the guests and employes of the hotel that more lives were lost. The property destroyed was the National hotel, a three-story structure, and two cottages immediately adjoining, the Kentucky livery stable and the Windsor hotel. The loss was $50,000; insurance, $15,000.

SICK SPANIARDS

Leaving for Home—Their General Appearance Most Pitiful.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—The First Infantry left Friday by the Miller. There are seven Spanish transports now in harbor awaiting the embarkation of the Spanish troops. The general appearance of the men is pitiful. There has been much sickness among them and within the last two days over 100 bodies have been buried. The death rate in the city is about seventy per day. The heavy rains increase the fever among the soldiers and the inhabitants alike.

Cervera Will Stay Here Awhile.

Admiral Cervera will not return to Spain for the present. The admiral has made no application to leave, and it is the belief that he will be the last of the Spanish prisoners to go home, as he has shown a fatherly regard for all the other officers and men, and appears desirous of seeing them on their way homeward before he leaves.

Wheeler Commands the Camp.

General Joe Wheeler Friday formerly assumed command of Camp Wykoff at Montauk Point, N. Y.

SAGASTA ON CUBAN SITUATION.

Spain Will Lay Claim to Property in Porto Rico and Cuba.

MADRID.—During the cabinet discussion of the instructions to the Spanish peace commissioners Senor Sagasta said Friday: "The question is a very complicated one. Spain renounces her sovereignty over Cuba and Porto Rico, but will lay claim to the property there, such as national buildings, barracks, prisons, lands belonging to the state, ports, machinery, arsenals and all similar property. It is also a question what to do with the present inmates of prisons, and criminal and civil proceedings now pending in the courts. But these may be settled by the Cuban military commission. Another great problem is the Cuban debt.

"Regarding Manila, I consider its surrender null and void and against the law, since it was made after the signing of the protocol. The Paris conference will settle this and also arrange commercial treaties by which Spanish goods may obtain tariff advantages in Cuba and Porto Rico in exchange for similar advantages given to the Americans in the Philippines."

It is hinted that Spain may ask indemnity for cession of property and railroads in Cuba and Porto Rico.

KLONDIKE OVERDONE.

Cannot Support One-Third of the Men Already There.

Four hundred thousand dollars in bright yellow dust and 111 ragged and hungry miners from the Klondike gold fields arrived at Port Townsend, Wash., on the steam schooler Rival, which left July 26. The $400,000 is about equally distributed among the miners, but all express the opinion that the country is greatly overdone and cannot support one-third of the men already there, to say nothing of large numbers daily arriving, and already many are beginning to feel the pangs of hunger. Wages, which heretofore have been from $1.50 to $2 an hour, have dropped to 70 cents, and there is not employment for more than one out of ten.

Of all the strikes reported since June, 1897, not one has proved of value, and many claims have been listed at the mining exchange at Dawson City and can be bought for one ounce of dust and upward.

A new town has been founded at the mouth of American creek, and has been christened Eagle City. It has a population of several hundred and may become a formidable rival to Dawson. It is entirely in United States territory.

OCCUPATION OF PHILIPPINES.

Circumstances May Compel the United States to Permanent Sovereignty.

The London Times says editorially that it foresees circumstances which may compel the United States to a permanent occupation of Cuba, and adds:

"If America is prepared to undertake the responsibility of the government of the whole Philippine group it is hard to see how any other power could legitimately interfere. If the United States repudiates such responsibility a very perilous state of things might ensue, because it would not be easy to dispute the right of other powers to terminate the state of anarchy. Therefore, many difficulties may be avoided by American annexation. In any case no European power may rely upon finding the United States as easy to coerce as Japan."

American Money for Don Carlos.

Count Urbain DeMaille, chief representative of Don Carlos in Paris, says: "Certain American gentlemen have approached me with an offer of twelve million francs for the Carlist cause, with the understanding that they be reimbursed double that amount when Don Carlos is seated on the throne of Spain."

DeMaille felt in honor bound not to reveal their names. The count declined, owing to the existing anti-American sentiment in Spain, the responsibility of accepting the offer before consulting his chief.

Mail Service Resumed.

Postmaster General Emory Smith has suspended his order issued at the beginning of the war that during hostilities all mail communication with Spain and her colonies was to be discontinued.

No More Troops for Cuba.

General Shafter has informed the war department that after consulting with General Lawton, commanding the department of Santiago, it had been concluded that it will not be necessary to send any more troops to Santiago for the preservation of peace and good order. This statement is made with the understanding that the present military force will shortly be re-inforced by the arrival of the Fifth regular Infantry and the Twenty-third Kansas Vols.

Agreed to Cuban Commission.

MADRID.—The cabinet council has agreed to the Cuban commission suggested by Blanco, consisting of Gen. Parrado, Capt. Landero and Marquis Montoro. The appointment of Porto Rican commissioners has been postponed, although Macias wired his choice. Members of the Spanish peace commission have not yet been appointed.

The Pope in Danger.

ROME.—Rumors are in circulation that the pope has suffered a further relapse. Dr. Laponi, his holinesses' physician, denies the report, but anxiety prevails.

MUSTERING VOLUNTEERS OUT OF SERVICE

Orders Issued by W...

Troops to...

THE THIRD ALABAMA...

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Third Georgia...

WASHINGTON... Friday for the... rendezvous of the... The First Illinois... Maine infantry... and the Second N... now at Fernandina.

The First Ill... Springfield, Ill.; the... Augusta, Me.; and the... York to Troy, N. Y. ... were mustered into the... of the government at... the war at the "peace... their return is accepted as... that they are to be mustered... movement of these regiments will... gin as soon as the transportation... be provided.

Another regiment which has... ordered to return to its recruiting... dezvous is the First Vermont. That regiment, now at Chickamauga... is now under orders to proceed to... Ethan Allan, Vt., and left... Thomas Friday.

Similar orders will be issued... day to day to the other volunteer... ments selected for mustering out... official information on this subject... obtainable at the war department... advance of the issue of the orders... is said, however, that the Third Georgia infantry, Third Alabama and the First Maryland infantry... among the number already selected... mustering out.

GUATEMALA UPRISING COLLAPSES

Morales, Revolutionary General, Captured in a Cave and Died.

The state department has received cable dispatch from Minister... at Guatemala, telling of the... death of General Morales, leader... the Guatemalan revolution, and... collapse of that uprising. The dispatch follows:

"Ocos was occupied on the 19th... the government forces and 900... of coffee and other valuable... of foreigners saved from destruction. This occupation was aided... force by Captain Fegan, of the... gunboat Leander, acting under... of British, German and United States... ministers. Morales retreated to... National troops to Cuchumatan... mountains, where he was surrounded and captured in a cave, where he... been hiding for several days without food and ill from hunger, fatigue and exposure. The commanding general ordered him removed to San Marcos... Medical and was summoned, but... died on the way to San Salvador. This is the end of the revolution."

SPAIN APPOINTS COMMISSIONERS

To Consider the Questions Relating to Cuba.

HAVANA.—The government has appointed a Spanish commission to consider a definite basis for a treaty of peace. The personnel of the commission, however, is not announced. It is reported that the questions to be discussed are as follows:

1. Cession of territory and the... termination of conditions with the... nifications by the United States... damage to public buildings... the state's lands.

2. Indemnity for war and... terial naturally agreed upon... possession of the United States.

3. Conditions of... evacuation by the... with the war, notably... ...

4. Commercial... vantages to be... ...

5. The... kinds of all Spanish... antees to be offered... stay in the island.

6. The form of the... established in Cuba.

Needed Work.

The State Normal College... have arranged so that their... Dr. E. R. Eldridge, who gave... superintendents... ing in their Teachers' Institutes... after. Dr. Eldridge has... full hundred Normal Institutes... an adept in that line.

Here is what the teachers of... gomery county, Ala., say of... work among them:

"Resolved third, That thanks... tended to Dr. E. R. Eldridge... dent of the Troy Normal, for... valuable services he has rendered... the institute interesting and... Time will never efface from... the important information... imparted while in our midst."

These are already a great... teachers, but Dr. E. thinks... be greatly improved, and will... do this more and more.

Will Go to Cuba About October 1.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee has returned... Jacksonville from Washington... states that the Seventh corps will... to Havana about October 1.

THE BUSINESS SECTION...

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What is it to be business-like? As the American world stands today it means, very often, to be shrewd and cunning, says Scribner's Magazine. What is the business man? He is, in many men's minds, the wide-awake fellow who has discovered a way of getting much more than he earns. What is business? As very often understood among us, it is the art of juggling money out of your neighbor's pocket into your own. There is a world in which to earn your bread by honest and continuous labor is not to be "in business." In that world, to take advantage of opportunities, to conceal what you may have learned, and to trade upon your knowledge is business. Misleading even, if secrecy cannot otherwise be obtained; that is business. In short, in that world to be business-like is to be unscrupulous. A lover of fine art may continue to hope that its devotees will not too rapidly become business men in that sense.

"The Rough Riders' battle," says a despatch from the front, "is the only occasion in which untried volunteers ever fought as well as regulars." In the first place, it would be hard to find an "untried volunteer" in these United States, comments the New York World. We are in business as a nation chiefly to teach men to think and act intelligently and courageously, and to be in all circumstances self-reliant and self-respecting. And when the circumstances are war and battle, results of coolness and courage are as natural as leaves on a tree. In the second place, it is one of the commonplaces of our history that our raw recruits—which is a truer phrase than "untried volunteers"—behave like regulars. As far back as Braddock's campaign, when Washington with Virginia recruits covered the route of British regulars, or as the Revolutionary days, when the "embattled farmers" whipped and chased British regulars, or as the battle of New Orleans, when Jackson's militia and woodsmen did the same trick, or as late as the fight in the brush near Sevilla, the American citizen has again and again proved that a democratic training makes as good soldiers as citizens—that is to say, makes men!

During the next year the postage stamps will be printed at the bureau of engraving and printing of the treasury department instead of by private contractors. The contract will amount to over $62,500,000 even at the extraordinarily low price charged. The ordinary postage stamps will be furnished at five cents a thousand, postage-due stamps at 11.4 cents a thousand, newspaper and periodical stamps at 6.05 cents a thousand and special delivery stamps at 11.4 cents a thousand. The contract contemplates a total of 3,063,633,885 ordinary stamps, 4,346,330 special delivery stamps, 5,544,229 newspaper stamps and 19,573,160 postage-due stamps. The largest number of any one denomination to be printed will be the two-cent stamps, the total being 2,726,769,525; of the one-cent stamps 1,344,526,650 will be printed. The smallest number of any one variety will be 4420 $50 stamps, which are used for postage upon newspapers mailed in bulk. The number of $100 stamps to be printed will be 12,915. There has been an enormous increase in the stamp business. Ten years ago, in 1888, the total value of stamps issued was $38,298,741; today it is $62,530,201. Twenty years ago, in 1878, the total was only $21,189,557.90.

CARNIVAL OF CRIME REIGNS IN ARKANSAS

Reports of Murders, Homicides and Various Tragedies Daily Occurring.

PORTO RICAN NATIVES WILL RETALIATE.

Will Try to Exterminate Spanish Soldiery. Gold Reserve Greater Than in Many Years—Third Alabama Will Be Kept Under Arms for a While.

The carnival of crime inaugurated in Arkansas several weeks ago continues without abatement.

Saturday an assassination somewhat similar to the killing of John T. Orr, which resulted in the lynching of four negroes and the suicide of Mrs. Orr, at Clarendon, occurred at Paragould, when Henry L. Bramlet was shot and killed by an unknown assassin. Bramlet was asleep alone in his bed when the assassin crept up to his window and shot him, killing him instantly.

A terrible cutting affray, in which two prominent farmers figured, is reported from Macarool county. A. C. Massey and a neighbor named Phillips fought with knives, and the latter was fatally stabbed.

The decomposed body of a man was found near Blackville, in Conway county. The head was entirely severed from the body, and a bloody axe near by told the story of a fearful crime.

Alvin Smith, a young farmer, was found near Mt. Pleasant suffering from a fractured skull. He died without regaining consciousness.

At Harrisburg two negroes fought. One negro is dead and the other is in jail.

PEACE WITHOUT FRUITS.

Madrid El Liberal Complains of the Press Censorship.

The Madrid El Liberal, in an article headed "Peace Without Fruits," says:

"The government is beginning to be frightened by its own handiwork, and it has gained nothing by imposing silence upon the press. Parliament and the public ought to be informed fully as to the progress of events, so that the Spanish people will not be driven to accept the wild rumors that come from abroad.

"We are now entering a period most difficult and perilous, and it may have in store for Spain fresh disasters greater than those of the past."

The government has accepted the resignation of the governor-general of the Canaries, Gen. Manzano. His successor has not yet been appointed.

PORTO RICANS WILL RETALIATE.

Will Try to Exterminate the Spanish Soldiery.

PONCE, PORTO RICO.—A war of retaliation against the Spanish residents of the island within the American lines is threatened—retaliation for the horrible outrages committed by the Spanish troops at Ciales, where over eighty persons are said to have been macheted by the soldiers. The revolting details of the butchery of men and women have stirred a cry for vengeance.

The natives have burned the town of Cola, seven miles from here. The Spanish residents fled for their lives. Throughout the surrounding country the Spaniards are terror-stricken, and are appealing to the Americans for protection.

THE GOLD RESERVE.

Goes Beyond the Two Hundred Million Mark.

For the first time in ten years, the gold reserve in the treasury exceeds $200,000,000. The treasury statement shows it to be $201,139,672.49. The available cash balance in the treasury, including the gold reserve, is $273,771,011.41. The war-revenue law is very satisfactory, and with some modifications which will be made at the next session of congress, is likely to stand on the statute books for some time. It is believed that the source of income will be maintained for the purpose of the building up the navy, for which elaborate plans will be submitted to congress.

Third Alabama Wins.

The Third Alabama regiment will not be mustered out of service at present and will in all likelihood be kept under arms the full term of the enlistment. Colonel R. S. Bullard, with Captain C. H. Scott and Major J. A. Sheffield, are in Washington for the purpose of protesting against their regiment being mustered out, as it was scheduled to be. General Corbin said that instead of being mustered out, the Third being made up of colored men, mostly immunes, would most likely be sent to Cuba and possibly to Santiago at once.

Mexico's Congratulations.

United States Minister Clayton, of Mexico City, has notified the foreign relations department of the conclusions of peace preliminaries with Spain and Minister Mariscal formally replied, congratulating the United States government that peace is now assured.

Large Assignment.

The Black Diamond Coal company, operating mines in the Jellico, Tenn., coal district, was thrown into the hands of a receiver upon application of local creditors.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Dead in the Woods.

Saturday night Urial Smith was found dead in the woods near Blocton. His body was found between the forks of a tree, and it is supposed he suffered an accidental death.

Steel Mill at Gate City.

It is reported that the Alabama Rolling Mill company, which operates a large rolling mill at Gate City, will at an early date erect a steel mill in connection with its plant at a cost of $150,000.

Better Health in First Alabama.

Lieut. P. Searcy Dement, Company F, First Alabama, is off on a ten-days' furlough. He says the men of the First are enjoying much better health since they were removed from Miami to Jacksonville, and have no desire to be mustered out of the service just at present.

Col. John T. Milner Dead.

Col. John T. Milner, the wealthiest man in Jefferson county and one of the state's most prominent citizens, died suddenly at his home in Newcastle as the result of a stroke of paralysis. Col. Milner was 72 years old. He was president of the Milner Coal and Railroad Company, one of the largest mining companies in the Birmingham district.

Wire and Rod Mill.

It is learned that a deal has been closed for the erection at Ensley City of a half-million-dollar wire and rod mill, as a result of a recent visit here of Chicago steel manufacturers. The Illinois Steel Company and American Wire and Rod Trust are understood to be behind the enterprise. Steel will be obtained from the new million-dollar plant now being erected at Ensley City.

Two Fatal Accidents.

J. S. Brannon, a well-known locomotive engineer, and formerly a captain of the Birmingham police, was run over and fatally hurt Saturday while attempting to board an East Lake electric car.

Ed King, an employe of the Gate City Rolling mill, was fatally hurt by a pulley dropping on his head while at work.

To Jail Without Bail.

At Birmingham Commissioner Wilson has bound over without bond the alleged murderers of W. A. Thompson, a government witness. The men thus held are Chess Motes, Robert Taylor, Dodge Blankenship, John Littlejohn, Walter Motes and Jasper Robertson. After the action of Taylor, one of the accused, in turning state's evidence and implicating all of those named in the murder, the defense offered no evidence, but submitted the case.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Major John W. Westmoreland, of Athens, is dead.

Terrell Robertson died at his home near Evergreen. He was 98 years of age.

Mr. A. Jacobs, an old citizen of Goodwater, suicided last Saturday by taking rough on rats.

Near Pleasant Hill, some fifteen or sixteen young men gave Alex Walker, colored, a severe whipping, from the effects of which he died.

R. J. Scott is under arrest at Bridgeport. He is charged with killing his wife and brother-in-law at Somerville.

Sam Morgan, who was struck on the head with a rock by Leu Phillips, at Iron City, some time since, has died from his injuries.

Willie Knowles, who lived at Shady Grove, Pike county, was bitten by a mad dog six months ago. A mad stone was finally applied and seemed very effective, but only a few days ago he was taken down and on Tuesday died of hydrophobia.

The Tennessee river has been higher during the week at Florence than for forty years. For the first time in years St. Louis boats have come to Florence in August.

Limestone county is to have a roller flouring mill. It will be built at or near Cartwright, seven miles west of Athens, by Messrs. Lakin Hightower and R. N. Cartwright. The mill is to have a thirty-barrel capacity.

Gen. Wm. C. Oates, of Alabama, will be detailed to the command of the Second brigade, First division, to succeed Gen. Gordon, who has been placed on the Cuban commission.

William and John Mattox, farmers of the Chulafinee neighborhood, were killed by gas while digging a well.

The committee of arrangements for labor day celebration in Birmingham has invited Gen. Joseph Wheeler to be orator of the day.

The Pioneer Mining and Manufacturing Company has blown in its No. 2 furnace at Thomas, after a long idleness.

Anniston is making a strong effort to have a few thousand of the soldiers of Uncle Sam's volunteer army to pitch tents there.

Judge Oliver Street has been nominated by the populists of the Seventh district for congress.

SPAIN WILL INSIST

That the Surrender of Manila Shall Have No Unfavorable Effect on Settlement.

The Madrid government has resolved to insist that the capitulation of Manila after the signing of the protocol shall have no effect in the peace negotiations unfavorable to Spain. In any event the government holds that the capitulation, having been signed by the commander of the town, does not entail the surrender of the whole of the Philippines.

THE PHILIPPINES WERE CAPTURED.

Not Only Manila But Entire Group in Our Grasp.

TEXT OF THE TERMS OF CAPITULATION.

Merritt's Official Report Upon the Surrender of Manila—Commission Appointed to Determine the Details Have Made Their Report.

WASHINGTON (Special).—Official announcement of the terms of capitulation agreed on at Manila reached the war department Saturday in a dispatch from Major-General Merritt. It was the first notification officially of the stipulations, and embraced the complete terms in six articles. There is considerable difference of opinion as to the exact significance of the terms of capitulation, but the best opinion obtainable construed the language to embrace all Spanish possessions in the Philippines, and not Manila alone. Following are the terms as made by the commission appointed to determine the details of capitulation:

1. The Spanish troops, European and native, capitulate with the city and defenses, with all the honors of war, depositing their arms in the places designated by the authorities of the United States, and remaining in the quarters designated and under the orders of their officers and subject to control of the aforesaid United States authorities, until the conclusion of a treaty of peace between the two belligerent nations. All persons included in the capitulation shall remain at liberty, the officers remaining in their respective homes, which shall be respected so long as they observe the regulations prescribed for their government and the laws in force.

2. Officers shall retain their side-arms, horses and private property. All public horses and public property of all kinds shall be turned over to the staff officers designated by the United States.

3. Complete returns in duplicate of men by organizations and full lists of public property and stores shall be rendered to the United States within ten days from this date.

4. All questions relating to the repatriation of officers and men of the Spanish forces and of their families and of the expenses which said repatriation may occasion shall be referred to the government of the United States at Washington. Spanish families may leave Manila at any time convenient to them. The return of the arms surrendered by the Spanish forces shall take place when they evacuate the city or when the American army evacuates.

5. Officers and men included in the capitulation shall be supplied by the United States according to their rank with rations and necessary aid, as though they were prisoners of war, until the conclusion of a treaty of peace between the United States and Spain. All the funds in the Spanish treasury and all other public funds shall be turned over to the authorities of the United States.

6. This city, its inhabitants, its churches and religious worship, its educational establishments, and its private property of all descriptions are placed under the special safeguard of the faith and honor of the American army.

ROASTED TO DEATH.

Fire at Hot Springs, Ark., Burned Three Persons and Injured Many Others.

A fire which resulted in the loss of two hotels, a livery stable and several private residences, and costs at least three human lives, visited Hot Springs, Ark., Saturday. The identified dead are: Abe Matthews, Greenville, Miss.; W. H. Wills, Randolph county, Arkansas; Mr. Hughes, Tulsa, I. T. A dozen or more were more or less injured, and it is believed by some of the guests and employes of the hotel that more lives were lost. The property destroyed was the National hotel, a three-story structure, and two cottages immediately adjoining, the Kentucky livery stable and the Windsor hotel. The loss was $50,000; insurance, $15,000.

SICK SPANIARDS

Leaving for Home—Their General Appearance Most Pitiful.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—The First Infantry left Friday by the Miller. There are seven Spanish transports now in harbor awaiting the embarkation of the Spanish troops. The general appearance of the men is pitiful. There has been much sickness among them and within the last two days over 100 bodies have been buried. The death rate in the city is about seventy per day. The heavy rains increase the fever among the soldiers and the inhabitants alike.

Cervera Will Stay Here Awhile.

Admiral Cervera will not return to Spain for the present. The admiral has made no application to leave, and it is the belief that he will be the last of the Spanish prisoners to go home, as he has shown a fatherly regard for all the other officers and men, and appears desirous of seeing them on their way homeward before he leaves.

Wheeler Commands the Camp.

General Joe Wheeler Friday formerly assumed command of Camp Wykoff at Montauk Point, N. Y.

SAGASTA ON CUBAN SITUATION.

Spain Will Lay Claim to Property in Porto Rico and Cuba.

MADRID.—During the cabinet discussion of the instructions to the Spanish peace commissioners Senor Sagasta said Friday: "The question is a very complicated one. Spain renounces her sovereignty over Cuba and Porto Rico, but will lay claim to the property there, such as national buildings, barracks, prisons, lands belonging to the state, ports, machinery, arsenals and all similar property. It is also a question what to do with the present inmates of prisons, and criminal and civil proceedings now pending in the courts. But these may be settled by the Cuban military commission. Another great problem is the Cuban debt.

"Regarding Manila, I consider its surrender null and void and against the law, since it was made after the signing of the protocol. The Paris conference will settle this and also arrange commercial treaties by which Spanish goods may obtain tariff advantages in Cuba and Porto Rico in exchange for similar advantages given to the Americans in the Philippines."

It is hinted that Spain may ask indemnity for cession of property and railroads in Cuba and Porto Rico.

KLONDIKE OVERDONE.

Cannot Support One-Third of the Men Already There.

Four hundred thousand dollars in bright yellow dust and 111 ragged and hungry miners from the Klondike gold fields arrived at Port Townsend, Wash., on the steam schooler Rival, which left July 26. The $400,000 is about equally distributed among the miners, but all express the opinion that the country is greatly overdone and cannot support one-third of the men already there, to say nothing of large numbers daily arriving, and already many are beginning to feel the pangs of hunger. Wages, which heretofore have been from $1.50 to $2 an hour, have dropped to 70 cents, and there is not employment for more than one out of ten.

Of all the strikes reported since June, 1897, not one has proved of value, and many claims have been listed at the mining exchange at Dawson City and can be bought for one ounce of dust and upward.

A new town has been founded at the mouth of American creek, and has been christened Eagle City. It has a population of several hundred and may become a formidable rival to Dawson. It is entirely in United States territory.

OCCUPATION OF PHILIPPINES.

Circumstances May Compel the United States to Permanent Sovereignty.

The London Times says editorially that it foresees circumstances which may compel the United States to a permanent occupation of Cuba, and adds:

"If America is prepared to undertake the responsibility of the government of the whole Philippine group it is hard to see how any other power could legitimately interfere. If the United States repudiates such responsibility a very perilous state of things might ensue, because it would not be easy to dispute the right of other powers to terminate the state of anarchy. Therefore, many difficulties may be avoided by American annexation. In any case no European power may rely upon finding the United States as easy to coerce as Japan."

American Money for Don Carlos.

Count Urbain DeMaille, chief representative of Don Carlos in Paris, says: "Certain American gentlemen have approached me with an offer of twelve million francs for the Carlist cause, with the understanding that they be reimbursed double that amount when Don Carlos is seated on the throne of Spain."

DeMalle felt in honor bound not to reveal their names. The count declined, owing to the existing anti-American sentiment in Spain, the responsibility of accepting the offer before consulting his chief.

Mail Service Resumed.

Postmaster General Emory Smith has suspended his order issued at the beginning of the war that during hostilities all mail communication with Spain and her colonies was to be discontinued.

No More Troops for Cuba.

General Shafter has informed the war department that after consulting with General Lawton, commanding the department of Santiago, it had been concluded that it will not be necessary to send any more troops to Santiago for the preservation of peace and good order. This statement is made with the understanding that the present military force will shortly be re-inforced by the arrival of the Fifth regular Infantry and the Twenty-third Kansas Vols.

Agreed to Cuban Commission.

MADRID.—The cabinet council has agreed to the Cuban commission suggested by Blanco, consisting of Gen. Parrado, Capt. Landero and Marquis Montoro. The appointment of Porto Rican commissioners has been postponed, although Macias wired his choice. Members of the Spanish peace commission have not yet been appointed.

The Pope in Danger.

ROME.—Rumors are in circulation that the pope has suffered a further relapse. Dr. Laponi, his holinesses' physician, denies the report, but anxiety prevails.

MUSTERING VOLUNTEERS OUT OF SERVICE

Orders Issued by War Department for Troops to Report.

THE THIRD ALABAMA

Similar Orders Will Be Issued Day to Day to Other Volunteers Selected to Go Out of Service.

Third Georgia, Etc.

WASHINGTON, Friday for the rendezvous of the The First Illinois, Maine infantry at and the Second N now at Fernandina, Fla.

The First Illinois Springfield, Ill.; Augusta, Me.; York to Troy, N. Y. were mustered into the service of the government at the the war at the places mentioned their return is accepted as that they are to be mustered out movement of these regiments will gin as soon as the transportation be provided.

Another regiment which has ordered to return to its rendezvous is the First Vermont. That regiment, now at Chickamauga, is now under orders to proceed to Ethan Allan, Vt., and left Thomas Friday.

Similar orders will be issued day to day to the other volunteer ments selected for mustering out. official information on this subject obtainable at the war department advance of the issue of the orders is said, however, that the Third Georgia infantry, Third Alabama and the First Maryland infantry among the number already selected mustering out.

GUATEMALA UPRISING COLLAPSES

Morales, Revolutionary General, Captured in a Cave and Died.

The state department has received cable dispatch from Minister Hunter at Guatemala, telling of the death of General Morales, leader the Guatemalan revoldtion, and collapse of that uprising. The patch follows:

"Ocos was occupied on the 18th the government forces and 500 of coffee and other valuable pro of foreigners saved from destruc This occupation was aided by force by Captain Fegan, of the gunboat Leander, acting under of British, German and United ministers. Morales retreated to National troops to Cuchumatan mountains, where he was surrou and captured in a cave, where he been hiding for several days w food and ill from hunger, fatigue exposure. The commanding ordered him removed to San Medical aid was summoned, but died on the way to San Sebas This is the end of the revolution."

SPAIN APPOINTS COMMISSION

To Consider the Questions Relating to Cuba.

HAVANA.—The government has pointed a Spanish commission to sider a definite basis for a peace. The personnel of the sion, however, is not announced. reported that the questions to cussed are as follows:

1. Cession of territory and termination of conditions and nifications by the United States damage to public buildings, the state's lands.

2. Indemnity for war and terial naturally agreed upon possession of the United States.

3. Conditions of and time evacuation by the troops and with the war material agreed

4. Commercial mist vantages to be considered.

5. The recognition of kinds of all Spanish antees to be offered to stay in the island.

6. The form of the government established in Cuba.

Needed Work.

The State Normal College have arranged so that their Dr. E. R. Eldridge, may superintendents-many of ing in their Teachers' Institutes after. Dr. Eldridge has a full hundred Normal Institutes an adept in that line.

Here is what the teachers of Montgomery county, Ala., say of work among them:

"Resolved third, That the tended to Dr. E. R. Eldridge dent of the Troy Normal, for valuable services he rendered the institute interesting and will Time will never efface from the important information imparted while in our midst."

These are already a great teachers, but Dr. E. thinks be greatly improved, and will do this more and more.

Will Go to Cuba About October 1.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee has Jacksonville from Washington states that the Seventh will to Havana about October 1.

A LADRONE BELLE.

THE BUSINESS SECTION

THE LADRONES AND CAROLINES.

Va[illegible]l Beauty of These Much-Discussed Islands in the Pacific Ocean.

A QUEER PEOPLE WITH QUEERER CUSTOMS.

[illegible] Pacific, where the [illegible] a charge of bird shot [illegible] a spot no larger than [illegible], the American flag is [illegible] Ladrones. They are [illegible] the face of the deep. [illegible] empire of island wealth [illegible] scenery in the world. [illegible] rise it is called.

[illegible] the Ladrones by the [illegible] with a seizure of the [illegible] to the south of, the [illegible] them of new interest to

[illegible] Ladrones are a chain of vol- [illegible] extending north and [illegible] include thirteen degrees [illegible] of [illegible] north to latitude [illegible] thirty-two minutes [illegible] latitude about 146 east. [illegible] discovered by Magellan, [illegible] 1521, and named Ladrones [illegible] supposed stealing propensi- [illegible] natives. Later, in 1668, the [illegible] named Mariana, in honor [illegible] Anne, of Austria, the widow [illegible] IV., King of Spain. The [illegible] islands are Agrigan, Saipan, [illegible], Rota and Guam. On the [illegible] islands are volcanoes spouting [illegible] steam. The mountains range [illegible] from 1000 to 3000 feet high, about [illegible] latitude of the biggest of the [illegible] islands.

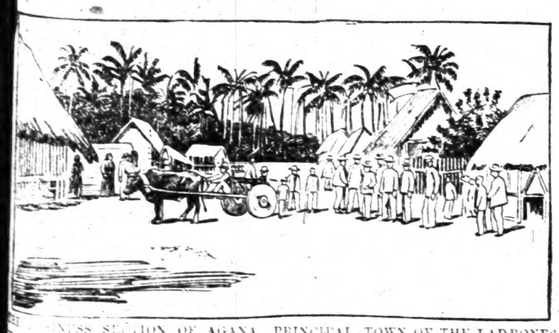
[illegible] Spaniards have controlled the [illegible] islands without interference or seri- [illegible] trouble from the natives. There [illegible] a small garrison at Agana, the cap- [illegible], where the Governor-General has [illegible] dence. Many natives of the Caro- [illegible] Islands have been imported into [illegible] Ladrones and the races are inter- [illegible] largely mixed. The blending of the [illegible] copper-colored, curly-haired, [illegible] bearded and mustached Caroline [illegible] with the Philippian-looking La- [illegible] ones, with their dark Malay skin,

A LADRONE BELLE.

[illegible] new tint to a large num- [illegible] men and women.

[illegible] products for sustaining [illegible] nuts and bread fruit. [illegible] spontaneously everywhere. [illegible] one cocoanut tree will [illegible] A grove of the fruit trees [illegible] is what a herd of cows [illegible] Pennsylvania farmer. [illegible] the tons of fish in the [illegible] are natural fish ponds, [illegible] for the profound in- [illegible] the natives. They can [illegible] without laboring. Some [illegible] fruit trees are ten or [illegible] in diameter. A single [illegible] cereal equal in life-sup- [illegible] acity to two acres of [illegible] there are other pro- [illegible], corn, ordinary wheat, [illegible] and arrowroot.

[illegible] forming the Ladrones,



CROSS SECTION OF AGANA, PRINCIPAL TOWN OF THE LADRONES.

[illegible] at the northernmost, are [illegible] Pagan, an active volcano [illegible] in height, a group of three [illegible] islets known as the Urracas; [illegible], a partially active vol- [illegible] 2818 feet in height; Agri- [illegible] miles in length, mountain- [illegible] the northernmost inhabited [illegible] Farallon, having three active [illegible] peopled by a few natives; [illegible] the islands of Alamagan, [illegible] Sarigan, Anatavan and [illegible] Medinilla, Saipan, fifteen [illegible] fertile, and having about [illegible] inhabitants; Tinian, originally

possessing 30,000 inhabitants, and now a place of segregation for lepers, with a population of 300; Aguijan, of no importance; Rota, with 500 inhabitants, and Guam.

Guam, or Guajan, the southernmost and largest of the islands, is thirty-two miles long and has a population of about 9000, two-thirds of whom are in Agana, and nearly all the rest upon the seaboard, the country inland being almost without inhabitant. Agana,

BAHLDONAP, A TYPICAL TOWN IN THE CAROLINES.

the capital, is also a convict settlement. It is beautifully clean, and possesses good government officials, a hospital, schools and a church. The Spanish residents have usually numbered about twenty, and the regular soldiery about 200, all quartered here. The militia, comprising about all the male population, is commanded by native officers. The civil government is similar to that of the Philippines. Postal communication has been quarterly.

When first discovered the Ladrones had a population of about 60,000. Not one of the original race survives, and the islands are peopled chiefly by Tagals and Bisayans from the Philippines, mixed descendants of South American Indians, a colony of Caroline Islanders who founded Garapan in the Island of Saipan, and numerous Chamorro-Spanish half-breeds. The census of 1888 reports a population of 6476 in Agana, and a total of 10,172 in all the islands, 5034 being males 5138 females. There are eighteen schools in the Island of Guam. Only ten per cent. of the Ladrone Islanders are unable to read and write. Spanish is the recognized language; but many of the natives speak a little English. The climate is good and equable; seventy degrees to eighty degrees Fahrenheit is the range of the thermometer.

The present population are described as "wanting in energy, of indifferent moral character, and miserably poor." They are descended in part from the original inhabitants, called Chamonos, and from the Mestizos, a mixed race formed by the union of Spaniards with these natives.

On the island called Saypan a colony from the Caroline Islands, which lie to the south of the Ladrones, was established some years ago. These people are the most active and enterprising inhabitants of the Ladrones.

Spain has derived no revenue from these islands, and has done little to civilize the people. At one time a few small schools were started, but they were soon abandoned.

In 1856 an epidemic destroyed one-third of the population.

August and September are the hottest months, and the rain-fall in the summer months is very heavy.

Agana, the capital, is well built of timber, and many of the houses have tiled roofs. There are twenty small villages on the islands.

So little has been done to civilize the people that they live in about the same primitive fashion as characterized them when Europeans first visited them.

In one thing the people of the Ladrones excel all the natives of the Polynesian islands—this is their faculty for building and sailing a wonderful water craft with a lateen sail. Sailors of all nations for over 300 years have admired their skill with these vessels.

They are built entirely without metal and the largest of them will carry about seven men.

The boat has an outrigger which is carried on the lee side to prevent upsetting. It is said that these boats make wonderful speed, and that they can lie closer to the wind than any other sailing craft known.

Customs, superstitions, dress, religion, etc., prove that the people of the Ladrones have a common origin with the other races of Polynesia, but they have lived so long by themselves that they have a distinct language. Some writers have argued that the race is of American origin, while others hold that they are an offshoot of the Japanese.

NATIVES AND HUT IN THE LADRONES.

Gobien, the French writer, who studies the people on the spot, says of them:

"The natives are not so dark as those of the Philippines, and are larger of body than the average European. They lived on roots, fish and fruits, and were extremely active and quick. Many of them lived over 100 years."

Another French writer says that he saw them dive and swim so well that they caught fish in their hands under water.

In character the Ladrones are gay and amiable, loving pleasure, and spending much of their time in outdoor amusements.

The women are usually lighter in color than the men, and many of them are extremely beautiful, with luxuriant hair reaching almost to the ground.

The Carolines are like the Ladrones, only more extensive in number and area, and densely populated. The islands are widely scattered into three great groups, the eastern, western and central. Spain originally claimed all the groups, but Germany recently took the Marshall Islands. The central or main group, now belonging to Spain, comprises forty-eight smaller

A CAROLINE WARRIOR.

groups, making a total of four or five hundred islands.

Among the products of the country are rice, corn, wheat, sugar, cotton, tobacco, indigo, bread fruit, castor oil and kindred necessaries of life. Among the curious natural features are the palm trees, that produce vegetable ivory; banyan trees that grow downward, the seeds being planted by birds high up in other trees, deposited in bark and crevices, sending down rootlets to gather sustenance and moisture from the soil.

Another tree bears a fruit so offensive in odor that no man not in practice can endure it, but once in a month the fruit tastes so delicious'y that he cannot stop eating until it is devoured.

The women of the Carolines are neat and attractive at home or among their cocoanut trees. The men are industrious—everywhere displaying ingenuity and gentle thrift.

The Caroline Archipelago consists of thirty-six minor groups, of which the nine following are the principal: The Palaos or Pelews, Yap, Uluthi, Ulean, Namonuito, Hogolen or Ruk, the East and West Mortlocks, Bonabe or Ponape, and Kusaie, otherwise called Ualan or Strong's Island.

The Pelew group contains some 200 islands and islets. The principal island is Bad-el-Thaob, which in area is equal to all the rest put together. The most important of the others are Korror, Uruk, Tapel, Malk, Peleleu and Angaur. The population of the Pelews is estimated at some 3000, but is probably much more. The language is a very peculiar and bizarre Malayan dialect, somewhat akin to that of Sulu Archipelago. The prin[illegible] are turtle shell, copra, [illegible]mer (Holothuria), whi[illegible]ese markets brings as[illegible] gold per ton.

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The enormous quan[illegible] famous and curious [illegible] Yap in this group, were [illegible] Island of Kokial. In [illegible] was great commercial [illegible] and the Yap and Pele[illegible] extended voyages of t[illegible] quest. Bab-el-Thaob [illegible] timber. Great quan[illegible] bread-fruits and coco[illegible] Alligators are found [illegible] creeks, and a peculiar [illegible] frog. There are two [illegible] which the natives call [illegible] Nguus, both some[illegible] There is abundance [illegible] for horses and cattle. [illegible] tiful, probably introd[illegible] Malayan settlers.

The Spanish have [illegible] ing to show their [illegible] everything goes on [illegible] There is no Spanish [illegible] country is well wor[illegible] honest and energetic

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MUSTERING VOLUNTEERS OUT OF SERVIC[illegible]

Orders Issued by War Department [illegible] Troops to Return Home.

THE THIRD ALABAMA IS INCLUD[illegible]

Similar Orders Will Be Issued From [illegible] to Day to Other Volunteer Regiments Selected to Go Out of Service. Third Georgia Doomed.

WASHINGTON. Orders were gi[illegible] Friday for the return to their st[illegible] rendezvous of the following regiment[illegible] The First Illinois cavalry and the Fi[illegible] Maine infantry now at Chickamaug[illegible] and the Second New York infan[illegible] ders at Fernandina, Fla.

The First Illinois is ordered [illegible] Springfield, Ill.; the First Maine [illegible] Augusta, Me., and the Second N[illegible] York to Troy, N. Y. These regime[illegible] were mustered into the military serv[illegible] of the government at the outbreak [illegible] the war at the places mentioned [illegible] their return is accepted as conclus[illegible] that they are to be mustered out. [illegible] movement of these regiments will [illegible] gun as soon as the transportation [illegible] be provided.

Another regiment which has b[illegible] ordered to return to its recruiting r[illegible] dezvous is the First Vermont infant[illegible] That regiment, now at Chickamaug[illegible] is now under orders to proceed to F[illegible] Ethan Allan, Vt., and left C[illegible] Thomas Friday.

Similar orders will be issued f[illegible] day to day to the other volunteer r[illegible] ments selected for mustering out. [illegible] official information on this subje[illegible] obtainable at the war department [illegible] advance of the issue of the orders. [illegible] is said, however, that the Third G[illegible] gia infantry, Third Alabama infan[illegible] and the First Maryland infantry [illegible] among the number already selected [illegible] mustering out.

GUATEMALA UPRISING COLLAP[illegible]

Morales, Revolutionary General, Capt[illegible] in a Cave and Died.

The state department has receiv[illegible] cable dispatch from Minister Hun[illegible] at Guatemala, telling of the drama[illegible] death of General Morales, leader [illegible] the Guatemalan revolution, and [illegible] collapse of that uprising. The [illegible] patch follows:

"Occos was occupied on the 10th [illegible] the government forces and 900 [illegible] of coffee and other valuable prop[illegible] of foreigners saved from destruc[illegible] This occupation was aided wit[illegible] force by Captain Fegan, of the Br[illegible] gunboat Leander, acting under req[illegible] of British, German and United St[illegible] ministers. Morales retreated be[illegible] National troops to Cuchumatan [illegible] mountains, where he was surrou[illegible] and captured in a cave, where he [illegible] been hiding for several days wit[illegible] food and ill from hunger, fatigue [illegible] exposure. The commanding ge[illegible] ordered him removed to San Ma[illegible] Medical aid was summoned, bu[illegible] died on the way to San Sebas[illegible] This is the end of the revolution."

SPAIN APPOINTS COMMISSIO[illegible]

To Consider the Questions Relati[illegible] Cuba.

HAVANA. The government ha[illegible] pointed a Spanish commission to [illegible] sider a definite basis for a trea[illegible] peace. The personnel of the co[illegible] sion, however, is not announced. [illegible] reported that the questions to be [illegible] cussed are as follows:

1. Cession of territory and th[illegible] termination of conditions and in[illegible] ifications by the United States as [illegible] homage to public buildings, court[illegible] the state's lands.

2. Indemnity for war and nav[illegible] cost naturally agreed on to com[illegible] possession of the United States.

3. Evacuation of and time fo[illegible] occupation by the troops and volun[illegible] with mutual material agreed upo[illegible]

4. Guarantees and custom hou[illegible] arrangements to be settled.

5. Protection of property [illegible] citizens and [illegible] natives to be settled from durin[illegible] stay on the island.

6. Participation of the governmen[illegible] established in Cuba.

Needed Work

The State Normal College [illegible] has arranged that their pres[illegible] Dr. C. B. Eldridge, may give [illegible] succeeding hours much of his ti[illegible] ing in these Teachers' Institutes. [illegible] Dr. Eldridge has condu[illegible] organized Normal Institutes [illegible] already in that line.

Here is what the teachers of [illegible] county, Va., say of his [illegible] work among them:

Resolved, That thanks [illegible] tendered to Dr. C. B. Eldridge, [illegible] dent of the Troy Normal, for h[illegible] valuable services he rendered in [illegible] the most interesting and bene[illegible] that will never efface from our [illegible] the important information wh[illegible] imparted while in our midst."

There are already a great [illegible] teachers, but Dr. E. thinks the [illegible] be greatly improved, and will w[illegible] do this in no small measure.

Will Go to Cuba About October [illegible]

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee has rel[illegible] Jacksonville from Washingto[illegible] states that the Seventh corps [illegible] to Havana about October 1,

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The First Round Bale.

The first "round" bale of cotton has been on exhibition on the floor of the Cotton Exchange for the past few days, and while its neat appearance is often spoken of, there seems little praise of more substantial character. Capt. Thomas Young, a recognized authority on cotton exporting, said yesterday that the bale would not do for the Trans-Atlantic trade. The bale shown is from the press of Col. Mike Brown, Barnwell, and contains 556 pounds of cotton. It is covered with heavy jute cloth, the top bottom and sides being sewn with hemp cord. But, according to Capt. Young, it would occupy more space in a ship's hold than a square compressed bale weighing 500 pounds. Attention was also called by several cotton men to the fact that it was almost impossible to get satisfactory samples from the round bale. An end sample was not desired, and to slit the bagging would mean the bursting of the bale, as it carries no hoops of any kind. It is said that the round bale would occupy more room in freight cars and would be more troublesome to handle than an ordinarily put up bale, for the reason that hooks could not be used with any safety upon cotton simply confined in cloth without bands.—From the Sunday News, Charleston, S. C., Aug. 14, 1898.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. G. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. Y. Trial bottles free at Clanton Drug co. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

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The State of Alabama /
Chilton County \

In the Probate Court of said County.

In the matter of the Estate of Ann M. Brasher, deceased.—Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on the 23d day of August, 1898, letters of administration on the estate of Ann M. Brasher, deceased, were granted to me by R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate of Chilton county, committing to me, as Sheriff of said county, the administration of said estate.

All persons having claims against the estate are required to present the same within the time required by law, or the same will be for ever barred.

This 24th day of August, 1898.

JAMES T. COOLEY,
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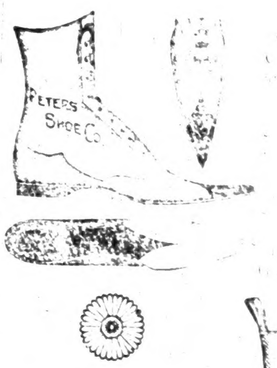

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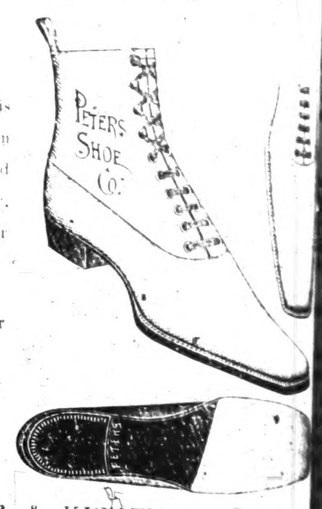

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Clanton has fixed Friday, the 2nd day of September, 1898, at 3 o'clock p. m. as the time for hearing any objections that may exist to the assessments for the Town of Clanton for the year 1898.

F. D. WILSON, Clerk.

Mr. G. Higgins left Monday night for Jacksonville, Fla., to visit his soldier brother in camp there.

Mr. W. C. Staton, of Columbus, Ga., is visiting his aunt, Mrs. M. Smith.

Mr. Joe Whitsel, of Gadsden, visited friends here this week.

Mr. Abe Kanter left for Cincinnati Sunday to purchase his fall stock of goods.

Mr. S. J. Brock has secured a position on the police force of Montgomery and left to take up his duties Monday night.

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Mr. O. R. Bell sr. is on a visit to his sons in Montgomery, Snowdoun and Ala.

Mr. Joseph Shackelford, of the Pratt City, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. A. C. Smith is spending a few days in Coosa.

Mr. W. L. Kemp returned to his home in Waugh Monday.

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Mrs. S. E. Sharp, of Montgomery, and her little grand-daughter, are visiting the Misses Duke.

Mr. W. H. Foshee went to Birmingham yesterday.

Mr. W. I. Mullins made a business trip to Montgomery Tuesday.

Mr. B. H. Chesnutt, of Birmingham, and little son Arthur, of Anniston, are visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. Ed Boyd, of Charleston, S. C., are visiting relatives here.

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Miss Prescott and daughter, who have been visiting Mrs. J. S. Johnston, have returned to their home in Verbena.

Mr. J. Cockburn, of Billingsley, was in Clanton on Sunday.

Mr. Mullins left this morning for Anniston to attend the Democratic convention.

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Mr. Ed Billingsley, was in Clanton on Sunday.

Letters of administration have been issued by the Probate Judge to Mr. Burk.

Mr. Pouts and Miss Lula, Mr. Joseph Black were married.

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HUMOR OF THE HOUR.

A small Washington girl is very ingenious and shares the aversion peculiar to her years to being made presentable for the afternoon. She had, with great reluctance, relinquished her play and gone with her nurse from the room. In a few minutes her voice was heard outside the door begging the nurse to return for and accompany her back to her mother's presence.

"It won't take a minute," she said, "and I know my mother won't be angry, because it is something you ought to know about."

"What is wanted?" inquired the mother, opening the door.

"If you please," said the nurse, "she wouldn't have it any other way than that I should come back and see you."

"What for?"

"To have you tell me a story."

"I don't understand."

"I didn't want her to take my word for it," interrupted the little girl. "I want you to tell her the story father read out of the paper about an intoxicated gentleman who wouldn't listen to the advice of his friends and who was finally drowned in his bathtub. Nurse won't believe that there is any danger in my being washed and dressed so much."—Washington Star.

The Law of Blockade.

There are complexities in the law of blockade, but its essentials are simple enough.

A blockade must be proclaimed so that ships of all nationalities may be notified of its existence.

Ships already at sea when proclamation is made must upon arrest be notified and permitted to depart for some other than the blockaded port. Until such notice the ship is not liable to capture.

Ships so notified and all ships sailing after proclamation of blockade has been made are liable to capture upon attempting to pass the blockade.

In case of capture they and their cargoes are confiscate, but neither their officers nor seamen, if the ship carries a neutral flag, are subject to any other penalty. They are guilty of no crime.

No neutral nation is bound to respect any blockade till it has been made effective. If it is not so, neutrals resent and resist the seizure of their ships attempting to trade with "paper" blockaded ports.

Ships of the enemy are subject to capture anywhere at sea, without reference to the ports from or to which they are going. Neutral ships are subject to capture only when trying to break the blockade.

This for information.—New York World.

A Philosophical Vicar.

A dishonest gardener of the Rev. S. C. Malan had received notice of discharge, and after an unsuccessful attempt to vindicate his character by plausible platitudes said mournfully to the vicar:

"Ah, sir, you will miss me before I be gone half an hour!"

"I shan't mind that," answered Mr. Malan cheerfully, "if I don't miss anything else."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

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TAX NOTICE.

ASSESSOR'S & COLLECTOR'S FIRST ROUND.

WE will attend at the following times and places for the purpose of Assessing the State and County Tax of Chilton county for the year 1898, and collecting the taxes for the year 1898:

			1898
Kincheon	Beat 6	October	1
Benson	" 3	"	3
Maplesville	" 7	"	4
Shoultz	" 7	"	5
Dixie	" 8	"	6
Stanton	" 8	"	7
Macedonia	" 3	"	10
Providence	" 2	"	11
Jemison	" 2	"	12
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	13
Strasburg	" 9	"	14
Clanton	" 4	"	17
Coopers	" 5	"	18
Verbena	" 5	19 &	20
Davis & Rollins' Gin, Beat 6		"	21
Albert Headley's Store	" 6	"	22

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
T. J. HUBBARD, Tax Collector.

Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

State of Alabama }
Chilton County }
In the Probate Court of said County.
In the matter of the Estate of J. G. M. Burk, deceased. Notice of appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on, to wit, the 21st day of July, 1898, letters of administration on the estate of J. G. M. Burk, deceased, were granted to me by R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate of Chilton county, committing to me, as Sheriff of said County, the administration of said estate.

All persons having claims against the said estate are required to present the same within the time required by law, or the same will be for ever barred.

This 20th day of August, 1898.
JAMES T. COOLEY,
Sheriff of Chilton County, as Administrator.

ALL WOMEN
Should know that the "Old Time" Remedy,

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STARS AND STRIPES WAVE OVER HONOLULU.

While the "Star Spangled Banner" Was Played Old Glory Was Unfurled.

THE CEREMONY WAS MOST IMPRESSIVE.

When the National Salute of Twenty-One Guns Was Fired, Hawaii's National Ensign Came Slowly Down, Never to Go Up Again.

HONOLULU.—Precisely at 8 minutes to 12 o'clock Monday, August 22, the Hawaiian flag descended from the flag staffs on all the government buildings and at exactly five minutes to the same hour, the stars and stripes floated on the tropical breeze from every official flag staff. The ceremony was a most impressive one. To hear the strains of "Hawaii Ponol" for the last time as a national anthem; to hear the bugle blow taps as the Hawaiian ensign sank from its position and to notice the emotion of many who have been born under it and had lived their lives under it, was solemn. But then came the bright call for the raising "Old Glory," and the strains of "The Star Spangled Banner" broke forth as that banner was unfurled to the breeze. Then the cheers broke forth and eyes that had been dim for a few minutes, became bright and lighted up when the stars and stripes floated out. The picture presented in and around the executive building was most striking. In the grounds and around all the approaches were crowds of on-lookers of every section of varied nationality. Notably remarkable was the number of Hawaiians.

Within the grounds the military and naval display was fine. Hawaiian troops, United States marines, the mounted patrol, the police and the citizens' guard presented a splendid appearance, while the platform for the exercises and the verandas of the executive building, were gay with brilliant summer dresses, dancing, feathers and ribbons and the brightest faces that Honolulu possesses.

The ceremonies opened with prayer by Rev. H. T. Peterson, pastor of the First Methodist church of this city.

United States Minister Sewall then arose and, addressing President Dole, who had arisen, presented him with a certified copy of the joint resolution of congress annexing the Hawaiian islands to the United States.

President Dole answered, acknowledging the making of a treaty of political union and formally yielding to Minister Sewall as the representative of the government of the United States the sovereignty and public property of the Hawaiian islands.

Mr. Sewall replied:

"Mr. President: In the name of the United States I accept the transfer of the sovereignty and property of the Hawaiian government. The admiral commanding the United States naval forces in these waters will proceed to perform the duty entrusted to him."

The Hawaiian band played "Hawaii Ponoi," the national anthem. Col. Fisher gave the order to the national guard battery, stationed on the executive grounds, to fire the national salute of twenty-one guns, which was also repeated by the Philadelphia. As the echo of the last gun reverberated in the hills, a bugle sounded, and the national ensign of Hawaii came slowly down, never to go up again.

A Floating Charnel House.

The transport Mobile, when she came into port at Montauk Point, was a regular floating charnel house. The Mobile left Santiago on August 13 with over 1,600 men packed like sardines into her inadequate deck and cargo space. Gen. Ludlow was in command of the troops aboard, which included 800 men of the Second Massachusetts volunteers and 700 men of the Eighth and Twenty-second regular infantry regiments of Gen. Lawton's brigade. Ten men died aboard the ship on the voyage and were buried at sea.

Dr. J. B. Dabney, of Birmingham, has been appointed surgeon in the army, and will go to Santiago immediately.

Gen. Miles Coming Home.

Gen. Miles and his staff left Ponce, Porto Rico, for home on the steamer Aransas Monday night. Senor Lopez, editor of the San Juan Correspondencia, reports that Governor-General Macias is pushing preparations for the evacuation of the island. The obstacles in the harbor of San Juan are being cleared away.

Negroes to Take Place of Strikers.

About 200 negro laborers were sent out of the Birmingham district Monday for Pana, Ill., where they will work in the coal mines of the Illinois Steel company. The negroes are to take the place of white miners who are on a strike.

A tremendous explosion at the plant of the Chattanooga Powder Company at Ooltewah station, Tenn., killed two white men, Lucius B. Eakin and Harmon Mortchke, and wounded seriously, if not fatally, six others. After the explosion the plant was destroyed by fire.

The secretary of the treasury has decided that under existing conditions there are no reasons why Spanish vessels should not enter, load and clear at ports in the United States. Collectors of customs will be instructed to this effect.

FAREWELL ADDRESS

Written by Spanish Soldiers to Gen. Shafter, Thanking Him for Kind Treatment.

A document entirely unique in the annals of warfare was cabled to the war department by General Shafter. It is in the form of a congratulatory farewell address issued to the soldiers of the American army by Pedro Lopez de Castillo, a private Spanish soldier on behalf of the 11,000 Spanish soldiers. No similar document, perhaps, was ever before issued to a victorious army by a vanquished enemy. Following is the text of the address as cabled by General Shafter:

"Major-General Shafter, Commanding the American Army in Cuba:

"Sir—The Spanish soldiers who capitulated in this place on the 16th of July last, recognizing your high and just position, pray that through you all the courageous and noble soldiers under your command may receive our good wishes and farewell, which we send them on embarking for our beloved Spain. For this favor, which we have no doubt you will grant, you will gain the everlasting gratitude and consideration of 11,000 Spanish soldiers who are your most humble servants.

"PEDRO LOPEZ DE CASTILLO."

CUBANS ROBBING AMERICANS.

Confiscated All the Tents, Stores, Arms and Personal Effects of the Soldiers.

SANTIAGO.—On the breaking up of Gen. Wheeler's camp on the Caney road on Friday the tents and general equipment of the division headquarters were left in charge of the quartermasters.

During the night the Cubans stealthily confiscated all the tents, stores, arms and personal effects of the soldiers. There is no clue to the robbers.

Gen. Kent's brigade, stationed three miles from Santiago, also lost their tents, and the soldiers marched into town barefooted, their shoes and everything portable having been stolen. The Cubans equipped themselves with the arms, tents and provisions of the Americans. They are continually stalking about the camps, and constant vigilance is necessary.

COL. HIGDON ASKED TO RESIGN.

Result of Ill-Feeling Among the Officers Brought About the Trouble.

Through private channels the news comes from Jacksonville that Colonel E. L. Higdon, of the First Alabama regiment, United States Volunteers, will be asked to resign his commission. As to why and by whom the resignation was requested is not clear. It is said that ill-feeling sprung up among the officers of the command. The story runs that they divided in factions and that the anti-Higdon faction is prepared to demand his resignation. According to Colonel Higdon, the officers desire to go to Havana to do garrison duty, while the men are bitterly opposed to this. They volunteered to fight, and when this was over they desired to return to their homes. Surgeon Lewis Morris has also resigned. His resignation has been sent in through regular military channels.

Spain Appoints Commission.

President McKinley Monday afternoon received a call from M. Thiebaut, in charge of the French embassy, in the absence of Ambassador Cambon, who bore a notification from the Spanish government of the appointment of the military commissioners for Cuba and Porto Rico. It was as follows:

For Cuba—Major Jose Gonzales Parrado, Rear Admiral Pastor y Landero Marquis Montoro.

For Porto Rico—Major-General Ortega y Diaz, Commodore of First Rank Vallarino y Carrasco, Judge Advocate Sanchel del Aguilay Leod.

Insurgents Committing Outrages in Cuba.

The civil governor of Havana has received a telegram from the mayor of Neuva Paz, stating that the Diario de la Mariana had published a letter from a correspondent in which it was asserted that the insurgents had committed outrages of various kinds. This, the mayor declared to be absolutely false. The Diario de la Mariana sent a special correspondent to investigate the matter and he confirms the story of the outrages, and reports many crimes committed by the insurgents.

Killed by a Train.

L. O. Brooks, a section foreman on the Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad, was run over and killed Monday, near Birmingham, by a coal train on the Pratt City road of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company. Brooks was working a section gang on the Kansas City tracks and did not hear the approach of the train.

Shot His Employer.

Walter D. Clark, railroad agent at Albertville, Ala., was shot and fatally wounded by Albert Teague, a telegraph operator in his employ. A dispute arose over a telegram, causing the difficulty.

Eighty Men Drowned.

A dispatch from Buda Pest to a London News Agency says that while a regiment was crossing a pontoon bridge over the river Maros, near Hoad, the bridge collapsed. Three hundred men were immersed, and it is feared that eighty were drowned.

The Louisville and Nashville road will build a new depot and warehouse at Huntsville.

General Wheeler will visit Huntsville soon, and will be given a rousing reception.

...ORY OF DEMOCRACY

WHAT THE PARTY ALWAYS STANDS FOR.

There Can Be No Serious Menace to Liberty While It Lives, In Power or Out of Power—Now Preparing to Receive the Man on Horseback.

The principles for which the Democratic party contends make it immortal. As long as it is true to them it cannot lack a reason for being. At this time many of the principles dear to the American are in jeopardy, due to rapid and great changes in the economic and political phases of our national life. Our institutions are about to be put to the test of insiduous assaults by powerful enemies. There is a spirit abroad in the land that thinks the people are not capable of self-government. Its strongholds are the great cities, but it is sporadically present in all of our towns and villages. The people so believing justify themselves in circumventing the common people in any way they can. It is the province of Democratic party to resist this spirit. Already the Democracy has become such an uncomfortable habitation for the spirit named that it has changed its hiding place and seems to have permanently attached itself to the Republican party. Its surroundings now being congenial, we may expect to see it thrive and grow in vigor. It thus becomes the peculiar task of the Democratic party to perpetuate the principle and fact of government by the people.

A centralized government is not very dangerous when it is in the hands of the whole people, but becomes a menace to the people when it passes into the hands of the few. Who can doubt that in recent years our national government has been passing into the hands of the few? Who contributed the immense campaign fund that created the present president and cabinet, the many or the few? We all know that it was the few rich ones, the personnel of the committee that supplied the money for the Republican campaign representing more than $700,000,000 in their own names. Is it to be supposed that these men have been forgotten by the men they elevated to power? Is it to be believed that they have no influence in the shaping of legislation and the making of treaties and the creation of tariffs? The Democratic party is opposed to this concentration of governmental power in the hands of the few, and its battle line is set against it.

The glory of the Democratic party is to represent the interests of the people. Those interests require that commerce should be made as free as possible, both internally and externally. The exchange of goods with foreign countries should be made easy, that more goods may be sent out and brought in. To this extent the Democratic party is one of the great civilizing influences of the world. It is an established fact that civilization walks in the steps of commerce. To impede commerce is to impede the enlightenment of the world. To encourage commerce is to benefit the people of all the nations concerned in the exchange. To impede it is to benefit a few in each nation at the expense of the many. The Democratic party, being the party of the people, naturally takes the side of the greater number benefited.

Not the least good work of this party is to be on guard against the "Man on Horseback." This is a favorite term of Joseph Cook. It refers to the fact that Caesar (the man on horseback) crossed the Rubicon to overthrow the liberties of his country. In one of his Boston lectures the abovementioned lecturer predicted that the time might come in this country when the people would overthrow many of our existing ideas as to government and that this would make a way for the entrance of the "Man on Horseback"—a dictator. For himself he said he would in such a case prefer the rule of the "Man on Horseback." Well, in that event it will be the glory of the Democratic party to annihilate the "Man on Horseback."

H. F. THURSTON.

TRUSTS ARE CANCERS.

(By Senator Marion F. Butler.)

Trusts are cancers—industrial cancers—on the body politic. They are eating cancers; they are spreading cancers; they are fatal to the prosperity and life of the republic.

Everybody admits this; everybody is opposed to trusts; yet trusts continue to thrive and prosper and to multiply each day. Why is this? Because the voters have been deceived and misled about the causes that produce trusts and the true remedy to root them up and crush them out.

The last Republican legislature of New York appointed a committee to investigate trusts and report a bill to cure the evil. After many months of pretended investigation the now famous Lexow anti-trust committee made a long report denouncing trusts and declaring that they were the overshadowing evils of the age, yet closed by reporting that in the opinion of the committee the legislature was powerless to correct the evil, and that the only remedy lay in congress.

In December, 1896, President Cleveland, in his last annual message to congress, went out of his way to discuss the question of trusts. He warned the people against this growing menace to our industries and to our government, but closed by saying that congress was powerless to remove the evil, and that the remedy lay with the legislatures of the several states.

A few months later William McKinley was inaugurated president of the United States. In his inaugural address he arraigned and denounced trusts more severely even than his predecessor. He said that the life of the republic demanded that this monster—this insidious and blighting curse—should be plucked from our industrial system.

Yet he offered no remedy. He simply denounced the evil, nothing more.

One would judge from the language of Cleveland and McKinley that they were both honestly opposed to trusts; yet neither of them is opposed to the causes that produce trusts; both of them are the apologists, supporters and defenders of the fundamentally evil agencies and conditions that inevitably produce and foster trusts. Indeed, it is well known that they were both nominated by the trusts, elected by the trusts, owned by the trusts, and therefore must serve the trusts.

A few years ago the Republicans passed an anti-trust law, which they said would remedy the evil. It did not. The Democratic party denounced the Republican anti-trust law as a sham and a fraud, and charged that the Republicans never intended to pass a law that would be effective. The Democratic party, under the Cleveland regime, came into power.

The Cleveland Democrats proceeded to pass an anti-trust law of their own, which they claimed would remove and eradicate the evil. It has not done so. Today the Republican anti-trust law and the so-called Democratic anti-trust law are both on the statute book, side by side, and in full force.

Yet trusts continue to grow and prosper and multiply in numbers as never before. What is the matter? The truth is that neither of these so-called anti-trust laws contains the true remedy. Neither of them is directed at the causes that produce trusts.

PROSPERITY NOTES.

The Motorman and Conductor, of Detroit, says: "An exchange informs us that lady conductors are now employed on the street cars in Chillicothe, Ohio, and that they are receiving about one-half the wages paid the men who were discharged from these positions."

War prices: Sixty-five cents for dollar wheat.

Female labor is being introduced into some of the brass foundries of the west. Cheaper production is wanted to gain new markets.

The present prices of farm products do not allow an average of fifty cents per day to each worker on the farm.

The tendency of capital to concentrate in larger and larger corporate concerns continues at an increasing pace. According to the Journal of Commerce, 200 organizations of trust order now exist in the United States. They jointly possess capital stock and bonds amounting to $3,662,000,000, which is equal to more than 50 per cent of the aggregate capital invested in the United States in 1890.

Sixty-five cent wheat in Chicago means about fifty cents on the average to the farmers of the country.

"As a matter of economy," the management of the Vincennes, Ind., Street Railway company are about to employ women instead of men as conductors. More than fifty women answered the company's advertisement; they are forthwith to be installed, and men are to be displaced, indeed, a thrilling illustration of the way the family is promoted and protected.

Always Sordid.

From the Chicago Dispatch: When this nation was thrown into a condition of righteous indignation over the treacherous destruction of the Maine and was demanding war on Spain, Mark Hanna and his brand of Republicans howled for peace because of the cost of war.

It is characteristic of Republicans to take a purely money view of all things. Their honor is for sale, their principles are always on the bargain counter, they favor the gold standard because it would make the rich still richer.

It is worthy of note that this sordid view of all the affairs of life has so permeated the Republican party that the newspapers advocating the doctrines of that party cannot discuss international affairs from any view except that of money.

England and Russia are facing each other in China. There is danger of war between the two nations, and an esteemed Republican contemporary raises its solemn voice of warning as follows:

"Is China or the Chinese trade worth the cost of such a war as this would be? That is the question for the British people to decide. A more solemn and earnest question was never submitted to any people."

Observe the lofty patriotism of this suggestion. Is China worth the cost of war? That's all there is in the question from a Republican point of view.

That was the point of view chosen when Spain insulted the United States. But Democratic statesmen thought that patriotism was more important than money, and forced the Republican administration to fight Spain, regardless of the cost.

It is the function of religion to prompt men to make needed sacrifice, as well as to give correct views of what is really beneficial alike to the individual and to society.—Dr. R. T. Ely, Collegiate, Madison, Wis.

POPULIST POINTS

ON HIGH AUTHORITY.

GREAT LIES TOLD AGAIN AND AGAIN.

Great Exports Do Not Necessarily Mean Prosperity and Protective Tariffs Do Not Necessarily Mean Good Times As History Records It.

What an ass a man must be to assert that protection always makes good times and free trade bad times, says Holt. What did we have from 1815 to 1861? Free trade. Read protectionist Kennedy's census report for 1860. He is astonished at our wonderful prosperity from 1850 to 1860. He can't understand it, and wonders what would have happened if we had had protection. Over eighteen thousand new factories started. See also Blaine's "Twenty Years in Congress." Blaine says it must have been caused by California gold. Then came along 1870 up to 1880, when we had the greatest protective tariff ever before known. Over fifty thousand factories went down in the great smash of 1873; and with double protection and wealth we increased our factories but seventeen hundred, as against eighteen thousand from 1850 to 1860.

What kind of times have we now?

What kind of a tariff?

There is another bold, flagrant lie repeated over and over. For example, a late Scientific American states that our exports the past few months have exceeded our imports several hundred millions. This, says the Scientific American, with proud complacency, shows that Europe owes us several hundred millions on our exports that she must yet pay us! This means, of course, a repetition of that poor old blunder of economists of centuries past. If your imports are more than your exports you are growing poorer, and vice versa. That is, if you get more than you gave, you are running behind. If you get less, you are growing rich. This was as firmly believed in with as strong faith as the savage African believes in his fetisches, or as we held to the righteousness of slavery up to 1863, or as the goldites hold to gold as money today. Seventy years ago McCulloch, a great London merchant, declared it was a ridiculous lie, and predicted, in his work on commerce, that if England should ever adopt free trade her imports would constantly exceed her exports, and that she would grow constantly richer for that very reason. In 1848 she began her free trade policy. What has been the result? From that time on till now, some fifty years, without one single exception, her imports have exceeded exports by from three to five, and as high as eight hundred millions per year! Yet her population is but little over half ours. Little Belgium, and Holland, too, have pursued the same course, with the same result—imports enormously exceeding exports every year. And yet our politicians, our big authorities, our scientists and Scientific Americans continue to repeat that old exploded fallacy—the less you get for your exports, the more you have.

We can tell the Scientific American that when it gets out of the patent business into politics or potatoes it is not infallible. We can also suggest why our imports for last year's exports are so few. About half our exports went to settle balances due on bonds, stocks and to pay traveling expenses of our touring millionaires and their toady followers.

Political Reform a Religious Movement.

All of the greatest human movements have been religious. Some one has called the early anti-slavery agitation a new religious movement. It is becoming clearer every day that the crusade for a peoples' currency has a far deeper meaning. There are other far-reaching developments—so many, indeed, and of such a nature that they have a peculiar significance. The object of it all is to make men free. The sons of toil must cease to be slaves. They are nature's noblemen. They stand face to face with nature, with its hard facts and problems, and out of nature they make the wealth of the world. Money creates nothing. It has become the tool of the tyrant.

There are indications that the movement for freedom is a religious movement, unidenominational and non-sectarian. First, there is the spirit of the opposition. It is intolerant. It has ceased to argue. It uses slurs, acts with the spirit of lordly superiority, indulges in the language of the bully and bluffer; it carries in its bosom the spirit of hate; it acts exactly as all the tyrannies of the world have hitherto acted.

Again, the spirit of the advocates of reform. It is bold, asks only an open field and a fair fight and is serious. This seriousness is growing. I have attended meetings, where people wept—where all were solemnly convinced of the need of the hour. If we may interpret the humanitarian sentiments that are desiring better conditions—as prayer—(and what is prayer but our hearts' desire), then the movement surely is religious. The conscience is being extended into this political field—and this is peculiarly religious—for religion has always had to do with conscience in conduct.

The highest sense of ethics must be carried into the arena of life.

These facts will demand a new order of statesmanship, viz., that which will wisely consider all the interests of the people. A good teacher treats with due respect all the wishes and questions of

PULIST POINTS

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When Shall We Be Stronger.

If you want to continue the
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late for ourselves, we should say
Patrick Henry: "When shall
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A Correct Claim.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR AUGUST 28.

Lesson Text: "Elisha at Dothan." II Kings vi., 8-18—Golden Text: Psalms xxxiv., 7—Commentary on the Lesson by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

8. "Then the king of Syria warred against Israel and took counsels with his servants, saying, In such and such a place shall be my camp." From the story of Cain and Abel onward all the characters in the Bible are for God or are against Him and are seen either leaning upon His wisdom or upon their own. But the borrowed ax at the bottom of the river tells the condition of all men apart from God. All are lost and helpless to recover themselves, and how can such think to do aught for or effectually against God? The stick that caused the iron to swim and be recovered is, like the tree cast into the waters of Mara, suggestive of Him who is the Tree of Life, who only can recover lost souls or make bitter waters sweet.

9. "And the man of God sent unto the king of Israel, saying, Beware that thou pass not such a place, for thither the Syrians are come down." Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but He revealeth His secret unto His servants, the prophets (Amos iii., 7). As He told Samuel about Saul whom He would send to him to be anointed king, and also told him what would happen to him the day he left him, adding, "Do as occasion serve thee, for God is with thee," so He sees the end from the beginning of every day for each of us, and if we leave our ways with Him He will bring it to pass and order our steps to His glory and our highest good.

10. "And the king of Israel sent to the place which the man of God told him and warned him of and saved himself there, not once nor twice." Thus illustrating II Chron. xx., 20, "Believe in the Lord, your God, so shall ye be established; believe His prophets, so shall ye prosper." There is nothing on earth so sure as the Word of God, for it is forever settled in heaven (Ps. cxix., 89), and, though all else may fade and fail, the Word of our God shall stand forever (Isa. xl., 8).

11. "Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing, and he called his servants and said unto them, Will ye not shew me which of us is for the king of Israel?" For unless there was a traitor among his men, how else could his plans be made known to his enemy? Thus reasoned the king of Syria, for he knew naught but human wisdom, and yet he knew that the incurable disease of leprosy had been healed in Israel, and was it not possible that one who had connection with such power might also be able to reveal secrets?

12. "And one of his servants said, None, my lord, O king, but Elisha, the prophet, that is in Israel, telleth the king of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber." Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the Lord. Do not I fill heaven and earth? said the Lord (Jer. xxiii., 24). Thou compassest my path and my lying down and art acquainted with all my ways, for there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O Lord, Thou knowest it altogether. Yea, the darkness hideth not from Thee, but the night shineth as the day; the darkness and the light are both alike to Thee (Ps. cxxxix., 3, 4, 12). It was one of the servants who told the king about Elisha, and it was the servants who persuaded Naaman to wash and be cleansed.

13. "And he said, Go and spy where he is, that I may send and fetch him. And it was told him, saying, Behold, he is in Dothan." How blind and stupid people are who know not God! Even the devil himself seems at times to act like a perfect fool. Might not the king of Syria have said, "Well, if this man somehow knows my secret plans and tells his king, there is no use in my trying to get him, for he will know that I am coming and can hide himself from me." But he is blinded by his master, the devil, and goes heedlessly on, bent on his own purposes.

14. "Therefore sent he thither horses and chariots and a great host, and they came by night and compassed the city about." He must have felt that Elisha was more than an ordinary man or he would not have thought it necessary to send such a host to take one man. So he does the best he knows how to get his man, and to be more sure of taking him he does it secretly by night, so that no human eyes can see what he is doing, for he knows nothing of Him to whom the darkness and the light are alike.

15. "And when the servant of the man of God was risen early and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master, how shall we do?" In two cases we have seen servants wiser than their masters, but this servant does not seem to have profited as he might by having such a master. Even our Lord had to say to one of His disciples, "Have I been so long time with you and yet hast thou not known me, Philip?" (John xiv., 9).

16. "And he answered, Fear not, for they that be with us are more than they that be with them." Here is faith seeing the unseen. Moses endured as seeing Him who is invisible. The things seen are temporal, but the things unseen are eternal. Happy are those who have learned to see the things that are invisible to ordinary eyes, who, like Stephen, look up steadfastly into heaven and see the glory of God and Jesus and find comfort in His words, "Because I live, ye shall live also" (John xiv., 19). God would have His people without fear, and a prayerful study of the "fear nots" from the first one in Gen. xv., 1, onward would greatly tend to this happy state of mind which would be very much to God's glory.

17. "And Elisha prayed and said, Lord, I pray Thee, open his eyes that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw, and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha." We read in Rev. v., 11, that the angels are 10,000 times 10,000 and thousands of thousands, and a few of these would be sufficient to take care of Elisha. Our Lord said that His Father would give Him twelve legions of them if He asked for them, and we are told that they are ministering spirits, ministering unto the heirs of salvation (Heb. i., 14).

18. "And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the Lord and said, Smite this people, I pray Thee, with blindness. And He smote them with blindness, according to the word of Elisha." Notice also Elisha's third prayer and answer in this incident in verse 20, and if you earnestly covet such intimate fellowship with God, make John xiv., 13, 14, a very prayerful study, understanding that "in His Name" means at least "on His business," as asking such things as He Himself would ask. We must not imagine Elisha speaking anything but truth in verse 19, for the man whom the King of Syria wanted was really the king of Israel.—Lesson Helper.

There will probably be an important meeting of the citizens of Selma held within the next few days to draw up a proposition to be presented to the Louisville and Nashville railroad authorities relative to the completion of the Brewton gap on the Pensacola road. As now mapped out, the extension of the road to Blocton will leave Selma nine miles off the line and inducements will likely be offered for the road to go through Selma.

At Hahira, Ga., D. B. Godwin was shot and killed by Eddie Smith as a result of a quarrel about hogs.

THE WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

Remarkable Expansion Has Followed Conclusion of the War.

NEW YORK.—R. G. Dun & Co., in their weekly review of trade, in part says: A war which wrought no shrinkage of business while it lasted has brought with its ending a quite remarkable expansion. Orders and purchases have increased in nearly all branches, few as yet being of such nature that they can be attributed to the material enlargement of trade with the lately acquired Spanish islands, which must come a little later.

The iron industry, while reporting declines in product, shows more surprising gain in business than any other. The demand for finished products expands remarkably considering the enormous orders prior to July, which crowd some of the biggest works until December.

Tin plate works, which require 40,000 tons per month, have been buying 160,000 tons; bars and steel works at Pittsburg have bought 125,000 tons of pig, raising the price to $10 40. Gray forge also advanced and eastern anthracite and southern pig at Chicago have advanced 25 cents. There is a general advance in the minor metals, copper to 12 cents for lake, lead to 4.07½, and while tin plates are unchanged, both are stronger.

Wheat has further declined 2 cents in spite of general holding of better grades by farmers, which renders receipts low and the visible supply low beyond precedent. At 76 cents now, Atlantic exports have been 3,095,380 bushels (flour included), against 3,705,287 bushels last year, and Pacific exports 175,400 bushels against 384,846 last year, making for three weeks 10,115,246 bushels against 10,453,832 last year. Corn exports are gradually declining and prices are 2 cents lower, rather larger and estimates of yield now being credited.

MERRITT'S PROCLAMATION

Provides a Scheme of Government for Manila and Surrounding Territory.

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Provost marshals and sub-provosts to be appointed, with power to arrest civil as well as military offenders.

Open trade for neutral nations.

Public property to be rigorously protected.

No interference with the people so long as they preserve the peace.

General Merritt occupies the governor's palace.

Two Privates Killed at Chickamauga.

Private Otto Hoffer, of the Ninth New York, stationed at Chickamauga, during a thunder storm was struck by lightning, while standing against the pole of his tent, and instantly killed. D. Fontaine, Company A, First Mississippi, was sandbagged and robbed in the Southern railroad yard. His skull was crushed, and he died from the wound. He was the son of the famous confederate scout.

Warships Assembling at Ft. Monroe.

One of the largest fleets of warships ever assembled in an American port will be brought together in the next few days at Ft. Monroe. Already fifty-seven warships are under orders to rendezvous there, and the orders still to be issued will raise the tota to the neighborhood of seventy.

An English Opinion.

The Spectator, in its issne this week, prophesies that America will retain all the Spanish possessions she has captured, and thinks pressure from the Cuban loyalists will force the commission to stipulate that Cuba shall be governed by the United States for twenty years.

Andre's Balloon Sighted.

Professor Andre's balloon has been sighted by Esquimaux, according to report from the north. The report itself is very meagre, no details being given.

The Slaughter Continues.

The Hong Kong correspondent of the London Times says: "The slaughter in southern China continues. Corpses float past Wu Chau daily. Two hundred rebels who had entered Tai Wong Kong were defeated by Gen. Mawho, who killed 100 of the rebels and took 60 of them prisoners. The gentry in the districts of Paklan and Wu Gun daily send to the magistrates between ten and twenty rebels for execution."

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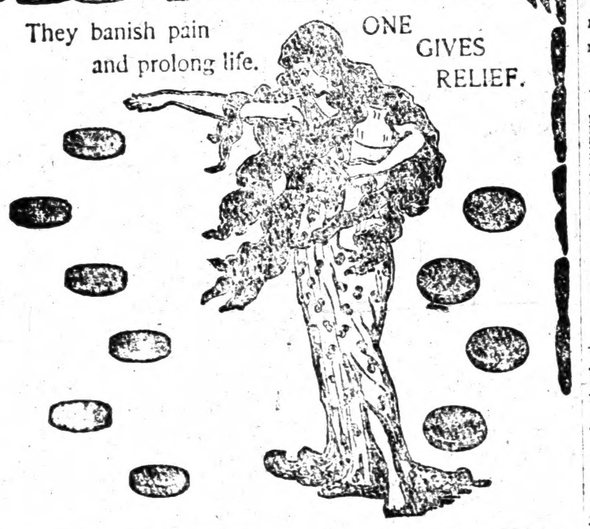

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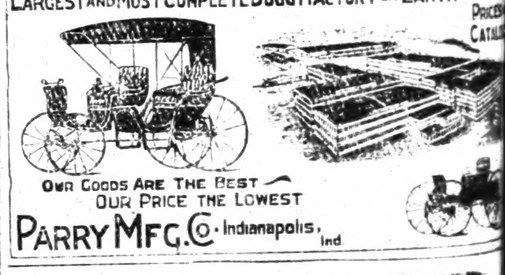

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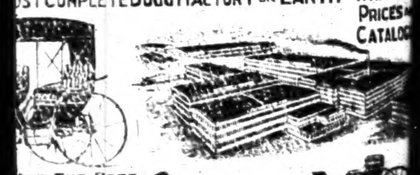

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Jemison, Aug. 28, 1899

Editor BANNER.—Please allow me through the columns of your paper to make some suggestions to the people of our county.

I would like the people to express themselves on the Public Road system. Some want the law changed; others want it to stand as it is. Now, unless there is a free expression on this subject I will not know what course to pursue.

Again, several have asked me to try and get a bull law through the Legislature, prohibiting bulls from running at large in our county. It is suggested to me that it would be a great benefit to our farmers to have the privilege of breeding their cows at the season of the year that suits them, and, especially to the breed of cattle they want. Now, we all know that as the law is we have no say-so in the time or the kind of cattle we breed to. If we had such a law as spoken of, we could take the cows and breed one at a time, and keep one giving milk all the time.

I hope the people will speak out on these two ideas and on any others they may think of. You see it is only about two months until the Legislature meets, and I want to be prepared to represent the will of the majority. While it is a sacrifice on my part to go to the Legislature, I certainly want to advocate the will of the people of my county.

I want to thank the thousand and fifty men who supported me, and I hope my actions will be such that will never cause them to regret having voted for me; and while I feel under especial obligations to those who supported me, I want to those who worked against me to feel free to ask for any legislation they may want, and to rest assured that I shall do what I conceive to be to the best interests of all—regardless of any political faction.

I tried to get such laws passed before as the people asked for. The only way I can know what the people want is for them to express themselves. So I hope that any legislation that is needed for the county you will let it be known through the BANNER—then both sides will have a chance to give their views.

There are two things in Alabama very much needing improvement—the public road system and the public school system, and I hope to see the day when we will have good roads, for nothing better advertises a county or a community than good roads. I think the whole county is proud of the improvement in the public roads around Clanton.

May our school system be so improved that there will be a good school in every community in Alabama, and may God speed the time when every child in Alabama, rich or poor, shall have an opportunity of a good school.

Thanking you in advance for publishing this, I remain.

L. H. REYNOLDS.

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Clinton, Aug. 30, 1898

Editor BANNER.—The war is all over, and politics too, but five cent cotton is here again and likely to remain unless some means can be devised to drive it up higher. I wish again to call attention to the subject of cotton factories, and endeavor to bring about a discussion of the matter, and if there is anything in it let us have them by all means, for without something of the kind we may expect to grow five cent cotton for years to come.

Let us consider the advantages to the producer. In the first place, he could sell his cotton here and save freight, drayage and sampling, bagging, ties and ginning, and that amount would be left here in circulation. It would afford a market for his products to the operatives; the wages earned by them would be kept here; our people could find employment in the factory.

In the next place, the bale of cotton manufactured would be worth nearly double the price of raw cotton, and after paying liberal wages to employes would leave a good margin for dividends.

As an illustration I will here give a statement taken from the Charleston News and Courier, pertaining to the methods adopted in South Carolina for securing the full advantages of the cotton crop. It cites a town in Marlborough county, S. C., that thirteen years ago did not contain a house, now it is a larger town than the county seat itself. It is the result of building a cotton mill. The people of the neighborhood got together $32,000 and built a mill. It has earned dividends, and a portion of these dividends have been expended in extensions, and to-day, after only thirteen years existenc, it has a mill property valued at $250,000. During the last twelve months that mill cleared $9 on every bale of cotton it used. One of the stockholders recently said he feared an audience would not believe him if he should tell how much the factory cleared in the last two quarters. Not only is there nothing in the county that pays half so well, but it has created a town larger and more prosperous than the county-seat; and the county seat, in pure self-defense, is preparing to build a cotton mill itself upon the same plan. It is a good plan to build only what can be paid for, no matter if it be small. Spin, if you cannot weave. Let a portion of all dividends go to extensions. That is the best plan. There is scarcely a town in Alabama to-day as prosperous and contented, stable and sound as the little town of McColl. A cotton mill did it, for there was not a house in the place when the mill company was organized.

We do not want to start with one or two large mills in this State, but enough small mills to utilize the production of our neighborhoods and county. There is no reason why Chilton county should not have one or more small mills, and build up our county, and have them in full operation in time to utilize next year's crop, if we would go at them now. I wish we were organized like we were in Alliance days that we might discuss this matter, for I do not propose to sell you twelve pounds of coffee for a dollar without telling you where you can get the dollar. I can tell you how a mill can be built and paid for, if any of our people think enough of the matter to want to know.

I will close, hoping to hear from someone on the line of the above.

ALEX. G. DAKE.

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Col. J. T. Murphy, of Marion, visited our town last week.

Miss Mamie Letcher, of Plantersville, is a guest of Mr. John Letchers this week.

Rev. J. W. Ruddick has taken Mr. John Coopers place at the mill while the latter is on the sick list.

Miss Eila Wright, of Selma, is a pleasant visitor here for a few weeks.

Rev. B. F. Cooper is visiting his brother, Joe Cooper, and attending the protracted meeting at the M. E. church.

Mr. Buttley of this city visited Selma Sunday.

Mr. McKee, of Selma, was with his family Sunday.

A fine ice cream supper was given at the residence of Mr. Warford at the Chilton old mill, last Saturday night, under the management of Mr. Frank Letcher. Frank's a hustler and always makes everything successful.

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Coopers.

Prof. Lewis L. Evans, of Weogufka, is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Messrs. Elijah M. Jones and James Devaughan paid a visit to Coosa last week.

Bro. Reins delivered another of his touching sermons at Poplar Springs last Sunday.

Grandma Devaughan is confined to her bed this week with bilious fever.

Farmers are crying out too much rain.

STEEL.

A Wonderful Discovery.

The last quarter of a century records many wonderful discoveries in medicine, but none that have accomplished more for humanity than that sterling old household remedy, Brown's Iron Bitters. It seems to contain the very elements of good health, and neither man, woman or child can take it without deriving the greatning benefit. Brown's Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Turn-Round Topics.

Cotton picking has now become general throughout the country.

A great deal of fodder was pulled and saved last week.

Peas, cane and potatoes are excellent; sorghum-making is now the order of the day.

G. W. Jones and sister, Miss Fathy, have returned from a visit to Prattville.

Quite a number from this place visited Salem Sunday.

Messrs. Goss visited Friendship Sunday.

John W. Pattillo visited Montgomery recently.

Walter S. Rhodes and wife have moved to Verbena.

W. B. Manning, of Coopers, was down to see his father last week, and is now visiting relatives in Coosa county.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lucas, of Montgomery, were visitors here Sunday.

W. N. Pierce spent part of last week in the capital city.

Nearly all the framing of our new church is up.

Mrs. Lilly Walters and three children, of Montgomery, is visiting Mrs. Kendrick this week.

E. T. Connell visited Mountain Creek Tuesday. N. B

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Jemison.

The first bale of cotton was brought into town on Monday by Mr. J. W. Abbott. It weighed 620 pounds and was bought by the Jemison Mercantile Company at six cents per pound.

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Maplesville.

Farmers have decided since having some bright days that crops were not so much injured as once feared; they are taking the good advice of the editors (who know all things and can do all things) on paper. And planting fall crops, some will plant wheat.

Our community was saddened on the 16th by the burial of Mrs. Bettie Smitherman. The funeral services were largely attended by relatives and friends. She had been a consistent member of the Methodist church many years, ever laboring in her Master's vineyard, doing what she could in His cause. We feel that blessings will ever be her daughter's lot. Miss Alfa, for her untiring devotion to her mother during her long illness.

Mr. Zeke Marris's friends are pleased to see him back from Texas accompanied by his niece, Miss Minnie Foshee.

Mrs. R. D. Martin is off visiting friends.

Miss Lilly Abbott is in Anniston.

Misses Eula Rasberry and Ella Fox are visiting friends here.

We are glad T. U. Crumpton's dream of his baby, while in Chicago, was like the Irishman's by contraries.

Mrs. Garner, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Eva McCary and Miss Louisa Clayton are visiting Mrs. N. A. Goodwin.

Herbert Wooley and charming young wife are visiting here.

Mr. Tom DuBose has been to see friends in Perry county.

Miss Stella Bowline, of Selma, is gladdening the hearts of friends here.

Our young fervent preacher, Rev. Edward Roy, gives us services every fourth Sunday in our Methodist church.

Our worthy citizen, W. Garner, has been persuaded to go to Selma during a push of work. His industrious habits and mechanical genius commands good wages there.

The charming Miss Lizzie Gurlock has returned to her home in Demopolis; we hope she will soon return to repair the damages made here with Cupid's arrows.

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Clanton Locals.

NOTICE. Hereafter my school building positively shall be used for none other than educational purposes. As a mere act of courtesey to my young friends of Clanton I have three times assented to dancing there, but this courtesey must cease. I disapprove, and have always disapproved, of dancing, but at the same time I know there are many just as conscientious as I who approve and practice it. Each individual is entitled to his or her opinion about this matter. E. Y. MCMORRIES.

Camp meeting begins at Fair View, known as the old Shelby Jones place, ten miles south-west of Clanton, third Sunday in September. All are invited to come.

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How to Look Good

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver be inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach be disordered, you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys be affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys. Purifies the blood cures pimples, blotches and boils and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at all Drug Stores.

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PROGRAM OF TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

An Institute for white teachers will be held at Unity church, one mile east of Clanton on 16 and 17 of Sept. 1898.

FRIDAY.

1:30 a.m. Devotional exercises.
11:00. Welcome address, James Thacker. Response, S. W. Collins. The Teacher, L. E. Byrum.
12:00. Dinner.
2 p.m. Education in its threefold sense—How best obtained? E. Y. McMorries.
3. Educational value of arithmetic, J. M. Corderie.
3:30. Educational value of reading, Mrs. Bowdoin.
4. Educational value of history, Miss Kate Garner.
4:30. Educational value of grammar, W. C. Evans.

SATURDAY.

9 a.m. The value of music in our common Schools, Miss Mary Moody.
9:30. The relation of patrons to the School, W. A. Sims and E. H. Parrish.
10:30. Educational Address, Judson Strock. Dinner.
2 p.m. Why should teachers attend the Institutes, J. B. Jones.
3. Query box.

J. W. Moore
Judson Strock } Committee
W. S. Garner

A CRITICAL TIME

During the Battle of Santiago

SICK OR WELL, A RUSH NIGHT AND DAY

The Packers at the Battle of Santiago de Cuba were all Heroes. Their Hero e Efforts in Getting Ammunition and Ra- tions to the Front Saved the Day.

L. E. BUTLER, of pack train No. 3 writing from Santiago, De Cuba, on July 23d, says: "We all had diarrhoea in more or less violent form, and when we landed we had no time to see a doctor, for it was a cause of rush and rush night and day to keep the troops supplied with ammunition and rations, but thanks to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, we were able to keep at work and keep our health; in fact, I sincerely believe that at one critical time this medicine was the indirect saviour of our army, for if the packers had been unable to work there would have been no way of getting supplies to the front. There were no roads that a wagon train could use. My comrade and myself had the good fortune to lay in a supply of this medicine for our pack-train before we left Tampa and I know in four cases it absolutely saved life."

The above letter was written to the manufacturers of this medicine, the Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by Dr. J. S. Johnston.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, ALABAMA

If there are any blowholes in American armor plate Spain can't prove it.

Detective stories might very appropriately be called "fairy tales for adults."

Of 8700 American war pensioners residing in foreign countries at the time of the last report, ten only resided in Spain.

"Billingsgate," to describe bad language, is no longer a correct term, the vocabulary of London's great fish market having been improved by the exertions of the London City Mission.

It is said that a patient in a Delaware hospital had thirty-one epileptic fits in two days and "apparently experienced no unpleasant effects from them." This seems to be a clear case of the survival of the fittest.

The London Saturday Review says: "The lesson of all our conflicts with America was that the American soldiers and sailors shot markedly better than our own and won astonishing victories. It looks as if the old lesson holds good to-day."

With the single exception of little Newfoundland the United States have by far the highest average of savings bank accounts, namely $378.31. Canada follows, with an average of $327.97; Austro-Hungary, $180; Denmark, $165.95; Prussia, $150.23; Switzerland, $149.42; Great Britain, $102.35 France, $92.33, and Italy, $80.07.

No higher tribute could be paid to a warship's crew than that paid by Captain Evans to the men of the Iowa: "So long as the enemy showed his flag they fought like American seamen, but when the flag came down they were as gentle and tender as American women." In that pregnant sentence is the whole philosophy of military heroism.

Japan apparently believes in the doctrine "in time of peace prepare for war." She has ordered from Fiume a new and exceptionally powerful type of torpedo, which is to be twenty-four inches in diameter, with a speed of thirty-five knots and a range of 6000 feet, or 720 feet more than a mile. It is to be fitted with the gyroscope, to obtain the utmost precision. If all anticipations are fulfilled the gun will have a very formidable rival.

The recent establishment of a whale-oil manufactory on Notre Dame Bay calls attention to the fact that whaling is now a paying venture off the coast of Newfoundland. Recently seven whales, worth nearly $1000 each, were captured by a company of Norwegian whalers. A company has been formed to carry on the industry. This ought to make the old fishermen around Amagansett prick up their ears. Possibly the old shipyard of Cold Spring Harbor, which fitted out the whalers of the last century, may resume business.

The Philadelphia Commercial Museum says that Porto Rico is well adapted by soil and climate not only for the growing of cotton, but for the manufacture of cotton fabrics as well, though for the growth of the plant it will be necessary to engage native labor or to secure help from Cuba. Of the more than one thousand streams upon the island sixty are navigable, and many of them could be utilized to furnish power, which is an important consideration, since all the coal used must be brought from this country; and all the chief towns are connected by railway, though communication with the interior is only possible by ox teams.

In speaking of the recent popular war loan the Baltimore American says: Not since the wonderful alacrity with which, in July, 1871, the French peasants and the working people of Paris went down into their stockings and subscribed in a day $400,000,000 to meet the first installments of the big war indemnity with which the German invader was bought out of France, has there been so impressive a demonstration of the latent resources of a great nation, or of its patriotic confidence in its Government. It will be to European Governments as significant a proof of the enormous reserved strength of the American people as all our military and naval successes put together, brilliant though they are. The wealth of a nation and its ability to raise money within its own territory on moderate terms is a main element in its fighting capacity.

THE PHILIPPINE SITUATION.

The Military Government is Working Efficiently in All Departments.

CLASH BETWEEN AMERICANS AND NATIVES.

Trouble Arose Over a Soldier Firing a Pistol in Fun—List of Prisoners and Arms Taken in the Surrender of Manila—Insurgent Activity.

The Manila correspondent of the London Times telegraphing Friday says:

The military government is working efficiently in all departments. The business is being actively resumed, the water works is in operation and the Paris river is open.

Stringent measures have been taken to insure the sanitation of the citadel, which is crowded with prisoners. The abominably filthy condition of the Spanish barracks is a menace to the general health, which at present, however, is excellent. Among the American troops there have been only seventeen deaths from illness since landing. Twenty-three thousand stands of arms, 10,000,000 cartridges and an immense quantity of large amunition have been surrendered, with nearly 15,000 prisoners.

The insurgents recently dispatched an armed steamer with 500 soldiers on board for an unknown destination. Consequently coastwise steamers manned by Spanish sailors were afraid to venture out until assured of the protection of the American fleet.

It is impossible to obtain information from the interior except along the railroads, where everything is quiet. Rumors concerning insurgent activity in the southern part of the island are credited here.

Six hundred priests, including 110 prisoners among the insurgents, will depart for Hong Kong in charge of the Belgian consul as soon as the transport can be procured. There is undoubtedly practical unanimity among merchants, irrespective of nationality, in favor of the permanent occupation of the archipelago by the Americans. Nobody conceives the re-establishment of Spanish sovereignty possible.

FATAL RIOT AT CAVITE.

One Killed and Several Wounded in a Clash Between Our Soldiers and Insurgents.

MANILA.—On Wednesday a corporal and two troopers of Battery B, of the Utah artillery, after disembarking at Cavite, were sent on an errand. While passing through the streets Trooper Hudson discharged his revolver. It was all mere fun, but the natives in the immediate locality were much alarmed for the time. The natives immediately began firing and dismounted cavalry were sent to quell the disturbance, but the natives misunderstood the movement and the firing became general. Trooper Hudson was killed and Corporal Anderson mortally wounded. Troopers Layden, Nachber, Connoley and Doyle, of the Fourth cavalry, were wounded. Four natives were killed and several wounded. General Aguinaldo promises to punish the offending natives.

MUST DISBAND CUBANS.

They Threaten the Future Prosperity of Santiago and Other Cities.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—The merchants here are anxious for the Cuban army to be disbanded at once. It is a menace to business they say. They are anxious to resume, but find it impossible to do so because their property is threatened by ill-disciplined levies of Garcia's command. Cultivators have refused to return to their plantations, where they will be subject to contributions for the support of Cuban soldiers who are still in the field. If the province is to return to a self-supporting basis and trade to begin again, the Cuban army, it is generally admitted, must be disbanded. The Spanish merchants view the situation from a most gloomy standpoint and are prepared to cease all connection with Cuba, if the question of dominion is settled any other way than that the United States shall be in possession.

Remarkable Record.

The official statement of our losses in the war with Spain is not yet made up, but the approximate figures, compiled from reports to the war and navy departments, give this remarkable showing:

Killed in the army	260
Killed in the navy	12
Killed in the marines	7
Wounded in the army	1,400
Wounded in the navy	10
Wounded in the marines	13

Here is a total of 279 killed and 1,428 wounded in a war which resulted in the destruction of the Spanish navy, in the freeing of Cuba, the cession of Porto Rico and the capture of Manila.

United States of Central America.

The members of the convention which has been engaged at Magaua, Nicaragua, in formulating a constitution for the United States of Central America, embracing Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua, have signed the constitution. Senors Angel, Ugarte, Salvador, Golligos, Manuel, Coronel and Matez have been appointed commissioners and empowered to act as a federal government until the election in December next of a federal president and congressmen, to be installed in March 1, 1899.

FRICTION EXISTS AT MANILA

Between the Americans and Filipinos. Trying to Avoid Total Alienation.

A dispatch from Manila to a London newspaper agency says:

"The friction between the Americans and natives requires exceptional ability to avoid total alienation. Several high American officials of mediocre education are utterly unacquainted with Oriental ideas and unable to understand the primitive races. Most of the Americans are deficient in patience and numerous trifling misunderstandings intensify the friction.

It is believed the Americans intend to be harsh. The American censor absolutely prohibits the sending of a single word about the Cavite incident, and he threatens to expel any correspondent who mentions it.

The affair began in a drunken American shooting and the native sentries attempting to arrest him. General Merritt returned the arms to the company of natives who fired upon the Americans, presumably inadvertently. The natives assert that Aguinaldo forced General Merritt to liberate them. The same correspondent cables that the Americans are only partly patrolling the town."

CZAR WANTS PEACE.

Proposes Holding a Conference of All Nations to Secure This End.

By order of Emperor Nicholas of Russia, Count Muravieff, the foreign minister, on the 24th inst. handed to the foreign diplomats at St. Petersburg a note declaring that the maintenance of peace and the reduction of the excessive armaments now crushing all nations is the ideal for which governments ought to strive. The czar considers the present moment favorable for the inauguration of a movement looking to this end, and invites the powers to take part in an international conference as a means of thus insuring real and lasting peace and terminating the progressive increase of armament.

WANTS TO COME HOME.

The First Alabama Writing Letters to Governor Johnston.

Governor Johnston is besieged with letters from privates of the First Alabama, praying that the regiment be mustered out. These letters have been written in large numbers running from forty to fifty and sixty and as high as eighty in several companies. The privates have been informed that President McKinley desired their expression through the governor of their home state and they hastened to comply. It is believed that Governor Johnston has been notified that only one Alabama regiment would be kept in the service. It is understood that the Second will be mustered out, and now the decision has narrowed down between the First and the Third negro regiments.

MERRITT UNDECIDED.

Cavite Offenders Convicted by Court Martial.

Major-General Merritt, the commander of the American troops at Manila, in conversation has avoided a declaration of his policy and gave the impression that he is undecided about the possibility of arranging to retain the Philippines, although personally he seemed to favor that policy.

General Aguinaldo has court-martialed the offenders in the Cavite affair and they have been sentenced to death, but it is reported that they were afterward reprieved at the request of General Anderson.

Yukon Gold Output.

Major J. M. Walsh, ex-commissioner of the Yukon district, who has arrived at Seattle, Wash., from Dawson en route to Ottawa, Canada, to make his official report, estimates this season's gold output at $11,000,000, while the clean up for next year will undoubtedly aggregate $20,000,000. He predicts that further developments in the Yukon will go beyond the expectations of everybody.

The Southern Will Build a Branch.

It is stated that the Southern Railway company will build another mineral extention to its system in the Birmingham district before the end of the present year. It will be about 40 miles in length and will run to all the mines of the Ivy Coal and Coke Co. in Walker county.

Woman Appointed.

Monday, for the first time in the history of the American army, a woman was appointed a member of the medical staff. Dr. Anita McGee was sworn in as active assistant surgeon.

Died From His Injuries.

Archie Copeland, who was run over Friday at the lower end of the Louisville & Nashville yard at Bessemer, Ala., died Monday.

Sergeant Finch Dead.

Phil Finch, second sergeant Company G, Alabama Volunteers, died in the military hospital at Jacksonville, Fla., Sunday.

Fatal Shooting Affray in Kentucky.

Ben Johnson, of Middlesboro, Ky., shot and killed Nathaniel Cloud, deputy sheriff of Claiborne county, Tennessee, as the latter was attempting to arrest Johnson at Tazewell, Tenn. John Cadle, a bystander, was shot and killed.

Ex-Gov. Matthews Dead.

Ex-Governor Claude Matthews, of Indiana, died at his home in Windgate Sunday morning, the result of a stroke of paralysis.

THE TROOPS ARE IMPATIENT

Slow Movement From Camp Thomas Causing Much Complaint.

DONS MAKE CHARGES AGAINST AMERICANS.

Relations Between England and China Growing Very Acute—Diplomatic Relations May Be Severed—English Warships Mobilizing.

The movement from Camp Thomas at Chickamauga Park is progressing much more slowly than General Breckinridge and his officers anticipated, and much complaint is expressed on all sides. The regiments are ready to move, but they are unable to secure transportation. The roads seem unable to handle more than two commands a day, while the army officials desire to send at least six out daily.

Gen. R. T. Frank, commanding the First division, Third corps has issued an address to his men in which he urges the men not to weakly yield to present depressing influences or to waste time complaining over the poor prospects of being given active service or being mustered out. He expresses confidence that the command will soon do garrison duty in Cuba, a work which, he declares, is as honorable and of as great importance as any yet done. There is much dissatisfaction in all the regiments at the poor prospects of being mustered out.

The statement of General Terry that 200 sick men of that regiment are without the proper hospital facilities is causing much apprehension.

SPANIARDS STARVED.

Serious Charges Made as to Treatment After the Surrender.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: The officers and soldiers who have returned from Santiago de Cuba bitterly accuse the Americans of unfulfilled promises made at the time of the capitulation of Santiago. The Americans, they say, forced the Spanish troops to encamp on a spot where hundreds of corpses of the Spanish defenders of El Caney were buried. The rains almost unearthed the bodies, the stench from which produced an epidemic. The Americans, the Spaniards assert, kept the latter without food and the officers received only canned sardines. Most of them returned seriously ill from the effects of prolonged hunger. Several die daily.

THE SITUATION ACUTE.

The Relations Between Great Britian and China are Strained.

The Pekin correspondent of the London Daily News says:

The situation has suddenly become acute. The relations between the tsung li pamin and Sir Claude Macdonald, the British minister, are strained to the point of rupture. Sir Charles Macdonald has intimated that any failure by China to observe Great Britain's wishes will be accepted as a casus belli. In support of Sir Claude Macdonald, the fleet has been concentrated at Wei Hai Wei and Han Kow, and all the warships under 5,000 tons have been mobilized in the Yang Ste river. The naval demonstration is solely directed against China, as it is semi-officially stated that the existing relations with Russia are cordial.

Anglo-Egyptian Advance.

WADY HAMED.—The Anglo-Egyptian forces have begun to advance, moving in five parallel columns at deploying distance. They were led by Jaalin guides and by bands of pipers, who were playing. It was an imposing spectacle.

Mustering Out Troops.

Orders have been issued to muster out the following: Fourth Pennsylvania Infantry, Sixth Illinois Infantry, Second Wisconsin Infantry, Three Louisiana Light Batteries, two Rhode Island Light Batteries, two Iowa Light Batteries, two Oregon Light Batteries, twoo troops Kentucky Cavalry, Light Battery A, Missouri, Twenty-seventh Indiana Light Artillery, Light Batteries A, B and C, Pennsylvania Light Artillery.

FAVOR ANNEXATION.

Jamaica Natives Anxious to Become Part of the United States.

A special from Kingston, Jamaica, says: The American annexation movement commenced at Manchester is rapidly spreading and finding general acceptance as the only visible alternative to ruin. The promoters of the movement are pushing it vigorously, being desirous of strengthening the hands of Jamaica's representatives at the Barbadoes conference, thus encouraging inter-colonial co-operation. The sole obstacle encountered is the color question.

Five Killed.

Five persons were killed Saturday at Whiting's Crossing, Mass., on the Boston and Maine railroad by a collision between a train and a wagon containing a pleasure party of eleven persons.

A Conductor Killed.

A special from Dupont, Ga., says that Conductor Cason, of the Plant system, was shot and killed at that place Saturday by Mike Graham, a negro.

Glaze, Martin & Co. got the first bale at Decatur. It weighed 520 pounds.

MUCH SICKNESS AT SANTIAGO.

Immunes Don't Stand the Climate Any Better Than Other Men.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—The death rate among citizens and troops is increasing. The deaths in the city number about eighty daily. The mortality among the soldiers is small, however. Patients who are convalescent after an attack of dysentery and yellow fever gain strength slowly, owing to the enervating effect of the climate. Two hundred immunes are now in the hospital.

The steamer Panther left Saturday with 108 sick soldiers of all regiments, and the Romana left Sunday with 425 sick from all regiments, leaving 500 for the Olivette, which is expected on Wednesday to take all the sick save the critical cases.

The transports San Augustine, Leonora and San Francisco will go for 6,000 Spaniards at Guantanamo bay.

The Cheeribon, a hospital ship, left Saturday with 1,000 sick Spaniards. The condition of all the Spanish soldiers who have left or are able to leave is pitiful. Physicians say that 20 per cent of them will die before reaching Spain.

CLOSING PREPARATIONS.

War Department Busy Making Arrangements to Muster Out Volunteers.

WASHINGTON.—Every bureau of the war department is busy with matters connected with the close of the war. The pay department has a big task before it in settling with the troops and officers in the final muster out. There must be an accounting of all government property, and each roll must be complete and satisfactory to the officers of the government before there can be a final settlement.

The clothing and purchases by the soldiers will have to be looked up and balanced by the pay officers before final payment is made. All officers who have charge of government property of any kind must account for it before they can receive final discharge.

The ordnance officers are busy preparing for the reception and disposal of the arms of the soldiers and blanks and papers are being made ready. Officers from each branch of the service will be detailed to go to the state camps, where the final mustering out occurs, to receive the government property, make final payment and give the soldiers their discharge.

SPEEDY DEPARTURE.

Cuban and Porto Rican Commissions Will Sail September 3.

WASHINGTON.—Arrangements have been made for the speedy departure of the commissions charged with the supervision of the evacuation of the Spanish forces from Cuba and Porto Rico. The Cuban commission, consisting of General Wade, Admiral Sampson and General Butler, will sail September 3 on the auxiliary cruiser Resolute, now on her way from Montauk Point to Portsmouth, Va. The Porto Rican commission consists of General Brooke, Admiral Schley and General Gordon. General Brooke is now in Porto Rico in command of the military forces there. Admiral Schley is now in this city. General Gordon telegraphed that he would be here Monday.

The army transport ship Seneca will be utilized in taking the members of the commission now in this country to Porto Rico.

HOBSON'S PROMOTION.

Will Be Made Full Naval Constructor Without Explanation.

Assistant Naval Constructor Hobson was to have been examined for promotion last week, but owing to his duties he could not go before the board. It was ordered that his record be examined to see if that would entitle him to higher rank. The board says:

"The board joins with all the world in admiring the skill, courage and gallant conduct of Assistant Naval Constructor Richmond Pearson Hobson in connection with the Merrimac, as set forth in the letter of the commanding officer of the North American station."

The report then refers to the various papers submitted in connection with Hobson's record, and closes with a recommendation that he be promoted to naval constructor.

50,000 PERISHED.

This Is Spain's Loss in Life During the Three Years of Cuban War.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Standard says:

Nothing can better illustrate the country's weariness and disillusion than the small excitement caused by the return of the repatriated troops. Of the 225,000 who have left Spain for the Antilles since March, 1895, 50,000 have perished in Cuba, 78,000 have been sent home invalided, and the remainder are returning to be disbanded after receiving a portion of their nine-months' arrears of pay.

The True Hero of Santiago.

Rear Admiral Schley left Washington Saturday for Westport, Conn., by way of Baltimore and New York. Wherever the admiral appeared on the streets during his stay in Washington he has been the recipient of most marked attention. Enthusiastic cheers greeted him at every point.

Gadsden's first bale of cotton was marketed Friday. It was made by W. F. Black, of Slackland, classed strictly A middling, weighed 405 pounds, and was sold at 12½ cents.

MILITARY TRAIN WRE

Engine [illegible]

[illegible] Nov. 1

THROWS FIVE CARS [illegible]

Two Soldiers [illegible] Several [illegible] the Train Was Moving at [illegible]

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Sunday Drafted.

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MANILA MERCHANTS

Sign Memorial to Salisbury Regarding Return of Philippines to Spain.

The Manila correspondent [illegible] London Times says:

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Tennessee Company Pays.

State Treasurer Ellis [illegible] has received a check for $ [illegible] the Tennessee Coal, Iron [illegible] company on account of [illegible] convicts.

Labor in Hawaii.

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...SS AT SANTIAGO.

...and the Climate Any ...an Other Men.

...—The death rate ...of troops is increas... in the city number... ...y. The mortality ...s is small, however, ...ntrasted sweet after an ...y and active fever ...ly, owing to the ... the service. Two ...are now in the hos...

...other left Saturday ...ers of all regiments, ...st Sunday with 125 ...ments leaving 500 ...s expected on ... all the sick leave ...

...Augustine, Le... ...ers will go for ...Convalescent boys ...a hospital ship, left ...ers Spaniards, ...d the Spanish sol... ...of arrangements today ...Say that 20 per ...for the returning

...EPARATIONS.

...s Making Arrang... ...r Out Volunteers.

...Every bureau of the ...busy with matters ...ection of the war. ...t has a big task be... ...with the troops and ...quarter out. There ...itting of all govern... ...each roll must be ...factory to the officers ...before there can be ...

...d purchases by the ...to be looked up and ...ny officers before ...made. All officers ...government prop... ...ust account for it ...ceive final discharge. ...ficers are busy pre... ...ation and disposal ...soldiers and blanks ...g made ready. Of... ...unch of the service ...to go to the state ...final mustering out ...the government ...d payment and give ...discharge.

...EPARTURE.

...ican Commissioners ...ptember 3.

...Arrangements have ...speedy departure ...charged with the ...e evacuation of the ...n Cuba and Porto ...commission, con... ...Wade, Admiral ...al Butler, will sail ...auxiliary cruiser ...her way from Mon... ...outh, Va. The ...mission consists of ...miral Schley and ...General Brooke is ...in command of the ...e. Admiral Schley ...General Gordon ...he would be here ...

...rt ship Seneca will ...the members of the ...in this country to ...

...PROMOTION.

...Naval Constructor ...xplanation.

...Constructor Hobson ...mmitted for promo... ...owing to his duties ...fore the board. It ...his record be exam... ...would entitle him ...he board says: ...with all the world ...ll, courage and pa... ...ist on Naval Con... ...Pearson Hobson is ...Merrimac, is not ...d the commanding ...American station ...refers to the various ...in connection with ...and closes with a ...at he be promoted.

...ERISHED.

...in Life During the ...of Cuban War.

...respondent of the ...says: ...tter illustrate the ...ss and disillusion... ...ctment caused by ...repatriated troops ...o have left Spain ...ince March, 1895, ...d in Cuba, 78,000 ...me invalided, and ...-starving to be dis... ...ving a portion of ...arrears of pay.

...ro of Santiago.

...Schley left Washing... ...Westport, Conn., by ...e and New York ...ral appears on the ...stay in Washington ...recipient, of most ...Entheastic cheers ...ry point.

...ble of cotton was ... It was made by W... ...hand, classed strictly ...ed 405 pounds, and ...uts.

MILITARY TRAIN WRECKED

Engine of First Section Carrying ... 69th New York Jumps the Track.

THROWS FIVE CARS DOWN AN EMBANK...

Two Soldiers Instantly Killed and Two... Five Seriously Injured—Claimed Th... the Train Was Running Too Fast... Miraculous Escape of Many.

A frightful wreck took place Sun... afternoon on the Louisville and N... ville railroad, ten miles north of B... ningham. The first of three sect... bearing the Sixty-ninth New Y... regiment from Fernandina, Fla., ... Camp Wheeler at Huntsville, ... wrecked. As a result of the acci... two men are dead and over two d... others are injured, one or two of t... seriously. Everything possible ... done for the injured men, who ... brought to Birmingham immedi... afterward.

The following men were bro... back to Birmingham dead: Peter ... ley, private Company G; Frank G... non, quartermaster sergeant Com... G. Twenty five wounded men ... brought to the city and placed in ... hospital.

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

German Exports Double That of Its Imports Prices Received Therefor Are Growing Lower and Lower So That the Excess Amounts to Nothing.

The Axe of the Settler.

...wilderness ...ess edge— ...d wedged ...the weapon ...the slave. ...as thee mightier ...almighty glaive.

...market ...man's brand, ...plenty ...the land: ...the dew; ...plantes ...grew.

...rolled between them ...land, ...daily ...corn land, ...cornfields, ...the sky; ...a tempest, ...boats on high, ...

...treeschool ...stroke, ...in the morning ...smoke; ...before thee, ...the blast; ...forth in gladness ...passed.

...that noble conqueror, ...when sorely oppressed, ...for harvests from the wild ...

...is the power that giveth ...bounty of the soil, ...freedom, and an honored name, ...the kindly sons of toil!

Our Export Trade.

...export trade almost double that ...imports is the noteworthy feature ...the statistics of the foreign com... ...of the United States for the ...year ending with June, the pre... ...inary figures of which have just ...given out by the treasury de... ...ment. The excess of export over ...import trade measures the volume of ...ney or salable securities that flows ...the country. When money flows in ...country quickens, expands. This is ...what has been happening. Industrial ...activity in the United States is far ...more general and vigorous than the ...chronic growler is willing to admit. ...This is a big country, and a great deal ...of business can be going on without ...particular noise or stir being ...made about it. In the state of New ...York no less than 1,390 new manu... ...concerns have started in ...business this year, and 1,500 old firms ...have had to enlarge their doors have re... ...their operations. Some 400 manu... ...factories applied for permission to ...run their plants overtime, and 50,000 ...extra hours of labor is the record of ...these firms. In comparison with the ...figures of 1897 some 40,000 more per... ...are now employed in New York ...city alone. Instances of a like ...kind might be multiplied in which ...business controlled by some firms ...has been nearly doubled, one steel ...company alone adding 1,800 men to ...its force. In Pennsylvania the iron ...industry is in good condition. Ex... ...ports of steel products are ...coming forward with their usual free... ...despite the war. As one trade ...after another is railroad and struc... ...tural iron and shipbuilding is ...active. The exports of finished ...products are on a liberal scale." ...Furnaces are still sufficient to keep them ...busy for months to come. Labor jour... ...nals devote much space to mat... ...ters pertaining to the iron industry ...and the news of reductions of ...wages or of suspensions, but ...there is a scarcity of force, added hours ...and increased wages. The condition of the ...steel trade is justly re... ...garded as a barometer of the ...times, hence the present ...highly agreeable to ...direct connection ...and steel trade. But ...this is not done in ...Colorado, a ...iron mill has had ...manufactured iron ...In the South the ...increasing. The ...increased demand ...general revival ...from abroad. Un... ...less that's the only ...from. And revival ...ardware, and about ...it must come the ...come at all. It is ...as soon as San... ...ships loaded with ...set out for that ...important point on ...The cargoes were ...use, but for sale ...that once Spanish ...almost literally as ...and stripes had ...news reports say ...merchant is elated ...has of doing a big ...buy lower than he ...an sell accordingly. ...on of an intermin... ...but that doesn't ...seeing on which ...buttered. ...orts far exceed im... ...we receive are grad... ...Everything we ...oes to pay interest ...loans here. If ...fall, the excess of ...measure far less in ...than imports.

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his last report to the state department, quoted wages and prices of necessaries as follows:

Wages on the plantations, including house and firewood, or room and board, range from $125 to $175 per month for engineers and sugar boilers, $30 to $100 per month for blacksmiths and carpenters, $40 to $75 per month for bookkeepers, and $30 to $40 per month for teamsters. In Honolulu the rates are $5 to $6 per day for bricklayers and masons, $2.50 to $5 per day for carpenters and painters, and $3 to $5 per day for machinists. Cooks receive from $3 to $6 per week; nurses, house servants and gardeners, $8 to $12 per month. Retail prices of provisions are as follows: Ham, 16 to 18 cents per pound; bacon, 16 to 20 cents; flour, $2.50 to $5 per 100 pounds; rice, $3.20 to $5 per 100 pounds; eggs, 20 to 50 cents per doz; butter, 25 to 50 cents per pound, and ice 1½ cents per pound.

Notes.

In Dundee, Ireland weavers are paid $1.65 a week and many of them have families.

Forty thousand working women in New York city are receiving wages so low that they are compelled to accept charity or do worse.

The municipalization of telephones, gas and water has already been accomplished in Amsterdam, the chief city of Holland, and the municipal council is now considering the question of the municipalization of the street railways.

In Spain women work. About 2,500 are employed in mines; the state tobacco factories give work to about 25,000, and lace making engages 6,000. They may even be found engaged in the manufacture of dynamite and gunpowder.

In one factory of Detroit, Mich., is a machine on which a boy not over 15 or 16 years old is doing the work which, until recently, required six men, working by hand. The boy gets $4 per week. The six men, who were of necessity capable mechanics, could not be had for less than $1.50 a day, or $9 a week each.

A decision was rendered by the United States supreme court recently affirming the validity of the South Carolina dispensary system in its essential features. Three judges dissented, but a substantial majority of the court accepts the view that a state has a right to conduct the liquor traffic on its own account as an exclusive state monopoly, subject only to the qualification that a citizen may import liquors from beyond the state for his individual use without interference from the state. The decision is of importance as establishing the right of a state to set up and conduct, not only a public liquor monopoly, but any industrial monopoly.

Harper's Weekly says: "The strike of the engineers in England is over, and the men have been defeated. In their defeat is involved that of trade unionism, for the employers insisted on the right to manage their own business in their own way, and, after a most extraordinary struggle lasting six months the men have practically surrendered. One thing the English capitalists, and all capitalists everywhere, should bear in mind. The inevitable tendency of a strike like this is to strengthen the socialist movement. The workingmen will reason that if they cannot bring their employers to terms by negotiations, or even by striking, they will try to accomplish their object by legislation.

Paternal.

Commuters on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad are inclined to challenge a new regulation which has just been enforced on the ground that it smacks of paternalism. As each brakeman calls a station, as for instance, Hackensack, he does it in this fashion: "Hackensack! Don't f-o-r-g-e-t your b-u-n-d-l-e-s." Occasional passengers on this road find these calls amusing, and as each station is announced they grin at the brakeman, who doesn't enjoy the new regulation, and then look around to see the commuters pick up their bundles. Undoubtedly this new regulation was suggested by the number of bundles which commuters left behind them in the cars, and then bothered the railroad company to look up for them. "I object to this regulation," said one of the commuters yesterday. "If the railroads are going into this business, the first thing we will know the brakeman will call out: 'Hackensack! Have you forgotten to mail your wife's letters?' or perhaps it will be 'Monclair! Remember to stop at the butcher's.' I invited a friend to come out and spend the night with me two days ago, and he began to laugh when the first station was announced. As station after station was reached and the brakeman sang out monotonously at each: 'Don't forget your bundles,' his merriment increased. He would talk about nothing else at dinner, and when he said good night to us he added: 'Don't forget your bundles.' It's kind of the railroad, of course, but I don't like it."—New York Sun.

Useless Forbodings.

What a vast proportion of our lives is spent in anxious and useless forebodings concerning the future—either our own or that of our dear ones! Present joys, present blessings slip by, and we miss half their sweet flavor for want of faith in Him who provides for the tiniest insect in the sunbeam. Oh, when will we learn the sweet trust in God that our children teach us—we, who are so mutable, and He, who is so watchful, so pitiful, so loving, so forgiving? Why cannot we, slipping our hand into His each day, walk trustingly over that day's appointed path, thorny or flowery, crooked or straight, knowing that evening will bring us sleep, peace and home?

MONEY IN PARABLE.

THE FINANCIAL QUESTION MADE EASY.

Wheat and Corn Used as a Text—If Corn Were Denied Admission to Mills Its Price Would Fall and People Would Starve.

Parable of Pound-Cake and Ash-Cake.

And this is the parable of the staff of life:

In Felicia the Lord had provided two grains for bread; and one of these was called wheat, and the other was called corn, or maize. And the King had opened mills for the grinding of these grains, where both were ground equally, without price and without limit. The land was fertile, yielding both wheat and corn; but the greater yield commonly was of corn, and wheat sold at a higher price among the people because it was scarcer and made finer and whiter loaves. Yet the two grains gave abundance and happiness. If the wheat lacked, the corn supplied the deficiency; if the corn was scarce, the wheat came in answer to the call for bread, so that no man suffered from hunger in Felicia. And the corn was every man's crop. They who could not grow wheat, grew corn, and they who ate no wheat were satisfied with the corn ground freely at the King's mills. Both in quantity and price the two grains thus co-operated together to feed the people, without possibility of monopoly and extortion. But Mammon, who distributed the grains and the flour and the meal thereof to the people, saw how he could control the situation and make a mighty deal in wheat (the scarcer grain and the more to be desired), if he could persuade the King to close the mills against corn. And so he sent his professors and his bankers and his scribes and his lawyers to the King, and they said: "Oh, King! wheat is the only thing fit for thy people. It abounds, it is healthful, beautiful and sweet; it is more desired of all men and nations; corn is food only for swine; Therefore close thy mills against corn, and allow wheat only to be ground therein. So will Felicia grow greater and greater among the nations; and with wheat as the sole and single staff of life, our people will live longer, grow richer and richer, and become the happier as the delicious biscuit shall on every table take the place of the course and unsavory ash-cake." So it seemed wise to the King, and forthwith he issued his edict that thenceforward no corn should be ground in any of the mills of Felicia, which should remain open only to the free and unlimited grinding of golden wheat. For a time all things seemed to work well, notwithstanding the edict. But soon the people who had eaten cornbread found that they could not turn their corn into meal, as the mills were closed to everything but wheat. They had to eat wheat, or starve. And, lo! by reason of discrimination against it, corn became almost worthless in exchange for wheat, as everything else had also become by reason of the mill edict. And they who had eaten wheat only found it had risen enormously in price, not simply because it had been made the sole staff of life, but because Mammon and his men had cornered the wheat product, which had now become easy, as this product was much less than that of corn, and as corn had been excluded from the mills and the bread market and could no longer come to the rescue of wheat and its consumers. Thus it came to pass that even the King's baker was sorely put to it to furnish the accustomed loaves for the royal table. All the King's household and retainers, who had formerly been served with corn-pone, had now to be fed on flour. So that with the royal garners bursting with corn, there was scant bread on the royal table. But Mammon & Co. had store of wheat, and for a while they cheerfully took the King's orders (or bonds) in exchange for wheat; but the people's orders or bonds were disdained, Mammon & Co. doublelocking their wheat bins against all popular demands, insomuch that the people starved, while the King feasted and still kept a reserve or surplus of wheat by a liberal issue of royal orders or bonds warranted to produce wheat and nothing but wheat. At length, when the people had been driven to the last extremity and a famine prevailed in the land, even the King's bonds were refused for wheat by Mammon & Co., unless he would also put in pawn his crown, his scepter and his throne. And then the eyes and ears of the king were opened to his prostrate people crying for the opening of the mills to corn. "We do not care for pound-cake!" shrieked the people. "Give us corn bread, lest we perish in the midst of our abundance!" But the sleek Mammon, with his portly professors, his bloated bankers, his greasy scribes, and his lusty lawyers, talked day and night to the King. "These ignorant and half-educated people do not know what ails them, nor what they need," said Mammon & Co. "Besides, they are hired to starve themselves and make all this outcry by these fellows who raise such enormous crops of corn. The corn producers alone will be benefited by opening the mills to corn. Just think what an enormous pile of money they will make if corn again be allowed as a breadstuff. We, on the contrary, know all about grain and bread, and from our position are utterly disinterested. We neither grow nor grind anything." "Except the people and the King!" interjected the King's fool. Scorning the unseemly interjection, Mammon & Co. went on: "The people foolishly say they do not want pound-cake, and clamor for corn-bread, but we who know, O King! declare to you that corn-bread is injurious to the digestion fit only for hogs, and that pound-cake as our experience proves, is far better for human food. It is true that the people say they can get no pound cake; that it is beyond their means is scarce, etc. Yet, as we can testify conclusively, there is plenty of pound cake, for we have got it. Yes, we have abundance of pound-cake, and it is only a popular delusion which inspires the cry for ash-cake and corn-pone; for it they can't buy our pound-cake how can they buy corn-bread?" Quoth the King's fool:

"The more grist the mills grind,
The more mouths it will find."

"Besides," continued Mammon & Co. still scorning the fool, "how can your majesty find it in your heart to deprive us of our monopoly for the benefit of a dirty rabble?" "That to be sure," said the King, "would be conclusive but for the consideration that if the body perishes, what will become of the head? I am the head of Felicia; the people are the body of the state. Already I find it almost impossible to supply myself with the necessary wheat; already I am in bonds to you, masters of wheat; and now you tell me I must pawn my sovereignty to get further supplies. "Will you thus force me to feel that I and my people are one; to remember that the public mills do not belong to me alone, nor to you, but the people? And I at once reopen the mills to corn, believing that it will be much better to live even on ash-cake than to starve myself or people in an effort to make pound-cake the sole staff of life." Mammon & Co. retired discomfited, venting dire threats of ruin and revenge; but even they could not reverse the laws of trade, of supply and demand. And soon it come to pass that bread so abounded that even the poor did not lack for wheat, it being found that the best assurance for pound-cake is in the free and unlimited supply of corn-meal for ash-cake. He that hath ears to hear let him hear.

The Battle Ground of '98.

The Republican press, seeing the union of the Democratic and Populistic forces on the old anti-monopolistic battle ground in California, immediately shift their position and prepare to intrench themselves behind the words "Greater America," hoping thereby to dig a pit in front of their intrenchments and compel these united forces to oppose them, there, and fall therein. Why should Democrats and Populists oppose Greater America? All the territories of the United States, except Alaska, were acquired under Democratic administrations; therefore Greater America, from the creation of the Republic to the present time was and is good Democratic doctrine.

If we must keep the islands of the seas, let us keep them for their people. Let their lands be held in trust for the people of the territory by the government for all time, that no one man may claim to own the birthright of the others. Let the government own public utilities, and when built, let the government manage them for the people's benefit, at actual cost, as our postal department is now conducted. Let the cities own their own water and gas works, and all public utilities. Is not this good Democratic and Populistic doctrine? And if it is then will not the newly acquired territory prove a blessing to its Spanish-ridden people, as well as to the emigrants attracted there by Old Glory? Let the Democrats and Populists united, fight to abolish all special privileges from the newly acquired territories, and let them fight harder to keep the swinish proclivities of the Huntingtons, Goulds, Rockefellers and their class, from entering therein. Greater as well as lesser America can be made a blessing to the human family when human hogs are deprived of special privileges, and not till then. The tide of human events bears upon its bosom the inevitable Greater America. A wave of modern Democracy is sweeping over the world. Wouldn't it be laughable to see the anti-monopolists of America trying to stop it? Rather go with this tide and help shape its course in and around the islands of the seas than waste human energy trying to oppose its flow.—R. U. Collins.

Too Much Revenue.

From the Boston Post: There is a large margin of unexpended war money remaining in the hands of the government to cover expenses of winding up the affair. There is an element of danger in this situation. On a peace basis congress invariably spends more than the national income. What must be expected unless the brakes are put on, with all this extra money on hand? The first thing the people should demand is strict economy on the part of congress and the administration. The temptation will be great to rush into wasteful jobs. This must be checked. We should at once, or as quickly as practicable, get back to a reasonable scale of expenditure, and lighten some of the burdens which the people have cheerfully borne through patriotism.

Little Show for Spoilsmen.

From the Cincinnati Enquirer: The policy of expansion is expected in some quarters to place a great deal of additional patronage in the hands of President McKinley. This may not though, result in more offices for the politicians of the United States. The local affairs of Cuba and Porto Rico will be continued to be administered by those now in charge of them, under United States supervision. The people of those islands who freely accept the new conditions will be permitted to stay, and there will be that which Spain has so long refused to give in earnest, local government.

TROUBLE IN THE LADRONES.

Situation Said to Be Extremely Critical on the Islands.

WANT FRIARS EXPELLED FROM PHILIPPINES

President McKinley is Urged to "Aid the Philipinos to Suppress the Immorality of the Diabolical Institutions Fostered by the Monks."

MADRID.—Negotiotions have been opened with Washington to obtain permission for the Spaniards on the Ladrone islands to go to Manila, as the situation on the islands is most critical, and it is regarded as likely that the Spanish residents are in serious danger. The nature of the trouble will not be given out by the officials here, although it is intimated that the trouble is of a serious nature, probably an uprising of the natives.

WASHINGTON.—While acting Secretary of State Moore said that the state department was without information from the Ladrone islands, it is learned that the war department has received advices confirming the Associated Press dispatch from Madrid. Nothing can be learned, the officials refusing to discuss the dispatch or reveal the nature of the trouble.

EXPULSION OF FRIARS

Necessary to the Moral Sanitation of the Philippine Islands.

LONDON.—The Philippine islands committee in Europe has addressed a letter to President McKinley regarding the appeals made to him by high Roman Catholic ecclesiastics in America to protect the religious orders in the island. The expulsion of the friars, the committee contends, is "a necessary antecedent to moral sanitation." The letter names particularly the archbishop of Manila and the bishops of Nueva Samovia and Nueva Caseras, "whose acts of hostility against both natives and Americans and against the Jesuits and other respected religious institutions are condemned by everyone."

The committee urges President McKinley to "aid the Philipinos to suppress the immorality of the diabolical institutions fostered by these monks."

BETTER METHODS.

New and Improved Systems Introduced in Cuba.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—The American postal system is soon to be introduced here and house to house deliveries and letter boxes are to be established. The merchants are much pleased and the desire is general for the establishment of American buiness systems.

The modification of the administration of the provincial civil governments by Generals Lawton and Wood meets with the approbation of intelligent citizens and co-operation in the movement is increasing. The schools will open on September 1. English will be taught in all the grades for the purpose of its Americanizing effect. The employes of the civil government are now paid with checks only owing to the scarcity of small change.

SPANIARDS AND REBELS

Still Fighting in Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico.

The Madrid government has received a cipher dispatch from Manila giving full details of the capitulation and of the condition of the island. The contents of the dispatch have not been made public. General Rios, governor of the Vizcayas islands, reports fighting between the rebels and Spanish troops at Cebua and Iloilo. A flotilla has been organized to protect these islands from invasion by the rebels sent from Luzon by Aguinaldo. General Rios has armed several battalions of militia. Telegrams from Cuba report continuous fighting in the provinces of Puerto Principe and Sante Clara between the Spaniards and rebels.

Pugilist Killed.

Alexander Scott, the pugilist, died Friday of uraemic convulsions brought on by his exertions in his fight with Tommy Butler, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

At Florence, Alex Weakley, colored, was killed by his team running away.

The Avondale cotton mills at Birmingham turned out their first cloth Thursday, and from now on more and more looms will be put in operation until the whole plant is working at its full capacity.

A waterspout did much damage to the Alabama Great Southern tracks near Hull, Tuskaloosa county. It caused washouts, one of which was the cause of a big wreck, in which a heavy train was ditched. James Brown, colored, was killed and considerable damage done to property.

Talladega cotton mill directors decided to double the capacity of the plant. A new warehouse to hold 1,200 bales of cotton will be erected also.

The general assembly of Alabama will meet this year on November 15, and not on November 8, as has been stated by a number of newspapers of the state.

At Decatur a large steam pipe burst in the works of the American Oak Extract company, and George Conley was scalded to death. He was standing by the pipe when it bursted.

A STAIN WIPED OUT.

BRAVERY BEFORE SANTIAGO CLEARS AN AMERICAN OFFICER'S RECORD.

The Marvelous Intrepidity of Captain Leonard Lovering in the Charge up the Heights of El Caney.

Just a year ago Captain Leonard A. Lovering of the 4th United States Infantry, Fort Sheridan, near Chicago was in serious trouble. He was forced to submit to a courtmartial on the charge of brutality to an enlisted man. He was convicted and sentenced to a reprimand in orders. July 1 and 2 of this year he did much to redeem himself from the cloud on his reputation, which chafed unpleasingly from the morning the "Hammond affair" became public property.

One morning the news was spread abroad that Captain Lovering, while acting as officer of the day, had been guilty of extreme cruelty to Private Hammond, a prisoner from another command. Columns were printed concerning the affair, and General Brooke caused a rigid investigation. This was followed by a court martial and the publication of the officer in orders. Nothing could be more galling to a high strung man than this same publishing in orders.

The captain was punished enough by this, and besides he was not big enough in rank to cause anybody to "camp on his trail," so after orders had been published he was restored to duty and proceeded to Cuba with his regiment.

Lovering is a brave man. Nobody ever charged him with being anything else. But he had more than mere military ambition to satisfy in that longer before Santiago. He had to redeem himself in the eyes of the world and the men of his regiment. Rightfully or wrongfully, the verdict of the people was against him; among the men of the Fourth, it is said, he was known as Weyler, because of his harshness to the men. He must remove this blot. It must be admitted he did much to restore himself to the public favor at El Caney.

The fighting Fourth got its stomach full of fighting when the heights of El Caney were stormed. The regiment formed a portion of the column sent against that position. Its reputation for fierce bravery and skill in fighting was fully sustained. The hero of El Caney, according to the reports which have reached this country, was Captain Lovering. Lovering commands Company C of the Fourth. His company and regiment were in the hottest of the fiercest fight of the war so far. Mr. Bernard was killed in the fight and Mr. Neary was badly hurt. Both were men of much less stature than Lovering, who is one of the biggest men, physically, in the army. He was not touched by bullet or shell, though he seemed to court death.

Lovering spared neither himself nor his company in that wild charge. In fact it has been said that if he had cared to he might have sheltered his men in a ravine while advancing to the firing line, but that he led them impetuously across the open under a terrible fire, instead. He had sixty men in line when the advance was ordered. When the fight ended he had three dead and eighteen wounded. This loss exceeded that of any primary organization in the fight. It had been said that Private Hosfield of his company had sworn to kill the captain in their first action. If so, the man never had the chance, as he was killed in the first break from cover.

Lovering led his men from their position in the regimental line. He went straight to the front, regardless of topography, rifle shots or cannon shells. He moved on the firing line with all speed and then performed an act of bravery which proved he was and is a brave soldier, whatever else may be said of him. He lost nearly one-third of his command in the first rush, but he looked after the remnant like a careful officer when the line was reached.

In the charge up the hill of Siboney the captain was overcome by the heat and forced to drop out. Orders were imperative and his men swept on and left him there. There he lay for a time, but with returning strength he forced himself forward and regained his company, now on the firing line and fighting hard to hold their position. Here is where the disgraced officer showed his mettle as a fighter; at least, and did somuch to win the good wishes of his men. He tried to protect them under fire himself.

Lovering saw that his men were exposed to the merciless fire of the enemy. He is of gigantic stature and physically, at least, an ideal soldier. But he seized a camp cooking outfit which can be used as a shovel, and in a rain of bullets coolly dug trenches with it, ordering his men to take position therein and thus be sheltered. He himself was all this time exposed to the galling fire of the Spanish concealed behind their intrenchments. He was not touched. He plunged into trenches and rescued wounded men, although Red Cross men were hit on all sides. He fought all day and fought as hotly as any man, but in spite of his enormous stature he came out without a mark, while much smaller men were killed or maimed.

Shakespeare in French.

A story is told of three French boys who were studying a volume of Shakespeare in their own tongue, their task being to render portions of it into English. When they came to Hamlet's famous soliloquy, "To be or not to be," their respective translations were as follows:

1. "To was or not to am."
2. "To were or is to not."
3. "To should or not to will."

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A GRAND review of the troops was held by Gen. Fitzhugh Lee at Jacksonville yesterday. Thirty thousand men were in line, and Col. William J. Bryan received an ovation.

IN Coosa county R. S. Nolen has filed his contest against J. A. Crawford for Judge of Probate. Nolen was declared to be defeated by 29 votes, and claims that Crawford bought votes and by so doing defeated him illegally.

THE Populists of Alabama have lost a devoted and talented adherent in the person of Col. J. M. Whitehead who died at his home in Greenville, Butler county, on Tuesday. Col. Whitehead, our late nominee for Attorney-General, was looking aged and feeble when the State convention nominated him, and while it is a matter of regret his death can hardly be a surprise to those intimately acquainted with him.

ON our first page will be found a call by the chairman of the Fourth Congressional District for a convention to be held at Talladega on Wednesday, September 14, to nominate a representative for Congress. No doubt but that our county chairman will call a mass meeting or county convention the latter end of next week for the purpose of electing delegates to the convention. We hope this matter will receive careful attention and that the delegates selected will be pledged to attend the convention. Proxies are always undesirable substitutes for delegates.

AFTER a hot time in the Democratic congressional convention Hon. Gaston A. Robbins, of Selma, finally managed to secure the coveted nomination. Mr. Robbins is a pleasant and affable gentleman but he must surely know he cannot possibly be elected in this district, and that he is doomed to the same fate he met with four years ago. Even if all our Democratic friends in the district were unanimously for Mr. Robbins they could not roll up a legitimate majority, and any other than a legitimate majority only means an ignominous return from Washington in a very short time.

We understand it is the generally expressed wish of the Populists of this district to again return our sitting member, Hon. W. F. Aldrich, to Congress. Mr. Aldrich has already been nominated by the Republicans of this district, and it is to be presumed the plan adopted by the Populist convention two years ago will again be followed, and Mr. Aldrich be nominated. With the combined vote of the Populists and Republicans he will have an easy victory and no matter what the official returns may be it can be depended upon that Mr. Aldrich will be in a position to vindicate the right of the voters to a fair vote and honest count.

WE desire especially to call the attention of our readers to the communication in our correspondence columns from Hon. L. H Reynolds. Mr. Reynolds is putting into practice the principle of the initiative when he requests his constituents to make him acquainted with their legislative needs. This is the true and only way to fairly and honestly represent all the people. Whatever you wish in the way of legislation let your representative know. If there is opposition also let him know that, and how strong it is. And whatever law you may desire, don't try and run it over your neighbors heads without letting them know what you are doing. If a majority of the citizens want a stock law, a dog law, or any other law, by all means let them have it, but first let the entire community know what is proposed.

IT seems to be a harder matter to muster out the volunteer army than it was to muster it in. It is true the trouble is more with the officers than with the rank and file. The volunteer private has generally made up his mind as to whether he wishes to remain in the army or to return to civil life. The orders have gone forth for a reduction of the army. Some regiments have to go, and some will be retained. If a system of exchange among the private soldiers was established, it would be a comparatively easy matter to determine which should go and which should stay. For instance, it is reported that the Second Alabama is to be mustered out and the First Alabama to remain. Let the privates in the Second who wish to remain in the army exchange with those in the First who desire to return to their homes. By this means, in all probability, there would in a few days be a regiment of volunteers whose sole ambition is to remain in the army, and another lot of soldiers, always ready and willing to serve their country in time of need, who appreciate the readiness with which they can leave the army when their services can be dispensed with. As to the officers, they could exchange in the same way, and the superfluous ones would have to retire.

SOME of our good Populist friends in Kentucky have let their admiration for Richmond P. Hobson over-run their discretion. We yield to none in our respect and admiration for the hero of Santiago, but it is useless to endorse or nominate him for President of the United States for some years to come, as he is constitutionally debarred from accepting any such endorsement or nomination he, at this time, being only about 28 years of age, and the constitutional limit is 35. Therefore Lieut. Hobson could not be elected President before 1908, and to nominate him now is going Wharton Barker et als one better. Mr. Barker only wants to be nominated now for 1900—and much as he desires the nomination now it is doubtful if even he would accept it for 1908.

ONE of the most remarkable documents ever issued is that of the Czar of Russia calling a conference of the leading nations of the earth to take some steps to do away with the immense armaments and consequent expenditure which nearly all nations are groaning under. Coming, as it does, from the head of the largest standing army in the world, it is sure to receive careful consideration, but, unfortunately, the millenium is not yet at hand, and the prospects of a general disarmament are at present very remote. But still this is a hopeful sign.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
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Moreton Frewen, the noted British bimetallist, expresses the hope that the party in this country favoring currency expansion will also favor territorial expansion. In regard to the policy of closing the mints in India, Mr. Frewen says: "The monetary commission now sitting in that country, is unable to secure any evidence which they dare print favorable to the gold standard." He also says China will absorb a large amount of silver, if the trade of those myraids shall be unlocked to modern conditions of transportation.

The Republican congressional committee have just issued their campaign hand book, in which they relegate the silver questions to the rear, and make their main fight on the President's war record and the return of prosperity. It is asserted, in the face of low wages and falling prices, that the farmers and laborers are prosperous and have no desire for more money.

There is strong probability of an official inquiry being made into the conduct of the war with Spain. Secretary Alger and General Shafter are being generally charged with mismanagement and it is believed the administration will order an investigation very soon.

The recent Republican state convention of Missouri, adopted resolutions endorsing the gold standard and condemning the Populistic tendencies of the Democratic administration of the state.

Many leading Republicans of Illinois are deserting the party on account of the recent rotten record of the Tanner administration. Among the notable converts to the cause of free silver and financial reform, is Stephen A. Douglass, Jr., son of Lincoln's opponent for the Presidency in 1860.

The middle-of-the-road Populist papers of the country are engaging in a furious quarrel over the convention called by the re organizers, to meet at Cincinnati, Ohio, on Sept 5. They have been harping on the fusion string for nearly four years, to the exclusion of political issues, and even a slight variation in the monotony will be most welcome to a long suffering people.

The Peoples Party of Utah will hold a State convention at Salt Lake City, Sept. 15, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for congress and for judge of the supreme court.

Report comes from Tarrytown, N. Y., that the tax assessors are making life miserable for John D. Rockefeller, of Standard oil fame, and that he contemplates moving back to Cleveland, Ohio. Poor John! He might endow a university at Tarrytown and get off easy.

The striking coal miners at Pana Ill., are stil out and their prospects for winning a victory are growing brighter. On August 25, the operators imported 150 negroes from Alabama under false pretenses and when the negroes arrived upon the scene and learned the truth regarding the situation, they refused to go to work in the mines, notwithstanding they were guarded by 100 deputy sheriffs.

The Ohio state Democratic convention which convened at Dayton on August 24, was a turbulent affair, but the free silverites were in control from start to finish. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the Chicago platform, with particular stress upon the currency plank. The income tax was also endorsed and Hannaism was roundly scored. A full state ticket was nominated.

Congressman Babcock of Michigan, chairman of the Republican congressional committee, concedes that his party will lose many members of the next congress. He says there will be much disaffection over the disposition of public patronage and the situation is anything but cheerful.

The social Democracy, Debs' new political organization, recently placed a ticket in the field at Terre Haute, Ind.

Henry Watterson, the goldbug editor of the Louisville Courier Journal is a pronounced expansionist. He favors the retention of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines and would not haul down a single American flag, that has been raised during the war. Expansion of territory means expansion of currency and trade. The next thing Mr. Watterson will be climbing into the free silver band wagon.

Mrs. Lease, the well known Populist Lecturer, has brought against the inter-state Chautauqua Association for $450, for three lectures delivered at Carthage, Mo., during July, 1897.

The war with Spain has revived the interest in the Nicaragua canal. The different political parties in nearly all the states are declaring in favor of the project; also that it be constructed, owned and operated by the United States government. No more "credit Mobilliers" are wanted. A. R.

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Frederick R. Moss of Binghamton believes he has discovered a process that will practically supplant iron sheathing for war vessels. He is the possessor of a secret solution that will after a few hours' treatment turn timber as hard as a piece of iron—in fact, those who have witnessed tests say it will stand more than the best tempered steel. A piece of 2 by 4 pine, 3 feet long, soaked in the solution for six days, presents a grayish brown color and weighs 78 pounds to the foot. A board treated in this manner withstood the penetrating powers of a rifle bullet fired at a distance of six feet, the bullet leaving only a scratchlike mark.

Mr. Moss says the discovery was an accident, and that the solution can be cheaply made, pine proving the best wood to work with, but hemlock, cedar or any lumber with an absorbent grain can be used. Mr. Moss believes his discovery will revolutionize the construction of battleships, as impenetrable armor plate can be made at an almost trifling cost. He has submitted samples to the navy department and expects to give a test before a board in a short time. He is reticent regarding the composition of his solution, but his friends believe he has found a fortune.—New York Press.

MODERN BATTLESHIP.

Electrician Dahlman Says It Is a Regular Bundle of Electric Nerves.

"The modern battleship," said Mr. W. E. Dahlman, a well known New York electrician, in Washington the other day, "is a regular bundle of electric nerves, through which circulates the current performing various offices for the comfort, safety and convenience of the crew. It lights the ship in every part; it brings up ammunition from the magazines; it helps to load the guns, and when they are loaded it fires them. It aids in steering the ship; by its agency the officer on the bridge directs the engineers and the man at the wheel; it sends torpedoes on their deadly errands, and it furnishes the power for the great searchlights by which signals are sent at night and by which the sea is patrolled.

"Our war with Spain will be largely a war of electrical machinery, and one of our great advantages lies in the fact that we are a nation of machinists, our specialty being in the domain of electricity. In that we ex... he rest of the world, and our mastery of the subtle force will be one of the greatest factors in the struggle that will end in the humiliating defeat of the Spanish nation."—Washington Post.

A bundle of old letters was found not long ago in England which turned out to be valuable because the letters were written by Charles Lamb. Very few of you children are too young to enjoy this great author's essay on "Roast Pig," with his funny account of the way the delicious dish was discovered. When you are a few years older, it is to be hoped that you will not be satisfied until you have read every essay he wrote. Indeed a taste for Charles Lamb is considered a sort of touchstone—that is, if a person likes to read his works, he is considered by that alone to be cultivated ...

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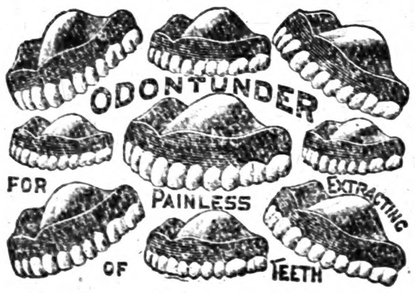

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TAX NOTICE.

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WE will attend at the following times and places for the purpose of Assessing the State and County Tax of Chilton county for the year 1899, and collecting the taxes for the year 1898:

		1898
Kincheon	Beat 6	October 1
Benson	" 3	" 3
Marbesville	" 7	" 4
Shoultz	" 7	" 5
Dixie	" 8	" 6
Stanton	" 8	" 7
Macedonia	" 3	" 10
Providence	" 2	" 11
Jemison	" 2	" 12
Mineral Springs	" 1	" 13
Strasburg	" 9	" 14
Clanton	" 4	" 17
Coopers	" 5	" 18
Verbena	" 5	" 19 & 20
Davis & Rollins' Gin, Beat 6		" 21
Albert Headley's Store	" 6	" 22

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
T. J. HUBBARD, Tax Collector.

Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In the Probate Court of said County.

In the matter of the Estate of J. G. M. Burk, deceased. Notice of appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on, to wit, the 21st day of July, 1898, letters of administration on the estate of J. G. M. Burk, deceased, were granted to me by R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate of Chilton county, committing to me, as Sheriff of said County, the administration of said estate.

All persons having claims against the said estate are required to present the same within the time required by law, or the same will be for ever barred.

This 20th day of August, 1898.

JAMES T. COOLEY,
Sheriff of Chilton County, as Administrator.

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PORTO RICO, OUR NEWEST JEWEL

The True "Pearl of the Antilles"—Striking Features of This Rich Possession.

Some of the interesting things about Porto Rico are not generally known. In size it ranks only as the fourth of the Greater Antilles, but in point of density of population and general prosperity it takes the first place. It is one of the few countries in tropical America where the whites outnumber the other races. The best harbor in the island is Guanica, the most western port on the south coast. Yellow fever never scourges Porto Rico as it does parts of Cuba, and although most of it is low-lying, and may be said to be very hilly rather than mountainous, it is one of the most healthful of tropical islands.

Though the harbor of Guanica, where our troops landed, is the best in the island, it is not visited by much shipping. The district immediately around it is low and swampy, and, unless improvements have been made within the past two or three years, the roads are not equal in quality to the main roads marked on the map. Guanica is the outlet for the produce of San German, Sabana Grade, and to some extent of Yauco, which is on the railroad. Porto Rican "rebels" have been particularly numerous in the western and southwestern districts, and many thousands of people there welcomed the day of General Miles's coming as the greatest in their lives.

The largest city and the commercial capital of the island is Ponce, which lies three miles north of the port of Ponce, on a rich plain surrounded by gardens and plantations. There are hot springs in the neighborhood, which are highly appreciated by invalids. Along the playa or beach in front of the port are extensive depots, in which the produce of the interior, forwarded through Ponce, the trading centre, is stored for shipment. At the last enumeration Ponce had a population of 37,545, while San Juan, the capital on the north coast, had only 23,414 inhabitants. Ponce has a number of fine buildings, among which

A MARKET SCENE OUTSIDE THE WALLS OF SAN JUAN.

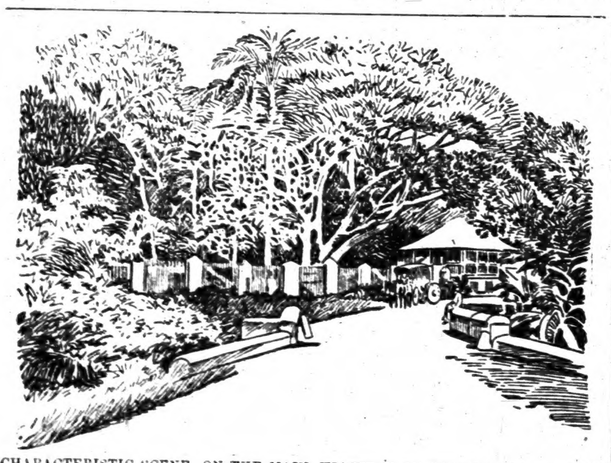
are the Town Hall, the theatre, two churches, the Charity and the Women's Asylums, the barracks, the Cuban House, and the market. The road between the city and the seaside is a beautiful promenade.

The main highway of central Porto Rico runs from Ponce to San Juan in a northeasterly course through Juana Diaz, Coamo and Aibonito, where it goes almost eastward to Cayey, there to take a winding course to the north as far as Caguas, where it turns west to Aguas Buenas, and then goes decidedly north to San Juan through Guaynabo and Rio Piedras, making in all a distance of eighty-five miles. The distance from Ponce to San Juan in a straight line is only forty-five miles.

The eastern part of the island is less densely peopled than the western, and as the east coast is on the windward side and offers less protection for shipping it is not so conveniently situated for trade. Here all the larger towns of the east lie inland, or at least some distance from the coast. These towns are in the hilly region amid rich coffee and extensive grazing lands.

The harbor of San Juan, the capital, is deep enough to admit large vessels, but its channel communicating with the sea is winding and difficult and can be navigated safely only with the aid of a pilot.

One of the leading seaports of the island is Aguadilla on the west coast, which has the advantage of a spacious bay sheltered from the trade winds. Here are shipped the sugar and coffee of the northwest part of the island. There are seven or eight ports of lesser importance.



CHARACTERISTIC SCENE ON THE MAIN HIGHWAY OF CENTRAL PORTO RICO WHICH RUNS FROM PONCE TO SAN JUAN.

Over 800,000 people live in Porto Rico, and about two-thirds of them are white. Cuba is thirteen times larger than Porto Rico, and its population was not double that of the smaller island even before Weyler exterminated a third of the native Cubans. Besides Ponce and San Juan, the largest towns on the island are Arecibo (30,000 inhabitants), Utuado (31,000), Mayaguez (28,000), San German (20,000), Yauco (25,000), Juana Diaz (21,000), and there are about ten other towns with a population of 15,000 or over.

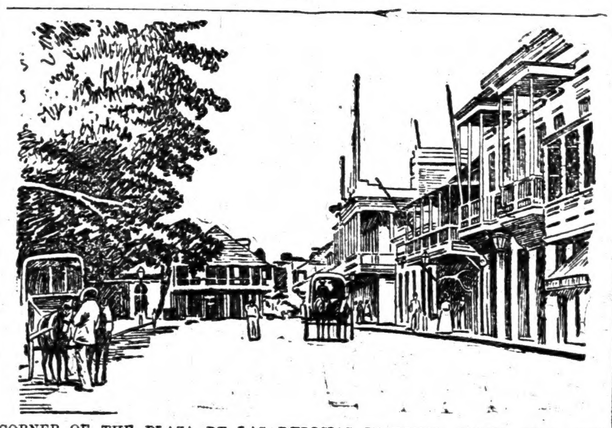
In the past fifty years about half the population has gravitated to and around the towns, particularly those of the seaboard. They live in comfortable houses and many of them have the means to purchase all the wares of the civilized world. Porto Rico abounds in sugar, coffee, tobacco, honey and wax, which have enriched the island, and many of the people are well-to-do. A very large part of the island's trade has been carried on with the United States, whose corn, flour, salt meat, fish and lumber are imported in return for sugar, molasses and coffee. The natives have little taste for sea faring and most of their foreign trade is carried in foreign bottoms.

Porto Rico is rich in natural blessings, and for a tropical region is very healthful. For some inscrutable reason Spain has given the inhabitants far better treatment than she has the natives of Cuba. She has dealt with the island as though it were a Spanish province instead of merely a colony to be bled by Spanish officials for the enrichment of themselves and the mother country. In fact, the island has been politically a province of Spain for over twenty years. Spain has had little to do directly with internal improvements in the island, but she has so far kept her heavy hand off the people that there was an opportunity for the spirit of enterprise to develop. The result is that Porto Rico has about 150 miles of railroad, and as much more under construction; and a system of wagon roads leading to all the important trading centres that surpass anything of the sort seen in most parts of Spain herself. The stretches of railroad parallel with the coast are long links in the line that is to make the entire circuit of the island, with short branches to all the seaports and the inland markets.

The mode of life is very similar to that of the European countries except for some slight differences due to the hot climate. Fashions for men and women alike are introduced from Spain, and especially from Paris and London. The well to do in the principal towns dress just like people in European countries, men wearing woolen clothes all the year round. The young women dress very elaborately, and all wear hats, the Spanish mantilla being worn only by elderly women. In the small towns men dress after the fashion of the cities, but wear linen fabrics, as woolen clothes are very uncomfortable, are considered a luxury, and are worn on holy days and Sundays only. Laborers and farm hands do not wear coats or shoes. They do not care to do so, and, if they did, they could not afford to, as their wages are very small.

Life at San Juan and the other principal towns is very monotonous, the only amusements being retreta or concert by the military bands twice a week and theatrical performances three or four evenings a week, matinees being given very seldom. The theatres are owned by the cities and rented to European companies travelling through the island at so much an evening.

San Juan, built on a small island connected with the mainland by the San Antonio bridge, is quite a beautiful city, with straight but narrow streets and many fine buildings. It has several public institutions and colleges, several churches and seven small parks, among them the Plaznela de Santiago, with a very good statue of Columbus. The city is lighted by gas supplied by an English company and by electricity supplied by a local corporation. There are eleven newspapers of all kinds, the principal one being La Correspondencia, a daily political paper, with a circulation of about 7000 copies, which is equal to that of the other papers combined. There is a local telephone company, but no water except that of the cisterns. A reservoir was projected and the plan was approved by the Government some fifty years ago, but owing to the mañana system it has not been finished yet.



CORNER OF THE PLAZA DE LAS DELICIAS, IN PONCE, PORTO RICO, THE HEADQUARTERS OF GENERAL MILES'S ARMY.

The history of the Spanish administration in the island is one of cruelty and corruption. The Spaniards began by exterminating the native Indian population, which some historians place as large as 500,000, in less than a century. Every branch of the administration of the island has been conducted under a system of corruption, the law was constantly violated by the Spaniards and the natives were deprived of their rights. At elections the Spanish or Conservative party always won, notwithstanding the fact that it was in a large minority.

A PORTO RICAN DAMSEL.

The liberty of the press was unknown. Articles printed in the Madrid or other Spanish papers attacking the Government could not be reproduced by any Porto Rican paper without the editors being punished, even if the article in question had not been considered ground for prosecution by the authorities in Spain.

No more than nineteen persons were allowed to meet in any place on the island without special permission of the Government, and a representative of the Mayor of the town had to attend meetings to see that nothing was done or said against "the integrity of the nation."

Licenses were required for everything, even for a dancing party.

These are some of the things which caused the people at Ponce to cheer the Americans who took possession of the town.

Chief among the staple products is coffee. The average yearly export from 1892 to 1896 was 49,229,000 pounds, valued at $10,872,000. The area of production can be doubled. It grows almost without care.

Next to coffee comes sugar. Molasses, too, has been exported in large quantities and the product could be increased.

Cotton has been almost at a standstill for the same reasons as in Cuba—because of the heavy taxes imposed by Spain. Besides, coffee is more profitable and demands less care. The tobacco yield is large. Between 1892 and 1896 the average yearly exports were 3,534,000 pounds, with a value of $642,000. Annatto, mace, cocoa, ginger, rice and oranges are also cultivated.

Under the Spanish rule the vast forests were never turned to profit. Hardwood is abundant. Fancy cabinet woods and beautiful grained woods resembling marble are among the products almost entirely Porto Rico's own. Like Cuba, the island has extensive mines and quarries. The principal deposits are iron, gold, copper, zinc, coal and salt. Salt is the only one worked to any extent.

Again, as in Cuba, there are scarcely any railways, and the few are short and disconnected. The wagon ways are good, outside the cities as well as in them. Water works are needed everywhere, and the drainage in all the cities except Ponce is bad. In Ponce only are there underground sewers. These flow into the harbor, whose outlet should be widened, not only to allow the escape of the drainage, but to afford easier and less perilous access.

GERMANY'S "WOMAN BISMARCK."

Countess Waldersee, an American Girl, Has a Remarkable Influence With Emperor William.

As a little girl Mary Esther Lea played among the flour barrels and currant boxes of her father's grocery store on Front street in New York City. But that was many years ago. Now the little girl is a white haired and regal lady, with the title of princess. More than that, she it is who is the power behind the German throne, who is known as the "female Bismarck" and who, it is believed, brought about the Kaiser's marriage. Her title is Princess von Noer, and she is a powerful influence in the great palace at Berlin.

Her history is most interesting and unusual. Her father left Connecticut in 1810 and began a small grocery business in New York City. Though he was financially successful, when he died, in 1853, he left but a very small fortune to his family. Mrs. Lea, unable to afford the expensive living in New York, bundled up her little family and went to Stutgart. Here the eldest daughter married Baron von Waechter. He soon became Ambassador from Wurtenberg to Paris, and in due course of time Mrs. Lea and her other daughters found themselves in the social set of the great French capital. Other important marriages came about. Mary Esther, the youngest girl, found a fast and affectionate friend in Princess Louise of Schleswig-Holstein. Through her she formed the acquaintance of the father of the princess, an old widower, who immediately fell desperately in love with the beautiful and bright little American girl. To compensate for marrying the daughter of a grocer the Prince gave up his title and accepted the simpler designation of Count von Noer, which was given to him by the Austrian Emperor. The groom was sixty-four years old, the bride twenty-four. Six months later the venerable husband died and his rich and youthful widow settled down in Vienna. There she won the esteem of the Austrian Emperor, and he created her Princess of Noer in her own right.

A few years after being made a princess the one time daughter of a grocer met Count von Waldersee. A marriage between them took place in 1866. These two brilliant and tactful people went to Berlin, and in a few months the countess was a social power.

Her particular ambition was to marry her grand niece by her first marriage, Princess Augusta Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein, to Prince William of Prussia, the present Emperor of Germany. The mother of the prince raised great objections, but the Princess von Noer was persistent and tactful and planning, and the wedding was celebrated. Prince William and his bride were both devoted to the one who helped along the rough way of their courtship, and their gratitude has been unceasing. When Princess Augusta Victoria became Empress she was more than ever under the

COUNTESS WALDERSEE.

sway of her American aunt. Princess von Noer's present desire is to bring about the most cordial relationship between the country of her birth and her adopted land. Her influence over the Kaiser is as strong as in the days when she made opportunities for him to meet his pretty little German sweetheart.

Trials of Field Marshals.

The London Naval and Military Record says that a new rule was recently framed for the guidance of field marshals. It was, with other regulations, put into type, and appeared in proof as follows:

"1972 Field Marshals—Field Marshals will wear buckskin pantaloons, jack boots and gilt spurs only, at drawing-rooms, and on all such occasions."

It is almost unnecessary to add that as soon as attention was called to the fact that in such a meagre costume field marshals would create some sensation at a drawing-room the order was varied.

OUR PEACE COMMISSION.

The Men Who Will Arrange Terms With Spain.

LEANINGS OF THE MEMBERS.

A Majority, Composed of Senators Davis and Frye and Whitelaw Reid, Are Believed to Be Annexationists—Views of Justice White Not Known—Judge Day's Conservatism.

WASHINGTON, D. C., (Special)—The Cabinet is devoting a large share of the time to matters which will come before the Peace Commission. At the adjournment of the last meeting Secretary Day announced that four members of the commission had been selected—Secretary Day, Supreme Court Justice White, Senators Davis and Frye and Whitelaw Reid.

There was some doubt about the acceptance by Justice White of a place on the commission, as he feared that his duties on the bench would force him to decline the President's offer.

Secretary Day finally announced that Justice White of the Supreme Court had accepted a Commissionership; that all now have accepted, and that the Peace Commission stands completed, as follows:

William R. Day, of Ohio, Secretary of State.

Cushman K. Davis, of Minnesota, United States Senator.

William P. Frye, of Maine, United States Senator.

Whitelaw Reid, of New York.

Edward D. White, of Louisiana, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

Three of the members of the Commission, Senator Davis, Senator Frye and Mr. Reid are strongly in favor of holding all of the Philippines. Secretary of State Day holds to the view that Manila City, bay and harbor are enough for the United States to take. It is said, though, that he is open to conviction and will be guided in his conclusions by what may appear best for the country.

The views of Justice White on the Philippine question are not definitely known. It is said by some of his friends that he will favor holding all territory over which the flag floats. He will be a valuable member of the Commission, since he speaks Spanish fluently, and is familiar with Spanish laws which govern in the islands.

THE PEACE COMMISSIONERS.

Careers of the Men Appointed to Settle the Details of a Peace Treaty With Spain.

William R. Day had had no prominent part in the country's history previous to his appointment as Secretary Sherman's first assistant on April 23, 1897. Since then, however, he has been one of the President's strongest advisers and has cared for the diplomatic phase of this country's history almost entirely alone. He was born at Ravenna, Ohio, April 17, 1849, and comes from a distinguished line of judges. He entered into the practice of law in 1872. In 1886 he was elected to the bench of the

SECRETARY OF STATE W. R. DAY.

Common Pleas Court in Canton by both political parties, and in 1889 was appointed by President Harrison Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, but failing health compelled him to retire before entering on his duties. After being appointed Secretary of State to succeed John Sherman, who resigned on April 26 last, he conducted the important and delicate negotiations that were intrusted to him with an ability that elicited the approval of the country.

Whitelaw Reid.

Whitelaw Reid has been prominent as an orator, politician, statesman, and journalist since the first nomination of Abraham Lincoln for the Presidency. Descended from early settlers in the Western country, he was born in Xenia, Ohio, October 27, 1837. He was prepared for college by an uncle, and graduated from Miami University. After his graduation he became principal of a school at South Charleston, Ohio, and in one year had saved enough money

WHITELAW REID.

General Coppinger's Record.

General Coppinger is the only United States commander who has seen service in the British army. He is the son of a Warwickshire esquire, and after serving with the First Battalion of the Warwickshire militia—as far back as 1856—joined the regular service as a lieutenant. Subsequently he emigrated to the United States.

Huge Bridge Sold.

The mammoth iron bridge that has spanned Cattaraugus Creek near Springfield, N. Y., many years, has been sold by the B., R. & P. Railway Company to the Pencoyd Iron Works. It will be melted.

JUSTICE E. D. WHITE.

Orleans, and in 1874 to the State Senate, serving for the close of his senatorial term appointed Associate Justice Court of Louisiana. He was States Senator in 18[illegible] was appointed Associate Justice United States Supreme Court Cleveland. He is the owner of sugar plantations in Louisiana the reputation of being the member of the New Orleans bar.

SENATOR C. K. DAVIS.

Cushman K. Davis.

Senator Cushman Kellogg Davis, nesota, has been in the Senate since 1887. He was born in Henderson June 16, 1838, and the same year ents moved to Wisconsin. He began the practice of law and later enlisted in the Northern signing in 1864 on account of In 1868 he was elected to the Legislature, having moved there

SENATOR W. P. FRYE.

war, and in 1[illegible] was appointed States District Attorney. In 1874 he was elected by a majority of [illegible] years afterward he was re-elected, received the same vote. He States Senate, retired from the retirement from the Senate he been Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Senator William P. Frye.

Senator William P. Frye of Lewiston, Me., on September 2 [illegible] ing from Bowdoin College, sprang into prominence [illegible] elected to the State [illegible]

SENATOR [illegible]

[illegible] three terms. In 1[illegible] he was a presidential elector, and in 1867 was Mayor of Brunswick, holding the latter year he was appointed General of the State. In 1871 he took his seat in the National House of Representatives, was elected United States Senator to succeed Mr. Blaine, and has been a member of the Senate ever since.

The Blockade Raised.

The merchant vessels of the United States are now open to enter and leave all the ports of Porto Rican ports. The State Department at Washington holds that no further proclamation is needed raising the blockade of these islands.

A County Centennial.

Angelica, N. Y., is fixing to hold a centennial celebration of the first settlement of Allegany County. It will occur next year. The claim is made that there was no settlement for holding the celebration at Olean three years ago.

A Famous Captain.

Lord Dufferin, who is now [illegible] years old, has lately set about the cultivation of a knowledge of the Persian language, thereby rivaling his Queen, nearly the same age, began to study Hebrew under the tuition of Constance.

ACE COMMISSION.

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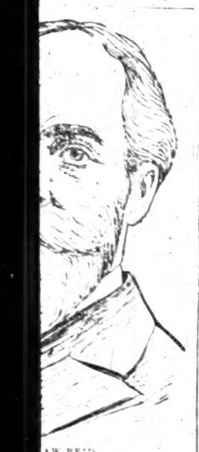
SENATOR C. K. DAVIS.

SENATOR W. P. FRYE.



LAW REID.

...outh Charleston, Ohio, ... saved enough money ...

...nger's Record. ...r is the only United ... has seen service in ... ...e is the son of a War... ...after serving with the ... Warwickshire militia ... ...joined the regular ...ot. Subsequently he ...ed States.

...idge Sold. ...on bridge that has ... Creek near Spring... ...has been sold by the ... Company to the Pen... will be melted.

JUSTICE E. D. WHITE.

Orleans, and in 1874 was elected State Senator, serving four years. At the close of his Senatorial career he was appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Louisiana. He was elected United States Senator in 1891, and served until he was appointed Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court by President Cleveland. He is the owner of extensive sugar plantations in Louisiana, and has the reputation of being the wealthiest member of the New Orleans bar.

Cushman K. Davis.

Senator Cushman Kellogg Davis, of Minnesota, has been in the higher house since 1887. He was born in Henderson, N. Y., June 16, 1838, and the same year his parents moved to Wisconsin. In 1860 he began the practice of law, and two years later enlisted in the Northern army, signing in 1861 on account of ill health. In 1865 he was elected to the Minnesota Legislature, having moved there after the war, and in 1868 was appointed United States District Attorney, serving five years. In 1873 he was elected Governor of Minnesota by a majority of one vote, and four years afterward, by a strange coincidence, received the same majority for the United States Senate. Since John Sherman's retirement from the Senate Mr. Davis has been Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Senator William P. Frye.

Senator William P. Frye was born at Lewiston, Me., on September 2, 1830. Graduating from Bowdoin College in 1850, he sprang into prominence, and in 1862 was elected to the Maine House, serving three terms. In 1864 he was a Presidential elector, and in 1867 was Mayor of Lewiston. During the latter year he was elected Attorney-General of the State. In 1871 he took his seat in the National House, and was elected United States Senator to succeed Mr. Blaine, and has been a member of the Senate ever since.

The Blockade Raised.

The merchant vessels of the world are now open to enter and leave all Cuban and Porto Rican ports. The State Department at Washington holds that no further information is needed raising the blockade of these islands.

A County Centennial.

Angelica, N. Y., is fixing to hold a centennial celebration of the first settlement of Allegany County. It will occur August 7. Fan claim is made that there was a significant for holding the celebration three years ago.

A Famous Captain.

Lord Dufferin, who is now over 70 years old, has lately set about the publication of a knowledge of the Persian language, thereby rivaling his Queen, who is nearly the same age, began to study the instance.

...have been ... said the in... ...minister, ...along at the ... ...debt, "by ... this is a cash ...—Indianapolis ...

...He watched the ... measured for a ... an excellent ... that a man's ... in the measure... ...would go broke ... Chicago Evening ...

...there were tears, ... pain because ... ...THE BEST TEETHING ... Bowels. Makes ... always be given.

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The Resort Courteous.

The noted French writer, Piron, was not whose reputation for brilliancy ...speech was unrivaled. He was famous for his dashing retorts; but even the best of us sometimes have to bow superiority, though it be only temporarily.

...lady once thoughtlessly asked ...company whether he could tell ...the difference between a woman ...a mirror.

..."Yes, madam," said Piron, instantly, "...a mirror reflects without speaking, ...and a woman speaks without reflecting."

..."Very well, Monsieur Piron," she replied a little nettled by the remark; ...can you tell me the difference between a mirror and a man?"

..."Oh," answered the poet.

..."Oh," was the reply, "it is this, Monsieur Piron. A mirror is always polished, but man is not always so."—Lippincott's Companion.

TO MRS. PINKHAM

...Mrs. Walter E. Budd, of Patchogue, New York.

...has received the following letter, ...a full statement of weakness and ...and thanks Mrs. Pinkham.

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CURRENT NEWS IN ALABAMA.

FIRST ALABAMA.

Efforts Being Made to Have It Mustered Out.

The people of the state are almost unanimous in their opinion that the First Alabama should be mustered out. W. P. Lay, of Gadsden, has gone to Montgomery for the purpose of inducing Governor Johnson to request the war department to muster the regiment out. If the governor does not act, Lay states that he will go on to Jacksonville and get the expression of every man in the regiment, either by a signed petition or by getting each man to write him a letter. He considers it safe to predict that eighty per cent of the enlisted men will request the muster out, and he will then carry the matter before President McKinley, if Governor Johnson does not act.

Entire Fourth Corps to Go to Huntsville.

General Coppinger has received orders from the war department at Washington to remove all the troops of his command from Fernandina to Huntsville immediately. Orders for the removal of the entire Fourth corps has been suspended from time to time at the pleasure of the Florida politicians, but it is now the intention of the department to get all the men out of the pest holes as soon as possible. The 69th New York will follow the 3d Pennsylvania as soon as transportation can be secured.

A New Railroad.

The declaration of incorporation of the Mobile and Bay Shore Railway company has been filed in the office of the secretary of state at Montgomery, and authority has been issued by that official for the opening of books of subscription to the capital stock of said company. The new corporation will build a railroad twenty-seven miles is length extending from Mertz station, on the Duncan branch, down to or near Portersville and Alabama Port.

To Impeach Assessor Hudson.

The governor has instructed the solicitor of the Third circuit to institute impeachment proceedings against Mr. John D. Hudson, tax assessor of Crenshaw county, based on the reports of the state examiner of public accounts last year and this concerning the assessor's official acts, which tend to prove incompetency in the office.

Florence Wants Soldiers.

Florence wants 50,000 soldiers and the wires are being kept hot in an united effort to get them. The Southern Female University building, capacity 500, is offered free as a hospital or headquarters. Water supply sufficient for 200,000; high, elevated shady camp grounds and absolute freedom from malaria are some of the inducements.

Coke Ovens at Work.

Thirty coke ovens of the Semet-Solvay by-product plant at Ensley City are now in blast and just as soon as others are completed they will be started up. Over one hundred and fifty tons of coal per day is being used right now, but before long the plant will be consuming something near a thousand tons per day.

Site Selected at Anniston for the Camp.

The Third army corps has been ordered to Anniston from Chickamauga. The site chosen for the camp is a series of small hills, well wooded, just northwest of the city, containing thousands of acres and in reach of two large water mains.

Gaston Robbins Nominated for Congress.

The deadlock which has existed since the convention met at Talladega Springs over two weeks ago has been broken, and Gaston A. Robbins, of Dallas, was nominated for congress by the democrats of the Fourth district on the 562d ballot.

Breaks the Record.

The bookings of pig iron orders for last week in the Birmingham district reached the enormous aggregate of nearly 100,000 tons, which breaks all records.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

W. J. Rhodes, mayor of Talladega, died Saturday night.

Felix G. Lambeth has been appointed postmaster at Florence.

A commercial club has been organized at Warrior with Dr. Rosamond as president.

Young Women at the University.

President Powers, of the University of Alabama, has taken an important step in the line of co-education. With the approval of the executive committee he has established the Women's Annex to the University, naming the same in honor of Miss Futwiler, who has all along been a strong advocate of the admission of young women to this institution. The object is to enable mature young women who desire the advantage of higher education to enter any course in the University, and to enjoy the same facilities as the young men. The annex will accommodate a limited number of pupils at reasonable rates for board, who, under a competent matron, will do light housekeeping. This step places the University abreast of the leading institutions of the country.

Judge Daniel Carmichael, of Dale county, died near Chipley, Fla., from the effects of the bite of a mad dog.

The Tide Water Coal Company, at Tuskaloosa, has purchased the steamer Josie W., formerly in commission on the Tombigbee.

The North and South division of the Louisville & Nashville railroad have ordered ten new locomotives to meet the increasing business of the road.

Told by the Sergeant.

From The Democrat, Grand Rapids, Mich.

At the Michigan Soldiers' Home, in Grand Rapids, lives Sergeant Richard Dunn, hale and hearty, although he carries the scars of several wounds sustained in some of the battles of the Civil War. In recounting his experience to a reporter, Mr. Dunn said:

"About a year and a half ago I began to have trouble with my stomach. My suffering was so intense that I tried different medicines and doctored with several physicians, but without permanent relief.

A Wounded Soldier.

"I read an account of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People having cured a case much like mine, and I decided to give them a trial, which I did.

"After taking five boxes I was cured. I never felt better than I do now, even in my younger days. I am naturally a robust man, but that stomach trouble, together with rheumatism, which afterward set in, were making fast inroads upon my health and I am satisfied that it would have been but a short time before my comrades would have been conducting the regulation funeral ceremonies over my remains, had I not chanced to read of and taken Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

"There are several others in the home who are taking these pills and are receiving great benefit."

RICHARD DUNN.

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During the fiscal year ending June 30, 4,580,854,765 pieces of mail matter were handled by Uncle Sam's postoffice officials.

Earthenware sleepers, the invention of a Japanese, were recently experimented with to a considerable degree of success at Shimbasi Station.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

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Yvette Guilbert has signed a contract with Carl and Theodore Roetchild for a hundred appearances in Russia, Austria, Germany and Roumania.

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Samuel Edgar Francis, a waiter in a Boston hotel, has by his own unaided efforts mastered nine languages, and that without help.

Spanish at the University of Alabama.

Mr. Editor: Please announce that Spanish may be elected as one of the two modern languages required for any degree, or by any "special" or irregular student, without extra charge. It will be taught, by Dr. Geo. G. Brownell, Instructor in Romance Languages, who is represented by one of his endorsers as "perhaps knowing more of the Spanish language and literature than any man of his age (28) in America." After taking in succession the degrees of Bachelor and Master of Arts at Syracuse University, he spent a year of study each in Spain and Italy, and later three years at the Johns Hopkins University, all the time preparing for just such a chair (Romance Languages) with Spanish as his "major" or leading subject. He speaks fluently French, Spanish and Italian.

Courses in Italian will be offered on the same terms as Spanish, if desired.

JAMES K. POWERS.

President's office, Aug. 22, 1898.

The professional wheelman likes a long and narrow road, but the new beginner prefers a short and wide one.

The Austrian Emperor.

The Emperor of Austria is said to be one of the most hard-working of sovereigns. He is up every morning of his life by 6 o'clock, and may be seen at his writing table often as early as 4 trying to cope with an overwhelming mass of correspondence. On days given up to chamois hunting he begins work all the earlier in order that he may have longer hours to devote to the sport he loves.

If you have a new bad habit, investigation will reveal that you acquired it in trying to quit an old one.

Just as He Put It.

Modest people should have a care. If carried to an extreme, modesty is liable to become ridiculous, as in a case reported by the St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Years ago a member of the Indiana Legislature, in a brand-new suit of broadcloth and a silk hat, goldheaded cane and white lawn tie, wandered up into the sanctum of the Courier-Journal, stood around in a listless way, looked over the papers, went down-stairs and came back several times. He was asked to take a seat, which he declined elaborately, and ended by drawing his chair in a confidential way up to the "Roundabout" man's desk.

"Couldn't you," he said, "put in the paper that I am at the Galt House with my bride, and just fling in something about my being a prominent Indianian? I don't care anything about this sort of thing myself, but you know how the women are. I want fifty copies of the paper sent to this address." He laid down two dollars and a half, grinned, got red in the face, said "Good morning," and vanished.

Next morning he read that "Mr. John Huckleberry requests us to say that he is at the Galt House with his bride; that he is a prominent member of the Indiana Legislature and that he himself, personally, cares nothing for newspaper notoriety, but that a society note would be very gratifying to Mrs. Huckleberry. He added that he wanted fifty copies of the paper for distribution to his constituents."

Few and Simple.

The wants of most persons are many and complex. Their needs are much fewer and often very simple. If one wishes for peace of mind and any great measure of success in this world, he must learn to reduce his wants as nearly as possible to necessary things. It is not at all essential that a person be rich, but many people wish to be and make haste to be. The result is anxiety and oftentimes loss of integrity, and failure to reach the real needs of one's being; for happiness never lies in satisfaction of our wants, because these ever become greater as we try to satisfy them.

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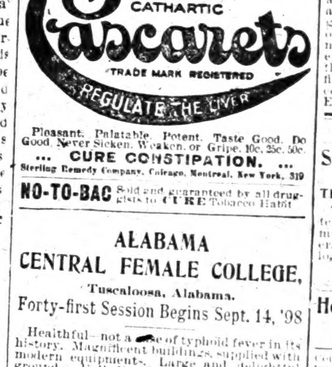

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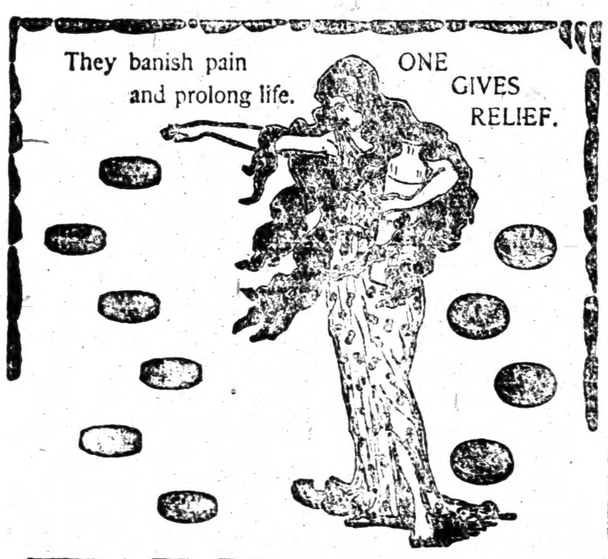

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...NGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

...The Congressional Convention ...the People's Party of the Fourth ...ngressional District of Alabama, ...mposed of the counties of Cal... ...n, Cleburne, Dallas, ...lby and Talladega is hereby ...lled to meet in the city of Talla... ...a, on Wednesday, Sept. ...th, 1898, at 3 o'clock p.m. for ...e purpose of nominating a Rep... ...entative from this Congressional ...istrict to the 56th Congress of the ...nited States.

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Pass Committee and others.

OUR SOLDIER BOYS COMING HOME.

...Clanton, Ala., Sept. 6, 1898
Editor BANNER:—Since my last ...message has come over ...the boys, and since ...mustering out, they ...are coming to go to their ...homes to go home. ...Now we have spread among ...us a contagious disease ...which orders were re... ...ceived bear nothing but ...good, causing discharges ...of every description. Many ...deaths have resulted from ...it, some said that ...the mortality was below ...the usual rate. Southern gentle... ...men and underlings could be ...found in distasteful work; ...others sacrificing a com... ...fortable home and a good salary, ...were glad to enlist with garrison ...duty in the hot South, same class ...would not have offered their life blood ...for their native land.

The ...competition has been a ...the officers and the ...the first mutter... ...ings of discontent, the officers of ...the regiment ...The privates retaliated ...by proposing to ...toast robins, for ...which they were threatened with ...the guard house for mutiny and ...several other charges. Then the ...men were ...out as skirmishers ...and hot fire upon the ...higher officials, Governor Johnston ...and the ...congressmen sup... ...plying ammunition. The attack ...was successful and the point is ...gained.

...this strife, however, ...officer for the boys, ...of the 3d Battal... ...is too good for him ...boys—and some day ...members of the 2d Ala... ...will remember ...to his credit. He ...next governor of the ...Democratic party can ...

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Jemison, Sept. 5, '98.
Editor BANNER—To our worthy correspondent in regard to cotton factories in Chilton, will say please do not let this agitation cool down until the people are aroused to, not individual interest, but, to the whole people of Chilton. This indespensible industry is the only hope on which we can cast anchorage. We have already let slip golden months and years until our people can only drift along in poverty, work hard as they may.

Let each one answer. All speak at once, explaining the profits they gain. Here are some things in a nutshell. 5 cent cotton after working twelve or thirteen months, making, picking, ginning and shipping, to partially pay off the mortgage for supplies and guano, while the wife and tender daugters, if they get time out of the cotton field, are raising a few chickens and cabbage to get a little coffee, pins, soda and leaving dry goods off. The dear women, men and boys never get a rest or recreation from one January to the next.

It is discouraging also, to contemplate the shortage in educational facilities for those boys and girls who raise the 5 cent cotton. They only have a few weeks in the heat of summer. Here they go pell mell to attend a crowded school; too many to breathe good in their little school rooms. Thus we see them mentally dwarfed. These are to be our future citizens. Now let intelligent people look up something better, if for nothing but to develop the minds of those who will soon take up the burden of all the affairs in their surroundings.

Now, brother, let us have your plan for building and paying for our cotton mills. Let Clanton and Jemison compete for the location, or if they please, let each place have spindles, then race to see who can have the best organized work in a specified time. Let the people over the county respond to Mr. Dake's proposition. No time to lose.

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Collins Chapel, Sept. 5, 1898.
Editor BANNER—I saw in last week's issue where Mr. Reynolds was asking the people to express themselves on the road law. In regard to working them by taxation I think I can speak for our community. I think they are not wanting that law. I can speak for myself. (I do) although I know it would not cost me much, because I am not worth much, there are other reasons. I don't want want it because it would leave out all of the young men and negroes, and therefore all of the men nearly that have worked their time would have to foot the bill. Some may claim that we would have the advantage of the rich man, but we would not, the reason why is because they are all doctors merchants or other public men. Then they would run up on us and we would still have it to pay.

He also spoke of the bull law. We are in favor of that. We want that because it would be best for the people. It would soon improve their cattle until they all would be good and no sorry ones. Then we could milk a cow as long as we wanted to and breed her when we wanted to and to what we want to. The two cows will be a plenty for any family; milk one one year, and the other the next. Now we have to keep from three to six and then without milk all the time because they are no good; and it makes no difference how good, if they are treated well they will bring a calf every year.

I think we should have a boar law the same as the bull.

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Editor BANNER. In your last issue I saw an article from our representative asking the people to express themselves openly as to their wishes in regard to working the roads by taxation. As for myself, I can say that I am in favor of something like the following: Let the public roads, like bridges, be let out to the lowest bidder by beats or districts, or otherwise, and let the contractor give bond for the faithful performance of the duty enjoined upon him by said contract. This will insure us good roads all over the county with very little expense.

As to the bull law, I am in favor of either of these plans: 1st. Let each neighborhood buy them a bull and keep him in the bounds of same and keep him confined so that his owners may know where to find him at any time. 2nd. Let some one buy a bull and breed him at reasonable figures. I think either of these plans will be better than the present one.

As to schools, let some one suggest a school law that will prove to be a better one than we now have; a law whereby rich and poor may all alike be able to educate their children, for we all know that when we bring our children up in ignorance we are bringing them up to fill the hard places in life, for the educated get the easy places and the uneducated the hard places in life. Isn't it an awful thought when we look in the sweet innocent eyes of our little ones to think that they will be slaves for some more educated person in the future. Now let every one think this. I will, by the help of God, educate my children so that they will fill an honorable position in life, so that when we are gone they will rise up and call us blessed.

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J. H. Chandler.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren, of Clanton Lodge No. 423, A. F. and A. M.

Your committee to whom was referred the duty of preparing and presenting a memorial of our late Brother, Joseph H. Chandler, submit the following:

That while we have great cause to be profoundly thankful that so many of us have been spared during the past year, yet time with his scythe has not been idle, he has entered our mystic circle and cut the brittle thread of life of one of the purest and best loved of our order, and called from labor below to refreshment above, Brother Joseph H. Chandler, who was born on the 18th day of Feb. 1850, married Dec 7th 1871, and died Aug. the 8th 1898.

Brother Chandler had been a member of the Masonic Fraternity for about 15 years, and a member of the Baptist church for over 20 years, and lived a consistent member of both to the day of his death.

Therefore, Resolved, That in the death of Brother Chandler Masonry has lost a zealous earnest advocate, the church an exemplary consistent member, his wife a thoughtful affectionate husband, his children a kind and loving father, and society an upright worthy and useful citizen.

Resolved 2nd. That we tender to the sorrowing family our heart felt sympathy in this hour of their sad bereavement, and point them for comfort and consolation to Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved 3d, That these resolutions be entered upon the minutes of the lodge and a copy furnished the family of our deceased brother, and a copy furnished the Banner for publication.

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Miss Ada Johnson, of Birmingham, is now visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hawes.

Miss Dolly Gray, of Friendship, was a visitor to Mrs. Kendrick last week.

Rev. Mr. Thomas filled his appointment here Sunday.

Walter Kendrick spent a pleasant day with friends in Clanton Sunday.

Miss Mattie Landrum, of Plantersville, is now a pleasant visitor to Mrs. Kendrick.

F. M. Connell jr. and wife of Cross Roads, were visitors here Sunday.

A match game of ball will be played Saturday at Providence, between Corinth and Providence teams. N. B.

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Mr. O A Duke Killed

Cut off in the prime of life and the vigor of his manhood. The news of the killing of Mr. O. A. Duke on Monday evening came as a shock to the people of Clanton, who had known and loved him for many years. He had an altercation with an employe named Norton at Mr. Merritt's mill at Perkinston, Miss., on Monday and was stabbed to the heart, death being instantaneous. Mr. Duke was a pioneer of Chilton county in the lumber business, and his many good qualities endeared him to a large circle of friends.

He was an ardent Mason and did much for that fraternity in Chilton, who, in sadness, laid him to rest with Masonic honors. The remains was brought to Clanton on Wednesday morning and were enterred in the family lot in the cemetery.

In 1892 Mr. Duke was the nominee of a portion of the Democratic party for Judge of Probate. He was a man of courage and conviction, energetic, and always alive to the best interests of the people with whom he was identified.

Mrs. Duke and her daughters, Mrs. Croswell and Miss Mary, Mr. Ned Duke and Mr. Croswell, Mr. and Mrs. Lamar and many others from different parts of the State, attended the funeral, the services of which were conducted by Rev. Dr. Taylor of Verbena.

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At this season of the year, when cotton picking is in full swing, the gin house becomes the centre of attraction. A good deal depends upon the proper ginning of cotton, more especially when the price is low. If cotton is properly ginned and baled it often makes a point or two more in the market. A walk to Stewart's gin will well repay any of our readers. Everything is in apple-pie order, clean and up to date. Mr. Stewart has this season throughly gone over his machinery—newly put last year, and has also put in another extra gin, giving him a capacity of 25 per day, or he can gin a bale in less than thirty minutes. As this is the only gin in operation this season at Clanton Mr. Stewart will have a busy time, but his energetic nature can be relied upon to meet all demands.

In addition to the ginnery Mr. Stewart also operates a grist mill, and during the ginning season he will grind your corn for you at any time—not keep you waiting a minute. It is his intention this winter to put in a wheat mill—roller process, of the latest pattern, and you will be able to have your wheat as well as your corn ground at home. Take a walk to Stewart's gin and see how nicely everything is arranged.

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Robbed The Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow. Eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides. No appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

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PROGRAM OF TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

An Institute for white teachers will be held at Unity church, one mile east of Clanton on 16 and 17 of Sept. 1898.

FRIDAY.

1:30 a.m. Devotional exercises.
2:00. Welcome address, James Thacker. Response, S. W. Collins. The Teacher, L. E. Byrum.
12:00. Dinner.
2 p.m. Education in its threefold sense—How best obtained? E. Y. McMorries.
3. Educational value of arithmetic, J. M. Corderie.
3:30. Educational value of reading, Mrs. Bowdoin.
4. Educational value of history, Miss Kate Garner.
4:30. Educational value of grammar, W. C. Evans.

SATURDAY.

9 a.m. The value of music in our common Schools, Miss Mary Moody.
9:30. The relation of patrons to the School, W. A. Mims and E. H. Parrish.
10:30. Educational Address, Judson Strock. Dinner.
2 p.m. Why should teachers attend the Institutes, J. B. Jones.
3. Query box.

J. W. Moore
Judson Strock } Committee
W. S. Garner

A CRITICAL TIME

During the Battle of Santiago

SICK OR WELL, A RUSH NIGHT AND DAY

The Packers at the Battle of Santiago de Cuba were all Heroes. Their Heroic Efforts in Getting Ammunition and Rations to the Front Saved the Day.

P. E. BUTLER, of pack train No. 3 writing from Santiago, De Cuba, on July 23d, says: "We all had diarrhoea in more or less violent form, and when we landed we had no time to see a doctor, for it was a case of rush and rush night and day to keep the troops supplied with ammunition and rations, but thanks to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, we were able to keep at work and keep our health; in fact, I sincerely believe that at one critical time this medicine was the indirect saviour of our army, for if the packers had been unable to work there would have been no way of getting supplies to the front. There were no roads that a wagon train could use. My comrade and myself had the good fortune to lay in a supply of this medicine for our pack-train before we left Tampa and I know it four cases it absolutely saved life."

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PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

The London Saturday Review says: "The lesson of all our conflicts with America was that the American soldiers and sailors shot markedly better than our own and won astonishing victories. It looks as if the old lesson holds good to-day."

No higher tribute could be paid to a warship's crew than that paid by Captain Evans to the men of the Iowa: "So long as the enemy showed his flag they fought like American seamen, but when the flag came down they were as gentle and tender as American women." In that pregnant sentence is the whole philosophy of military heroism.

The recent establishment of a whale-oil manufactory on Notre Dame Bay calls attention to the fact that whaling is now a paying venture off the coast of Newfoundland. Recently seven whales, worth nearly $1000 each, were captured by a company of Norwegian whalers. A company has been formed to carry on the industry. This ought to make the old fishermen around Amagansett prick up their ears. Possibly the old shipyard of Cold Spring Harbor, which fitted out the whalers of the last century, may resume business.

The Philadelphia Commercial Museum says that Porto Rico is well adapted by soil and climate not only for the growing of cotton, but for the manufacture of cotton fabrics as well, though for the growth of the plant it will be necessary to engage native labor or to secure help from Cuba. Of the more than one thousand streams upon the island sixty are navigable, and many of them could be utilized to furnish power, which is an important consideration, since all the coal used must be brought from this country; and all the chief towns are connected by railway, though communication with the interior is only possible by ox teams.

In speaking of the recent popular war loan the Baltimore American says: Not since the wonderful alacrity with which, in July, 1871, the French peasants and the working people of Paris went down into their stockings and subscribed in a day $400,000,000 to meet the first installments of the big war indemnity with which the German invader was bought out of France, has there been so impressive a demonstration of the latent resources of a great nation, or of its patriotic confidence in its Government. It will be to European Governments as significant a proof of the enormous reserved strength of the American people as all our military and naval successes put together, brilliant though they are. The wealth of a nation and its ability to raise money within its own territory on moderate terms is a main element in its fighting capacity.

More and more is the machine encroaching upon the fields where formerly the handworker held full sway, says the Dry Goods Economist. This not entirely new observation is suggested by our latest advices from Paris as to fall and winter styles. It seems that trimmings of all kinds will be profusely used in costume and garment decorations, and that this style has been brought about largely by the dressmakers in an endeavor to bring into popularity something that could not be produced by machines. Judging from present reports, however, they reckoned without their host; for the modern mechanical devices are capable of reproducing even the finest and most delicate designs wrought by the cunning hand of the seamstress or maker of embroidery. Of course, there are some applications and figures that cannot be made on machines; but nevertheless such a high state of perfection has been attained in this direction that there is but precious little in his line that the machine cannot reproduce with a fidelity to handwork that is startling, and so close is the imitation in many instances that only the expert eye can detect the difference.

To Invite the President to Birmingham.

A delegation composed of some of Birmingham's leading citizens left that city Sunday for Washington to invite President McKinley and others to be present at the peace jubilee to be held in Birmingham in October.

Cuban Debt to Be Settled at Paris.

The Spanish cabinet council again considered the question of the Cuban debt Saturday. It is believed that a loan will be issued later to meet the debt of 1886, but a definite settlement of the matter has been left to the Paris commission.

EAGER FOR ANNEXATION.

A Delegation of Prominent Filipinos Visit Consul Wildman.

WILL NEVER SUBMIT TO SPANISH RULE.

Do Not Want Independence—Warlike Mountaineers as Well as Those Engaged in Business Pursuits Would Welcome Stars and Stripes.

MANILA.—A Hong Kong deputation, representing the Southern Philippines and consisting of the best and richest natives of Pana, Mindora, Cebu, and Mindanao, visited United States Consul Williams Friday, and urged that every possible effort be made for the annexation of the whole of the Philippine Islands. The deputation declared that all classes, the warlike mountaineers as well as those engaged in mercantile pursuits, would welcome the Stars and Stripes, and had resolved never to submit to Spanish rule. They also said that there were 4,000 men, many of them armed with rifles, near Iloilo, ready to support the Americans. They refuse to join the clamor for independence, which they consider a mistake and impracticable. They only wish for annexation to the United States.

Aguinaldo remains at Bakoor. He recently wrote an impertinent letter to General Otis, which resulted in his receiving a sharp snub. The insurgent leader will probably render himself amenable to the American authorities.

SANTIAGO SHAKEN.

Earthquake Caused the Frightened People to Rush Into the Streets.

Two earthquakes of unusual severity were felt at Santiago de Cuba Saturday, shocking every house in the city. The frightened people ran out into the streets.

The Saratoga has sailed for Montauk Point with 100 sick and a quantity of Mauser rifles and ammunition.

The sailing of the Missouri has been delayed owing to the difficulty of obtaining a sufficient supply of water. The reports of General Wood's corps of physicians showed a marked improvement in the general health of the city. The death rate this week is from 50 to 75 cents lower than it was two weeks ago.

SECRETLY LEFT FOR SPAIN.

Gen. Pando on His Way to His Native Home With 12,000,000 Francs.

A dispatch from Havana says: Having successfully done everything in his power to convey the impression that he was sailing to Spain via New York on the steamship Philadelphia Thursday, General Pando secretly started direct for his native land about ten hours later on the French steamer Notre Dame de Salut, it is said with 12,000,000 francs, supposed to be war funds. The secret was so effectively kept that very few persons here have any knowledge of it, and all the Havana papers announce Pando's departure on the Philadelphia. The question that is now being asked is when and how did Pando get the 12,000,000 francs.

CLOUDBURST IN TENNESSEE.

A General Flood in Knox County Washing Away Railway Tracks.

Heavy rainfalls and a cloudburst in the lower part of Knox county, Tennessee, occasioned a general flood. The tracks of the Southern railway at Concord, ten miles from Knoxville, were washed away, thereby stopping all travel toward the south. The Southern tracks on the Asheville division suffered the same fate, and at a station near Harrison an embankment was washed away, cutting off communication with Cincinnati and Louisville. A cloudburst at Concord washed away several houses, and an entire family was rescued from the roof of their floating home. No lives were lost. Damages resulting from high water will be many thousand dollars.

General Carpenter Arrives.

Brigadier-General L. H. Carpenter commanding the Third brigade Fourth army corps, reached Camp Wheeler, Huntsville, Saturday morning and established headquarters.

President McKinley Visits Camp Wikoff.

President McKinley spent five hours in Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, N. Y., Saturday, bare-headed most of the time, visiting the sick in the hospitals and inspecting the well in their cantonments. He made a speech to the assembled infantry, reviewed the cavalrymen, expressed his opinion of the camp to the reporters and issued an order directing the regulars to return to their stations east of the Mississippi.

To Reopen the Dreyfus Case.

A special dispatch from Paris says the French cabinet has decided on a revision of the Dreyfus case.

Miss Winnie Davis Worse.

Miss Winnie Davis, daughter of Jefferson Davis, who is ill with gastritis at Narragansett Pier, R. I., has experienced a change for the worse. Her condition is now considered critical

German Naval Force Reduced.

A semi-official note issued at Berlin says: "A state of peace having been re-established between the United States and Spain, orders have been given that the German nav[illegible]e at Manila be reduced to one o[illegible]ps."

BUSINESS IS ENORMOUS.

Dun's Commercial Report Says the Volume of Business is Larger Than Has Ever Been Known Before.

R. G. Dun G Co.'s weekly review says:

The smallest number of failures ever recorded in any month for five years were those of August. The clearings have been the largest ever known in August, and 23 per cent larger than in 1892.

The enormous volume of business in a month usually one of the most inactive of the year demands attention. Postponement during the months of war of some contracts and of purchases which have now come forward explain part of the increase, and the strong absence of securities explains but half of it, but there has also been a decline in prices for all commodities, so that it takes a much larger volume of business in tons or bushels than make up transactions amounting to a million or more than in 1892. It is therefore strictly true that business is larger than in the very best of all past years, and yet there is every prospect of much further increase.

There is no room to doubt that the wheat crop will prove the largest ever harvested, and although Beerbohm estimates Europe's crop at 232,000,000 bushels more than the last, that will be only about an average yield, while other evidence is less favorable. Foreign buying has been strong, but receipts at the west are increasing, and the price has dropped 5 cents for spot, though the September option is seven-eighths lower for the week. Corn has fallen a fraction, later reports indicating a less satisfactory yield, and probably not more than should be consumed at home in enlarging the stock of animals.

The woolen mills have rather better orders this week, but not enough as yet to warrant running nearly full force. In cotton manufacture there is better demand, with a sixteenth raise in print cloths, though brown sheetings are a shade lower, the demand for other goods being still fairly strong.

SITUATION IN HAVANA.

Prices of Some of the Necessaries of Life Higher Than During the Blockade.

HAVANA.—Although not a day has passed since the blockade was raised without two or three vessels arriving here with provisions, the prices of the necessaries of life are not only excessive, but in some cases higher than they were during the blockade. As the Red Cross society's supplies on the Clinton were not landed this condition of affairs seriously affects the poor. Rice is selling at 6½ cents a pound, retail; lard at 20 cents and meat at 60 cents a pound, retail. The retailers are taking advantage of the situation, and wish to raise the prices still further, regardless of the distress of the poor, who, as they cannot afford to pay even the present prices, must continue to suffer.

GEORGIA STORM.

Waters in the Flooded District Rising Rapidly—More Wrecks Off the Coast.

SAVANNAH, GA.—Two more wrecks were reported Saturday off the entrance to Calabogue sound. Both were dismasted schooners. There were no signs of life on either vessel. The coast is being patrolled in the hope of rescuing the crews of some of the wrecked vessels, but except the crew of the bark Noe none are known to have been saved.

In the storm-swept section of the coast the loss of property is increasing. The miles of water on the lowlands are being added too by the floods in the rivers and the waters everywhere in the flooded district are rising. The Savannah and Ogeechee rivers are rising rapidly and are likely to cause heavy damage when the flood reaches the low country.

Primary Ordered.

The democratic executive committee of Morgan county, Alabama, met and ordered a primary election to be held in that county on September 17 to select a candidate for congress for the Eighth district to be elected in November.

Reorganizing the Populist Party.

The middle-of-the-road populists are holding a national convention in Cincinnati this week. It will continue indefinitely until the work of reorganization of the party is completed.

General Frank at Anniston.

Gen. Royal T. Frank, commanding the Third army corps, which consists now of only the First division, arrived at Anniston Saturday from Chickamauga accompanied by his staff, division corps, ambulance company, signal corps and Company C, Fourteenth New York. General Frank has established headquarters in the city.

Seizure by Canada.

The United States revenue cutter Algonquin has been seized at Montreal, Quebec, on behalf of J. Wade, who claims wages due him as a detective in Chinese smuggling cases. A question of international law is involved.

Will Inspect Banks' Papers.

Secretary Gage has given instruction to bank examiners to make such inspection of papers held by the banks as will enable the examiners to report whether the war revenue act is being or has been complied with.

Private McHugh Drowned.

A telegram from Jackson, Fla., brings the information that Private William McHugh, of the Selma company, while walking near the edge of the wharf fell over into the water and was drowned. He was 26 years old.

MUSTERING OUT THE ARMY

Orders Issued Affecting Seventy Thousand Men of the Volunteer Service.

FIRST AND SECOND ALABAMA INCLUDED.

Will Require Some Time for the Alabama Troops to Be Mustered Out—List of Organizations Included in Friday's Orders.

A statement prepared at the war department shows that including Friday's list eighty-three of the organizations in the volunteer army have received orders looking to their being mustered out of the service. This number probably represents almost one-third of the approximately 220,000 men called for by the president in the two proclamations issued by him.

The following troops were ordered to be mustered out of service Friday:

First Pennsylvania, Knoxville to Philadelphia.

Second Pennsylvania, Montichanin to Philadelphia.

Third Pennsylvania, Huntsville to Philadelphia.

Eighteenth Pennsylvania, Camp Meade to Pittsburg.

Fourth Wisconsin, Camp Douglass, Wis.

Seventy-first New York, Montauk to Camp Black.

First New Jersey, Camp Alger to Seagirt.

Thirty-second Michigan, Chickamanga to Camp Eaton, Mich.

First Ohio, Jacksonville to armory, Cincinnati.

Eighth Ohio, Montauk to Columbus, O.

One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Indiana, Knoxville to Indianapolis.

Third Ohio, Huntsville to Columbus.

Second North Carolina, St. Simons Island, Ga., to Raleigh.

First and Second Alabama, Jacksonville to Mobile.

Third United States Volunteer Cavalry, Chickamauga to Old Fort Omaha.

Second Massachusetts, Montauk to South Framingham.

First South Carolina, Jacksonville to Columbia, S. C., and Second Squadron of Ohio Cavalry, Huntsville to Columbus.

It will require some time for the Alabama troops to be mustered out. It will probably be several days before they start for Mobile, and it will take a week or so or longer, after they arrive at Mobile, before the necessary formalities can be complied with. However, the chances are that they will be back home by the middle of September. Even with the mustering out of these two regiments Alabama will still have 1,700 men in the service, viz.: the negro regiment at Mobile and half the Fifth Volunteer Immunes at Santiago.

COMMISSIONER EVANS' REPORT.

Recommends a Revision of the Pension Regulations.

WASHINGTON.—The annual report of Hon. H. Clay Evans, commissioner of pensions, was made public Saturday. It shows that the amount paid out at the several agencies for the year on account of pensions under the general laws were $75,275,385, and on account of pensions under the act of June 27, 1890, $66,255,670.

Pension claims pending June 30, 1898, numbered 635,059. The commissioner is confident that there are not over 75,000 of these (invalids and widows) that are genuine original claims. The others are cases where the claimants are already pensioned.

Commissioner Evans recommends that a commission be appointed on the revision of laws, rules and regulations governing the issuance of pensions. A special division has been established to adjudicate claims growing out of the Spanish war. These will be paid under the general laws. Only about 100 claims of this class have been filed up to the close of the fiscal year and none have been adjudicated.

Gold Reserve Highest in History.

The gold reserve in the United States treasury reached the highest point in its history Friday, with a total reserve of $210,320,372. The highest previous amount was $218,000,000, which was recorded in March, 1888.

BROOKE COMMANDS

Since Miles Has Left Porto Rico—Has Started Toward San Juan.

GUAYAMO, PORTO RICO—Upon General Miles' departure General Brooke issued an order assuming command of the troops in this island.

The bridges along the military road are being repaired, and General Brooke started northward Saturday. The march to San Juan probably will consume four days. The General expects to establish his headquarters at Piedras, outside the city, owing to the crowded condition of San Juan, which is filled with Spanish troops on this side of the island.

ISLANDS SEIZED.

Philippine Insurgents are Grabbing all They Can.

MANILA—Several ship loads of insurgents troops have invaded the southern islands with the view of seizing everything possible, prior to the settlement of the peace conditions. Gen. Bios, the Spanish commander, with a flotilla of gunboats, is acting energetically, but the insurgents have captured the outlying islands of Romblon and Pelawan, where they found treasure to the amount of $42,000.

HESTER'S COTTON CROP REPORT.

An Increase of 2,242,030 Bales Over Last Year's Yield.

Secretary Hester's New Orleans cotton exchange annual report was issued Friday. He puts the cotton crop of 1897-98 at 11,199,994 bales, an increase of 2,242,030 bales over 1896-97, and says that of this increase 877,000 was in Texas, including Indian Territory; 943,000 in the group of other gulf states, consisting of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Oklahoma and Missouri, and 472,000 in the group of Atlantic states, consisting of Alabama, Georgia, Florida and North and South Carolina, Kentucky and Virginia.

Mr. Hester puts the average commercial value of the crop at $28.62 per bale, against $36.26 last year, $41.09 the year before, and $30.00 in 1894-95, and the total value of the crop at $320,553,000 against $321,925,000 last year; $294,095,000 year before last and $297,038,000 in 1894-95.

He puts the total spindles in the south at 4,052,224, an increase over last year of 205,253. These include 241,000 new, not completed, most of which may be brought into play this fall and early next spring. The net gain in the number of southern mills last year has been nine, making the total new 491.

Of this year's American cotton crop Mr. Hester says that 2,212,000 bales were taken by American mills north and 1,232,000 bales by American mills south; 119,000 bales by Canadian mills; 37,000 by Mexican mills; 227,000 by Chinese and Japanese mills and 6,747,000 bales by the mills of Europe, making the total takings by the spinners on both sides of the Atlantic of American cotto 10,564,000 bales.

ENGLAND WITH THE CZAR.

Will Co-Operate With Him in His Peace Scheme.

The Westminster Gazette announces that although owing to the absence of the Marquis of Salisbury, Great Britain has not yet formerly responded to the Czar's peace note. The British ambassador at St. Petersburg has already communicated in cordial terms the hearty sympathy with which the rescript was read by the acting minister for foreign affairs, Mr. Balfour, the first ford of the treasury. When the Marquis of Salisbury replies to the note, the Westminster Gazette continues, he will hail with satisfaction and delight the czar's initiative assuring him of the determination of her majesty's advisers to co-operate heartily in promoting his great aim.

QUEBEC CONFERENCE.

Adjournment Until September 20 Taken. Difficult Problem to Solve.

QUEBEC.—The joint high commission of the United States, Canada, Newfoundland and Great Britain, after ten days' hard work, adjourned Friday to meet again in this city September 20. What the commissioners accomplished up to this point or what they are likely to accomplish in the future can only be inferred from outward indications. Absolutely nothing has been revealed from within the meeting rooms of the commission. From the first session until the adjournment the commissioners on both sides have repeatedly stated that the most friendly relations existed on both side.

FOUR LIVES CRUSHED OUT.

Mill Stones Burst With Horrible Effect—Four Badly Injured.

One mill stones at the gin on the Nitta Yuma plantation, near Meridian, Miss., burst with terrific force Saturday, instantly killing four men and injuring four others, fatally. Three of the dead, Ralph Holmes, Jesse Gowan and Andrew Chatt, were driven through the wall of the building by the force of the explosion, and their bodies were fearfully mangled. The dead are Ralph Holmes, Jesse Gowan, Jordan Chalk and Andrew Cook. The injured: West Winfield, Andy Mitchell, George Ross, Jr., and Isaah Davis, the latter two fatally. All the dead are colored.

Dynamite Explosion Kills Four Men.

A horrible accident occurred at Stinesville, Ind., Friday in which four men were instantly killed by a dynamite explosion and many others seriously injured. The men were blasting rock for a new pike when the explosion occurred.

KILLED BY SUBMARINE MINES.

Government Engineer Killed While Removing Mines From Mississippi.

The government steamboat John R. R. Meigs was totally destroyed by an explosion at Fort St. Philip, near New Orleans. She had aboard Lieutenant Jovery and a party engaged in removing the torpedoes laid in the Mississippi river during the beginning of the war. Lieutenant Jovery had a narrow escape. The killed were: Captain Starr, commander of the boat; Sergeant John Newman, of the engineers; Ralph Rogers.

Russia Will Convene at Peace Meeting.

It is the intention of Russia, according to reliable information obtained by the correspondent at Berlin of the Associated Press, to convene a peace conference a month after the adjournment of the Spanish-American peace conference.

Fifty Deaths From Heat In New York.

Fifty dead and over one hundred prostrated with heat in one day was the record in old New York Saturday. In Brooklyn there were six deaths and fourteen prostrations.

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THE REALM OF FASHION.

Skirt of Figured Foulard.

Figured foulard in sage green and white is here shown with a pretty simple foot trimming, composed of three

LADIES' SIX GORED SKIRT.

narrow frills of sage green satin ribbon.

Having a straight back breadth with each bias edge of gores joined to the straight edges, this skirt will not sag and is, therefore, especially adapted to sheer fabrics, such as organdy, lace net, silk tissue and other light textures, while for washable fabrics it is more than desirable. The front gore is of moderate but fashionable width and separate two narrow gores on each side, which fit smoothly over the hips and form pretty folds with the fashionable flare at the foot.

The lower edge measures about three and one-half yards in the medium size.

Bias of braid, ribbon or insertion, with or without ruffles, ruching or other applied trimming can be used to decorate the skirt in any preferred style.

To make this skirt for a lady of medium size five and three-eighth yards of material thirty-six inches wide will be required.

Dress For a Growing Girl.

Whatever number of more elaborate and delicate gowns the growing girl's wardrobe may include, one of sturdy style, simply made, is essential to her comfort and well-being. The model shown in the large illustration is of fine wool serge in royal blue and is trimmed with fancy black braid. But covert cloth and all the new spring suitings, as well as cashmere, are equally suitable.

The foundation for the waist is a fitted lining that closes at the centre-front. On it are arranged the full body portions and the yoke, which is extended and divided to form slashed epaulettes. The straight strip shown at the front is lined with crinoline, and applied to the waist proper, covering the edges of full fronts. The sleeves are two-seamed and fit snugly, except for the slight puffs at the shoulders, which are universally worn by children and young girls. The pointed wrists are finished with frills of lace, and at the throat is a high standing collar.

The skirt is four-gored and fits smoothly across the front and over the hips, the fulness at the back being laid in backward-turning plaits. It is lined throughout, but unstiffened, and is trimmed with two rows of fancy braid.

To make this costume for a girl of eight years will require two and one-half yards of forty-four-inch material.

A Cure For Bad Complexions.

Bad complexions have sent more women to the grave than epidemics. Nothing frets a woman like a rough, muddy skin. A cure-all for blemishes is certainly simple enough. It is this: Wash the face in very salty sweet milk every night and let it dry without wiping. A mixture made of one small tablespoonful of milk and a teaspoonful of salt applied to the most obstinate blemish of the skin will cure it almost like magic. This is the remedy prescribed by one of the best skin authorities in England, and it is said that the use of milk and salt is half the secret of the English woman's smooth, beautiful skin.

Fancy Braids For Millinery.

To some extent fancy braids have reappeared in the autumn millinery, and may be used a little, although the Paris model hats shown in the wholesale houses scarcely use that material. The braid has been popular, and it is likely to take a long time in "dying out."

Striking Fall Costume.

The popularity of the skirt made from taffeta, either black, gray or beige color, seems to increase as the season advances, and it bids fair to take first place for wear with waists of various sorts. The model shown is in a soft shade of gray and is worn with a fancy waist of figured silk, showing bits of pale corn color in conjunction with mousseline de soie of the same tender yellow. The foundation skirt is circular and fits snugly about the hips. The frills, which are five inches in width, are each cut bias and edged with velvet ribbon stitched on.

GIRL'S COSTUME.

The fancy waist is made over a fitted lining which closes at the centre-front, but is itself fitted by shoulder seams and smooth underarm gores, and closes below the left side, the basque being separate and seamed to the waist proper. The full mousseline is faced to yoke depth at the back and stitched to the right-front, but hooks over into place at the left shoulder and beneath the left rever. At the neck is a soft collar of the same, supplemented by a frill. The revers are each faced with gray, and are trimmed with tiny ribbon frills, which match the mousseline in shade. The sleeves are not seamed, and show only slight fulness at the shoulders. At the waist is worn a belt of straw-colored velvet, with an oblong buckle of rhinestones.

A POPULAR MODEL.

To make this waist for a woman of medium size five yards of material, twenty-two inches wide, will be required.

BRYAN AND THE WAR.

THE ATTACK IN THE REAR HAS FAILED.

The Missouri State Democratic Convention an Utter Rout for the Plotters Who Have Attempted to Pull Down the People's Choice, W. J. Bryan.

The endorsement of the Chicago platform and of William J. Bryan given by Missouri Democrats under Mr. Bland's leadership at Springfield is an expression of honest American sentiment which ought to be intelligible to Mr. William C. Whitney and Mr. Richard Croker, says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture. Their plan to assassinate Mr. Bryan by striking him from the rear in Missouri has not succeeded.

The qualities which most endear Mr. Bryan to the people are courage and candor. He is not a coward in conception, nor a sneak in execution. He goes straightforward whether he is right or wrong.

This is a quality so valuable that all other qualities are sure to become valueless without it. And it is by virtue of this quality of manliness that Mr. Bryan will defeat the conspiracy to turn the machinery of the Democratic party over to the same interests which now control the Republican party so completely.

When Mr. Bryan volunteered for the Spanish war, many of his stanchest friends were surprised and perhaps pained. The Democratic instincts is to avoid the military hero and to oppose the military idea in government. But it is likely to appear shortly, if it does not already, that in offering himself to the McKinley administration to be shot at by the Spaniards, Mr. Bryan was more farsighted than the rest of us. He severed thus a Gordian knot which might not have been unloosed otherwise.

It is hardly necessary to say that the whole force of plutocracy is being used to retire Mr. Bryan from Democratic leadership. Six months ago, immediately after Croker's return from exile in Europe and the Tammany victory in New York City, it was believed that through alliances made by him with politicians in Missouri and the southwest, other issues would be substituted for those of the Chicago platform. Aware of this design and familiar with the records and methods of some of those who were a party to it, the Journal has worked with all its energies to prevent the issues of the Chicago platform from being obscured. With the help of journalists on weekly papers whose honesty, intelligence and incorruptibility are the hope of the country, the effort has met with such success that the men in Missouri who were in secret league with Croker and the trusts and national banks which control him, against the Chicago platform, have been compelled to be loudest in their protestations of devotion to it. That they mean to betray it at the first opportunity is certain. In the meantime they have not yet had the opportunity, and it is entirely possible, if not probable, that they will have to go out of the Democratic party to get it.

Seeing themselves unable to carry out their plans under conditions then existing, this element determined to take advantage of the blowing up of the Maine to give the Republican administration the war power as a means of forcing a change of issues against the "agitators and stirrers up of domestic discontent." Such papers as the St. Louis Republic and the Louisville Courier-Journal were the active agents of this propaganda, and it was part of the plan to carry it out by seeming to force the war on the Republican administration. This was done with great deliberation and some skill. It was well understood, however, by all who were studying the situation. An attempt was made to foil it by forcing an issue for the recognition of the Cuban republic.' It was well known that the sugar trust, which intends to put down the Cuban patriots and their republic, would not allow war to be declared if the republic were recognized. But under the circumstances the best that could be got out of congress was the declaration that the Cubans "are, and of right ought to be, free and independent." Considering this a mere glittering generality, the Republicans on their part accepted the war power with eagerness. They have attempted to use it to create rival candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination. The bond-syndicates and trusts, who look on the practical politicians of both parties as their spittoon-cleaners, have done their best to make a great man of Fitzhugh Lee, and have used the Republican administration for that purpose. Lee, being a "sound-money man," was to be held in reserve against Bryan, and in the meantime Democratic machine managers were to be "controlled" and committees stacked in the west and south so as to turn Democratic state conventions against Bryan and what he stands for.

It was expected that the combination formed to carry out this programme would be able to use popular excitement over the war to elicit from Democratic conventions resolutions disarming opposition to the administration, and making it so popular as a result of the war that the "silver crank" would never be heard of again.

At this point of the proceedings William J. Bryan enlisted.

His secret opponents, who sat in luxuriously appointed offices and club parlors, conspiring to fatten themselves on the pickings of practical politics, have a thousand tricks, but this one act of his will be enough against them.

Men who were to be put forward as Democratic candidates against him in the West or South remained at home after plotting the war. And, after speeches urging our gallant and susceptible youths to go and die where glory waits them, they went themselves back to their offices to pick up whatever dollars there are loose as the rewards of politics. But William J. Bryan, taking his gun and offering his body as a target for Mauser bullets said this to his countrymen:

"As long as the oppressor is deaf to the voice of reason, so long must the citizen accustom his shoulder to the musket and his hand to the sabre."

With that addition to the declaration of the Chicago platform he asked to be sent to the front, and though President McKinley will of course never allow him to do anything but garrison duty, yet in the trenches where "They also serve who only stand and wait," he will not appear in the eyes of honest and sane men to deserve less glory than attaches to Mr. Hanna and to Mr. McKinley in Washington, as commanders in chief of the army and navy of the United States.

Of course, when he enlisted, Mr. Bryan knew that he would be kept in the background as much as possible. But he was not after military glory. He was merely accustoming his shoulder to the musket and his hands to the sabre. He has nothing of the jingo and still less of the imperialist about him. While bank attorneys, secure in their back offices, were effervescing for gore and glory, Mr. Bryan, in his Omaha speech against imperialism, spoke of war with something of the sadness of a Milton and the sternness of a Cromwell.

"War is harsh; it is attended by hardship and suffering; it means a vast expenditure of men and money. We may pray for the coming of the time, promised in holy writ, when the spears shall be beaten into pruning hooks and the swords into plowshares; but universal peace cannot come until justice is enthroned throughout the world. Jehovah deals with nations as He deals with men, and for both decrees that the wages of sin is death. Until the right has triumphed in every land and love reigns in every heart, government must, as a last resort, appeal to force. As long as the oppressor is deaf to the voice of reason, so long must the citizen accustom his shoulder to the musket and his hand to the saber.

When the combination against Bryan begins operating in the southwest, it finds the Democratic sentiment in his favor so strong that nothing can be done against him at all except by beginning with an ostentatious endorsement of him and the principles he stands for.

This is a very great gain. Six months ago these conspirators believed the Chicago platform effete, and bimetallism a dead issue. They were ready to set Bryan aside as a back number. They did not do it then. They have not done it yet. And to do it at all, they will have to demonstrate that plutocracy is able to afford a better quality of political brains than those of the "peanut" statesmen it can buy here and there as coadjutors of Croker and the professional corruptionists who live as bloodsucking parasites.

William J. Bryan is not beaten yet, and he will not be. In Missouri, in Illinois and throughout the country generally, the banks and their attorneys, the railroads and their "cow coroners" are using every imaginable trick and device to get rid of him and what he stands for; but if they were to give Hanna the war power a hundred times over, and to endorse his use of it in every convention they can pack from New York to San Francisco, they would still have to face every issue Bryan represents when, in protest against oppression, he begins accustoming his hand to the saber and his shoulder to the musket.

Therefore the Democrats of Missouri are to be most earnestly congratulated that the state platform adopted at Springfield opens with the unqualified endorsement of him, which even the boldest of his secret enemies dared not oppose. Whatever else happens as a result of the Spanish war, the short-card players of machine politics, who thought to use it to force free coinage to one side and William J. Bryan to the rear, will fail of their object. He will be the Democratic nominee in 1900, in spite of the little huckstering bosses who are now trying to sell him and the Democratic party with him.

In Behalf of the Soldiers.

From the Chicago Dispatch: When congress meets there will be an investigation as to the conduct of the war. If the Republicans succeed in retaining a majority in the house, the result of that investigation will be simply a whitewashing of Alger and all the rest of the incompetent and venal officials appointed by the Republican administration. There have been many corrupt bargains, great incapacity and innumerable blunders during the short campaign against the Spaniards. These matters should not be hushed up. Soldiers who have been starved by robber commissaries, neglected by incompetent officers, murdered by lack of proper medical attention, should be remembered by congress, and the men who caused all this needless suffering should be severely punished. But if the Republicans remain in power the congressional investigation will prove a farce. For this reason Democrats should labor strenuously to return their candidate to the house of representatives. This is a duty the party owes to the soldiers. The war was brought about largely through Democratic influences, but the injuries to soldiers have all proceeded from Republican maladministration. Soldiers who have suffered will hesitate to bring their cases before a Republican congress; therefore, in behalf of these brave defenders of the flag, Democrats should work zealously for success.

POPULIST POINTS

A DISAPPOINTMENT.

THE WAR BRINGS HARDER TIMES INSTEAD OF BETTER.

The Plain Reasons Why This Gold Standard War Causes Business Depression While the Greenback War Caused an Era of Prosperity.

The business interests of the country generally looked for a revival of trade as the necessity and inevitable outcome of the war with Spain. To say they are disappointed is to mildly state the fact.

The expectation that war would dispel the condition of business stagnation, bordering on paralysis, that has hung like a pall, not alone over this country, but over all gold standard countries during the past five years, did not take into account the controlling factor in the case, says the Silver Knight Watchman; namely, that the expenses of the war were to be met through taxing production and enlarging our interest-bearing debt, without providing an increase of money supply to meet the increased demand.

Remembering the tremendous impetus that business received during the civil war, many reasoned that favorable trade conditions, better prices, and better times would inevitably follow the vast expenditure by the government that war would necessitate. This would be true if the extraordinary conditions inseparable from war were accompanied by an increase of money supply commensurate with the increased demand for money occasioned by the war.

The withdrawal of 225,000 able-bodied men from the field of competitive production, to be fed, clothed, and paid wages from the nation's treasury, thus being transferred to the field of consumption, would naturally tend to improve the market. The equipping, provisioning, and transportation of an army calls for a vast expenditure of money and furnishes employment and hence the ability to become consumers to thousands aside from those composing the army itself. All of which by drawing from the normal labor supply and creating an enlarged demand for the products of labor of all kinds would, under conditions that would permit of it, cause wages to advance and advance the prices of all the products of labor.

But when it is remembered that prices are governed by money supply it becomes evident that an additional demand for money, unaccompanied by a corresponding additional supply, makes a condition under which an advance of prices is impossible and a fall of prices becomes inevitable.

The present war presents a case of this kind and hence has brought no improvement to the general business of the country. The increased demand for money, unaccompanied by a corresponding increase in the supply, has made business conditions harder than before for all, except those having contracts to furnish supplies to the government, who have been exempt from many of the conditions of the general competitive market. Under normal business conditions there would not have been $1,250,000,000 offered to the government in exchange for bonds bearing only 3 per cent interest. Such an offering on the part of those having capital shows a universal distrust of business investments and a disposition to avoid investment in property, the incomes of which are affected by the general prosperity of the country, and to seek investment in bonds, which are money features, the income from which rests upon the taxing power of the government.

The majority of the finance committee of the United States senate proposed, in addition to levying a war tax, that the government coin the $42,000,000 of silver seigniorage now lying idle in the vaults of the treasury, and in addition to this issue $150,000,000, or so much thereof as might be necessary, of legal-tender non-interest bearing notes of the government. Had this plan been adopted we would have had an increase of the supply of money which would have caused a general revival of business, with better prices for products; the labor of the country would have found employment at fair wages, and there would have been no necessity to increase the interest-bearing debt of the nation.

But the government of the country is in the hands of an administration committed to the gold standard and under the influence of the gold contractionists. The administration is not averse to the issuing of interest-bearing bonds to be made the basis for the issuance of bank notes, because the banks who furnished the campaign funds in 1896 want an investment of this kind that will return them a double interest. But it is opposed to the only policy that can restore prosperity to the labor and business interests of the country, which is an increase of the legal tender money necessary to uphold prices and stimulate production, which alone can give to the country general prosperity.

CURRENT NOTES.

Commissioner of Internal Revenue Scott says the present generation will not see the war taxes repealed, because of the need of large revenue to support an increased army and navy.

This generation will see a portion of the burden of federal taxation placed upon incomes and inheritances, at least, and the standing army has not been increased yet.

If the Republican party is given control of both houses of congress there will be a large increase in the standing army, none of the expenses of which will be borne by aggregated wealth, because a Republican congress will vote no income, corporation or inheritance taxes.

If the Republicans control the next congress more interest-bearing bonds will be sold for the purpose of retiring the greenbacks and silver certificates, and those bonds will be made payable in gold alone.

If Senator Hanna controls the next congress the trusts will get everything they ask for. Is not Hanna interested in the coal trust and steel trust, and probably to the extent of some stock in most of the other trusts? The railroads will have things all their own way, and will not be compelled to disgorge any of the millions they have stolen from the treasury for transportation of troops and supplies during the late war. Mr. Hanna is a railroad magnate himself.

The People's party calls attention to the fact that it is time business men as well as farmers and workingmen should stop voting for policies and candidates, of whatever party label, dictated by men like Senator Hanna, whose personal interests are all antagonistic to the interests of the producers.

Governor Leedy in a recent speech vigorously assailed Secretary of War Alger in the administration of his office during the war. He charged Alger with "boodling" in contracts let for war supplies, declaring that Carnegie, Mark Hanna, Senator Elkins and others had, by jobbery in contracts, through the connivance of Secretary Alger, looted the treasury of many hundred thousand dollars. Governor Leedy said that he spoke advisedly, and that he had waited until peace was in sight before making these accusations. President McKinley, he declared, was not big enough to shake off these mill stones which were hanging about his neck. Governor Leedy said in justification of his attack upon Secretary Alger that Kansas Republicans had charged him with furnishing to the Kansas volunteers shoddy clothing and an inferior quality of food supplies, when the fact was that the war department, and not the state government, was responsible. He said that Alger's anxiety to help some of his pets make big money out of war contracts resulted in the purchase by the government of inferior supplies, which the volunteers not only of Kansas, but of the entire West, were compelled to use.

Sixteen to One or Bust.

A bank note currency based on United States bonds, held by London bankers, involves the control of our money supply by them.

This involves the adaptation of our financial policy to those the English imperial government carried out in India and its other subject provinces.

Its colonial policy is to get as much out of India and to give as little as possible. It forces up the price of money in order to force down the price of Indian wheat, cotton, rice and other agricultural food stuffs and raw material.

Necessarily the English holders of our bonds occupy the same attitude towards our producers that they do towards those of India. It is a part of English imperial policies to keep down agricultural prices in all parts of the world. English bondholders, organizing national banks in the United States, will continue to use their whole influence for this purpose. Unless we can have free coinage they must succeed.

Sixteen to one or bust, means that we are going to have it in spite of bayonets, and in spite of boodle.—Journal of Agriculture.

The Logical Outcome.

Patriotism calls aloud for national ownership and operation of railroads, and their modern adjuncts—telegraphs. It should own and operate all coal and iron mines, all smelters, foundries and machine shops necessary to equip and run the roads, all armories for the manufacture of the munitions of war, all navy yards for the building of battleships and such other ships as might be advantageous for the people to own. This is the logical outcome of the national ownership of the Nicaragua canal now—favored by nine-tenths of the people of the United States.—Pittsburg Kansan.

The Administration's Carelessness.

The daily papers in all the cities are filled with letters and interviews with soldiers who have endured the hardships of a three months' campaign in Cuba. They all tell the same story of shameful neglect and failure to provide for the sick and wounded.—Grand Rapids Chronicle.

THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

The London Saturday Review says: "The lesson of all our conflicts with America was that the American soldiers and sailors shot markedly better than our own and won astonishing victories. It looks as if the old lesson holds good to-day."

No higher tribute could be paid to a warship's crew than that paid by Captain Evans to the men of the Iowa: "So long as the enemy showed his flag they fought like American seamen, but when the flag came down they were as gentle and tender as American women." In that pregnant sentence is the whole philosophy of military heroism.

The recent establishment of a whale-oil manufactory on Notre Dame Bay calls attention to the fact that whaling is now a paying venture off the coast of Newfoundland. Recently seven whales, worth nearly $1000 each, were captured by a company of Norwegian whalers. A company has been formed to carry on the industry. This ought to make the old fishermen around Amagansett prick up their ears. Possibly the old shipyard of Cold Spring Harbor, which fitted out the whalers of the last century, may resume business.

The Philadelphia Commercial Museum says that Porto Rico is well adapted by soil and climate not only for the growing of cotton, but for the manufacture of cotton fabrics as well, though for the growth of the plant it will be necessary to engage native labor or to secure help from Cuba. Of the more than one thousand streams upon the island sixty are navigable, and many of them could be utilized to furnish power, which is an important consideration, since all the coal used must be brought from this country; and all the chief towns are connected by railway, though communication with the interior is only possible by ox teams.

In speaking of the recent popular war loan the Baltimore American says: Not since the wonderful alacrity with which, in July, 1871, the French peasants and the working people of Paris went down into their stockings and subscribed in a day $400,000,000 to meet the first installments of the big war indemnity with which the German invader was bought out of France, has there been so impressive a demonstration of the latent resources of a great nation, or of its patriotic confidence in its Government. It will be to European Governments as significant a proof of the enormous reserved strength of the American people as all our military and naval successes put together, brilliant though they are. The wealth of a nation and its ability to raise money within its own territory on moderate terms is a main element in its fighting capacity.

More and more is the machine encroaching upon the fields where formerly the handworker held full sway, says the Dry Goods Economist. This not entirely new observation is suggested by our latest advices from Paris as to fall and winter styles. It seems that trimmings of all kinds will be profusely used in costume and garment decorations, and that this style has been brought about largely by the dressmakers in an endeavor to bring into popularity something that could not be produced by machines. Judging from present reports, however, they reckoned without their host; for the modern mechanical devices are capable of reproducing even the finest and most delicate designs wrought by the cunning hand of the seamstress or maker of embroidery. Of course, there are some applications and figures that cannot be made on machines; but nevertheless such a high state of perfection has been attained in this direction that there is but precious little in his line that the machine cannot reproduce with a fidelity to handwork that is startling, and so close is the imitation in many instances that only the expert eye can detect the difference.

To Invite the President to Birmingham.

A delegation composed of some of Birmingham's leading citizens left that city Sunday for Washington to invite President McKinley and others to be present at the peace jubilee to be held in Birmingham in October.

Cuban Debt to Be Settled at Paris.

The Spanish cabinet council again considered the question of the Cuban debt Saturday. It is believed that a loan will be issued later to meet the debt of 1886, but a definite settlement of the matter has been left to the Paris commission.

EAGER FOR ANNEXATION.

A Delegation of Prominent Filipinos Visit Consul Wildman.

WILL NEVER SUBMIT TO SPANISH RULE.

Do Not Want Independence—Warlike Mountaineers as Well as Those Engaged in Business Pursuits Would Welcome Stars and Stripes.

MANILA.—A Hong Kong deputation, representing the Southern Philippines and consisting of the best and richest natives of Pana, Mindoro, Cebu, and Mindanao, visited United States Consul Williams Friday, and urged that every possible effort be made for the annexation of the whole of the Philippine Islands. The deputation declared that all classes, the warlike mountaineers as well as those engaged in mercantile pursuits, would welcome the Stars and Stripes, and had resolved never to submit to Spanish rule. They also said that there were 4,000 men, many of them armed with rifles, near Iloilo, ready to support the Americans. They refuse to join the clamor for independence, which they consider a mistake and impracticable. They only wish for annexation to the United States.

Aguinaldo remains at Bakoor. He recently wrote an impertinent letter to General Otis, which resulted in his receiving a sharp snub. The insurgent leader will probably render himself amenable to the American authorities.

SANTIAGO SHAKEN.

Earthquake Caused the Frightened People to Rush Into the Streets.

Two earthquakes of unusual severity were felt at Santiago de Cuba Saturday, shocking every house in the city. The frightened people ran out into the streets.

The Saratoga has sailed for Montauk Point with 100 sick and a quantity of Mauser rifles and ammunition.

The sailing of the Missouri has been delayed owing to the difficulty of obtaining a sufficient supply of water. The reports of General Wood's corps of physicians showed a marked improvement in the general health of the city. The death rate this week is from 50 to 75 cents lower than it was two weeks ago.

SECRETLY LEFT FOR SPAIN.

Gen. Pando on His Way to His Native Home With 12,000,000 Francs.

A dispatch from Havana says: Having successfully done everything in his power to convey the impression that he was sailing to Spain via New York on the steamship Philadelphia Thursday, General Pando secretly started direct for his native land about ten hours later on the French steamer Notre Dame de Salut, it is said with 12,000,000 francs, supposed to be war funds. The secret was so effectively kept that very few persons here have any knowledge of it, and all the Havana papers announce Pando's departure on the Philadelphia. The question that is now being asked is when and how did Pando get the 12,000,000 francs.

CLOUDBURST IN TENNESSEE.

A General Flood in Knox County Washing Away Railway Tracks.

Heavy rainfalls and a cloudburst in the lower part of Knox county, Tennessee, occasioned a general flood. The tracks of the Southern railway at Concord, ten miles from Knoxville, were washed away, thereby stopping all travel toward the south. The Southern tracks on the Asheville division suffered the same fate, and at a station near Harrison an embankment was washed away, cutting off communication with Cincinnati and Louisville. A cloudburst at Concord washed away several houses, and an entire family was rescued from the roof of their floating home. No lives were lost. Damages resulting from high water will be many thousand dollars.

General Carpenter Arrives.

Brigadier-General L. H. Carpenter commanding the Third brigade Fourth army corps, reached Camp Wheeler, Huntsville, Saturday morning and established headquarters.

President McKinley Visits Camp Wikoff.

President McKinley spent five hours in Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, N. Y., Saturday, bare-headed most of the time, visiting the sick in the hospitals and inspecting the well in their cantonments. He made a speech to the assembled infantry, reviewed the cavalrymen, expressed his opinion of the camp to the reporters and issued an order directing the regulars to return to their stations east of the Mississippi.

To Reopen the Dreyfus Case.

A special dispatch from Paris says the French cabinet has decided on a revision of the Dreyfus case.

Miss Winnie Davis Worse.

Miss Winnie Davis, daughter of Jefferson Davis, who is ill with gastritis at Narragansett Pier, R. I., has experienced a change for the worse. Her condition is now considered critical

German Naval Force Reduced.

A semi-official note issued at Berlin says: "A state of peace having been re-established between the United States and Spain, orders have been given that the German naval force at Manila be reduced to one of ships."

BUSINESS IS ENORMOUS.

Dun's Commercial Report Says the Volume of Business is Larger Than Has Ever Been Known Before.

R. G. Dun G Co.'s weekly review says:

The smallest number of failures ever recorded in any month for five years were those of August. The clearings have been the largest ever known in August, and 23 per cent larger than in 1892.

The enormous volume of business in a month usually one of the most inactive of the year demands attention. Postponement during the months of war of some contracts and of purchases which have now come forward explain part of the increase, and the strong absence of securities explains but half of it, but there has also been a decline in prices for all commodities, so that it takes a much larger volume of business in tons or bushels than make up transactions amounting to a million or more than in 1892. It is therefore strictly true that business is larger than in the very best of all past years, and yet there is every prospect of much further increase.

There is no room to doubt that the wheat crop will prove the largest ever harvested, and although Beerbohm estimates Europe's crop at 232,000,000 bushels more than the last, that will be only about an average yield, while other evidence is less favorable. Foreign buying has been strong, but receipts at the west are increasing, and the price has dropped 5 cents for spot, though the September option is seven-eighths lower for the week. Corn has fallen a fraction, later reports indicating a less satisfactory yield, and probably not more than should be consumed at home in enlarging the stock of animals.

The woolen mills have rather better orders this week, but not enough as yet to warrant running nearly full force. In cotton manufacture there is better demand, with a sixteenth raise in print cloths, though brown sheetings are a shade lower, the demand for other goods being still fairly strong.

SITUATION IN HAVANA.

Prices of Some of the Necessaries of Life Higher Than During the Blockade.

HAVANA.—Although not a day has passed since the blockade was raised without two or three vessels arriving here with provisions, the prices of the necessaries of life are not only excessive, but in some cases higher than they were during the blockade. As the Red Cross society's supplies on the Clinton were not landed this condition of affairs seriously affects the poor. Rice is selling at 6½ cents a pound, retail; lard at 20 cents and meat at 60 cents a pound, retail. The retailers are taking advantage of the situation, and wish to raise the prices stilt further, regardless of the distress of the poor, who, as they cannot afford to pay even the present prices, must continue to suffer.

GEORGIA STORM.

Waters in the Flooded District Rising Rapidly—More Wrecks Off the Coast.

SAVANNAH, GA.—Two more wrecks were reported Saturday off the entrance to Calabogue sound. Both were dismasted schooners. There were no signs of life on either vessel. The coast is being patrolled in the hope of rescuing the crews of some of the wrecked vessels, but except the crew of the bark Noe none are known to have been saved.

In the storm-swept section of the coast the loss of property is increasing. The miles of water on the lowlands are being added too by the floods in the rivers and the waters everywhere in the flooded district are rising. The Savannah and Ogeechee rivers are rising rapidly and are likely to cause heavy damage when the flood reaches the low country.

Primary Ordered.

The democratic executive committee of Morgan county, Alabama, met and ordered a primary election to be held in that county on September 17 to select a candidate for congress for the Eighth district to be elected in November.

Reorganizing the Populist Party.

The middle-of-the-road populists are holding a national convention in Cincinnati this week. It will continue indefinitely until the work of reorganization of the party is completed.

General Frank at Anniston.

Gen. Royal T. Frank, commanding the Third army corps, which consists now of only the First division, arrived at Anniston Saturday from Chickamauga accompanied by his staff, division corps, ambulance company, signal corps and Company C, Fourteenth New York. General Frank has established headquarters in the city.

Seizure by Canada.

The United States revenue cutter Algonquin has been seized at Montreal, Quebec, on behalf of J. Wade, who claims wages due him as a detective in Chinese smuggling cases. A question of international law is involved.

Will Inspect Banks' Papers.

Secretary Gage has given instruction to bank examiners to make such inspection of papers held by the banks as will enable the examiners to report whether the war revenue act is being or has been complied with.

Private McHugh Drowned.

A telegram from Jackson, Fla., brings the information that Private William McHugh, of the Selma company, while walking near the edge of the wharf fell over into the water and was drowned. He was 26 years old.

MUSTERING OUT THE ARMY

Orders Issued Affecting Seventy Thousand Men of the Volunteer Service.

FIRST AND SECOND ALABAMA INCLUDED.

Will Require Some Time for the Alabama Troops to Be Mustered Out—List of Organizations Included in Friday's Orders.

A statement prepared at the war department shows that including Friday's list eighty-three of the organizations in the volunteer army have received orders looking to their being mustered out of the service. This number probably represents almost one-third of the approximately 220,000 men called for by the president in the two proclamations issued by him.

The following troops were ordered to be mustered out of service Friday:

First Pennsylvania, Knoxville to Philadelphia.

Second Pennsylvania, Montichanin to Philadelphia.

Third Pennsylvania, Huntsville to Philadelphia.

Eighteenth Pennsylvania, Camp Meade to Pittsburg.

Fourth Wisconsin, Camp Douglass, Wis.

Seventy-first New York, Montauk to Camp Black.

First New Jersey, Camp Alger to Seagirt.

Thirty-second Michigan, Chickamauga to Camp Eaton, Mich.

First Ohio, Jacksonville to armory, Cincinnati.

Eighth Ohio, Montauk to Columbus, O.

One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Indiana, Knoxville to Indianapolis.

Third Ohio, Huntsville to Columbus.

Second North Carolina, St. Simons Island, Ga., to Raleigh.

First and Second Alabama, Jacksonville to Mobile.

Third United States Volunteer Cavalry, Chickamauga to Old Fort Omaha.

Second Massachusetts, Montauk to South Framingham.

First South Carolina, Jacksonville to Columbia, S. C., and Second Squadron of Ohio Cavalry, Huntsville to Columbus.

It will require some time for the Alabama troops to be mustered out. It will probably be several days before they start for Mobile, and it will take a week or so or longer, after they arrive at Mobile, before the necessary formalities can be complied with. However, the chances are that they will be back home by the middle of September. Even with the mustering out of these two regiments Alabama will still have 1,700 men in the service, viz.: the negro regiment at Mobile and half the Fifth Volunteer Immunes at Santiago.

COMMISSIONER EVANS' REPORT.

Recommends a Revision of the Pension Regulations.

WASHINGTON.—The annual report of Hon. H. Clay Evans, commissioner of pensions, was made public Saturday. It shows that the amount paid out at the several agencies for the year on account of pensions under the general laws were $75,275,385, and on account of pensions under the act of June 27, 1890, $66,255,670.

Pension claims pending June 30, 1898, numbered 635,059. The commissioner is confident that there are not over 75,000 of these (invalids and widows) that are genuine original claims. The others are cases where the claimants are already pensioned.

Commissioner Evans recommends that a commission be appointed on the revision of laws, rules and regulations governing the issuance of pensions. A special division has been established to adjudicate claims growing out of the Spanish war. These will be paid under the general laws. Only about 100 claims of this class have been filed up to the close of the fiscal year and none have been adjudicated.

Gold Reserve Highest in History.

The gold reserve in the United States treasury reached the highest point in its history Friday, with a total reserve of $210,320,372. The highest previous amount was $218,000,000, which was recorded in March, 1888.

BROOKE COMMANDS

Since Miles Has Left Porto Rico—Has Started Toward San Juan.

GUAYAMO, PORTO RICO—Upon General Miles' departure General Brooke issued an order assuming command of the troops in this island.

The bridges along the military road are being repaired, and General Brooke started northward Saturday. The march to San Juan probably will consume four days. The General expects to establish his headquarters at Piedras, outside the city, owing to the crowded condition of San Juan, which is filled with Spanish troops on this side of the island.

ISLANDS SEIZED.

Philippine Insurgents are Grabbing all They Can.

MANILA—Several ship loads of insurgents troops have invaded the southern islands with the view of seizing everything possible, prior to the settlement of the peace conditions. Gen. Bios, the Spanish commander, with a flotilla of gunboats, is acting energetically, but the insurgents have captured the outlying islands of Romblon and Pelawan, where they found treasure to the amount of $42,000.

HESTER'S COTTON CROP REPORT.

An Increase of 2,242,030 Bales Over Last Year's Yield.

Secretary Hester's New Orleans cotton exchange annual report was issued Friday. He puts the cotton crop of 1897-98 at 11,199,944 bales, an increase of 2,242,030 bales over 1896-97, and says that of this increase 877,000 was in Texas, including Indian Territory; 943,000 in the group of other gulf states, consisting of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Oklahoma and Missouri, and 672,000 in the group of Atlantic states, consisting of Alabama, Georgia, Florida and North and South Carolina, Kentucky and Virginia.

Mr. Hester puts the average commercial value of the crop at $28.62 per bale, against $36.26 last year, $41.09 the year before, and $30.00 in 1894-95, and the total value of the crop at $320,553,000 against $921,925,000 last year; $294,095,000 year before last and $297,038,000 in 1894-95.

He puts the total spindles in the south at 4,052,224, an increase over last year of 205,253. These include 241,000 new, not completed, most of which may be brought into play this fall and early next spring. The net gain in the number of southern mills last year has been nine, making the total new 491.

Of this year's American cotton crop Mr. Hester says that 2,212,000 bales were taken by American mills north and 1,232,000 bales by American mills south; 119,000 bales by Canadian mills; 37,000 by Mexican mills; 227,000 by Chinese and Japanese mills and 6,747,000 bales by the mills of Europe, making the total takings by the spinners on both sides of the Atlantic of American cotto 10,564,000 bales.

ENGLAND WITH THE CZAR.

Will Co-Operate With Him in His Peace Scheme.

The Westminster Gazette announces that although owing to the absence of the Marquis of Salisbury, Great Britain has not yet formerly responded to the Czar's peace note. The British ambassador at St. Petersburg has already communicated in cordial terms the hearty sympathy with which the rescript was read by the acting minister for foreigh affairs, Mr. Balfour, the first lord of the treasury. When the Marquis of Salisbury replies to the note, the Westminster Gazette continues, he will hail with satisfaction and delight the czar's initiative assuring him of the determination of her majesty's advisers to co-operate heartily in promoting his great aim.

QUEBEC CONFERENCE.

Adjournment Until September 20 Taken. Difficult Problem to Solve.

QUEBEC.—The joint high commission of the United States, Canada, Newfoundland and Great Britain, after ten days' hard work, adjourned Friday to meet again in this city September 20. What the commissioners accomplished up to this point or what they are likely to accomplish in the future can only be inferred from outward indications. Absolutely nothing has been revealed from within the meeting rooms of the commission. From the first session until the adjournment the commissioners on both sides have repeatedly stated that the most friendly relations existed on both side.

FOUR LIVES CRUSHED OUT.

Mill Stones Burst With Horrible Effect —Four Badly Injured.

One mill stones at the gin on the Nitta Yuma plantation, near Meridian, Miss., burst with terrific force Saturday, instantly killing four men and injuring four others, fatally. Three of the dead, Ralph Holmes, Jesse Gowan and Andrew Chatt, were driven through the wall of the building by the force of the explosion, and their bodies were fearfully mangled. The dead are Ralph Holmes, Jesse Gowan, Jordan Chalk and Andrew Craik. The injured: West Winfield, Andy Mitchell, George Ross, Jr., and Isaah Davis, the latter two fatally. All the dead are colored.

Dynamite Explosion Kills Four Men.

A horrible accident occurred at Stinesville, Ind., Friday in which four men were instantly killed by a dynamite explosion and many others seriously injured. The men were blasting rock for a new pike when the plosion occurred.

KILLED BY SUBMARINE MINES.

Government Engineer Killed While Removing Mines From Mississippi.

The government steamboat John R. R. Meigs was totally destroyed by an explosion at Fort St. Philip, near New Orleans. She had aboard Lieutenant Jovery and a party engaged in removing the torpedoes laid in the Mississippi river during the beginning of the war. Lieutenant Jovery had a narrow escape. The killed were: Captain Starr, commander of the boat; Sergeant John Newman, of the engineers; Ralph Rogers.

Russia Will Convene at Peace Meeting.

It is the intention of Russia, according to reliable information obtained by the correspondent at Berlin of the Associated Press, to convene a peace conference a month after the adjournment of the Spanish-American peace conference.

Fifty Deaths From Heat In New York.

Fifty dead and over one hundred prostrated with heat in one day was the record in old New York Saturday. In Brooklyn there were six deaths and fourteen prostrations.

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LONDON. The Pall Mall Gazette says it has received from a source in which it has every confidence, information that an Anglo-German agreement was signed this week by Mr. Balfour and the German Ambassador in behalf of the respective powers.

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THE REALM OF FASHION.

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Figured foulard in sage green and white is here shown with a pretty simple foot trimming, composed of three

LADIES' SIX GORED SKIRT.

narrow frills of sage green satin ribbon.

Having a straight back breadth with each has edge of gores joined to the straight edges, this skirt will not sag and, therefore, especially adapted to sheer fabrics, such as organdy, lace net, silk tissue and other light textures, while for washable fabrics it is more than desirable. The front gore is of moderate but fashionable width and separate two narrow gores on each side of it smoothly over the hips and is prettily folds with the fashionable flare at the foot.

The lower edge measures about three and a half yards in the medium size. Braid, ribbon or insertion, with or without ruffles, ruching or other applied trimming can be used to decorate the skirt in any preferred style.

To make this skirt for a lady of medium size five and three-eighth yards of material thirty-six inches wide will be required.

Dress For a Growing Girl.

Whatever number of more elaborate and dressy gowns the growing girl's wardrobe may include, one of sturdy but simply made, is essential to her comfort and well-being. The model shown in the large illustration is of light weight serge in royal blue and is trimmed with fancy black braid. But cheviot, covert cloth and all the seasonable suitings, as well as cashmere are equally suitable.

The foundation for the waist is a fitted lining that closes at the centre-front. On it are arranged the full blouse portions and the yoke, which is cut bias and divided to form slashed épaulettes. The straight strip shown at the front is lined with crinoline, then applied to the waist proper, covering the edges of full fronts. The sleeves are two-seamed and fit smoothly, except for the slight puffs at the shoulders, which are universally worn by children and young girls. The pointed wrists are finished with frills of lace, and at the throat is a high standing collar.

The skirt is four-gored and fits smoothly across the front and over the hips, the fulness at the back being laid in backward-turning plaits. It is lined throughout, but unstiffened, and is trimmed with two rows of fancy braid.

To make this costume for a girl of eight years will require two and one-half yards of forty-four-inch material.

A Cure For Bad Complexions.

Bad complexions have sent more women to the grave than epidemics. Nothing frets a woman like a rough, muddy skin. A cure-all for blemishes is certainly simple enough. It is this: Wash the face in very salty sweet milk every night and let it dry without wiping. A mixture made of one small tablespoonful of milk and a teaspoonful of salt applied to the most obstinate blemish of the skin will cure it almost like magic. This is the remedy prescribed by one of the best skin authorities in England, and it is said that the use of milk and salt is half the secret of the English woman's smooth, beautiful skin.

Fancy Braids For Millinery.

To some extent fancy braids have reappeared in the autumn millinery, and may be used a little, although the Paris model hats shown in the wholesale houses scarcely use that material. The braid has been popular, and it is likely to take a long time in "dying out."

Striking Fall Costume.

The popularity of the skirt made from taffeta, either black, gray or beige color, seems to increase as the season advances, and it bids fair to take first place for wear with waists of various sorts. The model shown is in a soft shade of gray and is worn with a fancy waist of figured silk, showing bits of pale corn color in conjunction with mousseline de soie of the same tender yellow. The foundation skirt is circular and fits snugly about the hips. The frills, which are five inches in width, are each cut bias and edged with velvet ribbon stitched on.

GIRL'S COSTUME.

The fancy waist is made over a fitted lining which closes at the centre-front, but is itself fitted by shoulder seams and smooth underarm gores, and closes below the left side, the basque being separate and seamed to the waist proper. The full mousseline is faced to yoke depth at the back and stitched to the right-front, but hooks over into place at the left shoulder and beneath the left rever. At the neck is a soft collar of the same, supplemented by a frill. The revers are each faced with gray, and are trimmed with tiny ribbon frills, which match the mousseline in shade. The sleeves are not seamed, and show only slight fulness at the shoulders. At the waist is worn a belt of straw-colored velvet, with an oblong buckle of rhinestones.

A POPULAR MODEL.

To make this waist for a woman of medium size five yards of material, twenty-two inches wide, will be required.

BRYAN AND THE WAR.

THE ATTACK IN THE REAR HAS FAILED.

The Missouri State Democratic Convention an Utter Rout for the Plotters Who Have Attempted to Pull Down the People's Choice, W. J. Bryan.

The endorsement of the Chicago platform and of William J. Bryan given by Missouri Democrats under Mr. Bland's leadership at Springfield is an expression of honest American sentiment which ought to be intelligible to Mr. William C. Whitney and Mr. Richard Croker, says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture. Their plan to assassinate Mr. Bryan by striking him from the rear in Missouri has not succeeded.

The qualities which most endear Mr. Bryan to the people are courage and candor. He is not a coward in conception, nor a sneak in execution. He goes straightforward whether he is right or wrong.

This is a quality so valuable that all other qualities are sure to become valueless without it. And it is by virtue of this quality of manliness that Mr. Bryan will defeat the conspiracy to turn the machinery of the Democratic party over to the same interests which now control the Republican party so completely.

When Mr. Bryan volunteered for the Spanish war, many of his stanchest friends were surprised and perhaps pained. The Democratic instincts is to avoid the military hero and to oppose the military idea in government. But it is likely to appear shortly, if it does not already, that in offering himself to the McKinley administration to be shot at by the Spaniards, Mr. Bryan was more farsighted than the rest of us. He severed thus a Gordian knot which might not have been unloosed otherwise.

It is hardly necessary to say that the whole force of plutocracy is being used to retire Mr. Bryan from Democratic leadership. Six months ago, immediately after Croker's return from exile in Europe and the Tammany victory in New York City, it was believed that through alliances made by him with politicians in Missouri and the southwest, other issues would be substituted for those of the Chicago platform. Aware of this design and familiar with the records and methods of some of those who were a party to it, the Journal has worked with all its energies to prevent the issues of the Chicago platform from being obscured. With the help of journalists on weekly papers whose honesty, intelligence and incorruptibility are the hope of the country, the effort has met with such success that the men in Missouri who were in secret league with Croker and the trusts and national banks which control him, against the Chicago platform, have been compelled to be loudest in their protestations of devotion to it. That they mean to betray it at the first opportunity is certain. In the meantime they have not yet had the opportunity, and it is entirely possible, if not probable, that they will have to go out of the Democratic party to get it.

Seeing themselves unable to carry out their plans under conditions then existing, this element determined to take advantage of the blowing up of the Maine to give the Republican administration the war power as a means of forcing a change of issues against the "agitators and stirrers up of domestic discontent." Such papers as the St. Louis Republic and the Louisville Courier-Journal were the active agents of this propaganda, and it was part of the plan to carry it out by seeming to force the war on the Republican administration. This was done with great deliberation and some skill. It was well understood, however, by all who were studying the situation. An attempt was made to foil it by forcing an issue for the recognition of the Cuban republic. It was well known that the sugar trust, which intends to put down the Cuban patriots and their republic, would not allow war to be declared if the republic were recognized. But under the circumstances the best that could be got out of congress was the declaration that the Cubans "are, and of right ought to be, free and independent." Considering this a mere glittering generality, the Republicans on their part accepted the war power with eagerness. They have attempted to use it to create rival candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination. The bond-syndicates and trusts, who look on the practical politicians of both parties as their spittoon-cleaners, have done their best to make a great man of Fitzhugh Lee, and have used the Republican administration for that purpose. Lee, being a "sound-money man," was to be held in reserve against Bryan, and in the meantime Democratic machine managers were to be "controlled" and committees stacked in the west and south so as to tufn Democratic state conventions against Bryan and what he stands for.

It was expected that the combination formed to carry out this programme would be able to use popular excitement over the war to elicit from Democratic conventions resolutions disarming opposition to the administration, and making it so popular as a result of the war that the "silver crank" would never be heard of again.

At this point of the proceedings William J. Bryan enlisted.

His secret opponents, who sat in luxuriously appointed offices and club parlors, conspiring to fatten themselves on the pickings of practical politics, have a thousand tricks, but this one act of his will be enough against them.

Men who were to be put forward as Democratic candidates against him in the West or South remained at home after plotting the war. And, after speeches urging our gallant and susceptible youths to go and die where glory waits them, they went themselves back to their offices to pick up whatever dollars there are loose as the rewards of politics. But William J. Bryan, taking his gun and offering his body as a target for Mauser bullets said this to his countrymen:

"As long as the oppressor is deaf to the voice of reason, so long must the citizen accustom his shoulder to the musket and his hand to the sabre."

With that addition to the declaration of the Chicago platform he asked to be sent to the front, and though President McKinley will of course never allow him to do anything but garrison duty, yet in the trenches where "They also serve who only stand and wait," he will not appear in the eyes of honest and sane men to deserve less glory than attaches to Mr. Hanna and to Mr. McKinley in Washington, as commanders in chief of the army and navy of the United States.

Of course, when he enlisted, Mr. Bryan knew that he would be kept in the background as much as possible. But he was not after military glory. He was merely accustoming his shoulder to the musket and his hands to the sabre. He has nothing of the jingo and still less of the imperialist about him. While bank attorneys, secure in their back offices, were effervescing for gore and glory, Mr. Bryan, in his Omaha speech against imperialism, spoke of war with something of the sadness of a Milton and the sternness of a Cromwell.

"War is harsh; it is attended by hardship and suffering; it means a vast expenditure of men and money. We may pray for the coming of the time, promised in holy writ, when the spears shall be beaten into pruning hooks and the swords into plowshares; but universal peace cannot come until justice is enthroned throughout the world. Jehovah deals with nations as He deals with men, and for both decrees that the wages of sin is death. Until the right has triumphed in every land and love reigns in every heart, government must, as a last resort, appeal to force. As long as the oppressor is deaf to the voice of reason, so long must the citizen accustom his shoulder to the musket and his hand to the saber.

When the combination against Bryan begins operating in the southwest, it finds the Democratic sentiment in his favor so strong that nothing can be done against him at all except by beginning with an ostentatious endorsement of him and the principles he stands for.

This is a very great gain. Six months ago these conspirators believed the Chicago platform effete, and bimetallism a dead issue. They were ready to set Bryan aside as a back number. They did not do it then. They have not done it yet. And to do it at all, they will have to demonstrate that plutocracy is able to afford a better quality of political brains than those of the "peanut" statesmen it can buy here and there as coadjutors of Croker and the professional corruptionists who live as bloodsucking parasites.

William J. Bryan is not beaten yet, and he will not be. In Missouri, in Illinois and throughout the country generally, the banks and their attorneys, the railroads and their "cow coroners" are using every imaginable trick and device to get rid of him and what he stands for; but if they were to give Hanna the war power a hundred times over, and to endorse his use of it in every convention they can pack from New York to San Francisco, they would still have to face every issue Bryan represents when, in protest against oppression, he begins accustoming his hand to the saber and his shoulder to the musket.

Therefore the Democrats of Missouri are to be most earnestly congratulated that the state platform adopted at Springfield opens with the unqualified endorsement of him, which even the boldest of his secret enemies dared not oppose. Whatever else happens as a result of the Spanish war, the short-card players of machine politics, who thought to use it to force free coinage to one side and William J. Bryan to the rear, will fail of their object. He will be the Democratic nominee in 1900, in spite of the little huckstering bosses who are now trying to sell him and the Democratic party with him.

In Behalf of the Soldiers.

From the Chicago Dispatch: When congress meets there will be an investigation as to the conduct of the war. If the Republicans succeed in retaining a majority in the house, the result of that investigation will be simply a whitewashing of Alger and all the rest of the incompetent and venal officials appointed by the Republican administration. There have been many currupt bargains, great incapacity and innumerable blunders during the short campaign against the Spaniards. These matters should not be hushed up. Soldiers who have been starved by robber commissaries, neglected by incompetent officers, murdered by lack of proper medical attention, should be remembered by congress, and the men who caused all this needless suffering should be severely punished. But if the Republicans remain in power the congressional investigation will prove a farce. For this reason Democrats should labor strenuously to return their candidate to the house of representatives. This is a duty the party owes to the soldiers. The war was brought about largely through Democratic influences, but the injuries to soldiers have all proceeded from Republican maladministration. Soldiers who have suffered will hesitate to bring their cases before a Republican congress; therefore, in behalf of these brave defenders of the flag, Democrats should work zealously for success.

POPULIST POINTS

A DISAPPOINTMENT.

THE WAR BRINGS HARDER TIMES INSTEAD OF BETTER.

The Plain Reasons Why This Gold Standard War Causes Business Depression While the Greenback War Caused an Era of Prosperity.

The business interests of the country generally looked for a revival of trade as the necessity and inevitable outcome of the war with Spain. To say they are disappointed is to mildly state the fact.

The expectation that war would dispel the condition of business stagnation, bordering on paralysis, that has hung like a pall, not alone over this country, but over all gold standard countries during the past five years, did not take into account the controlling factor in the case, says the Silver Knight Watchman; namely, that the expenses of the war were to be met through taxing production and enlarging our interest-bearing debt, without providing an increase of money supply to meet the increased demand.

Remembering the tremendous impetus that business received during the civil war, many reasoned that favorable trade conditions, better prices, and better times would inevitably follow the vast expenditure by the government that war would necessitate. This would be true if the extraordinary conditions inseparable from war were accompanied by an increase of money supply commensurate with the increased demand for money occasioned by the war.

The withdrawal of 225,000 able-bodied men from the field of competitive production, to be fed, clothed, and paid wages from the nation's treasury, thus being transferred to the field of consumption, would naturally tend to improve the market. The equipping, provisioning, and transportation of an army calls for a vast expenditure of money and furnishes employment and hence the ability to become consumers to thousands aside from those composing the army itself. All of which by drawing from the normal labor supply and creating an enlarged demand for the products of labor of all kinds would, under conditions that would permit of it, cause wages to advance and advance the prices of all the products of labor.

But when it is remembered that prices are governed by money supply it becomes evident that an additional demand for money, unaccompanied by a corresponding additional supply, makes a condition under which an advance of prices is impossible and a fall of prices becomes inevitable.

The present war presents a case of this kind and hence has brought no improvement to the general business of the country. The increased demand for money, unaccompanied by a corresponding increase in the supply, has made business conditions harder than before for all, except those having contracts to furnish supplies to the government, who have been exempt from many of the conditions of the general competitive market. Under normal business conditions there would not have been $1,250,000,000 offered to the government in exchange for bonds bearing only 3 per cent interest. Such an offering on the part of those having capital shows a universal distrust of business investments and a disposition to avoid investment in property, the incomes of which are affected by the general prosperity of the country, and to seek investment in bonds, which are money features, the income from which rests upon the taxing power of the government.

The majority of the finance committee of the United States senate proposed, in addition to levying a war tax, that the government coin the $42,000,000 of silver seigniorage now lying idle in the vaults of the treasury, and in addition to this issue $150,000,000, or so much thereof as might be necessary, of legal tender non-interest bearing notes of the government. Had this plan been adopted we would have had an increase of the supply of money which would have caused a general revival of business, with better prices for products; the labor of the country would have found employment at fair wages, and there would have been no necessity to increase the interest-bearing debt of the nation.

But the government of the country is in the hands of an administration committed to the gold standard and under the influence of the gold contractionists. The administration is not averse to the issuing of interest-bearing bonds to be made the basis for the issuance of bank notes, because the banks who furnished the campaign funds in 1896 want an investment of this kind that will return them a double interest. But it is opposed to the only policy that can restore prosperity to the labor and business interests of the country, which is an increase of the legal tender money necessary to uphold prices and stimulate production, which alone can give to the country general prosperity.

CURRENT NOTES.

Commissioner of Internal Revenue Scott says the present generation will not see the war taxes repealed because of the need of large revenue to support an increased army and navy.

This generation will see a portion of the burden of federal taxation placed upon incomes and inheritances at least, and the standing army has not been increased yet.

If the Republican party is given control of both houses of congress there will be a large increase in the standing army, none of the expenses of which will be borne by aggregated wealth because a Republican congress will vote no income, corporation or inheritance taxes.

If the Republicans control the next congress more interest-bearing bonds will be sold for the purpose of retiring the greenbacks and silver certificates, and those bonds will be made payable in gold alone.

If Senator Hanna controls the next congress the trusts will get everything they ask for. Is not Hanna interested in the coal trust and steel trust, and probably to the extent of some stock in most of the other trusts? The railroads will have things all their own way, and will not be compelled to disgorge any of the millions they have stolen from the treasury for transportation of troops and supplies during the late war. Mr. Hanna is a railroad magnate himself.

The People's party calls attention to the fact that it is time business men as well as farmers and workingmen should stop voting for policies and candidates, of whatever party label, dictated by men like Senator Hanna, whose personal interests are all antagonistic to the interests of the producers.

Governor Leedy in a recent speech vigorously assailed Secretary of War Alger in the administration of his office during the war. He charged Alger with "boodling" in contracts let for war supplies, declaring that Carnegie, Mark Hanna, Senator Elkins and others had, by jobbery in contracts, through the connivance of Secretary Alger, looted the treasury of many hundred thousand dollars. Governor Leedy said that he spoke advisedly, and that he had waited until peace was in sight before making these accusations. President McKinley, he declared, was not big enough to shake off these mill stones which were hanging about his neck. Governor Leedy said in justification of his attack upon Secretary Alger that Kansas Republicans had charged him with furnishing to the Kansas volunteers shoddy clothing and an inferior quality of food supplies, when the fact was that the war department, and not the state government, was responsible. He said that Alger's anxiety to help some of his pets make big money out of war contracts resulted in the purchase by the government of inferior supplies which the volunteers got only of Kansas, but of the entire West, were compelled to use.

Sixteen to One or Bust.

A bank note currency based on United States bonds, held by London bankers, involves the control of our money supply by them.

This involves the adaptation of our financial policy to those the English imperial government carried out in India and its other subject provinces.

Its colonial policy is to get as much out of India and to give as little as possible. It forces up the price of money in order to force down the price of Indian wheat, cotton, rice and other agricultural food stuffs and raw material.

Necessarily the English holders of our bonds occupy the same attitude towards our producers that they do towards those of India. It is a part of English imperial policies to keep down agricultural prices in all parts of the world. English bondholders, organizing national banks in the United States, will continue to use their whole influence for this purpose. Unless we can have free coinage they must succeed.

Sixteen to one or bust, means that we are going to have it in spite of bayonets and in spite of boodle.—Journal of Agriculture.

The Logical Outcome.

Patriotism calls aloud for national ownership and operation of railroads, and their modern adjuncts—telegraphs. It should own and operate all coal and iron mines, all smelters, foundries and machine shops necessary to equip and run the roads, all armories for the manufacture of the munitions of war, all navy yards for the building of battleships and such other ships as might be advantageous for the people to own. This is the logical outcome of the national ownership of the Nicaragua canal now—favored by nine-tenths of the people of the United States.—Pittsburg Kansan.

The Administration's Carelessness.

The daily papers in all the cities are filled with letters and interviews with soldiers who have endured the hardships of a three months' campaign in Cuba. They all tell the same story of shameful neglect and failure to provide for the sick and wounded.—Grand Rapids Chronicle.

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IN the twenty-third Pennsylvania district John H. Stevenson, Populist, has been nominated for congress by the Democrats.

CHANCERY court convenes next Monday at Clanton. This will be the last court presided over by the present Chancellor Dowdell, who has made an excellent judge and given universal satisfaction.

THE 17 year old son of Gen. Joe Wheeler was drowned while bathing at Montauk, N. Y., on Wednesday. He was on the staff of his father. The deepest sympathy is felt for the gallant General, who at the end of his successful campaign, suffers this grievour loss.

Representative Reynolds of Chilton, desires his constituents to inform him as to their wishes in the matter of legislation. Mr. Reynolds is the re-elected Populist member from Chilton, and makes such an excellent member one could wish him to be a good Democrat.—Montgomery Journal.

WITH regret we learned from the last issue of the Reform Advocate of Wetumpka that it had suspended publication. The Reform Advocate was, as its title implies, an advocate of reform and every individual who favors refom should take a lesson from this and remember that even reform newspapers cannot live unless its subscribers come forward and support it.

By some oversight, no call has been made by anyone in authority for a county convention for the purpose of electing delegates to the district congressional convention. Under the circumstances, after consulting with some of our leading Populists, the call for a mass meeting, which will be found on first page, was issued, and we hope to have a goop meeting on Saturday afternoon.

THE middle-of-the-road convention at Cincinnati on Tuesday cannot be said to have been either harmonious or useful. As was expected Wharton Barker, of Philadelphia, was nominated for President in 1900, with Ignatius Donnelly for Vice-President. It was the smallest national convention on record, and it adopted the longest platform on record. There was lots of noise and much confusion, and no connected report of the proceedings will ever be recorded. Most of the delegates were self-constituted, attending the convention as individuals, not accredited by any organization, or having credentials from any party or meeting. While the radicals controlled the convention they could not have carried out their program without a bolt from the Northern delegates. An elaborate address to the people of the United States was adopted; it reaffirms the previous Populist platform and covers many questions.

The camp meeting at Fairview, formerly known as the Shelby Jones place, has been postponed until the third Sunday in October, commencing on Friday before at 11 o'clock. Rev. W. B. Dennis will preach two sermons on water baptism at Fairview on the third Sunday in September, one in the evening at 4 o'clock, and one at night. Everybody is invited to come.

The New Time is published in Chicago and in many respects is the most interesting magazine of the day. The current number is full of live matter for those who aim to keep in touch with the progress of thought and events. The cartoons are unsurpassed and are being copied all over the world. Though a reform magazine, The New Time is intensely American in tone, and is vigorous in its advocacy of the extension of our national territory. In spite of the war this wide-awake publication has passed the 50,000 mark and expects to double this before the first of the year. The publishers make the novel and attractive offer of a first-class photographic camera for a club of six new subscribers at one dollar each. This ofier seems to be very popular and The New Time pays for all photographs which are accepted for reproduction.

The Weekly Crop Bulletin reports generally favorable temperatures prevailed throughout the State but the rainfall was unevenly distributed, being confined to the southern half of the State and along the eastern border; while the rainfall was mostly in showers, it was heavy in some south-central and eastern counties; in north-central counties very little rain was received and none fell in some of the north-west counties. Cotton continues in generally poor condition in the southern half of the State, where rust, rot and shedding are seriously damaging the crop, and there are some complaints of boll-worms, caterpillars and sprouting in the bolls; some correspondents report cotton has stopped making fruit and is opening prematurely. Along the eastern border, the crop has also been damaged by rain. In other portions of the northern half of the State, it is rusting and shedding some, but continues in fairly good condition. It is opening rapidly and picking is becoming general, but the yield, so far, is of poor grade. Conservative estimates now place the prospective cotton-yield in this State as much below the average. Corn continues to promise an unusually large crop, though it has been damaged slightly by continued wet weather. In northern counties considerable fodder and hay have been housed during the week. Cane and minor crops are maturing, and all promise generally good yields; sweet potatoes are being gathered and sorghum-syrup is being made. Scuppernong grapes are yielding well, and much wine will be made therefrom. Pasturage is good, and, with favorable conditions, considerable more hay will yet be made.

The war between Spain aud the United States was ended on August 12, having run a course of less than four months. All recent wars in which important members of the world's family of nations have been pitted against each other have been of a short and decisive character. Last year's war between Turkey and Greece began April 17 and was terminated by a truce preliminary to a final peace treaty at the end of four and a half weeks. The Greeks had thought that their superior navy and the esprit de corps of their people would offset the great superiority of the Turkish army. But the Greek fleet accomplished next to nothing, and the invasion of the Turkish army was irresistible. The war between Japan and China showed the great superiority of the Japanese both on sea and on land, with the result that a war which began on July 25, 1894, was ended by the utter defeat of China after eight months. The great war of Russia against Turkey which began April 24, 1877, came to an end with the Russian army lying just outside of Constantinople nine months later. The Franco-Prussian war which began July 23, 1870, found the Prussians making peace at Versailles on January 28, 1871. Bismark's war of 1866, in which Prussia made an attack against Austria, lasted only seven weeks. Civil wars and insurrections have a tendency to drag on for a longer time; but all the circumstances and conditions of modern life are favorable to brevity and positive conclusions in wars between distinct nations. Nineteenth-century life is practical; and nations have lost the habit of fighting on and on merely to gratify a false sense of pride or out of considerations of hatred and revenge. The cumulative force of precedent has helped to make it the established rule of modern statesmanship to seek peace with a public adversary on the best terms possible at the earliest moment when it is clearly apparent that the fortunes of war can have no favorable turn.—American Monthly Review of Reviews.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 7, 1898

Interesting news comes from Nebraska, to the effect that the friends of Col. W. J. Bryan are trying to induce him to resign his position in the army and return to the West where his services will be in demand during the campaign. It is argued that there will be no more dangerous duties for him to face in the army as he is stated to go to Cuba, with Fitzhugh Lee, for garrison duty only. It is also stated that nine-tenths of Col. Bryan's command want to be mustered out and it is confidently expected that he will resign.

The Republicans of Texas have refused to nominate a state ticket this year and there is a tacit understanding that they will support the Populist nominees. This sort of combination with the Democrats in any other state, would be howled down as "fusion" by the midway Populists of Texas. It makes a difference whose ox is gored.

The Democrats of New York state are just now considerably divided upon the silver question. The friends of W. J. Bryan and the white metal, however, seem to be in the majority. Ex-Gov. Stone of Missouri, who is a member of the National Democratic committee, while on a recent mission to the East, gave it as his opinion that the Democracy of New York and the East must fall into line with the policy of the party as outlined in the last national platform or retire from party councils. The rural New Yorkers have verified Gov. Stone's prediction by refusing to send ex-Governor Flower as a delegate to the approaching state convention on account of his opposition to Bryan in 1896.

A sensation has been created in Texas, by the Populist candidate for governor, Barnett Gibbs, offering to withdraw from the race in favor of the Democratic candidate, provided the latter will enter into an agreement, pledging himself, if elected, to carry out the cardinal principles advocated by the Populists. Among the conditions imposed on Mr. Sayers, is a promise to submit to a vote of the people, a constitutional amendment providing for the building of a state railroad from the gulf to Red river, with the surplus school fund and convict labor; also to favor a constitutional amendment providing that the state may have the final vote on all state and municipal bond issues and all state laws passing the legislature, by less than a three-fourths majority. Failing to accept this proposition, Mr. Gibbs proposes ten joint debates with his opponent.

The "Federal Iron and Steel Trust," is the name of a new corporation recently formed for the purpose of controling the production and distribution of ore from the manufacture of barbed wire used by the farmers for fences, to the armor plate for war vessels. The new company has organized under the laws of New Jersey, with a capitalization of $200,000,000. Who says there is a law against trusts?

The national convention of the so-called middle of-the-road Populists, convened at Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 5. Soon after the call was first issued by Chairman Milton Park, of Texas, there was a strong effort made to have it withdrawn, but through the influence of Wharton Barker, of Philadelphia, Thomas Watson of Georgia, Ignatius Donnelly of Minnesota, and Frank Burkett of Mississippi, the call was sustained. It is no secret that Republican influence is behind this convention, and that it is used to prevent, if possible, any co-operation of the Populists and free-silver Democrats and Republicans in the future. The Cincinnati convention, however, does not represent the real Populists, and those who participate in its deliberations, read themselves entirely out of the People's Party.

The gold standard papers are rejoicing over the refusal of the United States sub-treasury to receive gold for currency on account of the superabundance of coin already locked up in Uncle Sam's strong boxes, while at the same time publishing the fact that there is almost a panic among the bankers of New York and Chicago because of a shortage of money to move the farmers crops. Consistency may be a jewel and truth a treasure of rare value, but neither are found in the editorial columns of the gold bug press.

Gen. Coxey has gone on the road again to scatter the seeds of reform, this time in a private car refitted at the Pullman shops. It is doubtful about the laboring men forming any great attachment for anything connected with Pullman fame. A. R.

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Three members of the Populist state executive committee of Tennessee have resigned and declared their intention to support the Hon. Benton McMillen, Democratic candidate for governor. One of the number and perhaps the most influential Populist of Tennessee, J. H. McDowell, sergeant at arms of the last Populist national convention and recently a radical middle-of-the-roader, having been one of the leading spirits in the re-organization meeting held last year at Nashville. He now says the party in Tennessee has no hope and advises those who desire reform to vote the Democratic ticket.

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Rev. L. B. Pounds.

Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In the Probate Court of said County.

In the matter of the Estate of Ann M. Brasher, deceased. Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of August, 1898, letters of administration on the estate of Ann M. Brasher, deceased, were granted to me by R. M. Honeycutt, judge of Probate of Chilton county, committing to me, as Sheriff of said county, the administration of said estate.

All persons having claims against the estate are required to present the same within the time required by law, or the same will be for ever barred.

This 24th day of August, 1898.

JAMES T. COOLEY,
Sheriff of Chilton county, as Administrator.

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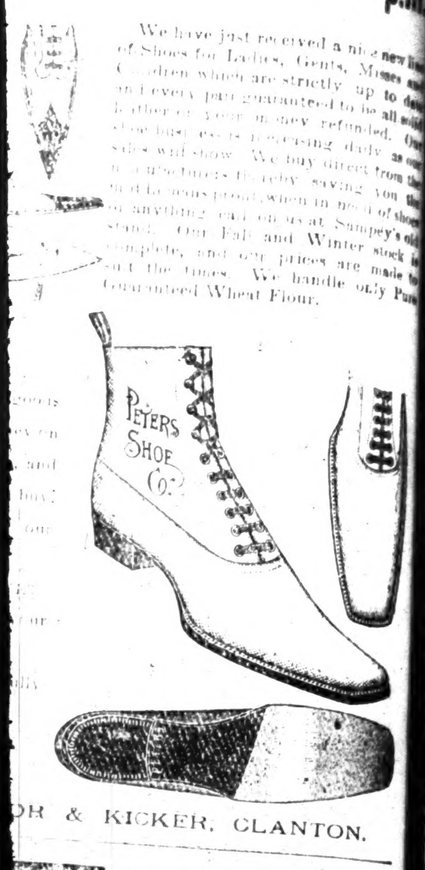

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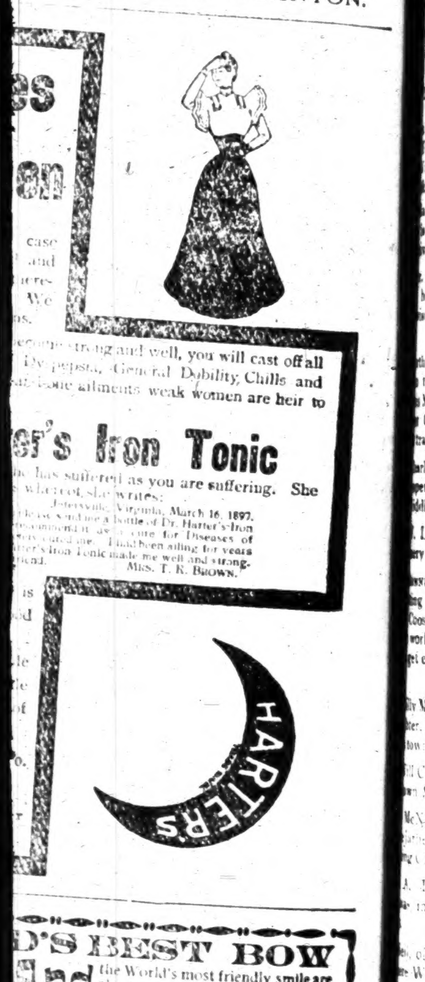

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...Estimate left for the ... Montgomery Friday.

...Brock has removed his ...Montgomery.

...Higgins has moved into ...house.

...M. Wilson went to Bir... Monday.

...Judge-elect S. M. Ad... town Monday.

...W. Reynolds, of Jemi... visitor here Tuesday.

...Smith left last Fri... ...ston, where he has se... ...tion with Mr. Duke.

...ten surfaces, sores, in... ...ptions, skin diseases and ...ples there is one reliable ...DeWitt's Witch Haz... When you call for De... except counterfeits or ...you will be disapointed ...DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. ...H. Matthews.

...Mattie McRee, of Mont... ...spending a few days ...here.

...Mrs. Matthews and children ...home Tuesday, after a ...visit to friends at Marion, ...

...through bound accomodation ...on the old schedule, and ...to Montgomery at 4 p.m., ...for Clanton at 5:25 p.m. ...trains have been altered.

...Harley Moore, of Mo nt... ...spent a few days with Mr. ...Middleton this week.

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...Mrs. Mills, of Pletchers, and ...sister, Miss Clara, spent Sat... ...down.

...Mrs. Carter, of Billingsley, ...here Monday.

...Miss McNeil and Miss Onie ...Charlette, of Montgomery, ...Clanton.

...A. T. Goodwyn, of El... ...in town yesterday on ...

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...Negro was arrested yes... ...charged with stealing the ...shoes of his companion, ...and fled to await the ...Grand Jury.

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...Mr. ... Criswell, of Mont... ...Wednesday in Clan...

...Mr. ... appointment when ...DeWitt's Little ...Early Risers, easy, ...pills. They cure con... ...headache just as ...from Stanfield & ...

...Letters have been issued ...the Probate Judge to ...executors.

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Its Worst.

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"Anyhow," he insisted, "among us a man never has to marry his wife's whole family."—Detroit Journal.

A Philosophical Vicar.

A dishonest gardener of the Rev. S. C. Malan had received notice of discharge, and after an unsuccessful attempt to vindicate his character by plausible platitudes said mournfully to the vicar:

"Ah, sir, you will miss me before I be gone half an hour!"

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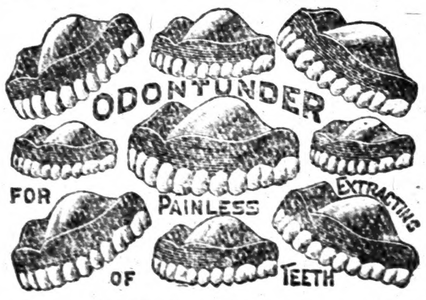

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WE will attend at the following times and places for the purpose of Assessing the State and County Tax of Chilton county for the year 1899, and collecting the taxes for the year 1898:

		1898
Kincheon	Beat 6	October 1
Benson	" 3	" 3
Maplesville	" 7	" 4
Shoultz	" 7	" 5
Dixie	" 8	" 6
Stanton	" 8	" 7
Macedonia	" 3	" 10
Providence	" 2	" 11
Jemison	" 2	" 12
Mineral Springs	" 1	" 13
Strasburg	" 9	" 14
Clanton	" 4	" 17
Coopers	" 5	" 18
Verbena	" 5	19 & 20
Davis & Rollins' Gin,	Beat 6	" 21
Albert Headley's Store	" 6	" 22

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
T. J. HUBBARD, Tax Collector.

Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In the Probate Court of said County.

In the matter of the Estate of J. G. M. Burk, deceased. Notice of appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on, to wit, the 21st day of July, 1898, letters of administration on the estate of J. G. M. Burk, deceased, were granted to me by R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate of Chilton county, committing to me, as Sheriff of said County, the administration of said estate.

All persons having claims against the said estate are required to present the same within the time required by law, or the same will be for ever barred.

This 20th day of August, 1898.

JAMES T. COOLEY,
Sheriff of Chilton County, as Administrator.

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Should know that the "Old Time" Remedy,

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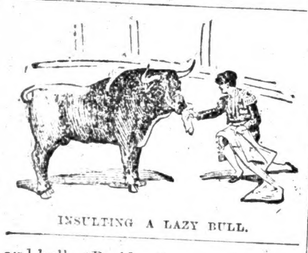
OLD SPAIN, despite the disgusting immorality of the thing, knows of no sight more stirring and imposing than the first part of an expensive bull fight, with the ceremonious entrance to the blare of trumpets; the procession of historic costumes of crimson, pale blue, white and canary; of pea green, silvery white and pink; of scarlet, black, dark blue and white—and over all of it the brilliant sunlight, the perfumes of spring in the sweet air, and the enthusiasm of a mighty audience that moves and shouts and blazes with excitement.

The ring at Tarragona, for example—little, old, lost-to-the-world Tarragona—gives seats for 17,000 people—more than the entire population of that backward town along the Mediterranean; and yet, the seats are often full, for the country people for miles around flock in, on foot, on donkeys, asses, horses and in bullock carts. So that when the big band strikes up the old barbaric march, and the thousands on the benches move themselves uneasily, and shout down greetings to their favorite fighters, you have a scene before you not to be forgotten.

The central idea of a bull-fight, the Spanish will tell the visitor, is to display the courage and dexterity of men. It is acknowledged that the bull is more than a man's match—the bull with his strength, ferocity and sharp horns, and the man alone, armed with a sleder sword. Again, it is essential that the bull should be killed with but one single stroke, given while the swordsman, the espada, faces him. This stroke must also be delivered in one special spot, behind the shoulders, to penetrate the heart. Should it glance and strike the lungs instead, so that the bull will drop blood from his mouth, the audience is disgusted, and expresses its disgust. All this is delicate and dangerous work, and it requires preparation to make conditions equal for both parties, man

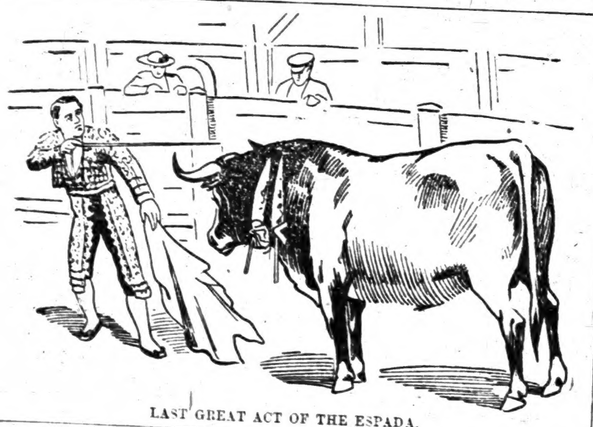


INSULTING A LAZY BULL.

and bull. Besides there must be ceremony and a show. Out of these necessities the numerous and well-defined acts and scenes of a bull-fight take their due progression.

The bull must first be exercised before the audience, that they may take pleasure in his strength. The animal is noble, with a pedigree as long as that of many a Don. He is slender, with small hind-quarters and tremendous neck and shoulders. Nevertheless, he is rather small than large. His horns are straight and sharp; and he is quick, tricky and vicious. The ordinary bull-fighters, toreadores, flaunt their cloaks before his face and escape with difficulty, often being obliged to jump the fence around the ring. But for the poor horses there is no escape, and here is where the illness of the stranger takes its sudden rise.

The object of bringing in the horses, early in the game (poor broken-down old creatures), is really four-fold. It is first to exhibit the vigor of the bull, when he lifts and tosses them with the most abominable strength. Next, it is to tire the bull a little, so that it will not be impossible for a single man to face him, later on. Thirdly, it is

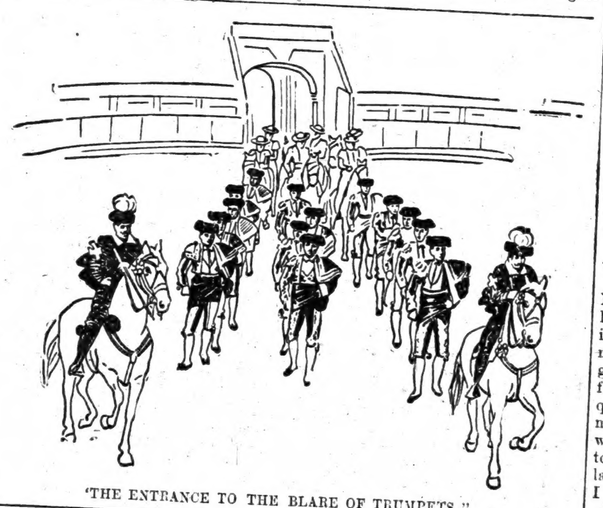


LAST GREAT ACT OF THE ESPADA.

to give the bull a smell of blood, that being naturally what he himself is fighting for. Lastly—it must be said, unhappily—it is to give the people themselves a sight of blood.

I believe this latter to be absolutely true, in spite of all denials of Spaniards. The audience seems to like the blood of mangled horses!

And now, while the bull is being taunted in the ring, almost at the beginning, the horses, blindfolded, are therefore being slowly ridden around to him. Upon them are mounted the most degraded of all bull-fighters, the picadores, so little-thought-of by the people themselves that the lowest, cheapest brand of Spanish cigarettes are called, with one consent, the picadores. It is the trade of these gentlemen—who ride in always, it is said, half drunk—to see that the bind-folded horses which they ride are properly ruined by the bull; it is their trade to spear the bull with a long lance, to irritate him, and to save themselves. They, themselves, are protected on the legs by iron sheathings. After two or four or even eight horses have been gored and tossed and tumbled, and are dragged away dead and bleeding, the trumpet sounds and a very different set of men dash into the wide bull-ring.



'THE ENTRANCE TO THE BLARE OF TRUMPETS."

These are the banderilleros. Each one of them has two be-ribboned darts, like little harpoons, in his hand, which he must fix in the bull's neck to pain him, to infuriate him, and to make him exhibit the agility of men.

It is a matter of no little skill and danger; if successful, it almost crazes the animal, giving him the maximum of ferocity with the minimum of strength. It is also one of the "prettiest" parts of the corrido de toros; for the bull comes on with a rush to these most nimble and courageous banderilleros, who often must evade him by a single inch. Each evasion and each trick of daring has its name, and is applauded or hissed by the excited thousands on the benches, according to the audacity, coolness and dexterity of the men, or the reverse.

These lively fellows, who take terrible risks, will seat themselves on chairs and let the bull come thundering down on them. Then at the very instant that he would strike them, toss them, mangle them, they rise, plant their harpoons into his neck, and leap aside. The bull must be content to toss the chair. Or they will take a long pole, and leap over the bull's back as he comes at them. Or they will kneel down on one knee, with grace, and tickle the puzzled beast upon his nose with a lace handkerchief and slip aside from him. Their harpoons, which they jab into his injured and insulted neck, should make him wild.

But if he does not show sufficient wildness, the people cry for "Fire!" And here it is too sickening and cowardly to proceed in detail. Sufficient it will be to say that there have been invented banderillas with firework attachments, that they may burn after they have been thrust into the bull's neck!

Enough. The time has now arrived for the great act of the matador, or the espada, the most important man, the high professional who has to kill a crazy bull, made monstrously wicked by ill-treatment and a thousand goadings. The bull is weakened, it is true, but he is still so dangerous that a mercenary show; and with the Spanish dons content to patronize it in the simple act of paying for their seats.

Romero found the national sport "degenerated" to a simple conflict between a bull and professional-without-a-profession. Apart from the lack of noble Spanish blood in the bull-fighter, the degeneracy appears to have consisted in an exchange of the heavy armor in which chivalry was wont to prudently envelop itself for the cheaper suit of padded leather and shirt of mail of the time and trade. Pedro Romero, first, threw aside every kind of protection, appearing as a gymnast, light, graceful and exact; and secondly, to counterbalance the obvious disadvantage, hit upon the device of "tiring out" the bull by a whole series of "preliminary exercises," to be performed by understudies. He invented, also, a new and very dangerous method of killing the animal, a single sword-blow, which must penetrate a certain spot behind the shoulder of the bull, while the bull-fighter perilously faced him. How much this was "degenerating" from the prudence of the old aristocrats who, in their knightly armor, speared the bull from the backs of their war-horses, and hacked at him, when unseated, with their battle-axes, is a question rather delicate than difficult to answer.

During the past twenty years two

FRASCUELO AND LAGARTIJO.

names have been all-powerful in the peninsula. Rafael Molina y Sanchez (called Lagartijo) and Salvador Sanchez (Frascuelo) have done for their trade what John L. Sullivan did for the fighting business in America. They refused to fight for the comparatively small pay of their predecessors, and by reason of their popularity were able to make extraordinary terms with the Spanish public and impresarios. The profession is grateful to them to-day, now that they are in their old age, and they are still called by courtesy the two stars of Spain. Lagartijo, in particular, was always a ferocious fellow, insisting that the public should have its full of blood and excitement.

Nowadays the success of the fighters does not depend so much on the applause of wealth and beauty in the boxes as it does on the fidelity of the respectable middle-class public in the reserved seats of the grada, to say nothing of the yelling populace on the stone benches immediately around the arena. As for the modern Spanish lover, he feels that he is doing a great deal when he pays the admission price to the grada for his sweetheart and her mother. The Spanish lover is, ordinarily, spoony, and the Spanish girl is seemingly—ordinarily, timid to a degree; the Spanish mother is very often pretentious, and the whole middle class and lower class population astonishingly democratic and outspoken.

This, then, is the bull-fight, and the spirit of the bull-fight audience. The audience is composed of every type of citizen—the respectable and good, as well as the depraved. Little children suck their oranges contentedly while the miserable horses are squealing with pain, their entrails protruding from their ruined bellies. It seems to be only a question of getting used to it. They say you can get used to anything.

EASY TO DEAL WITH A GIDDY BULL.

this regard all through the eighteenth century, there is reason to give the date of "the accession of the Bourbons" its mere sentimental value. The chronicles of the ring begin again in 1770, with the name of the plebeian Pedro Romero, with the Corrida de Toros in full swing as

YOUNG HERO OF SANTIAGO.

Charles Escudero, of Ohio, Age Fourteen, Carried Water to the Wounded on San Juan Hill.

Although Charles Escudero, fourteen years old, doesn't realize it yet, time will show that as the water boy of the Ninth Infantry in Cuba he was as much a hero as any man who carried a gun in the wild fight and fearless charge up San Juan hill. Charlie arrived at New York City, a few days ago, on the transport Louisiana and was shipped to his home, Columbus, Ohio, by the Children's Aid Society.

Charlie looked like a picturesque reconcentrado, wearing a regulation brown cavalry hat, an old brown jacket and a pair of trousers much the worse for the Santiago campaign. The remnants of the shoes that carried him up the rocky hill of San Juan held his feet, and a blue flannel shirt, much too large, was lapped about him.

His father was a bugler in the Ninth Infantry, which Charlie managed to join at Tampa. There he was smuggled on a transport, and when he got to Cuba he was told he might act as water boy for the Ninth Infantry.

He was in all the fighting at Santiago and wherever there was a man of the Ninth with his gun there the water boy went at the call of the soldier.

Charlie is modest in his stories of what he did at San Juan hill.

"I carried water to the soldiers. My father is a bugler and I was with him nights. When there was fighting I had to work. When I saw our men getting killed I wished I had a gun, but I had to carry water. I had four canteens. One held about two quarts. The men firing would see me and yell to ask if I'd got any water. If they were all empty I went to the creek and filled them. At the last it got a long way to go. 'Wasn't I afraid?' I just thought I'd get

CHARLES ESCUDERO.
(He marched beside his soldier father and gave water to the men as they fought before Santiago.)

killed, and we'd all get killed that day, the bullets came so thick. I saw men I knew get hit.

"I kept run of my father by the bugle, mostly. Did I see many wounded? Yes, I carried water to 'em when I could. Sometimes I had to pour it into their mouths, but most of the men I saw wounded were able to get on their elbows to drink.

"I've got plenty of relics for my mother—Spanish cartridges and other Spanish relics. I'm going back to school. I'm in the fifth grade."

The boy seems to have suddenly become aged by his experiences. He is only a little chap, with big brown eyes and long lashes, and he says he does so want to see his mother and sisters.

Consumption of Coal.

The consumption of coal per head of population is lowest in Austria, where it is only one-sixth ton per annum, and highest in Great Britain, where each person averages three and three-tenths tons each year. In the United States the average is two and one-fourth tons a year.

The Time It Failed.

Mrs. Callahan—"Don't yez remimber Oi told yez th' marnin' not to go in swimmin' to-day?"

Patsy Callahan—"Oh, come off mudder. Youse want me ter say yes, an' den you're goin' ter say, 'Fergit it an' remember de Maine."—Judge.

Russia is said to own 3,000,000 horses—nearly one-half of the whole number in existence.

15,000 DERVISHES KILLED.

Abdullah's Army of 60,000 Bravely Fought the Anglo-Egyptian Forces.

DESPERATE FIGHTING IN THE SOUDAN

Description of the Great Battle in General Kitchener's Campaign—The Dervishes Undismayed by the Slaughter Advanced to Death.

OMDURMAN, Opposite Khartoum on the Nile, Nubia. The Sirdar, General Sir Herbert Kitchener, with the Khalifa's black standard, captured during the battle, entered Omdurman, the capital of Mahdism Wednesday, at the head of the Anglo-Egyptian column after completely routing the Dervishes and dealing a death blow to Mahdism.

The day previous to the fighting the Anglo-Egyptian army encamped at Agaiza, eight miles from Omdurman. The Dervishes were three miles distant. At dawn the following day our cavalry, patrolling toward Omdurman, discovered the enemy advancing to the attack in battle array, chanting war songs. Their front consisted of infantry and cavalry, stretched out for three or four miles. Countless banners fluttered over their masses and the copper and brass drums resounded through the serried ranks of the savage warriors, who advanced unwaveringly with all their old-time ardor. Our infantry formed up outside the camp.

At 7:20 a. m. the enemy crowded the ridges above the camp and advanced steadily in enveloping formation. At 7:40 our artillery opened fire, which was answered by the Dervish riflemen.

The attack developed on our left, and, in accordance with their traditional tactics, they swept down the hillside with the design of rushing our flank. But the withering fire maintained for fifteen minutes by all our line frustrated the attempt and the Dervishes balked, swept toward our center, upon which they concentrated a fierce attack. A large force of horsemen, trying to face a continuous hail of bullets from the Cameron Highlanders, the Lincolnshire regiment and the Soudanese, was literally swept away, leading to the withdrawal of the entire force, whose dead strewed the field. The bravery of the Dervishes can hardly be overstated.

When the Dervishes withdrew from the ridge in front of their camp the whole force marched in echelon of battalions toward Omdurman. As our troops surmounted the crest adjoining the Nile the Soudanese on our right came in contact with the enemy, who again bore down on the Soudanese 15,000 strong, but the flower of the khalifa's army was caught in the depression and within a zone of withering cross-fire from three brigades with the attendant artillery. The devoted Mahdists strove heroically to made headway, but every rush was stopped. Finally they broke and fled, leaving the field white with Jibbah-clad corpses, like a snow drift dotted meadow.

It is estimated that 15,000 of the enemy were slain. Our total casualties were about 500. Besides Colonel Rhodes another correspondent was slightly wounded. Mr. Howard, the New York Herald correspondent, was slain by a shell in Omdurman.

APPALLING DISASTER.

Trolley Car Loaded With Picknickers Struck by Locomotive—Many Killed.

An appalling disaster occurred in Cohoes, N. Y., Monday night. A trolley car of the Troy City Railway company was struck by the night boat special of the Delaware and Hudson Railroad at a crossing at the east end of the Hudson river bridge, which connects this city with Lansingburg, and its human freight was hurled into the air. Eighteen of the thirty-five passengers were killed and at least ten of the remainder will die.

Alabama Negroes Sick at Pana, Ill.

A number of Alabama negroes who took the places of the striking coal miners near Pana, Ill., have contracted malarial fever, half a dozen cases being reported. It is said all the sewerage from Pana empties into a pond near the mines, and it is feared the negro quarters will become a pest hole in a few days.

Cubans Surrendering.

Two hundred Cubans surrendered their arms and asked for rations at Santiago Monday. The Cubans say their forces in Santiago province are suffering for want of provisions. Gen. Lawton has replied that he will ration all men who will return to town and give up their arms. He believes it will not be long before most Cubans have given up their fight for recognition and have returned to their homes.

Spanish Methods.

According to advices from Iliolt, General Rios, of the Vizcaya, is arresting and shooting suspected persons, including prominent natives of Manila.

Hobson's Future Work.

Naval Constructor Hobson will again be in charge of the course of naval architecture at the Annapolis naval academy, where the cadets have been pursuing their studies preparatory to being assigned at the end of three years to the construction corps.

Cervera Leaves Thursday.

It is understood that Cervera and the other Spanish prisoners will leave Annapolis Thursday morning. Capt. Eulate has secured the City of Rome, of the American line, as a transport.

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Day Will Leave ...

Secretary of State ... his resignation ... month. He ... new to be ... mission, but ... ing that Justice ... to serve as ...

At Spoonbowville, Texas, ... girls of Mr. Prater ... while at play ... All of them were ... were cremated ... efforts of their ... save them.

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DISASTER.

...With Pickaxes ...Many Killed.

...ly ...A ...ay City Railway ...ion of the ...and Halsey ...clones, is undoubtedly elected ...question of double being the ...democratic plurality.

NON-PARTISAN C...

To Be Appointed by the ... Meet September ...

WASHINGTON, Special... first matters to which ... now expected to give ... the selection of nine ... non-partisan commission ... the act of congress of ... collect information, consi... mend legislation to meet ... presented by labor, ag... capital. This body is ... nineteen persons, five of ... be members of the senate ... house, and nine other ... shall fairly represent the ... dustries and employment ... tors and representatives ... been appointed. For the ... be filled by the president ... file at the white house also ... cations embracing the na... well-known labor leaders ... prominent in the discus... tions incidental to the l... the employer and laboring ... lifetime of the commissi... two years, the salary of th... $7,500 per annum and its ... duties are comprehensive ... Public hearings may be giv... sary, and authority is gra... any place for securing the ... to make its report. The ... will meet September 15, w... Kyle as chairman.

PANDO AT NEW YO...

Story That He Fled With a ... founded—An Interv...

NEW YORK.—The story fro... that General Luis Pando, ... commander of the Spanish ... Manzanillo, had secretly fle... ba on the French steamsh... Dame du Salut for Spain wi... 000 francs, was proved to b... ed Sunday when the Ward L... adelphia came to her dock o... river front. General Pand... first of the forty-two passe... arrived from Havana on th... land.

Pando Interviewed.

General Pando said: "... has been no war. There ar... soldiers in Cuba who have ... an American soldier. My ... that the Spanish and Ame... diers were simply inveigled ... by the politicians of the two ... The politicians made fools o... diers."

Asked if he believed Gen... would be courtmartialed, ... Pando replied: "I believe t... regular course of events, ... what has happened, he will ...

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Arkansas Election.

Arkansas Monday elected a ... state officers, one hundred ... of the lower house of the le... sixteen statesenators, local o... each of the seventy-five coun... voted on the adoption of the ... portant constitutional amendm... well as the question of the liqu... in the different counties. Th... entire state ticket, headed by ...

Day Will Resign.

Secretary of State Day will ... his resignation on the 12th ... month. He said there was ... new to be told about the pe... mission, but gave it as his und... that Justice White had dec... to serve as one of the body.

At Speegleville, Texas, thr... girls of Mr. Prater, aged from ... while at play set a smoke-house ... All of them were soon in a bl... were cremated in spite of the ... efforts of their mother and ... save them.

Noted Character Dead.

Frank Queen, founder of ... town, Ky., and son-in-law of ... Boone, the famous frontiersm... in Birmingham Sunday of pne... the home of his daughter, Mrs ... Thompson. Deceased was a... with Boone in the early his... Kentucky.

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Heroes of War.

From the Chicago Times-Herald.

The feeling of admiration for heroes of war seems to be innate in the human heart, and is brought to the surface as the opportunity and object for such hero worship presents itself.

Among those who proved their heroism during our Civil War was A. Schiffeneder, of 161 Sedgwick street, Chicago. He is an Austrian by birth, came to America at the age of twenty and soon became an American citizen. He was living in Milwaukee when the call for volunteers came, early in 1862, and he promptly enlisted in Company A, of the Twenty-sixth Wisconsin Volunteers. In the Army of the Potomac our hero saw much fighting, campaigning in the Shenandoah Valley.

He received a wound.

In the first day's fighting at the battle of Gettysburg, Schiffeneder received a wound in the right side, which afterward caused him much trouble. With a portion of his regiment he was captured and imprisoned at Bell Island and Andersonville, and afterward exchanged. He returned to his regiment, which was transferred to the army of General Sherman, and marched with him through Georgia to the sea.

In this campaign Mr. Schiffeneder's old wound began to trouble him and he was sent to the hospital and then home. He had also contracted catarrh of the stomach and found no relief for years.

"I happened to read an account of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People about a year ago," he said, "and thought that they might be good for my trouble. I concluded to try them. I bought one box and began to take them according to directions. They gave me great relief. After finishing that box I bought another, and when I had taken the pills I felt that I was cured. I recovered my appetite and ate heartily. I can testify to the good the pills did me."

Mr. Schiffeneder is a prominent Grand Army man in Chicago, whither he moved some years ago with his family.

WASPS ASSIST IN A TRAGEDY.

Caesar's Death Scene Was Acted with Great Feeling.

"One of the most comical experiences in the history of the stage," said a local manager the other day to a Cleveland Leader man, "befell a company not long ago in a northern New York town. The company was playing 'Julius Caesar' and at the last moment it was found that the property man had failed to send up the regular throne chair used in the senate scene and an old rustic chair was hastily procured from the loft of the theater and after being covered with draping was pressed into service. In the midst of the scene a large wasp's nest was discovered attached to the chair and its inhabitants, becoming indignant at the disturbance they had suffered, began to swarm about the stage seeking revenge upon the Romans in their low-necked and short-sleeved dresses. The wasps seemed to be particularly offended with Caesar and it is doubtful if Caesar's death scene was ever acted with more feeling, for at the moment he was being pierced by the conspirators' daggers the wasps were most industrious in their work.

"In the tent scene where Caesar appears to Brutus, one might almost have doubted its being the true Caesar. It was the same in form and dress, but the face was no longer the same. In the last act Brutus had one eye closed, Antony a swollen lip, Cassius an enlarged chin, Lucius an inequality in the size of his hands and Octavius Caesar a nose that would have done service as the famous nose of Bardolph in 'Henry IV.'

"The tragedy came very near becoming a roaring comedy, when the leading man, as Cassius said: 'Antony, the posture of your blows is yet unknown,' but for your words, they rob the Hybla bees and leave them honeyless,' and Antony replied: 'Not stingless, too.'"

In Love with Celebrities.

Frivolous as the French are supposed to be, they take love, or what passes for it, very seriously on occasion. A French specialist in lunacy has been giving some information about the insane men and women who follow celebrities about and fall in love with them. The doctor has to send two or three women of this sort to asylums every month, and nothing is known of the cases by the public. Good looking priests, members of Parliament who make good speeches in the chamber, authors and handsome actors, are notably marks for the attention of such women. The actors, like the priests, have often been threatened by their jealous admirers, who are not content to worship at a distance, like the American matinee girl. Actresses, too, have their dangerous admirers. Mme. Sarah Bernhardt has sometimes to be watched over very carefully. Her worshipers secrete themselves in all sorts of places in order to see her enter or leave her theater or her residence. The special detectives have had to interfere on two noted occasions, in order to save the famous actress from the bullets or the daggers of maniacs who resolved to injure or kill her because she refused to respond to their declarations of love.

Spanish Commissioners Selected.

It is currently reported in Madrid that the Spanish ministers at Saturday's cabinet meeting definitely selected the three following peace commissioners: Gen. Rafael Cuerero y Saenz, general of engineers; Senor Eugenio Montero Rios; Senor Villaurutia, under secretary of state for foreign affairs.

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HAIR AND WAGES.

Necessary to Dye the One to Live by the Other.

It would be humorous—were it not so pathetic—to learn that the dyeing of the hair is not confined, in England, to the woman with the peroxided locks, but is a habit rendered necessary by fierce labor competition to the working man, whose gray hairs would handicap him against younger candidates for employment.

That the working man who is getting on in years does have to resort to artificial aids to rejuvenate his appearance was made very clear to a London Daily Mail reporter, whose investigations led him to inquire of some of the chemists who sell the dyes.

Mr. Black, the manager of Day's drug store, High street, Whitechapel, said: "It is absolutely true that there is a very large demand for hair dyes among the men working in the factories and wholesale houses in this neighborhood. The sale of hair dyes is brisker during the busy season of the factories than at any other time. The foreign element in this district, and throughout London, is so eager to work at a reduced wage, that the Englishman whose hair is turning has very little chance. The slightest suspicion of gray hair is sufficient to cause the rejection of his application. It is a well known thing, and a great shame, that men who are able bodied, active, with experience in the work which they are seeking, are constantly refused because they are 'grayheads.' The bosses are like the children of Biblical notoriety who derided Elisha. We are selling about fifteen bottles a week just now, but the average of weekly sales during the year would give a higher figure. The men are generally between thirty-five and fifty, but all our clients are Englishmen. Our particular prescription has become so popular that we have christened it Charlie's Fancy." The dye remains good from a week to a fortnight, according to the amount of grayness, but many of our customers make a regular weekly purchase. The men are very shy and sensitive about it. They call me aside for a private chat, and it is always 'for my friend outside.' We are constantly being asked curious questions. But one striking feature in the sale of hair dye is the popularity it meets among Hebrew women."

The manager of the Aldgate drug stores, Whitechapel, was able to confirm from personal evidence the accuracy of the story.

"The most popular shade is brown, from medium to dark brown. Black is too dark. The man doesn't aspire to be a Romeo, but just to possess a serviceable color which will stand a week's wear. Some of the men work in the city and the West End, and live about this vicinity because it is cheaper. The majority are factory hands, who are afraid they will lose their places if their hair becomes gray. Foreigners are so numerous here that there are a hundred desirous to work at a lower wage should there be a chance."

"GOVERNMENT LOTTERIES."

An Item of Public Revenue in Many Countries—Spain's Great Expectations.

In the Prussian budget of receipts and expenditures for 1898 is one item which must seem rather unusual to American financiers—$2,000,000 marks the equivalent of about $20,000,000 from authorized government lotteries. In Prussia the lottery is operated under the direct authority of the state. There are a number of prizes of 500,000 marks, and it is an annual affair in the line of revenue raising. In Italy this year in the annual budget for 1898 was the item of revenue 65,000,000 lire from lotteries, about equivalent to $13,000,000 in American money and it is somewhat curious that in nearly every country of Europe, with the exception of France and Belgium, lotteries as a means of revenue raising are the rule rather than the exception.

Denmark made last year a profit on its lotteries—a net profit over and above expenses—of 1,000,000 crowns; equivalent to about $400,000. In Holland, too, there is a state lottery, the net proceeds of which are figured each year at 650,000 guilders, or about $300,000. Portugal is another European country which recruits its revenues from this source. In the year 1897 the Portuguese lottery gained 1,750,000 milreis (nearly $2,000,000). But Portugal has at least some justification in its adherence to lotteries by reason of the fact that the finances of that country are in an unsettled condition, that creditors are pressing against it, and that the expenditures have for a number of years exceeded considerably the revenues.

In the European countries lotteries are state monopolies, as much as the sale of stamps or of cigars and tobacco, and the government makes usually a considerable profit from them. The Spaniards are great believers in the advantages offered by lotteries, and the financial plight of that country now being most serious, there will be started soon under the auspices of the Spanish government a great lottery scheme, the receipts of which, minus the prizes, will be turned over to the government for its needs. Circulars are being sent out, and it is expected that 7,000,000,000 pesetas, or about $100,000,000 will be netted for the government. There are five capital prizes of 500,000 pesetas each.

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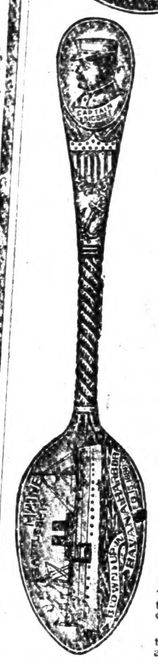

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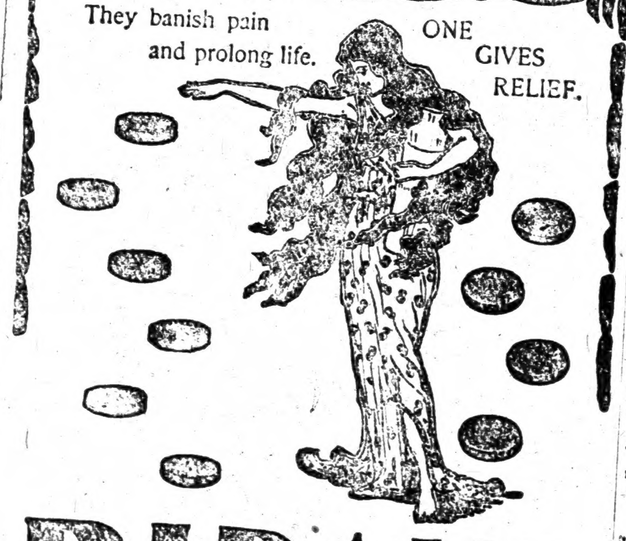

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CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

The Congressional convention of the People's Party of the Fourth District of Alabama met at Talladega yesterday. Chairman I. E. Watson opened the proceedings and appointed Mr. Wilson of Shelby, temporary chairman. Mr. Street of Talladega was elected secretary and Mr. Dodson, of Clebourne, assistant secretary. A committee on credentials was appointed and reported all the counties in the district represented. Then the temporary organization was made the permanent organization.

The committee on resolutions reported.

1. We affirm the principles of the People's Party as declared in the Omaha and St. Louis platforms.

2. We endorse the course of Hon. W. F. Aldrich in Congress.

3. We commend the administration of President McKinley for the satisfactory prosecution of the war with Spain.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich was unanimously endorsed as our candidate for congress and the convention pledged itself to do everything possible to elect him, and adjourned.

FRUIT CULTURE IN CHILTON

Thorsby, Ala., Sept. 13, 1898.

Editor Banner—Now that the [illegible] bringing forth [illegible] of mutual or [illegible] and other [illegible] our farmers; [illegible] to the promoters [illegible] success. I have [illegible] road to better [illegible] that is, plant [illegible] and plum or- [illegible] co, a certain [illegible] direct east of us [illegible] to promote the [illegible] was laughed [illegible] by most of the [illegible] ed loss of crops [illegible] feared over-pro- [illegible] was not shipping [illegible] man persever- [illegible] ed one hundred [illegible] dollars for his peach [illegible] which offer he refused. Georgia [illegible] about eight hundred [illegible] peaches and plums in '96 and [illegible] two hundred car loads this year. [illegible] they have ever had; [illegible] over one and a half million [illegible] in that section. A north- [illegible] eighteen thousand [illegible] the fruit from one or- [illegible] and netted over one hundred [illegible] dollars from the invest- [illegible] clads averaged $5.00 [illegible] tree, and few trees netted less [illegible] one dollar. These figures are [illegible] record, and can be easily verified. [illegible] soil far better adapted [illegible] to peaches and plums than [illegible] Georgia or our climate just as [illegible] able if not more so, our market [illegible] supplies much better. [illegible] for the past ten years [illegible] trees bear as regular [illegible] crops. Our fruit this year [illegible] better than some va- [illegible] in Georgia.

[illegible] worth of peaches off [illegible] three old neglected trees here [illegible] one shipment to a fav- [illegible] northern market sold for 80 [illegible] per box and were pronounced [illegible] the finest on the market. Buyers [illegible] more. There is no [illegible] over-production. [illegible] always a market for nice [illegible] at prices. Georgia's two [illegible] cars this year sold as well [illegible] the crop of '97—about 800 cars, [illegible] than the 150 cars last [illegible] There is plenty room for us [illegible] the business and the sooner we [illegible] the better.

Some farmers who have bought [illegible] from traveling fruit tree [illegible] probably think that the [illegible] too much and can't [illegible] and we can't blame [illegible] know no better. But [illegible] reliable nurserymen in [illegible] and adjoining states who [illegible] acclimated and adapt [illegible] prices within reach of

[illegible] any part of this sub- [illegible] further explanation [illegible] to contribute short [illegible] interest of the fruit [illegible] mers of Chilton coun- [illegible] well to investigate the [illegible] results of a small orchard.

P. C. Smith.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—Editor.]

Randolph, Ala., Sept, 10 1898

Editor Banner—In reply to L. H. Reynolds we don't want any stock law. I have talked with this entire country and have found one man for that law. No, the people elected Mr. Reynolds believing that he was opposed to stock law. As for the road law, we keep up the roads by working them at leisure times. In these times we could not make money to pay taxes to keep up the roads. Now, the writer who said 15 cents each a year would keep up the roads is sadly mistaken. As for the bull and boar law, it will be for the best for the reason we can't improve our stock when scrubs run at large. As for the dog law, it will be for the best, as some will keep three or four half starved dogs to kill sheep and suck eggs, etc. As for the school law, anything to better it. Now, Mr. Editor, I have written as short as I can to express the will of the people.

S. E. Waldrup.

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Jemison, Sept. 12, 1898

Death is said to be a cruel foe, though often it comes and relieves a suffering mortal.

Thus it was on the 8th of September, 1898, Mrs. Mollie Barnes at their home in Jemison was called to leave her husband and tender little daughter, five years old, one devoted sister and four brothers. Mrs. Barnes told them a few hours ere the spirit took its Heavenward flight, that she was going home. Her whole life was characteristic of a gentle, sweet disposition, preferring the happiness of others before self. To know her was to love her. She had long been a lovely member of the M. E. church. To offer sympathy to the bereaved seems like mockery in their grief, yet it is a duty we owe to our friends. Sometimes a tender word, a look that bespeaks warmth and love, lightens the weight which presses so heavily on the very vitals of our life.

"We will meet beyond the river, where the billows cease to roll." Dear one adieu till then.

Mrs. I. C.

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West Chilton, Sept. 12, 1898.

More roads and better roads; more bulls and better bulls. In reply to Mr. L. H. Reynold's letter of Aug. 28th will say that Chilton county does not need any bull law at all. We need more bulls and free bulls to run at liberty. A bull law might suit a few men about Jemison and Clanton, but away from those places it would not. There is too many cattle running at large in Chilton for a bull law, and a bull law would be too much against the poor people. I hope the people of Chilton will consider this matter, and object to it and contest it, for we don't need any such foolish law.

And now in regard to the road laws. We need an amendment to the road law; we need more roads and better roads in Chilton county, and we need a law that would compel the overseers to have more work done on the roads every year. I know of some roads in Chilton that are nearly impossible to travel. Chilton county needs the Dallas county road law. A good portion of our overseers are too slack.

We need a dog law worse than we need a bull law; there are too many dogs and not enough sheep.

Old Mike.

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W. S. Morgan, middle-of-the-road candidate for governor of Arkansas, received less than 5,000 votes at the recent election. The Populists of that state have polled as high as 85,000 votes, but they do not take kindly to the cause of the assistant Republicans.

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West Chilton.

The cotton crop in these parts has been cut off over half with the rain and rust, and the pea crop will be very near a failure owing to the heavy rains.

Mr. H. H. Lassiter, of Stanton, has opened up a big general merchandise business at Plantersville.

Mr. J. E. Barnes, of Plantersville, is able to be up again after a long spell of fever.

Capt. Fred Young sr. and his young bride are boarding at Plantersville

Mrs Jenney Hayes and children, of Siximile, are visiting Mr. R. J. Mitchell at Valley Creek.

Mr. Jasper Perry lost a fine mule the other day from some unknown disease.

Bud Barnes, the blacksmith, is confined to his bed and is very sick.

Old Mike.

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CAMP MEETING

The camp meeting at Fairview, formerly known as the Shelby Jones's place, has been postponed until the third Sunday in October, commencing on Friday before at 11 o'clock. Rev. W. B. Dennis will preach two sermons on water baptism at Fairview on the third Sunday in September, one in the evening at 4 o'clock, and one at night. Everybody is invited to come.

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CHANCERY COURT

The Fall term of the Chancery court, Chancellor J. R. Dowdell, presiding, convened on Monday last, and adjourned on Wednesday. There were no cases of public interest upon the docket.

In addition to the local bar, Col. S. W. John and W. R. Houghton of Birmingham, and Capt. N. A. Graham and Maj. W. R. Oliver of Calera, were in attendance.

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The Wolcott faction of the Colorado Republicans undertook to drive the Teller Republicans from the hall at the meeting of the recent state convention and a fight ensued in which one of the Tellerites was killed. Wolcott is an administration Republican and his interference with the deliberations of a silver convention is generally denounced.

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Stanton

Cotton is coming to the gin rapidly this week.

Mr. Epp Sewell is improving after being confined to his bed for some time with fever.

A crowd of the young people attended meeting at the pond Tuesday night and on their return home the horses ran away, but no one got seriously hurt.

Miss C. W. Plant is visiting her mother, Mrs. Brown, in Montevallo this week.

Miss Myrtle Lawrence has returned home after a pleasant visit to relatives here.

Miss Banima Martin visited friends at Welche's mill Monday.

Messrs. W. H. Rouse and Sam Gant spent the day with Mr. Lassiter in Plantersville Sunday.

Mr. George Martin has returned to school at Brierfield, after spending the summer with his parents.

Stan.

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MASS MEETING

A mass meeting of the People's Party of Chilton county met at the Court House, Clanton, last Saturday. A. G. Dake was elected chairman and Frank Crichton, secretary. The following delegates to the Fourth District Congressional convention were elected: S. M Adams, L. H. Reynolds, L. B. Pounds, H. J. Honeycutt and Frank Crichton.

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Mr. W. C. Mooney is building a new residence at Jemison; it will be remembered he was burned out some time ago.

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Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Dr. J. S. Johnson's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and $1. Guaranteed or price refunded.

PROGRAM OF TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

An Institute for white teachers will be held at Unity church, one mile east of Clanton on 16 and 17 of Sept. 1898.

FRIDAY.

1:30 a m. Devotional exercises.

11:00 Welcome address. James Thacker. Response, S. W. Collins. The Teacher. L. E. Byrum.

12:00. Dinner.

2 p.m. Education in its threefold sense—How best obtained? E. Y. McMorries.

3. Educational value of arithmetic, J. M. Corderie.

3:30. Educational value of reading, Mrs. Bowdoin.

4. Educational value of history. Miss Kate Garner.

4:30 Educational value of grammar, W. C. Evans.

SATURDAY.

9 a.m. The value of music in our common Schools, Miss Mary Moody.

9:30. The relation of patrons to the School, W. A. Mims and E. H. Partish.

10:30. Educational Address, Judson Strock. Dinner.

2 p.m. Why should teachers attend the Institutes, J. B. Jones.

3. Query box.

J. W. Moore
Judson Strock } Committee
W. S. Garner

A CRITICAL TIME

During the Battle of Santiago

SICK OR WELL, A RUSH NIGHT AND DAY

The Packers at the Battle of Santiago de Cuba were all Heroes. Their Heroic Efforts in Getting Ammunition and Rations to the Front Saved the Day.

P. E. Butler, of pack train No. 3 writing from Santiago, De Cuba, on July 23d, says: "We all had diarrhoea in more or less violent form, and when we landed we had no time to see a doctor, for it was a cause of rush and rush night and day to keep the troops supplied with ammunition and rations, but thanks to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, we were able to keep at work and keep our health; in fact, I sincerely believe that at one critical time this medicine was the indirect saviour of our army, for if the packers had been unable to work there would have been no way of getting supplies to the front. There were no roads that a wagon train could use. My comrade and myself had the good fortune to lay in a supply of this medicine for our pack-train before we left Tampa and I know it, four cases it absolutely saved life."

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Spain ought to be considered pretty good authority now on submarine boats.

Many of the tragedies of war pale before the tribulations and despairing experiences of the peaceful Klondike gold seekers.

The London Statist, a paper of the highest authority on financial subjects, forecasts the American business future as one of unbounded prosperity.

It is stated that the merchandise carried by rail in the United States is double the amount of land carriage of all the other nations of the earth combined. This means that the 70,000,000 people of the United States transport twice as much merchandise as the remaining 1,400,000,000 of mankind.

New York is far ahead of all the other states in the amount of money in savings banks, its banks holding on the first day of this year $718,176,889. Massachusetts follows, with 453,220,257, and then comes Connecticut, with $149,496,556, and California, with $127,929,281. The figures of savings deposits of all the New England states speaks volumes for Yankee industry, economy and thrift. Thus, the minute state of Rhode Island has $68,683,698; Maine, $57,476,896; New Hampshire, $49,493,056, and Vermont, $32,600,627.

The record of the torpedoboat Porter is remarkable. Although not intended for sea service, she was kept at sea for three months and weathered the storms with the best of them. Although not intended for long range fighting, she took part in the bombardment of San Juan de Porto Rico. But if her record marks the utmost of achievement of torpedoboat efficiency it also marks the limitations of this arm of the service. On neither side has the torpedoboat done any harm to the enemy, and a single, well-directed shot at the Porter would have disposed of her as effectively as the Spanish torpedoboat destroyers were disposed of off Santiago, before they could get within double their torpedo range of our ships.

So far Southern manufacturers of cotton have been mainly confined to the coarser yarns and ruder fabrics, but in this they have made astonishingly rapid progress. To take the example of a single state, North Carolina had in 1886 eighty cotton mills; in 1897 it had 1010. In the first named year it had 4071 looms, with 199,433 spindles; in the latter, 24,517 looms and 1,044,385 spindles. Some of the other cotton-growing states are not far behind, and with abundant water-power, cheap coal and extremely cheap labor the development of the business there is certain to continue and to display results as surprising as the last decade has shown. By and by the mills there will be able to do finer work, and some time — who knows? they may control the markets of the world with their home-grown and home-woven fabrics, thinks the New York Tribune.

One result of the war with Spain will be to enhance the value of American citizenship in the eyes of the world, predicts the New York Mail and Express. Hereafter the American flag and the American citizen will be respected abroad as they have never been before. Among all but the best educated and most traveled classes we have always had the reputation of being a nation of shopkeepers, shrewd, boastful, vulgar, but of little account outside of commercial transactions. They know better now. The extraordinary, almost miraculous, successes of our navy riveted the eyes of the world in admiration or in fear. The rapidity with which we have evolved an army of a quarter million of men from a state of unpreparedness has also impressed the nations, while the brave, fierce fighting of our rawleries before Santiago has been officially reported to every great power of Europe in words of unstinted praise. With the news of the terrible effectiveness of our army and navy have gone also the reports of the ease with which a great government loan has been placed in sums less than $5000, with five times the amount of the desired loan offered, but not accepted. More than all, the nations have been impressed with our magnanimity and the generous treatment of our prisoners. The American citizen will hereafter, when traveling abroad, be treated with a degree of courtesy and respect that he has never known before.

DEWEY WANTS MORE SHIPS

Situation in the Philippines in Considered Critical.

GENENAL AGUINALDO IS INTERVIEWED.

Wants Absolute Independence—Natives Do Not Want Annexation to the United States—Rebels in Control of the Islands.

MANILLA. — Rear Admiral Dewey considers the situation critical. It is understood that he has asked for an additional cruiser and battleship.

The Spaniards assert that Germany willl take a coaling station here and that Spain will retain the islands.

The last Spanish garrison at Illocos and Laguna have surrendered and the whole island of Luzon is in the hands of the insurgents, except at Manila and Cavite.

Aguinaldo went to Telollos on Friday. He has announced his intention of convening an assembly of the Philipinos in September in order to decide upon the policy to be adopted by the insurgents.

The correspondent of the Associated Press has had an interview with Aguinaldo, who said:

"Indeed, the whole population on the Philippine islands was willing to fight for their independence."

Continuing, Aguinaldo said he had 9,000 military prisoners, including 5,000 in the vicinity of Manila, besides civil prisoners.

Later Aguinaldo said the "provisional government" was now operating twenty-eight provinces. He asserted that on August 2 they elected delegates in numbers proportionate to the population.

As to the Americans, he said that he considered them as brothers, and that "The two sovereign republics were allied against a common enemy."

Aguinaldo has persistently demanded, in terms not too polite, various impossible concessions; for example, an occupation of the governor-general's palace and other palaces, a written assurance that the insurgents will be permitted to occupy permanently their military positions around Manila, and protection for the insurgent vessels by the American fleet—with many other claims, including an innocent demand for a share of the booty captured by the Americans at Manila.

After a careful review of the situation, General Otis arrived at the logical conclusion that the insurgents have no right to occupy the suburbs of Manila, and that Aguinaldo's claims have the support of neither equity or reason. He has, therefore, categorically refused to consider Aguinaldo's demands, and sent him an ultimatum, in terms plainly comprehensible and authoritative, that he must withdraw his troops from the suburbs before the 15th or suffer the consequences of refusal.

Burned or Massacred.

The correspondent of the London Times at Candia, island of Crete, who has just landed after five days in the roadstead, says:

"About 600 men, women and children were either burned alive or massacred in the outbreak last week. The Turkish troops are now patrolling and blocking up the streets. The Musselmans are ransacking the ruins of the burned quarters of the town, where devastation is complete. Blood is visible everywhere. Such bodies of the slain as were not burned were removed in carts and buried outside the town limits.

Killed His Best Friend.

Private A. W. Sullivan killed Private Arthur Burns at the First Georgia camp at Knoxville, Tenn., Sunday night. The men were drinking and quarreled in their tent. Sullivan was turned over to the civil authorities. He is in jail, a raving maniac, having killed his best friend. Both men belonged to the Macon, Ga., company.

Arizona Town Wiped Out by Fire.

The town of Jerome, Arizona, was completely wiped out by fire, entailing a loss of over $1,000,000 in property. Eleven bodies have so far been recovered, while a score or more are said to be in the ruins or missing.

Shot by a Guard.

Private Joseph S. Mouser, of the Third Texas regiment, while in St. Louis en route home, was shot down by Guard Bridgewater, at the command of Captain Shields, of Company M. Mouser was intoxicated, and becoming boisterous, was reproved by Captain Shields. This enraged him, and drawing a knife, said he would settle with the captain, and made a lunge at the captain, whereupon Bridgewater fired the fatal shot.

Cotton Mills to Resume.

There will be a general resumption of work by the cotton mills of Fall River, Mass., this week.

Farmers Will Plant Wheat.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver says the farmers of Alabama are going to plant wheat next year. He has been busy filling orders for the grain recently. He says he is willing to get all that is wanted for those who intend raising their own wheat next year.

Shooting at Goodwater.

At Goodwater, Dick Allen and L. W. Allen, brothers, shot and seriously wounded M. F. Ray, of Columbus, Ga. Four balls took effect and the wounds may prove fatal.

SCHOONER PLATT LOST.

Search Reveals Evidence That She Went Down in the Recent Gale.

A Brunswick, Ga., special says that Postmaster Symons, who chartered a tug and went in search of the schooner John H. Platt, which was in the terrible storm of August 30, has returned to Brunswick with unmistakable evidence of the ship's loss with all on board. Postmaster Symons' son was a passenger on board the Platt. A brother of Captain Townsend, of the schooner Jessie C. Woodhull, accompanied Mr. Symons, and he is confident that his brother's ship has met the same fate. A total of twenty persons were aboard the two lost ships.

TO ABANDON CAMP WIKOFF.

Peremtory Orders From General Miles to Send Soldiers Home.

A dispatch from Camp Wikoff says: Under peremptory orders from General Miles preparations are being made to break up this camp at once by sending home all the soldiers here. This is entirely contrary to what has been the understanding of the officers in command. General Shafter said last week that 6,000 or 7,000 men would be kept here at least until October, and this was supposed to have been the order of Secretary Alger. An officer said that when General Miles' order came a telegram was sent him saying that his order was contrary to that of Secretary Alger and Miles replied: "Never mind what Alger says; I am in command now."

H. C. Tompkins Dies Suddenly.

Col. Henry C. Tompkins, one of the most prominent lawyers of Montgomery, fell dead in his office Monday. He had been seen on the streets half an hour before, in admirable spirits and apparently in robust health. Just as he was seating himself at his desk he was stricken by heart failure and collapsed. A physician was hastily summoned, but his efforts were unavailing, and the unfortunate gentleman died within a few minutes. Acute indigestion is supposed to have superinduced the attack.

Powers' Flags Hoisted Over Candia.

VIENNA.—According to a dispatch received here from Canea, Island of Crete, the troops of the various powers have hoisted their flags over the town walls of Candia, and the admirals have sent an ultimatum to the deputy governor and the Turkish commandant demanding that all arms be laid down by 5 o'clock Saturday evening. The warships, it is added, are in readiness to resume the bombardment of the place.

Republican Ticket Elected.

The election in Maine Monday resulted in the success of the full republican ticket, as follows: Governor, Llewellyn L. Powers; Congressman First district, Thomas B. Reed, of Portland; Second district, Nelson Dingley, of Lewiston; Third district, E. C. Burleigh, of Augusta; Fourth district, Charles A. Boutelle, of Bangor. The state elected a solid republican delegation to congress.

A Murderer Lynched.

Ernest Anderson, a negro, was taken from the jail at Sulligent, Ala., Sunday morning early by a mob, and his body was left swinging to a tree—riddled with bullets. He was the negro who murdered Officer Sam Henson over a week ago. Both of his ears were cut off close to his head before he was taken from the jail down into the river bottom—the scene of the lynching.

A City Destroyed by Fire.

A dispatch from Vancouver, B. C., Monday says: New Westminister, the chief city on the Frazer river, presents a fearful scene of desolation, fire having wiped out the whole of the business portion. There is not a public building standing in the central portion of the city. The loss is roughly estimated at $2,500,000, with insurance of $1,500,000.

Kentuckians Fight It Out.

At Deer Ridge, Ky., an old feud between neighboring farmers was wiped out in blood. It was father and son on each side, reinforced by their respective farm hands. At least 100 rounds were fired. Joseph Michaels, Jr., and James McCray were killed and James Watson and Ben Michaels, Sr., will probably die.

PROTCOL RATIFIED

By the Spanish Senate—U. S. Censured for Seizing the Antilles.

MADRID.—The senate has adopted the Hispano-American protocol by a sitting and standing vote. During the senate session Senor Lastres, of Porto Rico, and Senor Pinedo, of Cuba, violently attacked the United States "for having seized the Antilles, regardless of justice and legality," and for "discarding the mask of humanity assumed in order to get possession of the islands, the great majority of whose people is devoted to Spain.

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Close Race in First Alabama District. Miss Winnie Davis Gradually Sinking—Lawton's Bill of Health. Other News Items.

The government at Washington has assumed a stand upon the matter of supplying food to the Cuban insurgents. Recently M. Bolonzo made a request upon General Lawton at Santiago that certain Cuban troops at Dos Caminos and Cobre be supplied with food.

This application was in turn submitted to the war department by General Lawton. It is now learned that the matter was submitted directly to President McKinley, who responded through General Corbin that no subsistence or stores would be issued to any armed troops other than those of the United States, the law providing that provisions be issued only to inhabitants of Cuba who are in immediate danger of perishing unless they relieve them. This decision is expected to hasten the disarmament of the Cuban forces in all parts of the island.

KITCHENER WILL INVESTIGATE

Report That the French Have Occupied Fashoda.

A cable dispatch from Omdurman dated September 7 says: An important incident occurred this morning. It appears that the khalifa, Abdullah, a few days before the arrival here of the Anglo-Egyptian army, heard that a force of white men had occupied Fashoda, a town on the west bank of the White Nile, about 400 miles south of Khartoum. The khalifa immediately sent two steamers to investigate the report, and one of them returned and surrendered to General Sir Herbert Kitchener. The commander of the stemaer reported that on his arrival at Fashoda he found that place occupied by a force of whites. The latter opened a heavy fire on the steamer, which narrowly escaped annihilation, the crew losing many men in killed and wounded. From the bullets found imbedded in the hull of the steamer it seems to be certain that the white at Fashoda are a force of French troops. The British commander will send a flotilla of gunboats up the White Nile as soon as possible, in order to investigate the situation of affairs at Fashoda.

NECK AND NECK

Run the Two Taylors for Congress in the First Alabama District.

The situation in the First district remains intensely interesting, both of the Taylors claiming the democratic congressional nomination. One vote for either man will make him a congressman. Marengo, Monroe and Clarke counties, with twenty-five votes, are instructed for G. W. Taylor. Mobile's seventeen and Choctaw's six are for Hannis Taylor. The result in Washington, the smallest county in the district, has excited intense interest. Its three votes are claimed by both candidates.

Miss Winnie Davis Growing Weaker.

The condition of Miss Winnie Davis, who is at Narragansett Pier, R. I., is now considered critical, and as she is unable to retain nourishment, her continued weakness is a deplorable factor. A second consultation of physicians is expected.

Lawton's Bill of Health.

General Lawton's health report from Santiago Saturday night was more encouraging in the mortality list. It was as follows: Total sick, 524; total fever, 254; total new cases fever, 39; total returned to duty, 105. No deaths.

Arrivals From Santiago.

CAMP WIKOFF, Montauk Point, L. I.—The Missouri arrived at Camp Wikoff Saturday from Santiago. She had 261 sick men when she left Santiago. They were taken from the different hospitals. During the voyage thirteen died.

Cervera Sails for Spain.

Most of the sailors and marines who survived the disaster which befell the warships of Admiral Cervera at Santiago, July 3, were taken from Seavey's Island Monday morning to the steamship City of Rome. On his way to the boat the admiral spoke enthusiastically to those who accompanied for the treatment the Americans had accorded to the Spanish prisoners, to his staff and himself.

Ray is Dead.

M. T. Ray, who was shot in a difficulty with the Allen brothers at Goodwater, Ala, died from the effects of the wound Monday.

Six Immunes Sick.

Six cases of yellow fever have developed in Colonel Sargent's immune regiment at Santiago de Cuba. The cases have been watched closely for several days, and, in the opinion of Colonel Havard, chief surgeon of the military department of Santiago, the diagnosis is unmistakably correct.

Murder Near Starke, Fla.

H. M. Parish was assassinated Thursday night while eating supper with his family at his home, about nine miles from Starke, Fla.

FOUR HUNDRED CORPSES FOUND.

Another Bombardment of Candia Is Imminent.

ATHENS.—News was received here from Candia Friday evening that another bombardment was imminent. The fires continue. Four hundred deaths are already attested. Martial law has been proclaimed.

Horrible stories of atrocity were told by the refugees from Candia. They say the Bashibazouks cut open the bodies of their Christian victims on the first day of the outbreak and threw their entrals into the flames of the burning houses. They hurled the British vice-consul bodily into the flames, shouting, "Now let the English come help him."

CANDIA.—The daughter of the massacred English vice-consul, with her baby has disappeared. It is supposed that both have been massacred.

The foreign admirals have requested the powers to send battalions to reinforce the international garrison. On the request of the admirals the Cretan executive committee has succeeded in inducing the Christian insurgents in Candia to retire outside the cordon.

Djevan Pasha, the Turkish military commandant, says he has given the Turkish military authorities at Candia strict instructions to assist in maintaining order. He insists that the Bashibazouks are responsible for the outbreaks. Friday twenty-one additional bodies of Christians were discovered under some outlying ruins at Candia. The British admiral, it is said, has demanded the disarmament of the Mussulman.

INVESTIGATING COMMISSION

Appointed by the President to Inspect General Department of the Army.

WASHINGTON.—President McKinley has tendered places on the proposed commission to investigate the war department in relation to the conduct of the Hispano-American war to Major-General Schofield, former commanding-general of the army, and Ex-Senator John B. Gordon, of Georgia.

It is said that the proposed commission for the investigation of the affairs of the war department has been under consideration for some time by the president. Just what its duties will be when appointed has not been definitely determined, but it can be stated that one reason for its creation will be to visit and report upon the conditions in the various army camps and to satisfy the anxious relatives of soldiers that the care that is being taken of them is the best that can be afforded and if not to ascertain what should be done and report to the war department.

PORTO RICAN COMMISSIONS MEET.

Americans Send Note to Macias and Receive Reply.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico.—The American evacuation commissioners, at a meeting held Friday, decided to notify Captain-General Macias that they were present and ready to proceed with business. A communication to this effect was drafted in most courteous terms. It asked where and when the Spanish commissioners would meet the Americans. The American commission received a reply from Captain-General Macias saying the Spanish evacuation commissioners would be ready to meet the Americans at the palace Saturday morning. The thirty days expire on Sunday and the Spaniards must be prepared to proceed on that date or they must explain matters.

WILL FEED CUBANS.

But They Must Lay Down Their Arms and Retire to Their Homes.

As announced in a dispatch from Santiago a few days ago, General Lawton, Military Governor of Santiago Province, will furnish food to such of the Cuban insurgents as lay down their arms and return to their homes. It was also said that he had given employment to such men of the Cuban army as could be utilized.

This plan of General Lawton has been approved by the Administration. It is believed that his action will have a tendency to turn the Cubans into peaceful walks of life.

Richard Malcolm Johnston Dying.

Richard Malcolm Johnston, the distinguished Georgian, so well known as author of the "Dukesborough Tales," is at the city hospital, Baltimore, Md. The physicians in attendance upon him do not believe that he can recover.

No Revolution.

The Peruvian legation at Washington has received a telegram from Lima stating that there is no revolution in the country. In some places bands of marauders have appeared, who were dispersed on the approach of the government troops sent to pursue them.

More to Resign From French Cabinet.

It is asserted that if the French cabinet still insists upon a revision of the Dreyfus case General Zurlinden, minister of war, and M. Lockroy, minister of marine, will resign.

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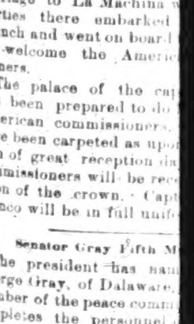

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GENEVA, Switzerland.—The Empress of Austria was assassinated at the Hotel Beaurivage Saturday afternoon by an anarchist. He was arrested. He stabbed her majesty with a stiletto. The murderer is a man named Luchenni. He was born in Paris of Italian parents.

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EMPRESS OF AUSTRIA.

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WELCOMED TO HAVANA.

American Commission Arrived at the Cuban Capital Saturday.

HAVANA.—The United States transport Resolute, having on board the American evacuation commission, entered the port of Havana Saturday and moored near a place called Triscornia, a short healthy part of the bay. General Solano, the chief of staff, and General Garcia Benitor, of the general staff, met the palace in a carriage, and a few minutes afterwards. General Parrado, a member of the Spanish commission, and Dr. Congosto, secretary of the government, drove in a carriage to La Machina wharf. Both parties there embarked in a steam launch and went on board the Resolute to welcome the American commissioners.

The members of the captain-general's staff prepared to do honor to the American commissioners. The stairs were covered as upon the occasion of state receptions days, and the commissioners will be received in the cabin of the crown. Captain-General Blanco will be in full uniform.

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The president has named Senator Gray, of Delaware, as the fifth member of the peace commission. This completes the personnel of the commission, which stands: Secretary of State Davis, Frye and Gray, Whitelaw Reid. In selecting Senator Gray the president has given democratic representation on the commission.

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R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: The volume of business is larger than it has ever been. Corn is a shade higher on estimates, promising only 1,750,000,000 bushels. The cotton year has closed, according to the Financial Chronicle, with a yield of 11,180,960 bales in 1897, of which 7,646,085 were exported, 1,856,000 were consumed in northern mills, 1,227,939 in southern mills, 420,079 were added to northern mill stocks, and 91,801 to commercial stocks.

It is but fair to say that the Financial Chronicle makes no calculation of the quantity produced, but not marketed, which the New Orleans cotton exchange reckons at 330,000 bales, presumably including cotton owned by southern mills, but not yet consumed. The European mill stocks, according to Mr. Ellison, are 770,000 against 398,000 bales a year ago, the American 499,775 against 79,696 a year ago, the commercial stocks here and abroad 1,641,000 bales against 685,000 a year ago and other allowances leave on hand for the coming year 3,031,000 bales, about as much as was estimated a month ago, and indicate consumption of 3,083,939 bales in this country against 2,893,352 bales in the largest previous year.

The increase of 44 per cent. in southern consumption during the past three years, with a decrease of nearly 9.3 per cent. in northern is great. Nobody can guess how great the demand for iron and steel products may be a month hence, but the manufacturer has the rare good sense to wait for actual order before hoisting prices. So far the advance has been remarkably moderate in the average of all finished products, only 3.3 per cent. from the lowest price this year, while pig iron has risen less than 3 per cent.

They Demand Aid From England.

KINGSTON, Jamaica.—The conference of West Indian representatives at the island of Barbadoes passed a resolution formally demanding aid from the British government, as a matter of right as being the only available remedy for the industrial crisis. No ultimatum looking to American annexation was adopted, although the question was incidentally discussed as a possible future contingency to affect Cuban and Porto Rican competition in the American market.

The Territory of Hawaii.

The "Territory of Hawaii" is the name which the annexation commission has decided to recommend to congress. The history and tradition of the islands and the associations that no resident wants forgotten will go on in unbroken union with the name. The form of the government will be modeled on that of existing territories. There will be no further departure from this form than local conditions and national political considerations make necessary.

Attempt on Wilhelmina's Life.

The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger says that a fortnight ago an attempt was made to assassinate Queen Wilhelmina near Amersfort, province of Utrecht, on the road between Castle Soostdyt and Baara. A man emerged from behind a tree and fired a revolver at her majesty. The bullet missed the queen, but plowed the cheek of a lady in attendance.

Hobson Promoted.

Among the naval orders Saturday were the following promotions: Captain Higginson, of the Massachusetts, to be commodore from August 10; Assistant Naval Constructor R. P. Hobson, to be full naval constructor, to date from June 23, the delay in making the last promotion being caused by the impossibility of having an earlier examination.

An Island Engulfed.

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Greater Economy and Efficiency.

The city of Troy has turned over her City Graded schools to the State Normal College, to be incorporated as an integral part of its Model School, consisting of Kindergarten, Primary, Intermediate and High School departments, nine grades. This insures greater economy and efficiency to both the city and college, and greatly strengthens the college in every way. The organization of the college could admit this without any change, for already it covers every feature of the State public school system, from kindergarten through a college course. The opening, September 20, promises 500 or more of an enrollment, and for the session, above 800. The superior facilities offered by this college for the training of teachers for general and special education are becoming popular everywhere, and this is the key to the phenomenal growth of this popular school.

The State Normal Exponent, published at this school, gives a great variety of able educational articles, and educational information generally, and is sent on application to the president to any one enclosing three 2-cent stamps.

The scholarship nominated by senators and representatives, are being taken up rapidly, and the prospects of the college are said to be greater than ever before in its history. The people of Troy are staunch friends of the college, and all who come to get its benefits.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

RIOTOUS SOLDIERS.

Negro Regiment Attempt to Rescue One of Their Number From the Police.

Members of the Third Alabama (the negro regiment) engaged in a riot at Anniston Saturday night which came near having serious results. A member of the regiment was very disorderly on the streets and was arrested by the police. Other negro soldiers followed the officers and their prisoner toward the city jail, threatening to release the prisoner and cursing the police. Members of the Third Tennessee and Second Arkansas resented this talk and threatened interference on the part of the police and two or three fights occurred on the way to the city jail, where the prisoner was finally locked up. At night about five hundred of the negro soldiers slipped out of the camp with the intention of liberating the negro soldier from jail, kill the Tennessee and Arkansas soldiers that they found and take the town. When they reached the city they found it surrounded by the provost guards. They then gathered in the principal business portion of the city, where there were many white soldiers and citizens. Here a riot was soon in progress. Clubs and brick-bats were used freely and a dozen or so pistol shots fired. The negro soldiers were finally formed in line by white officers of the regiment, who ran up with drawn swords and pistols and marched them back to the camp. In the melee two of the negro soldiers and Private Tyson, of the Second Arkansas, were shot, though not dangerously wounded.

Another Big Industry for Ensley.

In connection with the steel mill which is now being built at Ensley by the Alabama Steel & Shipbuilding company, there will be constructed a wire rod and nail mill. A contract has been made with the steel mill people by which they are to furnish a large quantity of steel annually at a fixed price to the wire rod mill people. The concern is made up of Chicago, Cleveland and Joliet people, who are entirely outside of the present nail and rod trust. Instead of making an investment amounting to $800,000, as was stated some time ago, this concern will invest not less than $1,200,000 in the plant to be erected at Ensley near the steel plant.

A Brave Soldier Dead.

In St. Luke's hospital, at Jacksonville, Fla., Friday morning, the soul of Captain George F. Hart, of Company L, was called to an eternal command among the legions of the dead. Captain Hart was among the first to respond to the call of arms, and, gallant soldier that he was, he bravely laid down his life at the altar of his country's honor and died a hero. At the time of his death Captain Hart was in command of Company L, First Alabama volunteers, formerly the Huey Guards, of East Lake. He was 28 years of age.

An Alabamian Can Name a King.

The Warwick of the Samoan islands, the man who, in all probability, will be called upon to name the next king for that country, is an Alabamian. He is Judge William Lee Chambers, of Sheffield, at present chief justice of Samoa. It is as chief justice that he becomes the king maker. Whatever complications grow out of the death of King Malletoa must, by the terms of the Berlin conference establishing the protectorate over the islands, be solved by the chief justice.

Books of Subscription Opened.

The books for the subscription of stock in the Canton, Aberdeen and Nashville railroad were opened Monday at Sulligent, in Lamar county, Winfield in Marion county, and Glenallen, in Fayette county. These are the only three counties in Alabama through which the road will pass for the present. According to the charter of the new road issued by the secretary of state, the capital stock of the road is $1,000,000.

Z. M. Little Drowned.

The falling waters of Terrpain creek, near Centre, brought a tragedy to light. A passer-by saw a horse lying on the body of a man, who was recognized by papers in his pocket to be Dr. Z. M. Little. The horse was still hitched to the buggy, and he had evidently tried to lead him out and both went down together.

Return Surrendered Sword.

MANILA, Philippine Islands.—The United States Consul here, G. F. Williams, in behalf of Captain N. Mayo Dyer, of the United States cruiser Baltimore, has returned to general Miranda the sword which the latter surrendered to the American officer at the capture of Corregidor Island, at the entrance of the Bay of Manila. The general replied that he was overwhelmed by the generosity of Captain Dyer. The American army chaplains have instituted Protestant services in private buildings. Such services have never previously been held in the history of the Philippine Islands.

Fever Among Porto Rican Soldiers.

Surgeon-General Sternberg has received a dispatch from the chief surgeon at Ponce, Porto Rico, saying that there were four cases of yellow fever and one death among the troops there. This is the first report of yellow fever among the troops in Porto Rico.

Gen. Jeb Stuart's Daughter Dead.

Mrs. Virginia Pelham Stuart Waller, only daughter of the confederate cavalry leader, General Jeb Stuart, died at Norfolk Friday, aged thirty-two.

A CIGARETTE DESPERADO.

A Newark Youth of the Nicotine Habit Arrested For Murder.

NEWARK, N. J. (Special).—A cigarette degenerate, sixteen years old, was caught a few days ago in Jersey City, and is held here as the suspected murderer of Frederick Woods, of Baltimore, the young man who was found dead in the Pennsylvania Railroad yards in Waverly about four weeks ago.

The prisoner is Benjamin Rand, of this city. He admits that he is the guilty person in a mysterious shooting which occurred ten days later in the same locality. The victim was Thomas Pondar, a colored boy, of Jersey City. Pondar's case has become a celebrated one. Doctors from all over this State and from other States have visited him in the hospital here to see the human being who could live and chat cheerfully with a bullet in his brain.

When Pondar was shot the detectives believed that the guilty person also was the one who shot Woods, as the bullets were of the same calibre, and in each case the pockets of the victim were rifled and turned inside out.

Pondar was traveling on a freight train with several other boys. They carried satchels. While the train was passing through this city two white boys came creeping along the roof of a car and pounced upon the colored lads, demanding that they open the satchels and show whether there was anything inside that was valuable.

The colored lads refused to do so, and one of the white boys, who turned out to be Rand, thrust a revolver in Pondar's face and told him to open his satchel or his brains would be blown out.

"Go ahead and shoot," said Pondar.

There was a flash and crash, and Pondar rolled from the train, with blood pouring from a wound in his forehead. Some hours later he was found beside the track in a pool of blood, calmly inhaling a cigarette.

Rand says he was in Asbury Park at the time Woods was murdered. For nearly a year he has been away from home. Because of his enormous consumption of cigarettes his growth is stunted and his mind is seriously affected.

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN ARRIVES.

The English Colonial Secretary Comes on a Vacation.

NEW YORK CITY (Special).—The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the British Colonies, and Birmingham's representative in Parliament, arrived here a few days ago on the Majestic. He was accompanied by his wife and Miss Chamberlain. They left later on for Massachusetts, where they will visit the parents of Mrs. Chamberlain, who was Miss Endicott.

Mr. Chamberlain said his health was fairly good and he expected that a rest and short vacation in the United States would do him a great deal of good. He will return home in the fall. His visit to this country, the distinguished Englishman said, had no political significance, notwithstanding the fact that the Joint High Commission is at present holding its sessions in Canada, and that Ambassador Hay has been recalled to assume the portfolio of Secretary of State.

Chicago's Peace Jubilee.

The General Committee for the National Peace Jubilee to be held in Chicago has selected October 18 and 19 as the dates for holding the proposed peace celebration in that city. It was also agreed that the chief features of the jubilee parade shall be an open-air reception to President McKinley and other guests of honor and the returned soldiers, at which Grand Army veterans and ex-Confederates shall march together as a guard of honor for the President, all the provisional regiments of the city being invited as escorts for the returned volunteers.

Bandits Turn Out to Be Boys.

The six bold bandits who held up the Burlington train near St. Joseph, Mo., have been arrested. They prove to be mere boys. Their leader, James Hathaway, is seventeen years old and day delivery clerk of the Western Union Telegraph office. That the striplings should overawe a crew of veteran railway men and capture the safe from the express car is surprising, but that is what happened. The boys got no money for their pains, and all are under arrest. They were victims of the habit of reading nickel detective novels.

Guatemala's New President.

Manuel Estrada Cabrera has been elected to the Presidency of Guatemala. When President Barrios was assassinated Cabera assumed the office of Chief Executive, as provided by law. The election just concluded in Guatemala place him in office for the ensuing term. President Cabrera is a man of great executive ability. He is a lawyer, and has held many high offices in Guatemala. His election is accepted as a sign of increased business activity in the republic.

The Arkansas Election.

Unofficial returns of the election in Arkansas show that the People's Party lost Nevada, White, Cleveland and Polk Counties, and elected one member of the Legislature. About 100,000 votes were cast in the State. The Republicans polled about 35,000 and the Populists and Prohibitionists around 15,000. Governor Jones ran far behind the Democratic ticket.

Lynched One of Their Race.

A mob of colored men lynched John Williams, one of their own race, six miles from Fowlstown, Ga., because he assaulted an eight-year-old colored girl. He was befar taken by a deputy sheriff to Bainbridge for safe keeping when a mob of colored people took him from the officer, and, leading him into the woods, shot him to death.

Soldier Brothers Dead.

Two brothers who enlisted and fought side by side in Company H, Ninth Massachusetts Volunteers, died on the same day in the general hospital at Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, L. I. They were attacked by pernicious malaria simultaneously and lay in adjoining cots in the hospital. Their deaths occurred within an hour. They were James and Elden P. Keene.

Promoted For Distinguished Services.

The President has made the following promotions for distinguished services at Santiago: To be Major-Generals of Volunteers, Brigadier-General William Ludlow and Brigadier-General S. S. Sumner. To be Brigadier-Generals, Colonel Richard E. Combs, Fifth Infantry, and Lieutenant-Colonel Joseph T. Haskell, Seventeenth Infantry.

Chicago's School Population.

The Chicago school census shows a population of 1,851,588. There are 260,000 pupils in public schools and 114,900 in private and parochial schools.

Money Getting Scarce.

Money is getting scarce on account of the large amount locked up in the United States Treasury, and rates on call loans are much higher.

Dervish Loss in the Soudan.

The Dervish loss at Omdurman was about 10,300 killed, 16,000 wounded and 5000 to 4000 prisoners.

ALGER ASKS FOR AN INQUIRY.

Wants a Searching Investigation of the War Department Made.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—There were two dramatic developments in the Alger-Miles row on Thursday.

One was the arrival at the National Capital of the commanding General of the army, fresh from the triumphs of Cuba and Porto Rico.

GENERAL RUSSELL A. ALGER.
(He has asked for an investigation.)

The other was the fact that Secretary of War Russell A. Alger has written a letter to President McKinley formally asking for an investigation into the conduct of the war.

The letter was prepared and submitted to the President shortly before Secretary Alger's departure from Washington for a tour of the army camps. The General first visited Camp Meade in Pennsylvania where he had a consultation with General Shafter who had come on from Camp Wikoff for that purpose.

Adjutant-General Corbin has united with Secretary Alger in the request for an investigation.

Such an investigation as has been requested is, it is pointed out, beset with some difficulties. No charges of a definite character have been filed by any responsible person or official. Sensational stories and rumors, for which some of the Administration hold there is no foundation, have been circulated, and objection is made to dignifying them by the ordering of an investigation. By those who desire and advocate the investigation it is maintained that it can do no possible harm, and may be of positive benefit in clearing away manifest error from the minds of many people, and placing the blame, if any there is to be placed, where it rightfully belongs.

SENATOR GRAY ACCEPTS.

He Takes the Place of Justice White on the Peace Commission.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The place made vacant on the Peace Commission by Justice White's determination to decline service has been filled by the acceptance of

SENATOR GEORGE GRAY.

Senator Gray, of Delaware, at present a member of the Joint High Commission now in Quebec.

He is the Democratic member of the Commission, and it is probable he will oppose territorial expansion.

ACCUSED OF TAKING STATE FUNDS

Ex-Deputy Treasurer Gerrish, of New Hampshire, Tells Tales After Arrest.

CONCORD, N. H. (Special).—Ex-Deputy State Treasurer Hiram F. Gerrish, who was forced to resign on July 1 by reason of irregularities in his accounts, was arrested a few days ago, charged with the embezzlement of $5000 of the State's funds. After giving bail he made a statement concerning affairs at the State Treasury during his seven years in office.

He said he discovered a shortage of $4000 during his first week in office, and that during his term the shortage increased at one time to $9500. The shortages were covered at the periodical auditing of accounts by means of certificates of deposit, which would disappear after each examination. Just before a burglary at the Treasurer's office two years ago, when $3000 disappeared, there was credited to "cash" an envelope marked "$2500," which contained no equivalent. He asked State Treasurer Carter about it and was told that the absence of an equivalent would be made good. The burglary took place before this and was made good, according to Gerrish, and the envelope disappeared.

Treasurer Carter said in reply to the ex-deputy's accusations, that he could show where every dollar of the State's money has been at all times during his term of office.

BRITISH HOIST STARS AND STRIPES.

Flew by the Side of the Royal Ensign at Review of Troops.

LONDON (By Cable).—The Stars and Stripes was raised a few days ago with the British Union Jack and the Royal Standard on the marquee on Salisbury Plain during the march past of the troops at the end of the army manœuvres, as a compliment to Colonel Alfred F. Bates, the United States Military Attache, and Henry White, the Secretary of the United States Embassy, and Mrs. White, who went there by a special train with Lord Wolseley, the Commander-in-Chief of the British forces; Prince Christian, the Duke of Connaught and other notabilities.

The foreign military attaches seemed to be surprised at the sight of the American flag.

Crazed by Cigarettes.

James Hoffman, sixteen years old, of New York City, became insane by smoking cigarettes to excess. A few days ago he grabbed his three-year-old sister Dora by the hair and began to drag her around the room. After a desperate struggle he was overpowered and placed in confinement in a hospital.

Cost of Trained Nurse Service.

An itemized statement of disbursements by the Red Cross Society for the maintenance of trained nurses from July 28 to September 1 shows that $21,999.05 has been expended.

HOT WAVE VANISHES.

Disappeared in a Cyclone That Caused Death and Destruction.

NEW YORK CITY (Special).—The fierce heated term of eight days, which killed over two hundred people in New York, came to an end Wednesday afternoon. It ended with a cyclone that carried death with it.

The temperature fell eighteen degrees in eleven minutes after the storm broke. It came from the southwest and the wind blew seventy-two miles an hour.

The cyclone hurled down 400 feet of a new iron pier which was building near the foot of West Twelfth street. Samuel Patterson and John Leonard were killed, a third cannot recover, and eleven others were injured. There were 120 men employed on the pier and many of them saved themselves by jumping into the river.

Two children were killed by the blowing down of a house in Jersey City. Five carpenters at work in Brooklyn were hurt—two fatally. Several persons in New York were injured by falling signs and skylights.

The storm was general and reports from various parts of the country show a great amount of damage.

The storm played havoc at the New Jersey State Fair. When a great black cloud appeared in the west and came rapidly east the ten thousand people in Waverly Park ran for shelter in the buildings and big tents. But hundreds were caught by the storm, which swept across the grounds like a tornado.

The gale carried President Tompkins's new tent on Governor's Hill up in the air like a balloon. Next to go was the great horticultural tent. Several hundred men, women and children were under it when a fierce blast leveled it to the ground.

Three Men Killed in Pennsylvania.

TOWANDA, Penn. (Special).—A terrific storm swept over Springfield Township, killing William Brace, C. M. Comfort and F. A. Voorheis. Six horses and fourteen cows were also killed and a number of barns and outbuildings destroyed.

MOSLEMS RIOT IN CRETE.

English Control Causes Fighting Between Troops and Mussulmans.

CANDIA, Island of Crete (By Cable).—Trouble between the Mussulmans, who were demonstrating against European control and the British authorities, culminated Tuesday in bloody fighting between the Mussulmans and the British troops. Riots took place in various parts of the city and many have been killed.

When the outbreak was fiercest a warship stationed in the harbor began firing shells, with the result that a portion of the city is in flames.

The trouble began with the attempt of the British military authorities to install Christian officials. They had appointed a Council of International Control to administer the tithe revenues, and a detachment of soldiers was stationed outside the office as a precaution.

A crowd of unarmed Mussulmans attempted to force an entrance into the office. The British soldiers fired and wounded several. The Mussulmans ran for their arms, and, returning, attacked the soldiers.

The total casualties, so far as known, are twenty killed and fifty wounded.

The British Vice-Consul, Mr. Calocherino, was burned to death in his house.

The Turks set fire to the whole town.

The only warship here at the time of the outbreak was the British gunboat Hazard, which landed a party of marines to assist the one hundred and thirty British troops.

GENERAL WHEELER'S SON DROWNED.

The Naval Cadet and Lieutenant Kirkpatrick Perish at Camp Wikoff.

CAMP WIKOFF, Montauk, L. I. (Special).—Thomas H. Wheeler, son of General Joseph Wheeler, and Second Lieutenant Newton D. Kirkpatrick, First Cavalry, were drowned while bathing here Wednesday afternoon. Young Wheeler was a Naval Cadet in his second year. He was seventeen years of age, was a fine young fellow and had made a host of friends.

Together with Lieutenant Kirkpatrick, Wheeler went to the beach to enjoy the surf bathing. The surf ran high and the undertow was strong. No one saw the young men drown, and it was not until about 6 o'clock that they were missed. Their clothes were found a short distance from General Wheeler's tent, close to the water.

Of the accident General Wheeler has nothing to say. His three daughters, two of whom have been acting as nurses in the general hospital and the other as a nurse in the Detention Hospital, are with him, grief-stricken.

Lieutenant Kirkpatrick was from Virginia. He was appointed second lieutenant 3 June 12, 1896.

The bodies were washed upon the beach near where the accident happened.

HOW DID PARRETT DIE?

Secretary Alger Wires General Shafter to Hold a Court-Martial.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—Secretary of War Alger is determined to strictly carry out the decision he has announced to hold field officers responsible for the condition of their men in the case of Private Hugh Parrett, who was reported to have perished in his tent at Montauk, L. I., lacking medical attendance.

Secretary Alger several days ago called upon the commanding officer at Camp Wikoff for a report on this subject, and on Wednesday he sent a peremptory order to General Shafter by telegraph to create a court of inquiry to investigate the case, or, if the facts warranted it, to shorten the proceedings by at once ordering a court-martial for the officer responsible for Parrett's lack of attention.

EXIT LI HUNG CHANG.

The Great Chinaman Sacrificed to the Exigencies of European Politics.

PEKIN, China (By Cable).—Li Hung Chang has been dismissed from power. Presumably this was done in accordance with the demand which it is rumored the British Minister here, Sir Claude M. Macdonald, was instructed to make on account of the alleged general partiality of the great Chinaman to Russia, culminating in Great Britain being deprived of the contract for the Peking-Hankow Railroad by giving the Russo-Chinese Bank financial control of the road.

Li Hung Chang's dismissal from power is another proof of the existence of a new understanding between Great Britain and Russia as to China.

Powers Reply to the Czar.

Almost all the European Powers have sent formal replies to the circular of Czar Nicholas of Russia, and it is now regarded as certain that the disarmament congress will meet in St. Petersburg in November.

Criticism of Alger Resented.

In the course of the Grand Army of the Republic campfire at Music Hall, Cincinnati, Governor Pingree, of Michigan, was hissed and hooted off the stage, because of his criticism of the management by Alger of the Spanish war. There was a great disturbance.

Heavy Punishment For a Private.

Private A. D. Kinney, of the First Mississippi, who attempted to assassinate Colonel Govan of that regiment, has been tried before court martial at Chattanooga, Tenn. The evidence was conclusive and his sentence is five years in prison.

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The Second Regiment, to which our Chilton boys beloag, will be mustered out at Montgomery, but the date of their arrival is not yet fixed.

THE First Alabama Regiment will go into camp at East Lake, Birmingham, preparatory to mustering out. Birmingham proposes giving them a hearty welcome when they enter that city next Saturday.

IN view of the report that has been industriously circulated that Probate Judge elect S. M. Adams had failed to make and file a proper bond, we deem it best to say we are authorized to deny the statement. The bond is perfectly good and properly filed. The probate judge elect is all O. K. and will undoubtedly serve the people of Chilton for the next six years, unless some Higher Power should remove him to realms above.

WITH perfect unanimity the convention at Talladega endorsed W. F. Aldrich as the candidate to be supported by the Populists of the Fourth District. There was not one dissentient vote. Not a single objection was raised. Not a delegate had a word to say against Mr. Aldrich's course in the past, or that any fears were entertained for the future. On the contrary, the convention declared that Mr. Aldrich was the man to carry our banner to victory, and when the question was put there was one hearty unanimous "aye."

No man with a spark of manhood in his composition, whatever his political belief may be, but will execrate and condemn the miserable scoundrel who last Saturday murdered the Empress of Austria. That in most countries the poorest people have a hard time to make a living is not to be denied, but the murdering of women will not ameliorate their condition one jot. The Empress of Austria was a good woman who had suffered enough to have entitled her to pass the few remaining years of her life in peace. The class of anarchists, to which the murderer claims to belong, should be extirminated.

For the third time Hon. W. F. Aldrich has been nominated or endorsed by the Populists of the Fourth Congressional District as their candidate for Congress. While there are some few Populists in the district who would have preferred a straight-out Populist nominee, it was conceded, even by the most radical, that the most available man to make the race was our present congressman. His record is clean and good; he has fairly and impartially represented the people in congress and out of congress; he has won the respect and esteem not only of Populists and Republicans but also of many Democrats. He has waged two successful campaigns against bulldozers and thugs, and it is tolerably certain if any fraud should be attempted in this section he will again expose it. With the combined vote of the Populists and Republicans in the five white counties of this district he will have an easy victory, and we sincerely hope the one black county has learned the folly of attempting to over ride the expressed wish of the five white counties by manufacturing a fictitious majority.

Our Invalid Army

While the work of transporting the conquered Spanish soldiers back to their native land has been progressing, there has been a simultaneous transfer of the conquering American troops from Santiago to the United States. If the Spaniards had fully realized how seriously the army of General Shafter had been weakened by hardships and disease, it is scarcely probable that General Toral would have surrendered without further resistence. The American people will not be satisfied until they are convinced that every phase of the Santiago campaign has been rigidly investigated, with no political screen for the negligent or the guilty. It is declared that this country—the richest and presumably the most enlightened in the world—dispatched an army to the tropical jungles of eastern Cuba at the height of the season of rains and fevers, without medical supplies or any kind of adequate provision whatsoever for the principal dangers that everyone knew the army would encounter. To send the army to Santiago without every precaution against the real enemy—namely, the fever fiend—was every whit as absurd as it would have been to send it without ammunition for the rifles. There is not even the excuse that the expedition was gotten off in haste. It took an inordinate time after Cervera's fleet had been bottled up in Santiago harbor by our navy to get General Shafter's army on board the transports and fairly started. Unhappily, there has seemed, even after these matters had been pointed out, very little capacity on the part of the authorities of the army to improve sanitary conditions. Nothing could have been more severe than the physical examination to which the volunteers were subjected when the regiments were formed at the opening of the war. We sent into the various camps something like three hundred thousand young men, every one of whom was in excellent health. It needs no argument to show that the experience of being in camp of the United States in the pleasant months of May, June and July, far from breaking down the health of these young men, ought to have just the opposite effect. The regular life, systematic drilling, and careful attention to personal and camp hygiene that were not only feasible, but plainly obligatory, ought to have put our army into a superb physical condition by August or September. That is what would have happened in France or Germany. It is not what has happened in the United States. The camps have been infested with typhoid fever, malaria, and enteric troubles of all sorts, with the alleged result of a shocking average degree of debilitation.

With the War Department's unlimited resources there was no possible reason why fever patients by the hundreds should have been dumped on the coast of Long Island, only to find the hospitals not yet built because mules enough had not been provided to haul the lumber from the railroad station. While hostilities lasted, it behooved us all to be very patient and forbearing in all our criticisms. But when the War Department had no longer to cope with hostile armies, there was no reason why a single enlisted man, whether at Montauk Point or at any other camp in the United States, should have gone for another twenty-four hours without suitable shelter, food, medicines, surgical attendance, and nursing. Milk can be had in this country, and the men who have been responsible for feeding typhoid patients on tainted pork and musty hard-tack are not to be dealt with in mild and forbearing terms. There are times when vigorous language is in order. There is not the slightest danger that any one will condemn too harshly the seeming inefficiency that has been responsible for the hideous treatment to which our brave soldiers have been subjected. It is unnecessary at this point to mention any names. It is enough to join the best public opinion of the whole country in the demand for a searching investigation and for the fixing of responsibility where it belongs. The course pursued by the leading officers of the Santiago army, and especially by Col. Theodore Roosevelt, in courageously subjecting themselves to possible disfavor by protesting against the War Department's policy, was commendable in the highest sense. The whole country appreciated it.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for September.

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Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 7, 1898

The mountain labored and brought forth a mouse. The "middle-of-the-roaders" met, wrangled and split at Cincinnati, on the 6th inst. Their so-called National convention to reorganize and purify the party was issued months ago and from the amount of noise made by these "patriots" and the goldbug Republican press of the country, many people were led to believe this contingent really represented the People's Party. After watching and waiting for those who never came, the little crowd of malcontents who met in the Lyceum building at Cincinnati on the 5th inst., were called to order by John A. Parker of Kentucky, Secretary of the so-called Reform Press association. Milton Parks of Texas, chairman of the resurrection or re-organization committee, failed to make connections for some unaccountable reason. Ignatius Donnelly of Minnesota, was made temporary chairman and the ball opened. There were less than 300 delegates present, most of whom were self appointed, but, nothing daunted, they led off in their usual way, by resoluting against everything and everybody not in accord with them. Chairman Donnelly took a fall out of Marion Butler, chairman of the National Populist committee, in his opening speech and he was followed by nearly every "delegate" in the convention. The platform is a revision of the Omaha platform, the preamble of which was written by Ignatius Donnelly. It aims to touch every question under heaven and extends all the way from Genesis to Revelations. It was the smallest convention on record, yet it adopted the longest platform, containing about 7,500 words. No accurate record of the proceedings were kept and all of the usual convention rules were ignored. It was a noisy convention and so much bad blood was engendered that the delegates were ordered out of the Lyceum building by the manager who feared the destruction of the property. Wharton Barker of Pennsylvania, was nominated for President and Ignatius Donnelly of Minnesota, for vice-President. About half the delegates bolted and issued an address denouncing the action of the other half.

It is feared by those who are deeply interested in having W. J. Bryan return to his state and assist in the present campaign that it will be impossible to have his regiment mustered out as the full quota of troops from Nebraska has already been released.

It seems that with our acquirement of foreign territory we are incorporating Populists institutions. At least the addition of Hawaii to our country has given us postal savings banks in which is deposited over two millions of dollars. They also have then a tax of one percent on all incomes over two thousand dollars. Good!

The widespread refusal of employers to make Labor Day a holiday is being much commented upon and should be taken up and dealt with by the press so that by the time another year rolls around this important day may be universally given to the laboring classes.

The People's Party State Executive Committee of Texas met at Houston, September 6 and pulled "Cyclone" Davis off the state ticket, substituting C. H. Jenkins as Attorney General. George T. Todd resigned the position of Justice for which he had been named.

The executive committee of the three silver parties met at Marshalltown, Iowa, September 7, and agreed to the following division of the state offices: Democrats three places, Secretary of state, Treasurer and Attorney General; Silver Republicans, Supreme Judge; Populists, Auditor and Railroad Commissioner (for the long term.) Resolutions condemnatory of the treatment of our troops during the war with Spain were passed, but the question of territorial expansion divided the delegates about equally. The building and owning of the Nicaragua canal by the government was commended.

At the recent G. A. R. meeting at Cincinnati, Ohio, Governor Pingree was hissed from the stage where he had been put on as a fire-eater of the evening. It was feared that he was going to make an attack upon Alger, Secretary of War, although it is said by the redoutable governor that he had no such intentions.

H. L. Loucks of South Dakota, for years well known as a leader in the Farmers Alliance and People's Party of that state has declared in an open letter his allegiance to the Republican party. Mr. Loucks has led the middle-of-the-Roaders in his state for some time.

—A. R.

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Herb Folklore.

The following piece of herb folklore was told to me many years ago by a North Lincolnshire lady: On the night our blessed Lord was born the stable of the nativity was littered with bracken and what we now call the yellow lady's bedstraw. Before this time both these plants had produced in the summer time insignificant little white flowers, but then it was the depth of winter, and they were flowerless.

When the first cry of the divine infant was heard, the bedstraw burst into bloom in honor of the birth of the Saviour of the world, but the bracken made no sign of reverence; so it has come to pass that the bracken has ever since been deprived of the power of producing any blossoms whatever, while the bedstraw has been endowed with long sprays of golden florets.—Notes and Queries.

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Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In the Probate Court of said County
In the matter of the Estate of Ann M. Brasher, deceased. Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on the 2d day of August, 1898, letters of administration on the estate of Ann M. Brasher, deceased, were granted to me by R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate of Chilton county, committing to me, as Sheriff of said county, the administration of said estate.

All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their same within the time required by law, or they same will be forever barred.

This 24th day of August, 1898.

JAMES T. COOLEY,
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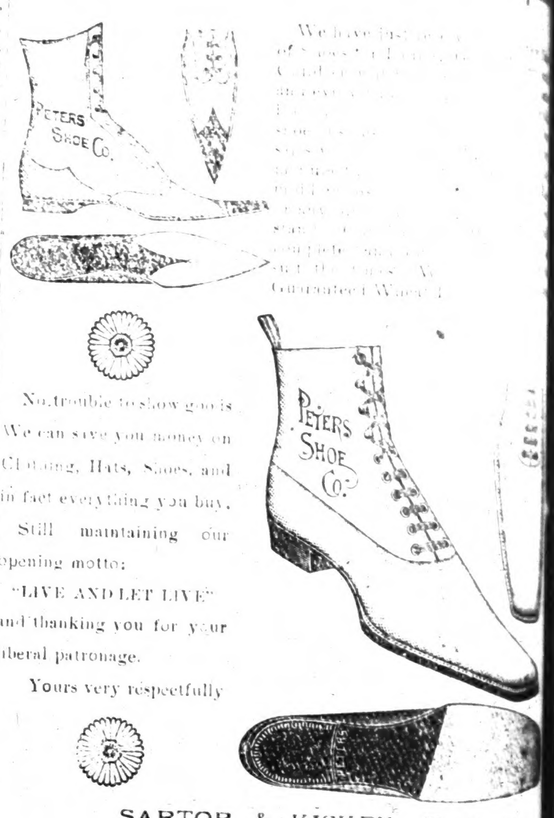

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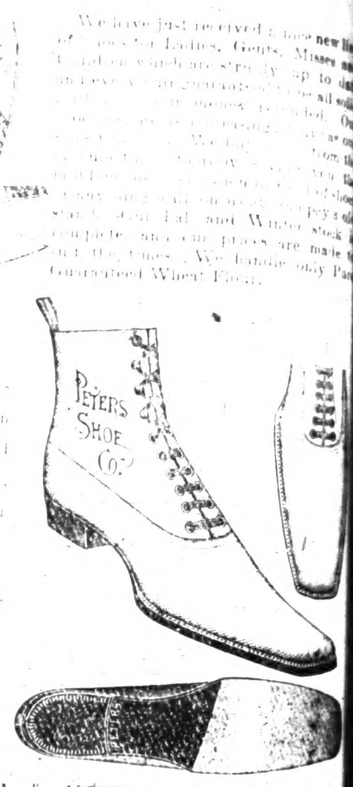

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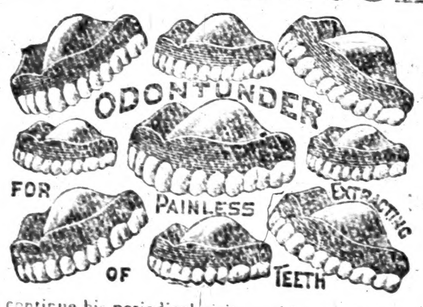

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Maplesville .	" 7 .	" 4
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Dixie . . .	" 8 .	" 6
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Macedonia .	" 3 .	" 10
Providence .	" 2 .	" 11
Jemison . .	" 2 .	" 12
Mineral Springs	" 1 .	" 13
Strasburg . .	" 9 .	" 14
Clanton . .	" 4 .	" 17
Coopers . .	" 5 .	" 18
Verbena . .	" 5 .	19 & 20
Davis & Rollins' Gin,	Beat 6	" 21
Albert Headley's Store	" 6	" 22

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
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Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In the Probate Court of said County.

In the matter of the Estate of J. G. M. Burk, deceased. Notice of appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on, to wit, the 21st day of July, 1898, letters of administration on the estate of J. G. M. Burk, deceased, were granted to me by R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of Probate of Chilton county, committing to me, as Sheriff of said County, the administration of said estate.

All persons having claims against the said estate are required to present the same within the time required by law, or the same will be for ever barred.

This 20th day of August, 1898.

JAMES T. COOLEY,
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A perfectly fitted lining of colored lawn is the foundation over which the full white organdy is adjusted, Valenciennes lace and insertion being chosen for decoration. The fronts and back are gathered at the neck, shoulders and waist line, the skirt being worn over the lower edge of waist.

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The wrinkled sleeve adjusted over two-seamed linings (which may be omitted at will) and the gathered epaulettes are a stylish feature of this pretty waist. The mode is especially adapted to thin silks of India and Japanese weave, mousseline de soie, liberty silk and grenadine, while silk, embroidered chiffon, passementerie, gauze, net and ribbon ruching and

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The design provides for a short, low yoke, that is simply fitted by shoulder seams, to the upper edge of which the skirt portion is attached, the fulness being collected in gathers. The skirt falls freely from yoke to the lower edge, which finishes with a wide hem, over which two evenly spaced rows of insertion are placed. An attractive feature is the bertha, shaped with square corners at the lower edge, which is also edged with lace headed by insertion, the round top being gathered and sewed on at round yoke outline.

Plain or figured organdie, dimity, nainsook, India silk, swiss, challie, cashmere or any soft, becoming material in silk, wool or cotton will make pretty dresses by the mode.

In place of the insertion can be used ribbon in plain or gathered rows, braid, gimp, embroidery or ruchings of the material.

As illustrated, the dress is worn with a guimpe of white lawn, the yoke of which is tucked.

To make this dress for a girl six years of age will require three and one-half yards of material thirty-six inches wide.

A Rainy Day Waist.

A good rainy day waist is made of fine mohair. One practical damsel has a mohair waist which has been made water repellant. Another always carries with her a little cape of mohair which has been similarly treated. The cape rolls into a space not over three inches square and can be slipped into the pocket or bicycle kit and the space will never be missed. Its owner declares that it has saved her many a cold and that she would not dispense with it under any circumstances. Too little attention is given to minor accessories of this sort. Young persons do not seem to realize that a trifle of precaution may save many wearisome days of illness if not broken-down health.

An Empress Who Loves Bird

The dowager empress of China is devoted to birds of all kinds, and innumerable bird pets are kept about the palace. She is reported to have wept copiously about the death of a favorite nightingale not long ago. Upon being told of a Chinese girl who had complained bitterly of the dreariness of life, this exalted lady remarked sagely that a woman ought to take so much pride in her home that it could be a heaven to her, adding: "There are always birds and flowers." She is a clever artist and delights in painting from nature.

The Capes of the Season.

Capes of a couple of seasons ago were so full and voluminous that the owners of them are finding them available for Eton jackets, boleros and various uses. One cape will cut a handsome Eton and will make sleeves if it happens to be of the full average size. Even the very small ones work over in this way to the most excellent advantage.

Women's Rights in Canada.

The new charter of Montreal, Canada, gives full municipal suffrage to women, either widows or unmarried, who occupy, either as lessees or owners, property in the city subject to taxation.

A Pretty Frock.

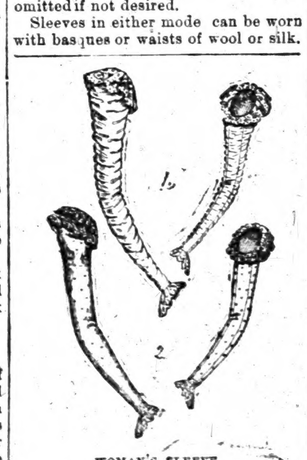
A black tulle frock which differs from other black tulle frocks is spangled with jet and silver from the bottom of the skirt to the curve of the hips, leaving a free space of about a quarter of a yard from the waist downward. The bodice is made of gauged tulle, transparent upon the arms and upper portion of the chest and back, and forms a sort of cuirass to the waist of heavy steel and jet embroidery. No color is worn with this frock, and a pretty touch is given by a white osprey in the coiffure.

A Notable Feature of the Season's Styles.

Sleeves of material that contrasts with the gown and harmonizes with yoke, vest or accessories are a notable feature of the season's styles.

Light-weight textures, such as veiling, grenadine, mousseline or soft silks, are tucked by gathers at each edge over fitted linings, as shown in No. 1. This style adds greatly to the comeliness of a rather thin arm, while disguising the one too generously proportioned. For heavy silks, brocades, velvet and broadcloth, a plain, close-fitted sleeve is chosen, as represented in No. 2. Both styles are included in the pattern, with double-gathered caps that may be used singly or together on either style of sleeve, or omitted if not desired.

Sleeves in either mode can be worn with basques or waists of wool or silk.



WOMAN'S SLEEVE.

To make No. 1 will require one and one-eighth yards of material thirty-six inches wide. To make No. 2 will require three-quarters of a yard of the same width material.

INDIA WON'T HAVE IT.

PEOPLE THERE SEE INIQUITY OF GOLD STANDARD.

Under It They Would Have to Give Away Twice as Much of Their Products for a Dollar as Under the Bimetallic System.

From the space which our London contemporaries devote to the subject it is to be concluded that the proposition to put British India on a gold-currency basis is regarded as a burning question. It has already been pointed out that the view taken by the leading economic and financial writers of Great Britain is decidedly hostile to the scheme. This opposition, it is fair to say, is not grounded upon the theory that the discarding of silver by India would be detrimental to British interests, although there is an idea present in the discussion that such a move would increase the difficulties which the London market and the Bank of England have to contend with growing out of the demand for gold from Russia and Japan, not to mention the heavy drafts which the United States has made during the past year on the English supplies of gold and those which are liable to result from a maintenance of this country's favorable trade balances.

The principal contention of British critics in discussing the gold currency proposals of the Indian government is that the effect would be disastrous to India itself. That country and all its business interests, it is maintained, have already suffered severely from the contraction of the currency caused by the closing of the Indian mints to the free coinage of the silver rupee. Financial stringency is an annual occurrence throughout the presidencies. Money goes to prohibitory rates; and according to one authority, the leading Indian banks were recently unwilling to make loans even on the security of bar gold. The restriction and disturbance of business from such a state of affairs is obvious. And it is further pointed out that for a poor country like India, already burdened with a debt in Europe, on which the interest is payable in gold, to enter upon a policy that necessarily involves additional heavy gold loans in Europe in order to accumulate and maintain a large gold reserve would be little short of suicidal.

Another feature of the Indian financial situation which is also dwelt on with emphasis in the course of the discussion is the relation of India's immemorial popular habits of hoarding silver to the proposed gold standard. It is pointed out that even since the Indian mints were closed that country went on importing silver to the extent of about $20,000,000 a year, although it was a period of low prices for wheat, cotton and other products and was marked by plague, frontier war, famine and exceptional dearth of money. Since 1859 it is calculated that about $780,000,000 of silver had been absorbed by India for hoarding and personal ornaments, and the usually careful London Statist goes so far as to assume that the total amount of silver held in that way, not coined in India, is fully $1,500,000,000.

While the rupee in exchange is worth about 1s. 4d., the value of the silver in the rupee is worth about 10½d. Silver, therefore, is about one-third below the artificial existing value of the rupee. Consequently the hoards and ornaments of the people of India are worth about one-third less than they would be if the mints had not been closed. In old times, before the mints were closed, rupees and silver in the form of ornaments were interchangeable. Now if a native is forced to sell the latter he finds he is offered about two-thirds their weight in rupees. "It follows," says the journal quoted from above, "that there is a depreciation of approximately $500,000,000 in the value of the silver hoards and ornaments held in India. The proposal of the Indian government is that this depreciation should be perpetuated. The sum is equal to one-half the indemnity exacted by Germany from France at the end of the war." The economic and political complications which might follow the further development of such a line of policy, therefore, fill the leading London authorities on the finance with apprehensions which they are at no pains to conceal. The drift of their argument is that the fall in the value of the rupee has not really injured India, which has been vastly benefited by good government and the development of its sources through the inflow of British capital. The remedy proposed is, therefore, a gradual fall of the rupee so managed by the government as not to disarrange trade.—Bradstreet's.

The Paramount Issue.

The earnest determination of the people of the United States to continue the fight against gold monopoly in war as well as in peace is manifested in every state of the Union where conventions have been held during the current year, says the Silver Knight-Watchman. From Maine to Texas and from Florida to the state of Washington the Chicago platform is the guiding star of 1898, as it was in 1896, for all who desire the restoration of silver and the overthrow of the greedy, unscrupulous combination which is laboring to contract the legal tender money of the world to gold alone, for two purposes: One to rob their neighbors, the other to enslave the masses. The vociferous, mendacious and frantic howl of the gold papers in every commercial center of the Union that the silver question is dead shows the desperaton of Shylock in lying to keep his courage up. No matter what may occur or what new issues may arise, the action of the Democrats, Silver Republicans and loyal Populists in every state of the Union is proof conclusive that the paramount issue of an adequate supply of money will never be set aside until the United States regains its financial independence of any foreign power whatsoever.

The glorious courage of our sailors and soldiers displayed at Manila and Santiago is inspiring to American patriotism. The spirit of independence of all foreign powers is being developed by our conflict with Spain, which will make Americans scorn with contempt every suggestion that the United States must be a vassal of some foreign power, either commercially, financially or political. Financial independence goes with political independence, and as the spirit of independence is excited and inspired its effect will be seen in the legislation of every department of the government.

The war, so far from burying the silver question, will vitalize those forces which strive for financial independence, which is equally essential with political independence. The very fact that we are at war with Spain has aroused the Democrats, Silver Republicans and Populists to the vital issue of financial independence, as shown by every political gathering between the two oceans.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

Now that the end of Spanish misrule and cruelty on the Western Hemisphere is in sight, the American people will turn their attention to the gold combination.—Silver Knight Watchman.

If the McKinley prosperity puts wheat up when the people have to buy, and wheat down when the farmers have wheat to sell, there will soon be an imperative call for prosperity of a different brand.—The New Era.

The "dollar wheat" boasted of by the Republican press leaders is not for the farmers. Last year nine-tenths of the farmers sold their wheat from 60 to 68 cents. In the hands of speculators the same wheat reached $1.85 on the Chicago board. Now, when a new crop is in the hands of the farmers, wheat has dropped to 70 cents. Dollar wheat is not for the farmers.—Sun (Vincennes) Ind.

An indication of McKinley prosperity is the price of flax. The first of last week, we are told, the price was 85 cents. On Saturday the price had dropped to 50 cents. You can always depend upon the price dropping when the farmer has a crop to sell. As soon as he has sold, and the speculators have the crop, up goes the price. There is no more demand for these things just after the speculators have cornered the crop than there is just after harvest time.—Kansas Agitator.

The reason why $1,250,000,000 sought an investment in government bonds bearing 3 per cent interest is because the owners of the money knew that although the rate of interest was low, the dollars in which the bonds were to be paid would continue to grow larger and fatten under the gold standard. Property that is growing cheaper under gold contraction cannot compete in the markets against bonds payable in dollars that are appreciating in purchasing power.—Silver Knight Watchman.

The Republican party is unable to redeem its promises. It obtained a new lease of power on the promises that it would check importations, put a surplus in the treasury and raise both the price of the American product and the wages of the American laborer. So far as the fruit industry is concerned, it may have succeeded in checking importations, but wages are no higher, and in many instances they are lower, and fruit is not worth so much as it was before the Dingley bill was enacted.—Yolo Democrat.

This Is Republicanism.

In America the opinion was definitely reached that Amasa Stone's millions had more to do with his selection by Mr. McKinley of John Hay as secretary of state than any other factor.

We have from England an altogether different view. The London Times says, in speaking of Mr. Hay's recall from England: "We must console ourselves with the reflection that the foreign affairs of the United States are in the hands of a man who has learned from actual observation what are the necessities of the foreign policy of England."

No formal alliance, offensive or defensive, has been struck up between England and the United States. That would require a treaty, which the president would be obliged to submit to the senate of the United States, and the president might well hesitate to father such a scheme lest his popularity suffer among the people of the United States, who are not ripe for any such alliance.

But we may gather from London that policy which will not be declared openly or formally will be given operation by an indirection.

Mr. McKinley selects for the head of the department of state in the United States a man who has learned from actual observation what are the necessities not of the United States but of the foreign policy of England.

We may reasonably suppose that it is the English view that Mr. Hay goes into the cabinet of Mr. McKinley as England's particular representative.

To build the Nicaraguan canal is purely a governmental function. The Democratic party is pledged to this great work, and just so sure as there will be a victory in 1899, just so sure the work will be begun.

POPULIST POINTS

VIEW OF THE FIELD.

NATIONAL POLITICAL ISSUES BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

Monopoly Which Is Seeking Complete Control of the Legislative, Judicial and Executive Departments of the Government Must Be Defeated.

In the New England states the apathy of the producers may continue but in the western and southern states there are indications that the political revolution, begun in 1896, when a majority of the western states joined with nearly all of the southern states in voting for modified populism, is growing in strength and radicalism. This year's people's party platforms are no less sound and radical than those of 1892, and the silver Democrats and Republicans, who took what was styled by the plutocratic press extreme Populistic ground in 1896, are much more radical and Populistic in their platform utterances this year.

The Democratic convention in Illinois is especially deserving of Populist congratulations, because besides a ringing anti-plutocratic money plank the Illinois Democratic platform contains Populist planks in favor of direct legislation and public ownership of franchises. "Public ownership of franchises" means public ownership of the means of transportation and communication. The Ohio and California Democrats have also declared in favor of direct legislation, and the educational influence of People's party press and speakers will no doubt bring the states rapidly into line.

The Populist demands—abolition of monopoly in money, land and transportation—will be supported by a majority of the voters sooner than most of us had dared to hope, judging from the present signs. With the political winds blowing from the right quarter Populists will be encouraged to more vigorously proclaim the truths of their platform.

On the other hand it is evident that the banks, loan and trust companies, railroad companies and trusts are politically united against the interests of the people, and that an enormous campaign corruption fund will be expended by M. A. Hanna, who himself has some $17,000,000 invested in the above forms of monopoly, and a desperate effort will be made to place a majority of goldbugs and corporation tools in both houses of the next congress.

While the Republican national platform declares for the suppression of trusts, every trust official in America will contribute towards Republican control of congress, knowing the platform to be a lie and that they have nothing to fear from a party whose politicians are their paid attorneys and whose real leader, Mark Hanna, is a member of their own inner circle.

The Republican platform declares for bimetallism on the basis of an international agreement, but it is a well-known fact that Hanna, McKinley and Reed have promised that in case they control the next congress the single gold standard will be firmly rivited upon the people, if possible, through an unrepealable treaty with foreign gold standard powers. Gold bonds will be sold and the greenbacks retired, and whatever the organized usurers of the country demand will be given to them.

Therefore the voters should be on their guard. All of the votes that boodle can buy, that the giant corporations can bulldoze, that war cries can bamboozle, will be cast against the producers and for the monopolists. Fondly convinced that the people are fools, all of the lawyers on the payrolls of the corporations will try to prove that every vote against the gold trust and the railroad trust is a vote against the late war with Spain, and fools will believe it.

In this country the power of aggregated wealth in control of the metropolitan press and the professional spellbinders, when combined with rooted political prejudice and the folly of fools, is not to be despised. Unless the people get actively into the fight in their own interests and guard against boodle influence over the official count, Mark Hanna may actually be, next year, in control of all branches of our government—legislative, judicial and executive. Activity among patriots who see the horrible possibilities involved in this is all that is necessary to prevent it. PERCY PEPOON.

Too Poor to Hold Office.

From the Omaha World-Herald: It is reported that Secretary of State Day will resign, for the reason that he is too poor to meet the social obligations of his position. We have heard something like this before. It is an old story, but it brings up an important problem, which must sooner or later be solved. The solution will lie in an increase of the salary paid our public officials, or in a decrease in the tomfoolery which has attached itself to the social incidents of official life. A little more businesslike methods on the part of public minds for the homely character of the country's institutions, both political and social, and the public welfare will be advanced.

POINTS FROM THE P...

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In the ... form ... owner... roads ... All the ... way. ...

The McKinley press ... statistics of ... which have passed ... receivers the ... plain that they were ... result of plutocratic ... now they are encouraging ... owners to whom our ... Southern shippers must ... gold.—Journal of Agriculture.

Railroad companies ... rate of fare now as ... years ago, although they ... their supplies and equip... half less than then. Why ... not fallen like other things ... Gazette.

Now that the war is ... close, will the war tax be ... will it be continued as a ... locking up and impounding ... backs, treasury notes and ... tificates to make room for ... bank notes."—Silver Knight ... man.

SILVER SENTIMENT.

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It is a self-evident fact ... Republican newspapers ... "silver sentiment" is dead ... tors don't believe it when ... it. Their readers don't believe ... they read it. True, other ... sues before the people ... front by war, but the ... is paramount to the silver ... concerns every inch of ... every cent's worth of property ... United States.

Do You Know What Is Best

You are a mother, ... up a child. Do you ... are bringing up that child ... can or at least should ... see the kingdom ... child is a daughter ... struggle for a living ... for today is all that ... tomorrow the daughter ... for. Perhaps she ... workingman who gets ... know the rest. If ... he grows up to manhood ... avenue of trade closed ... has not got the money ... fluence to get a foothold ...

Utilizing the Pigs.

...g steamer was wrecked ... S. W. The captain ... the pigs which formed ... These on being thrown ... kly swam ashore, taking ... them. Communication ... tablished, every person ... rescued.

LUCY GOODWIN ... four years with female ... now writes to Mrs. Pinkham ... plete recovery. Read ...

Mrs. PINKHAM:—I wish you ... that Lydia E. Pinkham's ... Compound, Sanative Wash ... and Liver ... have done ... me. ... I suffered for four ... with ... trouble, ... doctor ... had fail... the worst ... also suffered ... with ... prostration, ... all-gone feelings, pain ... heart, bearing-down sensations ... ful menstruation. I was ... but a few minutes at a time ... commenced taking your medicine ... not sit up half a day. ... used half a bottle I was ... ed about my work. ... ken three bottles of Lydia ... 's Vegetable Compound and ... ckage of Sanative Wash ... d of all my troubles. I feel ... oman. I can do all kinds ... and feel stronger than ... y life. I now weigh 131 ... fore using your medicine ... 108 pounds. ... the grandest medicine for ... that ever was, and my ... who are suffering from ... uble is to try it at once ... ll. Your medicine has ... ing to me, and I cannot ... gh.—Mrs. LUCY GOODWIN, ...

It's easy for men who ... themselves—but ...

Do You Know What Is Best

Scrofula ... blood of millions, and ... may break out in ... sores, or some more ... to cure scrofula or ... ly purify your ... sarsaparilla, which has a ... ing record of wonderful ...

Hood's Sarsaparilla ... Sarsaparilla ... Greatest Medicine. $1; ...

Hood's Pills cure indigestion, ...

Hood's for Tired Saleswomen ... ly the saleswomen ... ed nurses often suffer ... eet, especially when ... ospitals. A powder ... d in the German army ... the shoes and stockings ... oldiers might be of ... s of three parts of ... parts of starch and ... rts of pulverized ... the feet dry, prevent ... ains any sore spots. ... e, without the other ... s also been found useful ... e will give relief when ... er the sole of the stocking ...

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PERCY PEPOON.

POINTS FROM THE PRE[SS]

McKinley gold prices for co[...] are what McKinley gold pri[...] wheat will be next year.—Jou[...] Agriculture.

Direct legislation would be [...] the realization of what is cla[...] the foundation of our governm[ent] [...] the people rule.—Chicago Exp[...]

It is impossible to prevent co[...] discriminations and overcharg[...] through public ownership. Pal[...] are delusive.—San Francisco [...]

In the campaign of 1900 the [...]cratic party will demand in [...] form direct legislation, gov[...] ownership and operation of th[e rail]roads and telegraph; and paper [...] All the drift of the times po[ints that] way.—Appeal to Reason.

The McKinley press bureau g[...] statistics of the number of [...] which have passed out of the h[ands of] receivers this year. It does [...] plain that they were bankrupt [...] result of plutocratic policies a[nd that] now they are reorganized with [...] owners to whom our West[ern and] Southern shippers must pay tr[ibute in] gold.—Journal of Agriculture.

Railroad companies charge t[he same] rate of fare now as they di[d ...] years ago, although they pur[chase] their supplies and equipments [for] half less than then. Why ha[ve rates] not fallen like other things?—[...] Gazette.

Now that the war is draw[ing to a] close, will the war tax be re[pealed or] will it be continued as a m[eans of] locking up and impounding th[e green]backs, treasury notes, and si[lver cer]tificates to make room for an[other issue of] bank notes?—Silver Knigh[t-Watch]man.

SILVER SENTIMENT

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Do You Know What Ja[...]

You are a married man a[nd have] up a child. Do you know [that you] are bringing up that child [...] can or at least should look [forward to] see the gigantic monopoli[es ...] out the lives of the peo[ple. If the] child is a daughter, she w[ill have to] struggle for a living. To[day she ...] for today is all that you c[an give;] tomorrow the daughter m[ust work] for. Perhaps she marrie[s a] workingman who gets out o[f ...] know the rest. If your ch[ild is a boy] he grows up to manhood [to find the] avenue of trade closed t[o him. He] has not got the means [or the in]fluence to get a foothold [anywhere.] What is next? Crime. A[nd there are] many fathers there are wh[o ...] those who would change th[e ...] and give their boy and g[irl a] chance with every other [child] in the nation.—Critic.

Unite and W[in.]

Oh, ye Democrats, ye [...] Silver Republicans, ye [...] and Direct Legislationists, [...] ye Free Lances of what k[ind ...] rally to your coo[...] divide not, but unite [...] and you will be [...] John Clark Ridpath in th[e ...]

It's easy for men who [...] themselves—but not of t[...]

[...] that there are in New [...] [...]sters are served [...] daily consumption [...]

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

[...] makes weak [...] 50c, $1. All druggist.

[...] Prof. Eurico [...] practice for the rea[...] card, that he [...] weight of the income [...] able to meet it."

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

[Take] Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All [druggists refund] money if it fails to cure. 25c.

[...] giant mountains, of [...] with a net work [...] railways.

[To]bacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

[...] forever, be mag[netic ...] vigor, take No-To-[Bac, the] wonder-worker, that makes weak men [strong. All] druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guar[anteed.] Booklet and sample free. Address [Sterling] Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

[...] ladies, who twenty years ago were [...] may now be seen bicycling [...] the towns.

[...] Baltimore, [...] well-known deal[ers ...] catalogue which [...] furniture catalogue [...] with every[...] comfortable [...] faithfully illus[trated ...] made is easy [...] before you [...] this house fur[nishing ...] breadth of this [...] is really a [...] from hand[...] carpets can be [...] Designs [...] the whole [...] art. In both [...] from satisfied [...] the country [...] reliability and [...] might well be [...] absolute assurance of [...] [...] times.

[...] I can assure you [...] instance has DR. MOF[FETT'S] TEETHINA (TEETHING POW[DERS] ...) We have tried [...] everything known to [...] TEETHINA is pre[...] and blessing to mothers [...]

[...] No fits or nervous[ness ...] Dr. Kline's Great [Nerve Restorer ...] and treatise free [...] Arch St., Phila., Pa.

[Mrs. W]inslow's Soothing Syrup for children [teething, softens] the gums, reduces inflamma[tion, allays pain, cu]res wind colic. 25c a bottle.

[I believe Piso's Cure for] Consumption saved [my life ...] Mrs. ALLIE [...] Oct. 29, 1894.

Scrofula

[...] blood of millions, and sooner [or later ...] break out in hip disease, [...] sores or some more complicated [form.] To cure scrofula or prevent it, [thoroughly] purify your blood with [Hood's] Sarsaparilla, which has a continu[ous] record of wonderful cures.

[H]ood's Sarsaparilla

[Is America's] Greatest Medicine. $1; six for $5.

[Hood's] Pills cure indigestion, biliousness.

[Relie]f for Tired Saleswomen.

[...] saleswomen complain, [...] nurses often suffer from [...] especially when they first [...] hospitals. A powder which is [...] German army for sift[ing ...] shoes and stockings of the [...] might be of service. [...] parts of salicylic [...] starch and eighty[...] pulverized soapstone, [...] prevents chaf[ing ...] spots. The soap[...] other ingre[dients ...] found useful and [...] relief when well [...] of the stocking.

Utilizing the Pigs.

[...] was wrecked near [...] captain tied life [...] part of [...] thrown over[board ...] ashore, taking the [...] communication be[...] every person on [...]

[MRS.] LUCY GOODWIN

[...] female trou[bles ...] Mrs. Pinkham [...] Read her [...]

[...] I wish you to [...] Pinkham's [...] Sanative Wash [...] Liver Pills [...] have done for [me.]

I suffered [...] four years [...] with womb [...] trouble. My [...] doctor said I [...] had falling of [...] the womb. I [...] also suffered [...] with nervous [prostration], faint, [...] palpita[tion ...] down sensa[tions ...] I could [...] at a time. [...] your med[icine ...] a day, but [...] bottle I was [...] work. [...] of Lydia [...] Compound and [...] Sanative Wash, [...] troubles. I feel [...] I can do all kinds [...] stronger than I [...] I now weigh 131½ [...] your medicine I [...] pounds. [...] grandest medicine for [...] that ever was, and my [...] are suffering from [...] to try it at once [...] Your medicine has [...] to me, and I cannot [...]—MRS. LUCY GOODWIN,

[...] CURE FOR [CONS]UMPTION [...] ALL ELSE FAILS. [...] Syrup. Tastes Good. Use [...] Sold by druggists.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A gun with an American behind it is a peacemaker and a mapmaker.

Australia welcomes our nearer neighborhood in the acquisition of Hawaii.

General Miles' personally conducted excursion to Porto Rico was one of the greatest successes in its line ever undertaken.

The Mayor of Atlanta, Ga., has contracted for twenty-two Star-Spangled Banners, which are to be raised over the public schoolhouses of the city.

Thirty-five duels have taken place over various phases of the Dreyfus case. But France has lost little else than a few drops of blood from the encounters.

The Hawaiian alphabet has but twelve letters, and now we've got to go to work and teach them fourteen more. That's one of the drawbacks we encounter by taking them in.

There seems to be a surplus of Smiths in Michigan; at least the Congressional nominations of that State would indicate such to be the case. Four-fifths of the nominees are named Smith.

When it is considered that the United States furnished Great Britain last year with 618,000 head of live cattle and 612,000 sheep, it is not surprising that England should be warmly in favor of the Anglo-American alliance.

The list of those who volunteered to drive Spain out of Cuba is a long one, but it won't be a circumstance to the number of those who will apply for reinstatement in the army of commerce under the new bankruptcy act.

Investigation into the condition of the poor in Aachen, Germany, showed that of 900 families with three or more persons, 402 had only one room per family, though two families consisted of 11 persons, 3 of 10, 6 of 9, 39 of 8, 52 of 7, 59 of 6, 72 of 5.

Admiral Cervera is most certainly not without a keen sense of humor. At a recent dinner party a naval officer's wife asked him: "What were you most struck with in the handling of the American ships?" Without hesitation the Admiral replied in good English: "We were all most struck by the eight-inch shells."

The opal production of Queensland, Australia, is becoming very important. More than $160,000 worth of rough stones were exported last year. In the western districts of the colony the opal deposits are very considerable. The Queensland opal is of brilliant quality, and experts pronounce it to be equal to the best Hungarian varieties.

The hospitality shown to the boys in blue in Charleston, S. C., while they were temporarily in camp there, has brought to its Mayor and its people a shower of grateful letters from fathers and mothers, wifes, brothers, and sisters, in the North and the West since the troops sailed for Porto Rico. The boys had written home enthusiastic accounts of the warm welcome that had been given to them in the Southern city.

Ten thousand "old settlers" of Chicago attended a picnic a few days ago. A Chicago old settler is one who settled in the Lake City prior to 1875. Gold medals (value $15) were given to the oldest German settler, the oldest German woman settler, the oldest settler not German, the oldest German settler who has been longest in the United States Army or Navy, the oldest settler not German who has been longest in the United States Army or Navy, the oldest German married couple, and the oldest married couple not German.

The last issue of the "Foglio d'Ordine," the official journal of the Italian Navy, contains the following order: "On battleships, as a general rule, the use of wood will be abolished. The authorities will endeavor to carry out this principle at once on warships now in course of construction, and the same will be done gradually on the others whenever the opportunity presents itself, attention being paid to the detailed instructions which will be issued by circular." This is said to be the first effect of the report of the American naval experts after the destruction of Admiral Cervera's squadron by the American fleet.

Some interesting statistics are gathered from the records of the recruiting station at Baltimore, Md. The most startling showing was in relation to the height of the recruits. The volunteers as a rule were members of State military organizations, and except in the matter of height, were usually above the average. The record shows that fully nine per cent. of the applicants were less than the average height, five feet and eight inches, and six per cent. were below the minimum height, five feet and four inches. At this station about thirty-four per cent. of the applicants were mustered into the service. The rejections were in most cases due to causes other than disease. It is said by the recruiting officer of the station that the colored men who offered themselves were in better condition for service, generally, than the white men.

A Washington paper notes the fact that on July 20 a Virginia postoffice was named "Hobson," which indicated a proper regard for heroism. Pope County, Ark., on July 22 secured a new postoffice, which is called "Sigsbee," showing that it remembered the Maine and her commander. North Carolina came along on July 23 with a postoffice in Randolph County, which it called "Dewey," and on July 26 with a "Sampson" postoffice, and on the 28th Florida named a postoffice for Dewey and Kentucky secured one named "Manila." Just what idea controlled the people of Woodruff County, Ark., in asking to have an office named "Fakes" does not appear. The favored name since the victory of May 1 in Manila Harbor has been "Dewey," and it is expected at the Postoffice Department that the popularity of the Admiral of the Asiatic station will not be exhausted until something like ten "Dewey" postoffices are named. When that number has been reached it will be up to the average. Very few public men have named more than ten postoffices.

Down in Jamaica they say "the Yankees aren't afraid of Old Nick." The people of this English colony also consider the armed tugboat Leyden the greatest vessel in the American Navy. Some weeks ago H. M. S. Talbot, a cruiser about the size of the New York, steamed into Kingston harbor and told a story which gave rise to this respect for Lieutenant Crossley's tiny warship. It seems that the cruiser was steaming down the Bahama channel one dark night when a blank shot was fired close by. The watch officers could see nothing and paid no attention to the signal. Then a solid shot sank across the big ship's bow and she hove to in a jiffy. A few minutes later a tugboat came tearing up alongside, and, through the megaphone, her commander demanded the name of the vessel he had held up. "The British cruiser Talbot." "You can go on," was the condescending reply. The cruiser did go on, and her officers and crew now have the greatest respect for our American tugboats. It is only natural that this should be the case.

To point out the phenomenal increase in our foreign trade during the past ten years comparisons are made between the figures of 1898 and the figures for 1888. Taking the principal countries of the globe, our exports to them have been as follows: Great Britain, in 1898, $540,000,000; in 1888, $362,000,000; Germany, in 1898, $150,000,000; in 1888, $56,000,000; France, in 1898, $100,000,000; in 1888, $40,000,000; Canada, in 1898, $85,000,000; in 1888, $38,000,000; Netherlands, in 1898, $65,000,000; in 1888, $16,000,000; Belgium, in 1898, $47,000,000; in 1888, $10,000,000; Japan, in 1898, $21,000,000; in 1888, $4,000,000; Africa, in 1898, $17,000,000; in 1888, $3,000,000; China, in 1898, $10,000,000; in 1888, $4,500,000; Austria-Hungary, in 1898, $5,000,000; in 1888, $500,000; Denmark, in 1898, $12,000,000; in 1888, $3,000,000. As the above figures show our foreign trade during the past ten years has doubled in almost every instance. No other country on the globe can show anything like this record. Thus we literally become the purveyor of food and supplies to the nations of the earth.

A system of portable or field electric railway has been brought out in Germany with complete success. As described by a correspondent of the Boston Transcript, the track consists of easily transported rail frames, made of two rails of the usual field railway profile, and connected together by, say, five crossbars; the middle crossbar extends a few inches beyond the rails on either side, and to its ends is bolted an iron yoke, or frame, in shape an inverted "U," the top of which is high enough to be well clear of the cars. The overhead conductor is supported at the center of the upper horizontal part of the yoke; the yokes are placed closer together at curves, and at the sharpest curves it may be necessary to fit every rail frame with a yoke, in order to keep the overhead conductor sufficiently near the center of the track. The generating station is fitted in the usual way with a dynamo, and two feeders are led from the station to one end of the track, one being connected to the end of the overhead conductor and the other to the rails. For running the trolley wire a special truck has been devised. On it are a pair of ladders, leaning toward each other, and between them on the floor of the truck is a reel containing wire, and at the top, where their upper ends meet, is supported a guide pulley. By means of this truck a long field line, it is found, can be run out in a surprisingly short space of time.

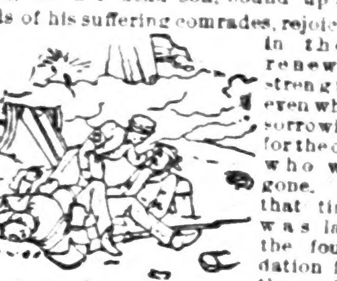
The Women of Mexico.

The women of Mexico, all untrained as they are, have a hard time. They are utterly unskilled housekeepers, doing everything without proper implements and in the most primitive way. Some few are skilled needlewomen, but many of them are not. It is one of the most sensible charities in the City of Mexico which puts a half hundred sewing machines in some large building in a crowded part of the city and teaches the women to use them. Sometimes the coarse cotton cloth that is chiefly used for garments is furnished to the women, but mostly the machines and thread are furnished and the poor housewives are welcome to make up their garments. As the Mexican women are without housekeeping implements, so the children are without toys. There never was a nation of children so utterly devoid of things to play with. They have not even a spool or a bone. But these children which have never been cradled or lulled with the music of a rattle watch you from the recesses of the maternal rebosa with large eyes in which the sadness of their ancestry and the cruelties since the conquest are shadowed forth. There is a good deal of the stoicism of the Indian in these baby faces, and a good deal of inherited sorrow, too. The proud but gentle race of the Aztecs has been humbled and ground in the dust by his brave conqueror, the Spaniard, and the hereditary face, behind its good nature, has a look of extreme sadness.—San Francisco Examiner.

Woman's Heroism.

From the Register-Gazette, Rockford, Ill.

During the civil war nearly as much heroism was shown by the women of our nation as by the brave soldiers. Many a woman, weeping for her dead son, bound up the wounds of his suffering comrades, rejoicing in their renewed strength, even while sorrowing for the one who was gone. At that time was laid the foundation for the world-famed organization known as the Woman's Relief Corps, whose aid to the soldier of to-day, fighting against the world for a living, is no less notable than the heroism of the early '60's.



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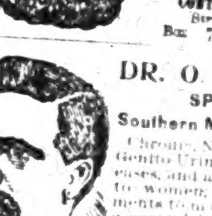

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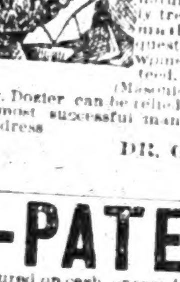

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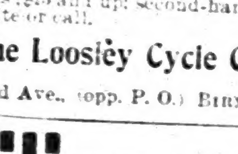

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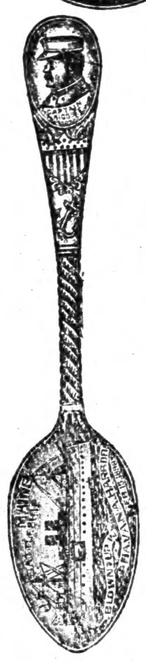

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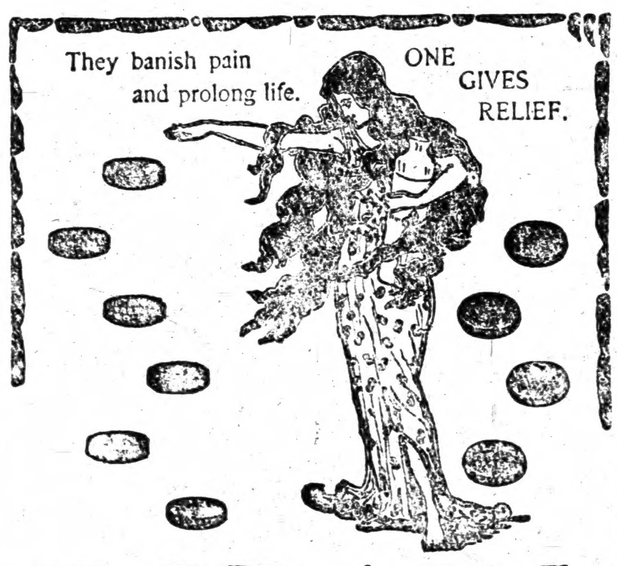

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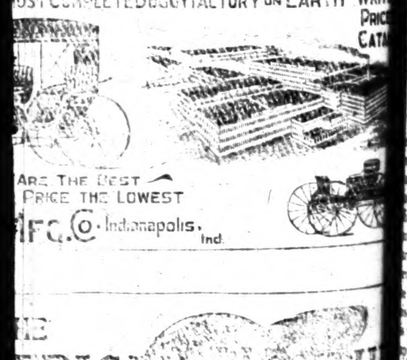
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...T OF TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

...last Institute was held at ...Canton, two miles east of ... on 16th and 17th inst. ... Moore was ready for the ...med hour, and discussed ... Professors Cor... ... the war horses, ... The teacher should be ... educated and have a ... for the work, ... that were dwelt on at ... Prof. Corderie, in ... addressed the Insti... ...erm times on the question; ...arks being responded to by ... Hicks.

...on a bountiful dinner was ... the members of the Insti... ...ere on hand and performed ...duty well.

...e program for the afternoon ...mmenced by Prof. J. M. ..., who thanked the com... ...for assigning him the subject ...rithmetic. He illustrated to ...stitute how he would teach ...rithmetic.

...Bowdoin's paper on "Edu... ...Value of Reading" show... ...thought on her part, and ...

..."Educational Value of ..." by Miss Kate Garner, ... to the point. It was an ex... ...paper.

..."Grammar" was discussed by ... Hicks. Those who know ... know the subject was well ...ed.

...turday, to 9 a.m., devotional ...ises. The audience was then ...ed to a recital by Miss Mary ... Her rendition of "Ethel's ..." was excellent for one of ...years, and was highly appreci...

..."Music in our Common Schools" ...s discussed at ... considerable ...th, showing that the teachers ...interested in the subject. That ...a great educational factor was ...lized, its introduction into our ...ols was recommended.

...Parrish was on hand for his ...t. His talk was practical.

...n educational address by Jud... ...Strong closed the morning's ...sion.

...After a song by the Institute open... ...at 1:45, and the remainder of ...e program was carried out in an ...eatly interesting manner. The ...llowing memorial was adopted:

MEMORIAL.

...We, the teachers of the Institute ...held at Unity church, desire to ex... ...our gratitude to J. W. Moore, ...County Superintendent of Educa..., for his kindness and for the ...efficient manner in which he has ...conducted the business of his office ...during his administration. We be... ...we voice the sentiment of all ...teachers in Chilton county in ...saying that a successful career in ...future life, and that he will oc... ...a prominent place in our ...ranks, and will ever be remem...ed with unfailing kindness by ...and every one of us.

...Institute then adjourned sine die.
J. W. Moore, President.
...Simmons, Secretary.

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Coopers.

The Good Lord has seen fit, in ...s wisdom, to call from this stage ...action Mr. Johnny L. Moore. ...He was born February 12, 1861, ...died September 10, 1898; was ...married December 3, 1891. His ...wife lived about four years, when ...He saw fit to call her home. She ...left her husband and one child to ...grieve over her absence. He lived ...two years and nine months after ...her death and God took him from ...this unfriendly world. He was a ...good citizen and had many friends, ...who with his family mourn his ...loss. He was a member of the ...Missionary Baptist church two ...years, and said he was ready to die. ...He saw his way clear, but did not ...know what God was keeping him ...here for; he longed for the time to ...come. He had been afflicted about ...two years.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Clanton, Sept. 18, 1898

Editor BANNER—In reply to Hon. L. H. Reynolds, in regard to a bull law, I think it the grandest thing the farmers could have to improve their stock. We can breed cows at the season that will suit ourselves. I want every level headed man to think of this important question.

In regard to working the roads, I favor working them by taxation and letting them to the lowest bidder, like the bridges are, and let the contractor give bond for the faithful performance of his duty. We would levy a separate tax on every man over 21 and under 45, say $2.50, and give the man the privilege of working it out at fifty cents a day, and that five days under a contractor will be better than ten, as the law is now.

As to the schools, I want to see the school law so amended that every child can get a good education. I want to see a schoolhouse in every community run nine months in the year.

I think a dog law would be a good law, and let the money go to help the schools, as I am a strong advocate of good schools. Put a heavy tax on the dog.

JOT A. MILLER.

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Jemison, Sept. 16, 1898

Editor BANNER—I read in The Banner the letter from our Representative asking the people to express themselves openly as to their wishes in regard to working the roads by taxation. As for myself I can say I am not in favor of that kind of law. It will bring the men who have served their time all in, and leave out the boys; and I think some other law would suit better.

As to the bull law, I am in favor of that. Let each neighborhood buy them a bull and keep him in the bounds of same; and keep him confined, so that his owners may know where to find him at any time. I think either of these plans would suit better than the present one.

As to schools, let someone suggest a school law that will prove to be a better one than we now have; a law whereby rich and poor may alike be able to educate their children, for we all know that when we bring our children up in ignorance we are bringing them up to fill the hard places in life, for the educated get the easy ones. Let everyone think this: I will, by the help of God, educate my children so that they will fill an honorable position in life, so that when we are gone they will be sure and think of us. W. E. VINZANT.

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Thorsby, Ala., Sept. 19. 1898.

Editor BANNER. As I, and others to whom I have spoken on the subject, understand the road tax we would not be taxed so much per capita, but so much per cent of value of our taxable property. Making the wealthier bear the greater part of the expense. Just the thing for us poor people, as it would enable us to dispose of road duties for a very few cents per year. As it is now, it sometimes takes several days to work the road, and it is only half done, left so that the next heavy rain makes it almost as bad as ever. By taking and contracting road work we could demand that roads be properly finished up so that they will remain smooth and durable. Good roads are a move for a better financial condition of a county.

As to the bull and boar law, by all means let us have it unless we can get what is better, a complete stock law. Anyone opposing either is opposing the welfare and prosperity of his country, and is content that we continue raising scrubs and farming at a disadvantage. The advantages of complete stock law are so numerous, it would take up too much of the Banner's valuable space to enumerate them now, so I will get back to the subject. If all the scrub bulls and boars now running at large in Chilton county were sold, the receipts would pay all fees for throughbred service for many years; and our cattle and hogs would be greatly improved, we could all have good cows, one of which is better than two or three such as we now have. One dollar (the usual fee) would be a small increase of cost of a half bred Shorthorn, Heresford or Jersey calf over a scrub, and the difference in value at maturity would be from ten to twenty dollars. This is what the poor man needs to keep him from continuing so poor. Some opponents of these laws seem to think that it is inevitable that we always remain poor, in which event our present laws are all right, but I am sure that the majority of our people want to get out of the rut and make an improvement in their financial conditions, which can hardly be done without the adoption of such better laws. P. C. S.

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Maplesville.

The handsome Dr. Davis was in town not long since.

The charming Miss Gertrude Woolsy has been visiting friends at Centreville.

Mr. Wheeler Foshee's old friends are pleased to have him back home on a visit.

Dr. Pettus Crum is visiting the family of Mr. Tom Dubose.

Mr. Frank Kelley paid a flying trip to Maplesville during the Jewish holiday.

Mr. W. T. Garner spent Sunday in Selma.

Maplesville is still sustaining its reputation as a health resort. Mrs. John Paisley came up yesterday with two sick children and will spend some time here.

The good women of Maplesville are very much encouraged by the proceeds from the church supper.

X. Y. Z.

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Stanton

Mrs. Broadhead, of Blocton, is visiting her brother, Mr. ... M. Griffin at this place.

Dr. Crum, of Jemison, was a visitor here Sunday.

Several of our young people of this place attended church at Plantersville Sunday night.

J. F. Gregory went to Selma Tuesday.

Messrs. John Ruddick and Jim DuBose of the First Alabama regiment are at home for some time.

Mr. J. E. McDaniel, of Clanton, was in town Tuesday on business.

Mr. McKee, of Selma, was a visitor here Sunday. STAN.

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Jemison.

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The remains were brought home for interment. The funeral service was conducted where deceased held her membership, amid many tears.

Mrs. I. C.

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Turn-Round Topics.

Mrs. Lillie E. Walters and children returned to their home in Montgomery last week, after an extended visit to Mrs. Kendrick.

Mrs. Goss returned home Sunday, after a week's visit to relatives at Cross Roads.

Walter Kendrick had a pleasant drive over to Plantersville last week—but the lonesome drive back was "a plenty"

The musicale at Mrs. Pyron's Saturday night was enjoyed by all present.

The Pattillo Bros. have made an addition to their gin house, making it more convenient for customers. Give them a trial, your patronage will be appreciated.

Providence and Corinth base ball teams played a match game here Saturday. The score stood after five innings 9 to 2 in favor of Providence.

Mr. and Mrs. Culp have moved to Clanton.

A lovely little band of our young people went down to the State penitentiary Sunday and reports a delightful time.

There will be an all-day singing here at Corinth church next Sunday, Sept. 25. Let everybody come that can and bring books and baskets.

Several from here attended church at Bozeman Sunday.

G. W. Jones continues to improve very slowly. He has been in bed for some time with typhoid fever.

Cholera is among the hogs here and they are dying out very rapidly.

P. H. Connell was confined to his bed a few days last week.

T. L. Robinson, of Salem, was a visitor here Saturday.

Cotton is now opening very fast.

A good corn crop, I think, will be harvested this year. "Au revoir" till next time. N. B.

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Lily.

Farmers are very busy now gathering, crops are turning out reasonably well.

Dr. Haye's wife was laid to rest in the Rasberry cemetery last Sunday.

Mr. Joe Deshazo has just returned from Texas.

Misses Bonnie Flemming and Minnie Rasberry attended the Teacher's Institute.

Mr. Clint Veazey has just closed a singing school at Cox's Chapel with Miss Minnie Rasberry accompanist.

Messrs. Honeycutt and Williams have rented Mr. Cooley's gin at this place, and are doing a good business.

The beautiful new church at Macadonia is nearing completion.

We endorse Mr. Waldrup's letter in last week's BANNER, and part of "Uncle Mike's." I dont know what kind of a road law we need, but I do know we need better roads, and I believe we can have them. X. Y. Z.

Lily, Ala., Sept. 17, 1898

Death visited Dr. Haye's home today, claiming his dear sweet wife. She leaves a husband one sweet little baby girl, one brother and one sister. Eulah was a friend to all, her gentle, sweet disposition won the love of all. To know her was to love her. She was a member of the Mulberry Baptist church. The bereaved have many friends that weep with them, though we weep not as those that have no hope, for we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain. J. C. VEAZEY.

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CAMP MEETING

The camp meeting at Fairview, formerly known as the Shelby Jone's place, has been postponed until the third Sunday in October, commencing on Friday before at 11 o'clock. Rev. W. B. Dennis will preach two sermons on water baptism at Fairview on the third Sunday in September, one in the evening at 4 o'clock, and one at night. Everybody is invited to come.

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MULBERRY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The next session of the Mulberry Baptist Sunday-school convention will be held with Macedonia church four miles east of Randolph, October 29 and 30 1898.

PROGRAM.

Saturday, 9 a.m. Welcome address by James Nix.

9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by W. D. Langston.

10. Organization.

1st Subject. The scriptual author for Sunday-school? Discussed by J. M. Langston and W. H. Shaw.

12. Recess for refreshments.

1:30 p.m. What is the duty of superintendent and teachers to the Sabbath school? Opened by Jasper Langston followed by W. A. Mims.

2:30. What is our motive for attending Sunday-school? Discussed by John A. Lowery and David Smitherman.

3:30. Are we discharging our Christain duty when we take no part in the Sabbath-school work? Opened by James Scott followed by J. B. Oden.

Sunday, 10 a.m. Sabbath-school mas meeting, conducted by Rev. J. P. Gentry.

11. Sermon by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

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During the Battle of Santiago

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CLANTON, - ALABAMA

Camara's glory lies in the fact that he saved his fleet as a nest egg for another navy.

If Americans are overcharged at the Paris exposition, they will remember that France owns $400,000,000 worth of Spain's promissory paper.

One of the New York City magistrates has decided that a robin is a wild animal. Inferentially he probably holds that a turtle is an insect.

The iron ore productions of Spain in 1897 amounted to 7,468,000 tons, as compared with 6,762,000 tons in 1896. Of this product the Biscayan mines contributed 5,170,000 tons; Santander mined 800,000 tons; Murcia, 470,000 tons; Seville, 330,000 tons, and Almeria 300,000 tons. Nearly all of this ore is exported, England taking 5,000,000 tons; Germany took 1,000,000 tons; France, 500,000; Belgium, 200,000 tons, and 60,000 tons went to the United States. Spain herself converts but a very small part of this ore; the Spanish production in 1897 only amounted to 297,000 tons of ingots, 63,000 tons of Siemens steel and 134,000 tons of structural iron.

A British Board of Trade publication on the world's coal supply shows that the United States is second only to England in the amount of production, and that in the cost of production the United States ranks under England and Germany. Trade statistics have just been published which for this country and England cover 1897, a year later than the British official figures which cover the world. In 1897 the British production was 202,128,345 tons; that of the United States was 198,250,000 net tons. The Board of Trade figures are as follows: United Kingdom, 195,361,000 tons; average from 1894 to 1896, 191,000,000 tons; United States' average 1894 to 1896, 165,000,000 tons; Germany, 1896, 85,690,000 tons; France, 28,750,000 tons; Belgium, 21,252,000 tons.

A correspondent of an English paper calls attention to the "probably Scotch" descent of President McKinley and confesses to a pardonable pride in the fact, as the writer is a "Lowland Scotchman." He is only partly right and will have to share his pride with his neighbor of the North of Ireland, our worthy President being set down in the record as of "Scotch-Irish" ancestry. In this regard he is like four other Presidents of the United States—Chester A. Arthur, James Buchanan, James K. Polk and Andrew Jackson. Curiously enough, the list includes President Polk, who conducted one of our foreign wars, and another, Jackson, who distinguished himself in the only other foreign war. But the Scotchman need not lack for satisfaction. Three of our Presidents were of Scotch descent, Hayes, Grant and Monroe, and Grant's renown, with a joint share in Jackson's, should suffice. The remainder of our twenty-five Presidents were of English descent, with the exception of Jefferson, of Welsh ancestry, and Van Buren, of Dutch. So it will be seen that, save one, all traced their family trees back to roots in the soil of the United Kingdom.

The Atlanta Constitution says: One of the greatest afflictions under which the Southern States now rest is the impression abroad that this entire section is given up to fever and malaria. So universal is this opinion in the outside world that it is regarded as a very brave act for one to traverse the suspected country without advisement—in other words, whenever a European or a citizen of one of the Northern States or of Canada meditates a trip into one of the Southern States one of his first inquiries is as to the proper season in which to visit these States and as to the sanitary requirements with which he should surround himself. False as this fear is, unjust, unfounded, and without proper basis to rest upon, it still exists, and one of the most difficult tasks which the Southern publicist has to perform is to convince these people that the Southern States, as a whole, are as healthy as any similar territory in any part of the world, and that the plague spots within their limits are no more numerous and no more fatal than are to be found in similar expanses of territory elsewhere, whether North or South. Only in a few spots in the South is it possible for yellow fever to originate. The great bulk of the country is absolutely as free from it as are the New England States.

ON THE EVE OF A CRISIS.

Revision of the Dreyfus Case May Cause a Revolution in France.

MINISTER OF WAR ZURLINDEN RESIGNS.

American Peace Commissioners En Route to Paris—Gen. Wheeler Will Command Cavalry for Occupation of Cuba and Porto Rico.

All reports agree that the Dreyfus case has now brought France to the eve of a crisis, perhaps the most formidable in the history of the third republic. The situation is rendered more acute by the fact that it is threatening not merely the existence of the cabinet, but the stability of the constitution.

A significant feature is the attitude of President Faure. He is known to be utterly opposed to a revision of the case, but the premier, H. Brisson, and a majority of his colleagues, have decided in favor of a reopening of the matter, and with the resignation of the minister of war, Gen. Zurlinden, as a result there is but little doubt that the popular feeling is still against a revision. Thus the cabinet will come in conflict with the people, while President Faure, as the champion of the army, and with the sympathy of a majority of the nations, assumes a formidable role, which may lead to grave developments. This will be clearly seen if the cabinet's decision leads, as is extremely likely, to mob demonstrations. It is predicted that with the present state of military feeling the army will side with the demonstrations against the cabinet.

Zola May Become a Priest.

London Life claims to have information that M. Emile Zola is about to become a Catholic priest. It says the pope has given his assent to the ordination of the distinguished author six months hence.

EN ROUTE TO PARIS.

United States Peace Commissioners Sail on the Campania.

The United States commissioners to conclude the terms of peace with Spain sailed Saturday on board the Conard line steamer Campania en route to Paris. The commission consists of former Secretary of State Wm. R. Day, United States Senators Wm. P. Frye, Cushman K. Davis and Geo. Gray and Whitelaw Reid. Each commissioner is accompanied on the trip by his wife or other members of his family.

Judge Day said: "I think that America's terms will be regarded as reasonable, and therefore I believe the work of the commissioners will not be impeded by useless discussion."

Spanish Commissioners.

A special dispatch from Madrid says the Spanish peace commissioners were appointed Saturday. They are Senor Montero Rios, president of the senate, and president of the commission, General Cerero and Senor Abarzusa. Villarrutia and Garnica.

JOE WHEELER WILL COMMAND

The Cavalry Forming Part of the Army of Occupation for Cuba and Porto Rico.

WASHINGTON.—Orders were issued from the war department Monday for the disposition of the five regiments of regular cavalry now at Camp Wikoff in command of Major-General Wheeler. Three of them are to be sent to a camp hereafter to be designated within 100 miles of Huntsville, Ala., the Second regiment is to go to South Dakota to relieve the Eighth regiment with headquarters at Fort Meade and the Ninth is to be distributed through Arizona and New Mexico to relieve the Seventh now stationed in those territories. The Seventh and Eighth, upon being relieved, will join the three regiments from Montauk at the camp which may be selected in the vicinity of Huntsville. Its location will depend upon the recommendations of a board of army officers now in the South engaged in inspecting camp sites.

Major-General Wheeler will have command of the cavalry which is to form part of the army of occupation for Cuba and Porto Rico.

NINE LIVES LOST.

The Schooner Alice C. Jordan Sunk by the Steamer Gloucester.

The steamship Gloucester, of the Merchants' and Miners' Transportation company, which arrived Friday at Boston from Baltimore, reports that she collided with the Gloucester schooner Alice Jordan, off Martha's Vineyard, and that nine of the Jordan's crew were drowned. Seven of the crew were saved. The Gloucester struck the schooner with fearful force, nearly destroyed her port and bow and cut into her fully a third of breadth. She began to fill immediately.

Will Courtmartial a Chaplain.

The secretary of the navy has ordered a courtmartial for the trial of Chaplain McIntyre, of the Oregon, who is accused of publicly denouncing his brother officers who engaged in the battle of July 3.

South Dakota Shaken.

An earthquake of unusual strength and duration aroused the people of Hurley, S. D., Friday morning. It caused houses to tremble and dishes to rattle on the shelves for about thirty seconds.

THREE HUNDRED KILLED

By the Hurricane That Swept Over the Barbadoes Last Week.

KINGSTON, Jamaica.—The hurricane of Sunday was undoubtedly the worst visitation of the kind experienced by the West Indies during the century, both in violence and extent. The storm swept along the island chain from the Barbadoes westward to St. Vincent, and thence northwest to St. Kitt's, where it was last heard from. The Barbadoes suffered mostly from the rain, which destroyed the crops and roads, as it did at St. Lucia and other islands, while the center of the storm swept St. Vincent and Guadaloupe.

Details received from St. Vincent shows that an unparalled destruction of life and property has taken place there. Out of a population of 41,000, 300 were killed and 20,000 were injured and rendered homeless. Besides this, owing to the complete destruction of the provisions, they are all starving. The island has been completely gutted by the winds and floods from the mountains, in addition to the waves along the coast.

GENERAL TORAL THREATENED.

His Residence Stoned by an Infurated Mob—Escaped to a Steamer.

A crowd of about 700 people beseiged the house of General Toral at Vigor, Spain, demanding that the troops which arrived the day previous from Santiago de Cuba be immediately landed. They proceeded to the quays, cheering the troops and were with difficulty dispersed by soldiers of the garrison. Afterwards a crowd of about 1,500 people returned to the quays and, when they saw the soldiers landing, barefooted and nearly naked, they became infuriated and surrounded General Toral's house, hooting and hissing and stoning the building. Eventually the Spanish general succeeded in escaping to the Leon XIII. On learning this the mob gathered on the dock and stoned the steamer for half an hour, smashing the cabin windows.

Five steamers are ready to transport the returning Spanish soldiers and civil officers, with the archieves and munitions of war from Cuba, but it is believed it will take four months and cost 80,000,000 pezetas to bring the troops back to Spain.

EVACUATION OF PORTO RICO.

Spaniards on the Island Will Begin to Withdraw at Once.

SAN JUAN Porto Rico.—At their meeting Thursday the Spanish evacuation commissioners agreed to begin the formal withdrawal of their lines within two days. They will evacuate Lares, San Sabastian and Aguadilla, in the northwest of the island, withdrawing towards the capital. Under the armistice they could not withdraw their outposts without permission. Detachments of the Eleventh Infantry will occupy this territory and raise the American flag. The abandonment of other outposts will follow.

The Spanish commissioners understand perfectly that the evacuation of the island must be in accordance with the terms of the protocol as soon as transports can be procured.

TEXAS TROOPS IN TROUBLE

Who Would Not Receive Pay From Colored Paymaster.

Paymaster General Stanton has turned over to the president all the papers relating to the recent unpleasantness growing out of the refusal of a Texas regiment to receive pay from Major Lynch because he is colored. The president has taken no definite action beyond expressing approval of General Stanton's course in sending a sharp dispatch to the commanding paymaster of that department, stating the troops must take their pay from him or else go without pay. There is the possibility that a new question may arise on the point of insubordination in refusing to receive pay from paymasters regularly commissioned to make payments.

Italy and Colombia Break Relations.

Italy, it is announced at Rome, declares that her diplomatic relations with the Republic of Colombia are ended, Colombia refusing to recognize the British minister as the Italian representative during the latter's absence.

MAY BE EXPELLED.

Kitchener May Demand That the French Forces at Fashoda Retire.

A dispatch to the London Post from Cairo says that Gen. Kitchener has absolute authority to claim Fashoda as Egyptian territory and to expel the present occupants forcibly if necessary. Fashoda, the correspondent says, will then be occupied by an Egyptian garrison. The Daily Telegraph's Cairo correspondent says that Gen. Kitchener intends to present an ultimatum demanding that the French expedition under Marchant quit Fashoda forthwith.

NORTH ATLANTIC FLEET

Reduced From 100 to 32 Vessels by Secretary Long.

Secretary Long has issued an important order reorganizing the North Atlantic squadron. The fleet is reduced from a force of about 100 vessels to thirty-two, the remainder being detached ready for disposition in the future. The four vessels of the Morgan line, Prairie, Yosemite, Yankee and Dixie, with the auxiliary cruisers Badger and Panther are ordered to be laid up in reserve at League Island.

THE ARMY OF OCCUPATION

Being Assembled at the Southern Winter Camps.

MAKING PREPARATIONS TO OCCUPY CUBA.

It Is Not the Intention to Send Troops to Cuba Until the Unhealthy Season Has Passed—Speedy Evacuation of Porto Rico.

WASHINGTON.—The military movements are being directed rapidly toward assembling a large army in Southern stations for winter camps and preparatory to the military occupation of Cuba and Porto Rico. About 70,000 men are now located in the South, and orders were issued Saturday sending the First, Second, Sixth, Ninth and Tenth cavalry from Montauk Point to Southern stations. The Third cavalry already has gone South, and the First and Second infantry have been ordered to Anniston, and the Eighth and Sixteenth to Huntsville. The major part of the army thus assembled is destined for service in Cuba, with a much smaller force for Porto Rico and a reserve in the winter camps. It is not the intention, however, to send the army of occupation to Cuba until after the healthy season has passed, and meanwhile the troops will be put in the best possible condition.

On account of the desire of the war department that no chances will be taken in the way of exposure of the troops to dangers of the unhealthy season, no impatience is felt on account of the rather deliberate action of the commission of evacuation at Havana.

Great satisfaction is expressed at the progress made in Porto Rico, and the evacuation is expected to occur speedily. In connection with the occupation of Porto Rico the same anxiety as to the health of the army is not felt, nor are there similar difficulties in connection with establishing the government, Porto Rico becoming at once a part of the United States.

MOBILIZING AT SANTANA.

Philippine Rebels Change Their Minds. Fifteen Thousand Rebels Reported Marching Against Aguinaldo.

MANILA.—The insurgents have changed their minds and instead of evacuating all the suburbs of the city they have moved from Ermita and Malate to Satana, where they appear to be concentrating in strong force.

It is reported, although it has not been confirmed, that Aguinaldo has ordered that this place be held at any cost. It is more likely a move on the part of Pio Pilar to embarrass the dictator.

The former rebel chief, Isabello Artacho, who was condemned to death by Aguinaldo for treachery in May and was reprieved and escaped, is leading 15,000 men against Aguinaldo. Artacho is backed by priests.

At the meeting of rebel leaders at Malolos, the majority will vote for autonomy under American protection.

All Spaniards in the northern provinces are now prisoners. The rebels seized stocks and cash of the tobacco estates belonging to the Compania Tabacelera, in Cagayan province, and also those of Coprax, in Camarine province. The losses are enormous.

The rebel steamer Bulusan has been sunk by a Spanish gunboat at Marbate.

SPANISH PEACE COMMISSION.

Queen Signs Bill Passed by Cortes Ceding Territory.

MADRID.—The Spanish peace commission has been appointed. Senor Montero Rios, president of the senate, will preside. The other names are withheld until the queen regent has given her approval. Luke Almodovar de Rio, the foreign minister, and Senor Moret, former secretary for the colonies, are engaged in drafting the instructions for the commission. The queen regent has signed the joint bill passed by the cortes, authorizing the cession of national territory under the terms of the protocol.

General Augustin, former captain-general of the Philippines, accompanied by his family, arrived Friday at Senoa.

Will Contend for Philippines.

A long conference was held between Senor Sagasta, the premier, and Senor Montero Rios, the Spanish president of the peace commission, at Madrid Monday, which resulted in the decision that the peace commission shall strenuously defend the retention of the Philippine Islands by Spain.

Tragedy in the First Alabama.

Private David D. McClung, of Company M, First Alabama regiment, shot and fatally wounded Private J. M. Slate at Camp Faulkner, East Lake, Monday. The trouble grew out of a dispute over a piece of meat in the company kitchen.

Giving Up Arms.

Edhem Pasha, the Turkish governor of the Island of Crete, has just had a proclamation publicly read, saying that by order of the Sultan all arms must be surrendered to the committee formed for that purpose. The surrender has already begun. There is no disorder.

Furloughs to Alabama Troops.

Every man in the First Alabama who so desired was given a furlough Monday, good from September 20 to October 20.

WAR CLOUD OVER SOUTH AMERICA

Chili and Argentina Preparing to Fight. Denial by the Latter.

A dispatch from Valparaiso says Argentina's circular note instructing her representatives abroad to deny the alarming rumors in connection with her differences with Chili and to state that she is not hostile to the general plan of arbitration proposed by Chili has not caused a cessation of the preparations of Chili to meet an emergency.

The note is regarded as a trick, designed to allure the bankers to place a new loan in Europe for war purposes. As evidence of this it is pointed out that Argentina is pushing her war preparations harder than ever, in spite of such peaceful declarations.

MESSAGE FROM AGUINALDO

Denying That Strained Relations Exist Toward America.

NEW YORK.—The following dispatch has been received at the New York office of the Associated Press:

"MANILA, Philippine Islands.—The Filipino government desires to assure the American government and people that the many rumors circulated regarding the strained relations between the Filipino and American forces are base and malicious slanders of the enemy to both parties, are without any truth and are circulated for the purpose of prejudicing the appeal of the Filipinos for their release from the oppression and cruelty of Spain.

"The relations of our people and yours have been and will continue to be of the most friendly nature, and we have withdrawn our forces from the suburbs of Manila as an additional evidence of our confidence in the great American republic. AGUINALDO."

TROOPS FOR CUBA.

Orders for Movement of 10,000 Men Will Soon be Issued.

It is the present intention of the administration to send to Cuba as a garrison force about 40,000 troops in addition to the force now in Santiago under command of General Lawton. The organizations which are to comprise the Cuban garrison have not all been designated yet, but it is assured that at least half of them will be volunteers. Within two weeks orders will be issued for the movement to Cuba of the first 10,000 of the permanent garrison, and it is expected that they will sail about October 10. These troops will be followed quickly by others until the entire force of 40,000 has been established on the island.

CALLED HOME.

Spanish Troops in the West Indies Ordered to Return to Native Land.

The Spanish minister of war, General Correa, has issued instructions for the return of the Spanish troops in the West Indies. The sick are to leave first and the archives, especially those relating to the war, will be brought to Spain with the arms, ammunition, flags and material stored in Cuba and Porto Rico.

The minister is greatly incensed at General Toral for having sent him a dispatch on the latter's arrival at Vigo, Spain, from Santiago de Cuba, and said Toral ought to be court-martialed for his conduct as governor of Santiago.

Captain Capron Dead.

Capt. Allyn Capron, First Artillery, died at his home near Fort Myer, Va., Sunday. Captain Capron was one of the best known officers in the regular army. When General Shafter's corps went to Santiago Captain Capron accompanied it, and his battery did notably fine work in the battle of Santiago. During the first day's fight before the city Captain Capron's son, Capt. Allyn M. Capron, of the Rough Riders, was killed.

Vessel Goes for Dreyfus.

It is reported that a vessel has already started from Paris for the Isle du Diable in readiness to bring Dreyfus to Paris, and M. Brisson and General Chanolna are determined that nobody, however high his position, will be sheltered. Stirring events are regarded as impending.

Garrisoning Porto Rico.

Detachments of American troops at Ponce are proceeding to garrison places not held by the Spaniards for the purpose of taking over the island. The yellow fever scare has abated.

New Departure in Money Orders.

An order has been issued by First Assistant Postmaster-General Heath authorizing postmasters to issue money orders payable at their own office. The new departure will be an accommodation to the great number of people who, not having an account at a bank, desire to follow this economical and absolutely safe method in payment of bills.

Gen. Oates Assigned.

General Oates, of Alabama, reported to General Graham at Camp Mead, Middletown, Pa., Saturday, for duty, and was assigned to command the second brigade of the second division.

Former Alabamian Dead.

Richard Busteed, once a noted lawyer and politician, is dead. He was appointed a brigadier-general of volunteers in 1862 by President Lincoln, and was in command of a brigade at the battle of Yorktown. Subsquenty he was appointed by President Lincoln to be United States district judge of Alabama. He resigned this office in 1874.

Ex-Governor Lounsberry has been nominated by the republicans of Connecticut for governor.

NO NEED OF PRO

Says Aguinaldo

A NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Filipinos Ask Arms, Say They Can Manage Their Own Affairs.

Manila Thursday was quiet. The insurgents made no attempt to enter the city. The crowds of the last few days in the suburbs of the town have disappeared. The Spaniards are beginning the arrangements for the withdrawal of the troops from the suburbs, and the insurgents who have been following the example of their leader are coming down to the city.

Continuing, Agoncillo, with much eloquency and gesticulation, said: "I follow the noble steps of my revered chief, Aguinaldo, the supreme dictator of the Filipinos." The assemblage then adjourned for the day.

The correspondent of the Associated Press had a private interview with Aguinaldo, who is extremely reticent, owing to compromised situation of the natives. He said that a majority of the Filipinos had been constantly struggling for freedom for years and that they now believe that their object has been obtained. Aguinaldo expressed entire ignorance of the United States, its enormous systems in vogue in the colonies, of protectorates and of American state autonomy. He said he was unable to understand the situation, having only understood "absolute independence." Personally, he believed a protectorate for the Philippines was necessary, but he feared the Filipino people would be disappointed at this. He had not studied political economy and knew nothing about the various forms of government.

Continuing, the insurgent leader said there was no need of protection for the Philippine Islands, because the Filipinos were able to cope with the American army. Aguinaldo declined to discuss the American army and protectorate question, but spoke with undying gratitude to the American people. He said that they had come to the Philippines to fight the Spaniards only, and now that they had accomplished the task it was to be expected that the Americans would return to America. He was unwilling to believe that the American people would demand a reward for assisting humanity, and he declined to discuss the necessity of a quid pro quo.

The Filipino leader expressed himself confident that the newly formed government would build a navy immediately. In the meantime, he said, the great nations should protect and aid a young nation instead of grabbing her territories. If the American people should refuse to withdraw, the national assembly, he said, must decide the policy to be pursued—a point which he declined to forecast.

Otis Has Enough Troops.

The following dispatch was received Friday from General Otis at Manila:

"In my opinion, based upon information, no further force is required. Insurgent leaders in Manila and army in excitable frame of mind, but better portion amenable to reason and desire to make approved position before civilized world.

"Insurgents have acceded to demand and evacuated entire city of Manila except small force in one suburb district. No difficulty anticipated. I make no concessions made to them. They express strong desire to maintain friendly intercourse with the United States government in all particulars. They organized a congress [illegible] Malolos, twenty miles north of city, to frame a plan of government. Manila is very quiet. Military [illegible] ament is being perfected [illegible] and a large force is poliemic and [illegible] ing the city."

Lawton's Health Report.

The following is General Lawton's daily health report from Santiago:

Total sick, 1,222; fever, [illegible] cases, 145; returned to duty, [illegible] deaths, 4.

MEXICAN CONGRESS OPENED

By President Diaz Who Delivered Long Message.

MEXICO CITY.—President Diaz opened congress Friday and his message was a long and important one, touching upon the relations with the United States. He said that peace and friendship characterized all the relations of Mexico with foreign nations.

The government of the United States has announced the suspension of hostilities between that country and the kingdom of Spain, the announcement of which is being received with the liveliest interest by the government of Mexico.

General Haskell Dies Suddenly.

Brigadier-General Joseph T. Haskell died suddenly at his home in Columbus, O., Friday. He was stricken with apoplexy. He commanded the Seventeenth Infantry at the battle of El Caney, where he was twice wounded in the left shoulder.

Assassin's Deed.

A telegram from Savannah, Tenn., says that Levi Rogers, residing in Wayne county, was shot and mortally wounded at his home at day break one day last week.

OVER SOUTH AMERICA

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A NATIONAL ASSEMBLY IS ...

Filipinos Are Able to Cope W... Army, Said the Leader—Only... That No More Troops A... Needed in the Islands.

MANILA.—The Philippine ... assembly was inaugurated at ... Thursday with great enthusiasm. ... were thousands of visitors fr... provinces, and a great displ... made. Aguinaldo entered the ... was received with cheers and al... cries of "Viva America" by th... crowd of natives inside and ... the hall. He read a decree co... the members, who included ... Spaniards, and also a message ... ing the army and thanking the ... nations which had set the hi... example of liberty and had assi... down trodden race.

Continuing, Aguinaldo urgent... eloquently exhorted the assem... "follow the noblest principles," a... voked the "spirits of the me... Filipinos." The assembly th... journed for the day.

The correspondent of the Asso... Press had a private interview ... Aguinaldo, who is extremely u... ing to compromise himself wi... natives. He said that a major... the Filippinos had been strug... for freedom for years and cent... and that they now believe that ... has been obtained. Aguinaldo ... pressed entire ignorance of the ... omous systems in vogue in the E... colonies, of protectorates and of ... ican state autonomy. He said he ... unable to understand the idea, ... only understood "absolute indep... ence." Personally, he believed a ... tectorate for the Philippine Isl... was necessary, but he feared that ... people would be disappointed in t... He had not studied political econo... and knew nothing about the var... forms of government.

Continuing, the insurgent le... said there was no need of protect... for the Philippine Islands, because ... Filippinos were able to cope with ... army. Aguinaldo declined to disc... the American army and protested ... undying gratitude to the Americ... He said that they had come to ... Philippines to fight the Spani... only, and now that they had finis... the task it was to be expected that t... would return to America. He w... unwilling to believe that the Americ... would demand a reward for an act ... humanity, and he declined to adm... the necessity of a quid pro quo.

The Filippino leader expressed hi... self confident that the newly found... government would build a navy si... mately. In the meantime, he sa... the great nations should protect ... and a young nation instead of grabbi... her territories. If the Americ... should refuse to withdraw, the n... tional assembly, he said, must decl... the policy to be pursued—a poli... which he declined to forecast.

Otis Has Enough Troops

The following dispatch was receiv... Friday from General Otis at Manila:

"In my opinion, based upon press... indications, no further force is r... quired. Insurgent leaders in politi... and army in excitable frame of mi... but better portion amenable to reas... and desire to make approved repu... tion before civilized world.

"Insurgents have acceded to dema... and evacuated entire city of Mani... except small force in one outlying di... trict. No difficulty anticipated a... no concessions made to them. The... express strong desire to maintai... friendly intercourse with the Unite... States government in all particular... They organized a congress Thursday ... Malolos, twenty miles north of th... city, to frame a plan of governmen... Manila is very quiet. Military gov... ernment is being perfected gradually ... and a large force is policing and clean... ing the city."

Lawton's Health Report.

The following is General Lawton's ... daily health report from Santiago.

Total sick, 1,222; fever, 837; new ... cases, 145; returned to duty, 318; ... deaths, 4.

MEXICAN CONGRESS OPENED

By President Diaz Who Delivered a Long Message.

MEXICO CITY.—President Diaz open... ed congress Friday and his message ... was a long and important one, touch... ing upon the relations with the United ... States. He said that peace and friend... ship characterized all the relations of ... Mexico with foreign nations.

The government of the United ... States has announced the suspension ... of hostilities between that country ... and the kingdom of Spain, the an... nouncement of which is being received ... with the liveliest interest by the gov... ernment of Mexico.

General Haskell Dies Suddenly.

Brigadier-General Joseph T. Has... kell died suddenly at his home in ... Columbus, O., Friday. He was ... stricken with apoplexy. He com... manded the Seventeenth Infantry at ... the battle of El Caney, where he was ... twice wounded in the left shoulder.

Assassin's Deed.

A telegrrm from Savannah, Tenn., ... says that Levi Rogers, residing in Mc... Nary county, was shot and mortally ... wounded at his home at day break one ... day last week.

...AND INDUSTRY

...EMS OF INTEREST TO ...ION WORKMEN.

...ional Land for Some Persons ...y is Washington That Is ...Begun Work a Year Ago ...New Prosperous Labor Notes

...A Colorado Platform.

... Pitts... ...ge; ... thing." ... ...ge, ... wheat, ...

... there, ... fields ... ...ident, ...ats. ... ...ought about ... ...one plank, ... always for ...

Our Trade Relations.

... is the world. ... coming a fact so obvious ... where to deny it. Con... taking figures ... the treasury department. ... ending in 1880, im... were $71,266,609. ... In the fiscal ... conditions were prac... reversed: we imported to the ... and exported $70,... This means that since 1880 ... manufacturers have taken ... five-sixths of that portion ... home market then held by for... manufacturers of iron and steel, ... during the same time in... their sales in foreign markets ... per cent.

... the chief of the bureau of sta... ...

... sewing machines hum in Af... the East Indies, Colombia, Cuba, ... America and the islands of ... Our telegraph instruments ... Japan, China, Australia, Russia ... all parts of Europe. Our wire ... go to all European countries, to ... British Honduras, all the Cen... American states, Mexico, British ... Indies, Cuba, Porto Rico, the ... American states, China, British ... Hong Kong, Japan, French ... British Australasia, British ... and Liberia; our steel rails and ... structures go to Australia, China, Ja... Hawaii, Central and South Am... Africa and Russia. Our elec... machinery is attracting the at... of the world, and during the ... year Austria-Hungary, France, ... Italy, the United Kingdom, ... Brazil, Mexico, Japan, Brit... Australasia, British Africa and ... Africa have been among its ... ...

What is true of iron and its products ... in equal or less degree true of many ... American products, and when ... has evacuated about everything, ... holds up her head except the peninsula ... Europe and the Canaries, it will be ... of still more American products, ... in higher degree.

... during the fiscal year ending ... 1898, according to the treasury ... was exported to for... ... 260,000,000 pounds of un... ... American tobacco. ... the same period, by the same ... the amount of imported tobac... ... pounds, and of for... ... 330,000 ... The value of American ex... of tobacco was $25,000,000, ... importations into the ... $10,000,000, or only two-... ... of the 263,000,000 ... manufactured tobacco of ... crop, $3,000,000 pounds ... to the United Kingdom, ... to minor European ... Belgium and Spain ... pounds to Germany ... to France. Seven mil... were exported to Canada, ... to the West Indies, ... to Japan (a rapidly ... market for American ex... pounds to Africa, ... to Australia, 1,800,000 ... Mexico, 1,200,000 pounds to ... American states, and 200,000 ... Asia.

Ideal Land for Some.

... common to hear it said ... mankind for modern times ... the trades council, the boy... ... thing somewhat oddly ... ...ompulsory arbitration. But ... paragraphs from the ... show that in East India, ... is no native custom to ... was not hoary with age ... ...ism, let alone American, ... was in embryo, the theories ... trades council, the boycott and ... arbitration have been de... a point of perfection un... by the most enthusiastic ... advocates of these things. ... article; all that it is necess... ... is to substitute "trades ... for "mahajan," "union" for ... and "boycott" for "ostracise." ... of arbitration is assumed ... ...ls. When a trade quarrel is ... to a mahajan, or when the ... without being requested, de... ...quarrel, this is the final arbi... Refusal to abide by it, or, ... to carry out any decision ar... as in the case of payments ... ...dicated), results in ostracism. ... a member is thus cut off from ... he may be ostracised by the ... in the latter case he becomes a ... pariah, more wretched than a ... dog. But even if one is only ... out of the guild, one is often, ipso ... cast-casted. In the country such ... outlaw is debarred from all social ... recognition. No one will work with ... him or for him, nor will any one em... ploy him. In the cities no dealer will ... serve him, no broker will act for him, ... no servant will remain in his house. ... The carpenter, the baker, the confec... tioner, the blacksmith, the tile maker, ... the very potter, lowest of the lowly, ... refuse to take his orders, deliver goods ... to him, or perform any service for ... him at any price. Caste here has ... yielded entirely to the guild. The rule ... established by a low-caste corporation ... may involve such ostracism in the case ... of the highest caste, but it is enforced ... regardless of caste. A typical instance ... is cited by Mr. Proctor-Sims. In 1878, ... in a small town in Kathiawar, the Va... nia mahajan levied a religious tax ... which the traders of the Brahman ... caste refused to pay. The Vania guild ... therefore boycotted the Brahman trad... ers and forbade all dealings with them ... till the high-caste traders yielded and ... paid the tax. In small places the ma... hajan is thus absolute master of the ... town. No individual can stand against ... the local guild, nor where there are ... several small guilds which form a ma... hajan can a whole guild resist the un... ion. Owing to the number of traders ... and workmen in large towns who do ... not belong to guilds, the power there ... is not so great, but it is generally coer... cive. Thus in Ahmedebad, as I was ... told, a banker who had his house half-... tiled got into a quarrel with a confec... tioner, and could not get the other half ... of his house tiled till the sweetmeat ... guild had told the tile guild that it ... might resume work for the represen... tative of the bankers' guild."

A Colony That Is Succeeding.

Near Edison, in Skagit county, Wash., is a colony of people who own their land, houses, teams, cattle and all machinery in common. They begun work last November with ten men as pioneers, who went to clearing the land and building houses. At this time there are 300 people there. They cook for all in one kitchen and eat for one in the common dining room. They work nine hours a day except Saturday, when they work only five hours, having holiday in the afternoon. They all get the same pay, men and women. They pay themselves, with a check printed by themselves, which reads units instead of dollars and cents. They use no gold, silver or bank notes between members. They use their checks to buy clothing or any extras they may want from their own store at cost of goods. No profit is taken by any one member from another. The initiative and referendum are in force. Any officer can be dismissed at any time. The women vote and work on the same terms as the men. Every colonist gets his board, lodging, light and fuel, transportation, doctor's attendance, etc., free, and for his personal wants he receives 35 cents a week, or a proportion according to the number of days he works.

And as long as the members of the colony are content to live under the restrictions they have marked out for themselves, there is every probability that they will continue to prosper in a material sense. But whenever a fit of individuality and of mental expansion shall come over the colony, it will cease to exist. Some colonies have endured a long time before the fit came, but it always came and disrupted things. It's a part of the American idea, that, it appears "will not down," even though obedience to its impulse takes men from a calm but restricted certainty to a tumultuous but unrestricted uncertainty.

Labor Notes.

A month ago eighty girls employed in the Diamond Match company's works at Oshkosh walked out in a body after an hour's notice. The fumes arising from the sulphur is extremely injurious to the health of the employes. It is said to be very bad for the teeth, and when even the slightest cavity occurs in a tooth, unless it is attended to at once, the whole jaw will be seriously affected. The dentists' bills and loss of time in consequence of caring for the teeth make a great item in the yearly finances of the strikers. The average wages of the girls was from $2.25 to $2.75 a week. "We get 2½ cents for packing 144 boxes of matches," said Miss Walters, "and we made a demand for an increase to 3 cents for every 144. This would make a difference of from 8 to 11 cents a day for each girl."

The Pittsburg Labor League has decided to enter local politics, and a call has been issued for a convention of representatives of labor organizations September 10. This movement will be styled the Union party, its action to be limited to the congressional and legislative districts within Allegheny county. No person can have a seat in the convention who is not prepared to renounce all former party affiliations and pledge himself to the support of the convention's nominees, who must be members of the convention and of a bona fide labor organization.

Cleveland cigarmakers protest against the action of the retail clothing salesmen, who are trying to close up all the stores in the city on Sunday. If the agitation is kept up they fear that the cigar stores in the city will be closed on Sunday. This same law was indorsed and passed at the special request of the Central Labor Union.

If the West Virginia and Pennsylvania coal operators raise the scale, the operators of Illinois, Indiana and Ohio will not ask a reduction, and the operators of these three states have signified a willingness to co-operate with the miners in their efforts to bring West Virginia to time.

Suiz, a Swiss town, recently dismissed its school teacher, after fifty years' service, without giving him a pension. The Aargau Teachers' league put the town on its blacklist, and declared that it would not remove the ban till the discharged teacher received a pension. No teacher yet.

A woman's idea of strategy is to spend a dime in an effort to save a nickel.

EVACUATING PORTO RICO.

Spaniards Withdraw From Three Towns —Island of Vieques Given Up.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico.—The evacuation of the outlying positions occupied by the Spaniards began Monday. Aguadilla, San Sebastian and Lares were abandoned by them and the troops of General Garrettson's brigade and the Eleventh Infantry moved in and hoisted the American flag.

The Spanish troops from the abandoned positions are being concentrated at Arecibo, from whence they will reach San Juan by railroad as soon as transportation is available. They could not enter the city before, owing to its crowded condition.

On Wednesday the Spaniards will evacuate the island of Vieques, where a company of American troops, dispatched from General Grant's brigade, has been landed. The Spanish troops from the island of Vieques will remain at Humacoa until the Spaniards fall on the line of the military road. Spanish control is now confined to within a line drawn from Humacao to Abonito, and from there to Arecibo, less than one-third of the island.

TEN PEOPLE CREMATED.

Spontaneous Combustion in a Grain Elevator Caused the Great Loss of Life.

Ten people cremated and six more fatally burned is the result of the most disastrous fire that ever occurred in Toledo, O. The spontaneous combustion of dust in the grain elevator owned by Paddock, Hoge & Co. caused the terrible destruction of life and none of those who were taken out after the fire started were far enough from death's door to tell any of the details.

Mr. Paddock, a member of the firm owning the plant, said there was between 500,000 and 600,000 bushels of grain in storage at the time. The property and the grain is an entire loss and will reach $450,000. The insurance is $135,000 on the building, and the grain is covered with $258,000.

BRYAN WILL RESIGN.

He Will Resume the Discussion of Public Questions.

Colonel William Jennings Bryan, of the Third Nebraska Volunteers, will shortly resign his commission in the United States army and resume the discussion of public questions. This statement is not made upon the authority of Colonel Bryan, however. When asked to express himself on questions of public interest, he said:

"You can say that I refuse to discuss any matters connected with politics, the army or myself, except that I see no reason to change the views in regard to expanding the territory of the United States I expressed in my Omaha speech made before entering upon this army life."

FIFTY THOUSAND HOMELESS,

And One Hundred and Sixty Killed the Result of the Barbadoes Storm.

A dispatch from Barbadoes, B. W. I., says: "Full reports of the damage wrought by the recent hurricane have been made to the authorities here. They show that destruction to property was not overestimated, though the loss of life was somewhat smaller than was supposed at first. As it was, the reports show 160 fatalities. Fifty thousand persons were made homeless by the great storm. The full damage is estimated at more than a million dollars."

Thompson's Murderers On Trial.

The six men who are charged with waylaying and murdering W. A. Thompson on the 14th of last March, while he was traversing a lonely road near Sylacauga, in Talladega county, Alabama, are now at the bar of justice. The six defenders are Chess W. Motes, Walter W. Motes, John Littlejohn, Dodge Blankenship, Jasper Robinson and William Robert Taylor. All are young men, and all have the appearance of being industrious farmers.

No Welcome for Cevera.

MADRID.—The workmen of Bilbao, where the cruisers which belonged to Admiral Cervera's fleet were built, have decided to go to Santander in order to make a demonstration against the defeated admiral on his return to Spain. The government, however, has taken measures to prevent the plan being carried out, and the ministry has forbidden demonstrations welcoming Cervera home.

Second Alabama Was Furloughed.

The Second regiment Alabama volunteers was furloughed Tuesday for thirty days excepting about 100 men who were left to take care of property. The paymaster paid out $40,000 and made glad the hearts of over 1,200 soldiers. The men were furnished with their furloughs along with their pay.

Wheeler Will Resign.

General Wheeler, who fully expects to return to congress, will resign from the army service early in October. He says he will do what he can for his men in the way of having them located in a healthful camp before he leaves the service.

General Meyer Renominated.

The democrats of the First Louisiana district Tuesday renominated General Adolph Meyer for congress. The Second district democrats also tendered a unanimous renomination to Robert C. Davey.

Georgia Companies to Be Mustered Out.

General Coppinger has ordered the Second Georgia Infantry, at Camp Wheeler, to strike tents and proceed to points in Georgia to be mustered out.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

John Earle Garrison has sold the Sulligent Lightning to C. E. Carter.

Secretary Alger will visit Camp Wheeler at Huntsville this week to review the troops.

At Woodstock, J. D. Williams shot one Nicholson, and it is believed that the latter will die.

Congressman Willis Brewer has been renominated by the Fifth district democratic convention.

Capt. N. H. Wood, former chief of police of Bessemer, died at that place Friday of a complication of diseases.

Governor Johnston has appointed Allan W. Brown to be second lieutenant in the Eufaula company, in the Second Regiment.

Mrs. George C. Ball, editor of the Birmingham New Era, a social and woman's paper, is a candidate for engrossing clerk of the state senate.

The populist executive committee of the Fourth congressional district met in Talladega and indorsed W. F. Aldrich for congress without debate.

The democratic primary election to select a candidate for congress in the Eighth district took place Saturday. Gen. Joe Wheeler had no opposition.

Charles Jenkins, steward of the Fifth cavalry canteen, at Huntsville, was knocked down within the lines and robbed of $215. The identity of the two robbers is unknown.

The Talladega cotton factory let out the contract Saturday for new machinery. The building will be extended 56 feet, and will be 20 feet wide. This means almost a double in the capacity of the mill and an outlay of nearly $50,000.

The state institutions for the deaf, dumb and blind at Talladega opened Wednesday with the largest number of pupils ever enrolled at the schools at the opening. The deaf and dumb has 115 students, the blind 64 and the colored school has 48.

The committee representing Mobile, Choctaw and Washington counties has formulated a protest and request asking the state executive committee to judge the legality of proceedings held in Jackson, and the nomination of George W. Taylor for congress.

Y. C. Hughes, a negro murderer, under sentence of death, who escaped from the Jefferson county jail five years ago with five other prisoners, has been captured by Deputy Sheriff P. P. Blackman, of Chambers county. He murdered Lula Kelly at Bessemer in 1892.

In the circuit court at Scottsboro Joel Dennis was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary on a charge of manslaughter. This was his second trial, and he has been confined in jail four years. It is charged that Dennis killed W. D. Cunningham and threw his body into the Tennessee river in 1894.

CAPT. EVANS RELIEVED

From Command of the Iowa at His Own Request.

Capt. Robley D. Evans has been relieved of the command of the battleship Iowa. This was done at Capt. Evans personal request. He has served more than the period of time required by the regulations and practice for a captain to command, and his next service may be in flag ranks. The next commander of the Iowa will be Capt. Silas Terry, now in command of the receiving ship Franklin, at the Norfolk navy yard. He will take the ship around South America and over to Honolula in company of the Oregon and some colliers.

SECRETARY DAY RESIGNS.

Assistant Secretary Moore Also Leaves the State Department.

The cabinet was in session an hour Friday, Secretary Alger being the only absentee. Secretary Day tendered the president his resignation as secretary of state, and took leave of his cabinet associates. Assistant Secretary Moore, of the state department, also tendered his resignation to the president.

A telegram from General Otis from Manila was read, showing that the situation there was entirely satisfactory.

The instructions to the peace commission were gone over for the last time and officially approved.

Bynum Resigns.

W. D. Bynum, chairman of the "National" democratic party, tendered his resignation to the executive committee and George Foster Peabody, of New York, was elected as his successor.

Big Railroad Deal.

Philip D. Armour, Marshal Field and Normon B. Ream have secured control of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. They have made James J. Hill president of the Great Northern railway, the dominating factor in the reorganization of the system and have gained for Chicago and the northwest what is practically a trunk line from ocean to ocean, controlled by Chicago capital.

Rev. Dr. John Hall, a noted divine of New York, died Saturday.

New Westminster's Loss.

A careful estimate of the damage by fire at New Westminster, B. C., places the number of homeless people at about 2,500, and the number of business houses and homes destroyed at 500. The loss will reach fully $2,500,000.

Ellerbe Wins.

Practically all returns are in at last in the South Carolina gubernatorial contest. Out of a total vote of 65,279, Governor Ellerbe's majority over Featherstone, prohibitionist, has grown to 3,427.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Pardons Granted by the Governor.

The governor has acted an the following pardon cases:

William George, Mobile, murder, eight years, served three; on recommendation of the physicial examiner, who reports him fatally ill, pardoned.

J. W. Strong, Jefferson, grand larceny, twenty years, served two; physician inspector reports him but a short time to live; pardoned.

John Williams, Jefferson, murder, twenty years, served one; dying with consumption; pardoned.

Joe Harris, Jefferson, assault to murder, ten years, served five; lost eyesight by explosion in the mines, paroled.

Bob Luke, Dale, manslaughter; killed child accidentally, two years; pardoned.

Charley Inez, Coffee, grand larceny, two years; served one.

Welcome to the First Alabama.

The First Alabama infantry reached Birmingham Saturday from Jacksonville, Fla., where the regiment has been in camp. There were thirty-nine sick soldiers. A large number of people were at the depot all the morning awaiting the coming of the troops. The three trains bearing the well men of the regiment arrived between 2 and 3 o'clock. The approach of the trains was signalized by the vigorous blowing of whistles and ringing of bells from every quarter of the city. The boys have two months' pay due them, amounting to $80,000. They will probably be paid Monday and furloughed for thirty days, when the formal mustering out will take place.

North Alabama Crops.

The cotton season is now on in north Alabama, and it promises to be a much more srtisfactory season than this section has had for several years. The yield will not be as large in north Alabama as formerly, owing to decreased acreage, but the decrease is not sufficient to be very noticeable. It is believed, though, that the farmers have at last determined to diversify crops more, and while there is no united movement in that direction, it is noticed that many of them this year have planted considerable wheat and have found it more profitable than cotton.

Camp Shipp.

The Fourth Wisconsin reached Camp Shipp, Anniston Saturday, from Camp Douglas, Wis. The Fourth Kentucky arrived Friday. The army at Camp Shipp now consists of five regiments, the Third Tennessee, Second Arkansas, Third Alabama (colored), Fourth Kentucky and Fourth Wisconsin. The number is about 7,000, and this will probably be doubled by this time next week.

First Shipment of Ammonia Made.

The first lot of ammonia made from the new by-product plant of the Semet-Sovay company at Ensley City was shipped Saturday to Syracuse, to which place nearly all the company's output will go. It consisted of 11,000 gallons, and was pronounced an excellent article. The new by-product plant has just been completed at a cost of $600,000.

Gov. Johnston's Majority.

Official figures just compiled on the vote for governor, cast at the August election, show that Gov. Johnston, democrat, received 113,113 against 54,844 for Deans, populite, placing Johnston's majority at 60,269. The vote two years ago—Johnston, democrat, 128,551, and Goodwin, populist, 89,291, with a majority of 39,260 for Johnston.

Arranging State's Accounts.

Governor Johnston is now in New York. On his trip back he will stop at Washington for the purpose of conferring with the war department officials regarding the state's accounts, growing out of the call for volunteers. These accounts are as yet not settled, and the governor is desirous of closing the matter up.

Cycle Racing Association.

The Cycle Racing association was formed in Birmingham Friday at a meeting of Birmingham enthusiasts. A bicycle track an eighth of a mile long is now being built at West End ball park and races will be given. The association proposes to put Birmingham into a regular bicycle circuit.

A Fight Ends in a Killing.

A few days ago at Barton, a small town ten miles west of Tuscumbia, occurred a tragedy, in which Elmore Thorn, a lad of 17 years, was shot and killed by Luke Brown, a negro boy. They fell out and quarreled over a trivial matter, when the negro fired the fatal shot.

Bursting of a Boilor Kills Four.

The boiler at the saw mill of Travis & Perdue, fourteen miles from Evergreen, exploded last Friday. Bud Archer, the engineer, his wife and child, and his wife's sister were instantly killed. Four men were knocked senseless, but not fatally hurt.

Opelika May Get Camp.

Mayor R. R. Barnes, of Opelika, received a telegram Saturday evening from Brigadier-General Schwan at Atlanta asking if that city could accommodate from 5,000 to 10,000 soldiers. He has wired Gen. Schwan that the town can handle them.

Second Alabama at Riverside Park.

The Second Alabama regiment is now encamped at Riverside park, Montgomery. All of the men, except seven of each company, will be furloughed for thirty days, at the end of which time they will be mustered out.

RAM'S HORN BLASTS.

Warning Notes Calling the Wicked to Repentance.

THEY have no isms in heaven.

Every true man is seeking truth.

Christ came to set the prisoners of habit free.

He who hurts your feelings may be helping your life.

He who seeks honor of men, must become their slave.

Some pastors pore too much over the book of Numbers.

The obstinate man is usually too weak-minded to give up.

Lose a minute and the chase of a life-time will not catch it.

Knowledge of the Truth makes us free to welcome new truth.

It is a compliment to be called "superstitious" by an agnostic.

The Christian who borrows religion will never have any to return.

The pearl of patience comes from the irritating grain of persecution.

One tear in God's sight was intended to cover an acre of hardened soil.

As the living tree bears fruit so the living witness for Christ bears testimony.

If we owe God a debt, He helps us pay it. If we owe man, he requires usury.

The sin which has been soaked in the tears of repentance is easiest washed away.

Some men like to mistake the echoes of their desires for the voice of conscience.

It is when we are most dependent upon God that we are most independent of men.

A dark night makes a bright moon; a dark world ought to make a bright Christian.

To please a man, find out what he wants—what he needs is of minor importance.

Creeds are evaporated graces. Catechisms are the dried theological fruit of salvation.

Yes, salvation is free, but there is a vast difference between free salvation and cheap religion.

The farther men wander from the Bible, the nearer the devil may approach without a rebuke.

It is generally the man who is striving to do right, who is amazed at the opportunities to do wrong.

The very weakness of those who disbelieve, is exhibited in their constant desire to explain the reason of it.

THE LABOR WORLD.

Kentucky has no laws regulating the employment of child labor.

In Japan blacksmiths employed by the Government enjoy the ten-hour day.

The Government has ordered a cessation of overtime work at the Boston Navy Yard.

Ottawa (Canada) street railway employes won a strike for 14 2-7 cents per hour.

Cleveland, Ohio, uses 400,000 of the Bakers' Union labels weekly. No other city uses so many.

In building a waterworks plant and a power house Cincinnati, Ohio, will employ only union labor.

The first charter from the Western Labor Union to be seen in Denver, Col., was secured by the Waiters' Union.

The National Union of United Brewery Workmen recently celebrated its thirteenth anniversary in St. Louis, Mo.

Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, has ordered that none but union men be employed on the tunnel which is being built for water mains in that city.

The American Federation of Labor in August issued sixteen charters. The receipts in July amounted to over $1189 and the disbursements to over $1495.

The Union Laundry, of Cincinnati, Ohio, started by members of the Laundry Workers' Union, started with one wagon. Now it has four and will soon add two more.

The public employment bureaus of the German Government find situations for the unemployed at the rate of about 13,000 a month. The number found in January was 12,618.

The Court of Cassation at Rome, Italy, has rejected all the appeals of the rioters sentenced by military tribunals to various terms of imprisonment for connection with the labor troubles in Milan last May.

As a result of the weavers' strike at the Border City Cotton Mills, Fall River, Mass., the management has closed the entire plant. The weavers in the three mills number five hundred, and the other help as many more.

At Scranton, Penn., ninety-two per cent. of the men in the building trades of the city are organized. The Common Council has passed an eight hour ordinance. The contractors were defeated in their efforts to have school houses built by contract. Movement is on foot to abolish contract labor entirely in all municipal work.

WREAKING REVENGE.

Outrages by a Lower Class of Natives in Porto Rico.

More depredations are reported to have occurred in the neighborhood of Utuado, Porto Rico. Several Spanish haciendas and cafeteles have been burned and two Spanish planters killed. These outrages are attributed to the lower classes of the natives, actuated by a spirit of revenge, and a lawless gang of brigands which has been operating near Cialee.

Praise for Lee.

"We believe that the soldiers encamped at Camp Cuba Libre, at Jacksonville, are cared for as well as it is possible for a large body of men encamped anywhere in the United States." This is the conclusion in a report filed with Governor Shaw, of Iowa, by Col. H. Egbert, of Davenport, and Dr. F. W. Parsons, of Rheinbeck.

Champagne Wins.

Governor Tanner has decided that the battleship Illinois shall be christened in champagne.

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THE contest in Coosa county instituted by the defeated Populist candidate for Judge of Probate has been withdrawn.

WE again call attention to the necessity of cleaning up all around, on account of the prevalence of yellow fever. While, up to the present, Alabama has so far escaped, it is nothing more than the duty of every person to see that his own premises are clean and in a sanitary condition.

IN placing the name of W. F. Aldrich as our candidate for Congress we do so with the knowledge that he is the best man we could possibly bring into the race. And we wish to impress our readers with the need there is of giving him a far larger majority than he has ever had before. He has fairly earned it and deserves it.

IN the eighth congressional district last week the Democrats held a primary election to nominate a member of congress for that district. General Joe Wheeler received the nomination without opposition. The peculiar feature of this primary is, Democrats, Republicans and Populists all joined in and gave the gallant General an unanimous nomination, showing how highly all parties hold the hero of Santiago in their estimation. It also shows a broad-minded and liberal view of public men and affairs on the part of Republicans and Populists.

BILL STEPHENS, colored, of unsavory political reputation, called a meeting at Calera yesterday, which he was pleased to dub "Republican." Inasmuch as Bill was ignominiously kicked out of the Republican party some time ago it required all the gall which Bill possesses to call any meeting and designate it a Republican gathering. What action was taken we have been unable to learn, but we surmise Bill's meeting was in favor of the Democratic nominee for Congress in this district, and it probably put out what purports to be another Republican candidate. This is the same tactics pursued by Bill and his allies in the State campaign, when Warner was run as a Republican candidate for governor. The idea is that some few deluded colored voters in the district will be induced to vote against the Populist and Republican combination nominee and that the Democratic nominee will thus get the benefit. Stevens, however, who at one time had some influence with the colored voters, is now so thoroughly discredited that whatever action he takes is placed at its proper value, and the resputable colored voter goes in the opposite direction to that which Bill dictates.

The death of Miss Winnie Davis, "Daughter of the Confederacy," which occurred at Narragansett Pier, R. I., on Sunday last, has awakened throughout the entire South expressions of regret at her demise and sympathy for her aged mother, widow of Hon. Jefferson Davis. Miss Davis was perhaps the most popular woman in the whole South. Born in Richmond, during the stormy period in the country's history and while her father was President of the Confederate States, she soon became generally known as the "Daughter of the Confederacy," by which title in late years she was always greeted at the re-unions of the Confederate veterans, whose chief delight seemed to be to bestow upon her tokens of their regard and esteem. Miss Davis was a most estimable woman, of lovely character and possessed or rare intellectuality. Whatever she wrote bore the impress of refinement of culture and loftness of character. We mourn, in common with all of our people, the death of this truly noble young woman.

The people of the United States are given the opportunity to vote upon such questions as the tariff or silver and to determine the national policy by their will as recorded in the ballot-box. Yet other questions equally as important may be decided by one man who becomes for the occasion as autocratic in his powers as the greatest despot the world has known.

Everoone admits that we are at the parting of the ways as between imperialism and continentalism, and everyone admits that to extend our sovereignty to Asia means a profound revolution in American affairs. But the people are not allowed to vote upon this question and decide it by a popnlar majority. Whether they would decide it one way or the other could not be known in the absence of plebiscite. The President may think he can guess what the majority of the people want, yet it is impossible for him to know their will with any certainty by depending upon the opinions of those who write to him or memorialize him in petitions, or send him marked copies of newspapers. Only by a popular vote can the will of the people be definitely known.

We do not state this in complaint of the president or the action he may take in settling the status of the Philippines, but merely to show that under our form of government the president is practically an high office. We wish to show that it is possible in this country for revolutions to take place under constitutional forms by the will of a single man.—Springfield Republican.

The People's Party has, however, been very useful in creating new issues. It put before the country the influence corporate wealth has over legislation; it accustomed the people to the consideration of a graduated income tax, and it brought to the attention of the people the need and value of direct legislation, known as the referendum. All of these issues and perhaps others, will survive the death of the party that brought them out, and years hence they will be fought out at the ballot boxes, and some of them at least promise to become valuable features of American policy. The passing of the Populists does not, therefore, mean that the good they strove for is lost. They have exercised a powerful influence over political thought, and it will be found that everything practical and valuable in their platforms will survive, and no little of it will become law, and beneficial law, too.

In Alabama but eleven counties out of sixty-six remain under the control of the Populists, and some of these are held by narrow majorities. Long before the next state election Butler and Cherokee and Chilton and Choctaw and Conecuh and Coosa and Covington and Geneva and Marshall and Shelby and St. Clair will doubtless conclude that they can best accomplish the reforms they desire by acting with and through the historic Democratic party, and they will be welcomed back with all cordiality and joy. —Age-Herald.

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The desk at which President McKinley sits signing momentous war dispatches was a gift of the Queen to a former occupant of the White House. This piece of furniture has an interesting history. It is made of tough British oak, taken from the remains of the ill-fated ship Resolute, which, in 1852 went northwards in search of Sir John Franklin. Three years afterwards some American explorers found remnants of the vessel stuck in the ice, and brought them back to the United States. They were bought by the President, who courteously offered them to Queen Victoria as being a treasure more appropriate to be preserved by Great Britain than America. Her Majesty accepted the gift, and thanked the President warmly for the gracious act, and accompanying her letter was the desk, which is now one of the treasures of the White House.

Politieal Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 21, 1898

Only thirteen states were represented in the so-called national Populist convention recently held at Cincinnati and the vote on candidates for the presidency showed only 228 delegates present, at least half of whom were self-appointed and the others held no credentials from anyone connected with the regular People's Party organization. It will be seen, therefore, that the attendance at this motley gathering was not as large as at many of the Populist county conventions in Kansas or Nebraska. Yet this pretended national convention—the smallest on record—went through the formality of nominating a couple of chronic office seekers for president and vice president and gravely decided to never hold another national convention, but to make nominations in the future by the initiative and referendum. The deluded mortals who participated in the Cincinnati muddle have made themselves the laughing stock of the whole country.

Mr. Sayers, the Democratic candidate for governor of Texas, has replied to Mr. Gibbs, the Populist nominee, who recently proposed to withdraw on condition that Mr. Sayers agreed to use the surplus school fund and convict labor in the construction of a State railroad from the Red river to the Gulf. In his letter Mr. Sayers refuses to accede to the conditions named. He asserts that the public school fund should be used only for the purpose for which it was intended and in a way to benefit all the people of the state, instead of only those living in the section through which such road might run. He is also opposed to the employment of prison labor or public works, where it will conflict with free labor.

After a very stubborn contest, fusion was affected between the silver forces in Washington, much to the disappointment of the middle-of-the roaders and goldbugs.

Following the lead of a number of other Western states, the Populists, Democrats and free silver Republicans of Nevada have united upon a State ticket and are prepared to make the election of their candidates unanimous.

The fact that the Republican vote was greatly reduced in Vermont and Maine during the recent elections in those States is causing the leaders in that party considerable worry.

The much advertised national currency convention, in connection with the Trans-Mississippi Exposition, began at Omaha the 14th inst. on schedule time. The friends of the white metal and of the yellow are both claiming the best of the argument. In the meantime a book will be published containing the debates.

The Populists, Democrats and Silver Republicans of Colorado, after much caucussing and dissension in their state conventions, finally united on a ticket, the election of which is not a question of doubt.

The Secretary of State of Missouri refuses to file either the straight Populist or middle-of-the-road ticket until the legality of one or the other has been declared by the courts.

The trouble between the striking coal miners and operators at Pana, Ill., which seemed to be in a fair way for settlement some time ago, is being prolonged, and it has required the greatest forbearance on the part of the strikers to prevent conflicts and bloodshed since the negroes imported from the South, who first refused, have been induced by the operators to return to work in the mines.

Twenty-seven Republican embezzlers have been unearthed in Nebraska during the last two years of Populist control in the state and the Republicans are making their campaign this year entirely upon national issues.

The goldbug press of the East never tire of speaking about Kansas prosperity. It is even asserted by Republican papers in the state that bank commissioner Breidenthal is in receipt of letters from parties in the east desiring to borrow money from the Kansas farmers. These smart scribblers evidently forgot that Kansas has been under Populist rule for two years.

Senator J. H. Kyle of South Dakota, was stricken with paralysis at Cleveland, Ohio, recently and for a while his life was despaired of. Mr. Kyle was first elected to the senate as a Populist, but during the last session he affiliated with the Republicans.

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The Weekly Crop Bulletin says the first three days were cool and the nights especially so, but the last few days were warm and favorable; dry weather prevailed, except scattered showers in southern counties during the early part of the week. The sunshine was ample, and, as a whole, the week gave more favorable conditions than any during the last two months. Cotton has improved slightly, but is in generally poor condition from effects of previous unfavorable weather, and damage by rust, while not on the increase, is becoming more apparent, the plant is large but the bolls are small, and rotten bolls are quite generally reported; it is opening rapidly, many correspondents reporting as much as one-half to three-fourths of the entire crop open, and, while picking is now progressing rapidly, and a considerable portion of the crop has been marketed, in some fields picking has been retarded by rotten bolls; reports of poor quality and short yield continue quite general. With favorable weather the bulk of the cotton crop in this State will be gathered during the next three weeks. The corn prospect has changed but little, and, while there are some reports of rot and mould, previous estimates of a large yield hold good; the entire crop is practically matured, and some has been gathered during the week. Considerable late fodder and good hay and pea-vine crops have been saved. Sorghum is making a good yield, cane is maturing nicely and peanuts and sweet potatoes are yielding well. Scuppernong grapes are making a good yield; pasturage continues excellent and stock is in excellent condition. Some plowing has been done for fall wheat.

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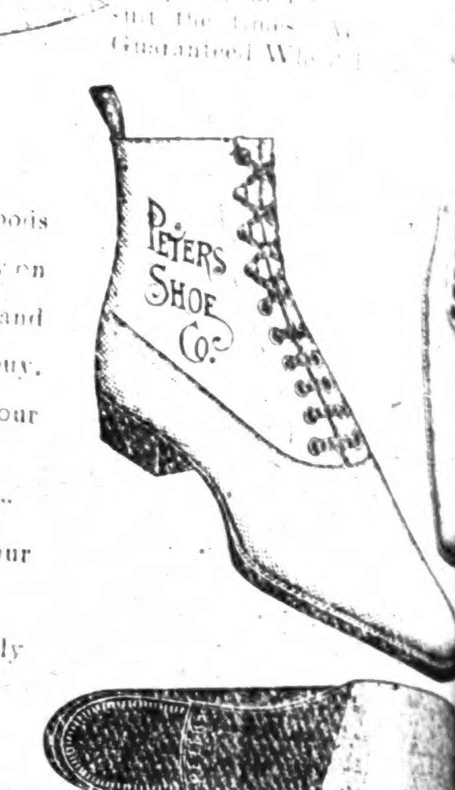

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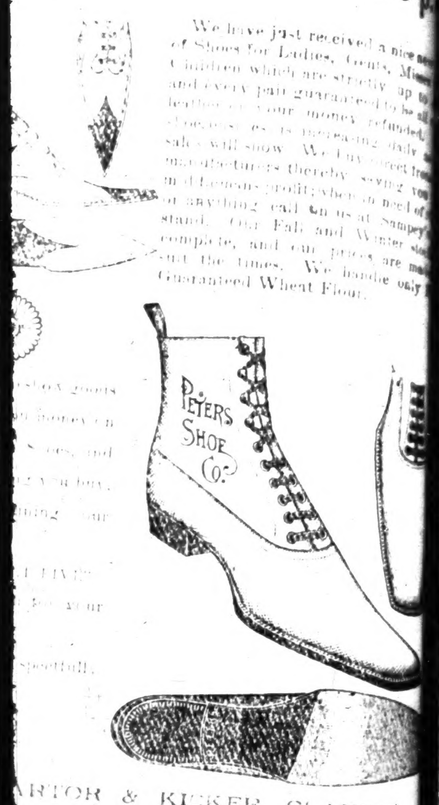

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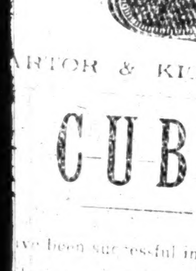

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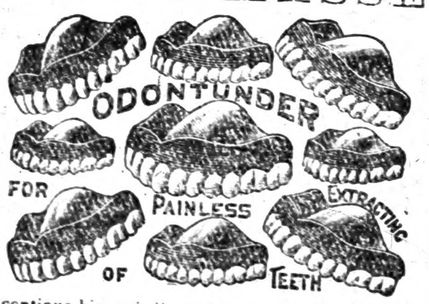

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By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Joachim Bookholdt out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Joachim Bookholdt, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

One Bay horse about ten years old.
One one-horse Wagon.
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One Bale of Cotton
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Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named Joachim Bookholdt in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1898,

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Dated this 19th day of September, 1898
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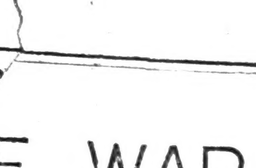

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"WILLIAM ! YOU'RE TOO LATE."
(The New York Herald's cartoonist gives his idea of the situation in the Philippines.)

CHINA TOTTERS TO HER FALL

England Accuses Li Hung Chang of Being Bought With Russia's Gold.

The friction between England and Russia, arising from the attitude assumed by the Chinese Government in regard to railroad concessions in the Celestial Empire, has become the all-absorbing topic of the hour among foreign diplomats. In view of the large American interests in the Far East the trend of affairs is also being closely followed in this country. At the close of the war between China and Japan, England and Russia, both watchful for an opportunity to increase their power in the Chinese realm, stepped in and gained control through "leases" over the territory which had been occupied by the Japanese troops. Russia took Port Arthur and the surrounding country on the north of the Gulf of Pe-Chi-Lie, while England acquired control of Wei-Hai-Wei, on the south of the gulf.

EMPEROR OF CHINA.

At the present time there is only one railroad in China, which was built by Li Hung Chang, and is under the control of the government. The trouble now threatening between England and Russia has arisen through the repudiation by China of a contract with the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank to build a road from Tientsin via Shan-Hai-kwon to New-Chwang. The bank is owned almost entirely by English capitalists, although a few Americans hold stock in it. The proposed new road was an important part of the railroad system under development in China.

The Empress Dowager of China has openly relieved the Emperor of all real power. The Ministers take their instructions directly from her, and Li Hung Chang practically supersedes the Tsung-li-Yamen.

It is rumored that Sir Claude Macdonald, the British Minister, before the Tsung-li-Yamen accused Li Hung Chang of betraying China to Russia; and it is said that Li Hung Chang has threatened to demand the recall of Sir Claude Macdonald.

see this old fossil in his true light, and has rid himself of his "Old Man of the Sea." The Manchus, many of them, sympathize with Weng, and are fearful less this dismissal means wholesale innovations.

With Weng out of the way, the Empress Dowager had no difficulty in regaining her old place as real ruler of the eighteen provinces. All the provincial Governors and Viceroys, as well as government officials ranking higher than Taotai, are commanded to memorialize her, thanking her for the office they hold. She has already shown her favor to Li Hung Chang, and he is in power again as virtual ruler of the Tsung-li-Yamen. It must give old Li much satisfaction to thus prevail ever Weng, who clamored for Li's head during the Chinese-Japanese war.

One weak man in the Cabinet is Wang, who has been called from the Chihli Viceroyship. Prince Kung on on his deathbed stipulated that Wang should succeed him in the Cabinet. Wang is dull, ultra conservative, and smokes too much opium, but he is old and cannot last long.

The resurrection of Viceroy Li has aroused the British in China, who see in it another trick taken by the Russians. Li, who was once the strongest friend of England, is now doing everything in his power to help Russia.

The Empress Dowager of China, Tsou Hsi, is a woman of force. She is sixty-four years old, but she is the Chinese exemplar of the new woman. For nearly forty years hers has been the most powerful influence in the Flowery Kingdom.

The Emperor Kouangsu is the Empress Dowager's adopted son. After her own son's death she took up Kouangsu and trained him so that she could keep him under her thumb. The Emperor is twenty-six years old to-day, so that his open deposition from real power is a left-handed birthday present from his dear adopted mother.

For many years she has been receiving birthday presents which have made her the richest woman on earth. On each birthday the Chinese people have poured riches into her lap. During the war with Japan it was hinted to the Dowager Empress that the people needed all the money they had; that perhaps she might be pleased to refuse the usual presents. She compromised—took half.

Li Hung Chang, who was so popular in New York, has always found his firmest friend and most generous patron in the Dowager Empress. Once in a while she has been mad at him and taken away his peacock's feather or his yellow jacket, but he soon had it again, and her favor. So that usually, when all went well with Li Hung, it proved that the Dowager Empress was supreme. Rarely has the young Emperor tried to demonstrate his manhood and really be Emperor. Then Li Hung Chang was in trouble, but it never lasted long, for the Dowager Empress put her thumbs down on her stepson just as she has done now.

The Tsung-li-Yamen is the Chinese Foreign Office. The only thing to be compared to it in this country is the Department of State. It is stated that Tsou Hsi has lately been filling the

THE TSUNG-LI-YAMEN—THE STATE DEPARTMENT AT PEKIN.

Li Hung Chang is thus once more in power, acting as Chancellor directly under the Empress Dowager. This was brought about through the weakness of the Emperor, who is recognized as unfit to deal with large matters of state. The Empress Dawager, who is a very able woman, convinced him that he must retire Weng, who for several years had been the head and front of the party opposed to all foreign reforms and improvements.

Foreigners and the Progressive party of Chinese are delighted. No more radical or necessary first step toward progress could have been taken. The Emperor has at last been made to Tsungli-Yamen with weaklings to make it easier for him to boss the Tsung-li-Yamen.

It must have been a very pretty quarrel between Sir Claude Macdonald, backed by England, and Li Hung Chang, with the Dowager Empress behind him.

"You sold China to Russia!"

"I'll have you recalled!"

While all the weaklings of the Tsung-li-Yamen trembled in their brocaded gowns.

British subjects can travel entirely around the world without leaving the British Empire.

AN AMERICAN GIRL VICEREINE OF INDIA.

LUCK OF THE CURZONS.

The first American woman to become a real Queen is the daughter of a former dry-goods clerk.

She will rule more than 400,000,000 of people. She will occupy an official position higher than any woman of this nation has ever attained.

She has mounted to her proud place on a foundation of dry goods and Chicago real estate, but she is worthy of it.

George Nathaniel Curzon, who married Miss Mary Leiter, of Chicago, has been made Viceroy of India, the highest administrative office in the gift of the British Crown. Before the vision of the Hon. Mrs. George Nathaniel Curzon there opens a vista of surpassing richness and promise.

Her husband will be created a peer of the realm before he goes to india. There he will be Vice-King and his wife will be the Vice-Queen.

It is quite true this American woman will act for Queen Victoria, Empress of India, in ruling over the largest and most important possession of the British Empire. She will sit on a throne and none will be too great to bow before her.

Mrs. Curzon, to whom a daughter has just been born, is thirty-one. She has great beauty, $5,000,000 as a dowry and a young husband who is already one of the great men of his nation. Surely her career is enough to turn the head of most women.

Her position is fixed for all time. In India she and her husband will occupy a palace of the blood royal. In England she is upon the highest pinnacle.

Thirty years ago the father of this American queen was selling calico and stockings over a counter in Chicago. He saved one-half that he earned. He invested and saved all that he made until he had a fortune.

When he gained wealth his wife fought as hard for social recognition as her husband had to make money. She struggled in Chicago and made little headway. She went to Washington and resumed the fight there and succeeded. What matter if she was called the Mrs. Malaprop of Washington. She was a force, although to this day her sway is disputed.

But there is no disputing the power of her daughter. She has taken a foremost place in the most exclusive society in the world. She has now become the arbiter of the fate of American women seeking recognition abroad. By a mere word the daughter of Levi Z. Leiter can gain royal recognition for other American women, or she can, if she chooses, deny such recognition to them. She can make Mrs. Potter Palmer, her mother's ancient social enemy, knock in vain at the portal of European Courts even after having conquered the 400 and Newport.

Mrs. Curzon was Miss Mary Virginia Leiter, the eldest child of Levi Z. Leiter, and the sister of Joseph Leiter, who was king of wheat a few months ago and who lost something like $18,000,000, of which his father has had to pay about half, the other representing the profits of the deal at one time.

Mrs. Curzon has lived more in Washington and in Europe than she has in Chicago. Her marriage to George Nathaniel Curzon, who has been looked upon as the coming man in the Tory party for several years, was a great social event, although it did not attract as much attention as some other international marriages.

It was generally accepted that Mr. Curzon hoped some day to become Prime Minister of England and that it was his wife who influenced him in deciding to accept the high place of Viceroy.

She will occupy the highest place socially of any woman in India, because she will directly represent the Queen. She will hold court, receive native princes and be virtually queen of 400,000,000 people.

GEORGE N. CURZON, THE NEW VICEROY OF INDIA, AND HIS WIFE, FORMERLY MISS LEITER, OF CHICAGO—PALACE OF THE VICEROY AT CALCUTTA WHERE THIS AMERICAN GIRL WILL PRESIDE.

The First Postoffices.

The first postoffice was opened in Paris in 1462, in England in 1581, and in America in 1710.

A French writer attributes the grace of the Spanish women to the fact that many of them are taught fencing.

UNIQUE FIRE ENGINE.

London is Using One Whose Motive Power is Gasoline.

The motive power of this engine is gasoline, as the picture plainly indicates, the engine itself is very different from the machine that is ordinarily in use for the purpose. It is more compact and powerful, two improvements that will be very welcome. In the rear of the engine, and within

LONDON'S PECULIAR FIRE ENGINE.

the railing, is the fire hose on the reel of the usual pattern. Thus the engine and hose cart are in one. With this most up-to-date of fire engines there is a contrivance which will reel or unreel the hose, action being regulated by a lever close to that which operates the engine itself. This is one of the features which firemen find great cause for enthusiasm. In fact, the London fire fighters, who are considered fully equal to the bravest and best, even as good as the firemen of the United States, think that the reel feature is the point par excellence of the invention.

Generally the engine is supposed to carry five men, but this number can be increased if desired, as the additional weight of a larger crew would have no appreciable effect upon the speed, which is anywhere from twelve to twenty miles an hour. Two of the firemen stand on the footboard of the engine, which makes the entire circuit. The contrivance being of an elongated nature. The fifth man is the pilot. He stands within the rail and by means of a wheel laid flatwise upon an iron bar steers the queer machine. There is the usual headlight for use at night, located directly forward of the wheel bar.

A "Real Daughter" Gets Her Spoon.

A few days ago there was forwarded to Phoebe Bayard Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, at Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Penn., a massive souvenir spoon that brought joy to the heart of Mrs. Margaret C. Craig, of New Alexandria, who is a member of Phoebe Bayard Chapter. The spoon, in accordance with the custom of the order, was sent because Mrs. Craig had been accepted by the national society at Washington as a "real daughter," she being the daughter of General Alexander Craig, who rendered distinguished services to his country during the revolution.

MRS. M. C. CRAIG, "REAL DAUGHTER" OF THE REVOLUTION.

Mrs. Craig is in her ninety-fifth year. The committee of ladies which had the honor of conveying to her the souvenir spoon found her on the Craig farm, in the same house where her revolutionary father left her sixty-two years ago. Every year of her long life has been spent under this roof.

General Alexander Craig, the distinguished head of the family, father of our "real daughter," was born November 20, 1755; served through the revolution, and died October 29, 1832.

There are eleven cities in the world with a population of over 1,000,000. They are London, Paris, Berlin, New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Pekin, Vienna, Tokio, Canton and St. Petersburg.

THE REALM OF FASHION

Tucked Shirt Waist With Fitted Lining.

The shirt waist is again prominent among the styles, and tucking is one of the marked features this season. With a well-cut and fitted fine percale or lawn shirt waist, fresh from the

TUCKED SHIRT WAIST.

laundry, there comes an appearance of style and neatness that accounts for its long-continued popularity.

Fancy dotted percale in lavender and white made the stylish model, the tucks of uniform depth giving a desirable fullness across the bust that is very generally becoming. The waist is arranged over a fitted lining (which can be omitted if desired), and has a straight back yoke which meets the front in seams forward on the shoulders. An applied box plait finishes the right front, through which the closing is effected by studs or buttons and buttonholes. Gathers at the waist line pouch the front in latest style, the back being drawn smoothly to the waist. The neck is finished with a collar band, and the standing collar of white linen is made adjustable.

The correct sleeves are of fashionable size, the moderate fullness being gathered at the top and wrists into straight cuffs. A leather belt is worn at the waist, and a bow tie of satin at the neck.

To make this waist for a lady of medium size four yards of material thirty inches wide will be required.

An Equestrian Costume.

For ordinary wear as well as for equestrian exercise the style of basque shown in the large engraving is popular, writes May Manton, it having the merit of being especially becoming to ladies of generous proportions.

Its special adaptation to the requirements of stout women is further emphasized by an extra underarm gore, provided in the sizes above thirty-six inches bust measure, by which the width of the back, and side back, forms are so decreased that an illusion of slimness results. The narrow postillion back, with regular coat plaits and lap, is a becoming feature and will be welcomed by those who aim to dress correctly.

Navy blue cheviot is here represented, smooth covered tailor buttons effecting the closing in center front.

The glove-fitting adjustment is accomplished by double bust darts and curving front edges, the upper portion being reversed in small lapels that meet the rolling collar in notches.

Machine stitching finishes all edges in strictly tailor style.

The chemisette is of white linen, but can be of material to correspond or contrast with the basque.

The sleeves are of fashionable size and fit closely at the wrists, closing with three buttons and buttonholes.

Basques in this style usually match the material of the skirt, firmly woven textures being the invariable choice.

Serge, covert or broadcloth, whip-

LADIES' HABIT BASQUE.

New Blouse Waists.

The new blouse waists have revers, edged with narrow [illegible] tion, over a foundation of [illegible] puffing. Silk waists, veiled with fon of the same color, have the body, basque and epaulettes [illegible] in this manner or with [illegible]

Up-To-Date Sleeves.

A new pair of sleeves, [illegible]

cut and style, will [illegible] cessful results in making your's gown. Two [illegible] this design, which [illegible] basque or waist, [illegible] the same or contrasting

No. 1 is composed of [illegible] ting, made [illegible] under-portions [illegible] sections [illegible] and outer [illegible] tween the [illegible] lining of [illegible] ribbon, [illegible] fill in the [illegible] transparent [illegible] sleeves.

No. 2 [illegible] sleeve of [illegible] unnecessary [illegible] seams are [illegible]

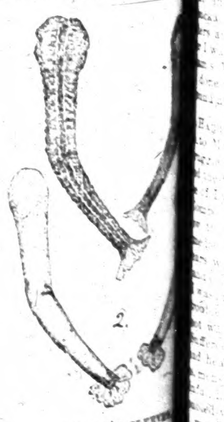
WOMAN'S SLEEVE.

about two and a half [illegible] turned under to [illegible] trimmed around with velvet ribbon, and a [illegible] sewed on underneath [illegible] hands.

To make No. 1 will require a quarter yards of material inches wide, and to make No. 2 require three-quarters [illegible] same width material.

IE REALM OF FASHION.

LADIES' MARIE ROSSET.



WOMAN'S SLEEVE.

MISS WINNIE DAVIS IS DEAD

At Noon Sunday Her Suffering Was Ended.

THE BURIAL WILL BE AT RICHMOND.

Remains of the Daughter of the Confederacy Will Be Interred by the Side of Her Illustrious Father. Sketch of Her Life.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I.—Miss Winnie Davis, daughter of Mrs. Jefferson Davis, died at noon Sunday of acute gastritis, at the Rockingham hotel, to which place she came as a guest in the early part of the Pier's social season. Miss Davis had been ill for several weeks, and a fortnight ago her ailment was diagnosed as malarial gastritis.

At times her condition became very serious, so that consultations of physicians were deemed necessary, but frequent rallies gave renewed hope that she would ultimately recover. During the past week especially was her condition considered favorable and it was thought that her removal from the hotel would be possible in a few days, as the hotel had closed for the season, leaving the patient and attendants practically alone in the house. Saturday night, however, a relapse in Miss Davis' condition was noticed and throughout the night she lost strength perceptibly.

Sunday morning the physician said that the end was not far off, and at noon death came to end the sufferings, which at times had been intense.

Mrs. Jefferson Davis had watched unremittingly at her daughter's bedside, and she is now bowed with sorrow. She is holding up with great calmness in her affliction, and no fears are at present entertained of her health yielding to the strain.

On Wednesday afternoon the remains of Miss Davis will be removed to the parlor of Rockingham hotel, where they may be viewed by friends. The funeral services will be held at Richmond, Va., on Friday.

Winnie Davis, the "Daughter of the Confederacy," was born in the confederate executive mansion at Richmond, Va., in 1863. She was educated principally at home, owing to the trouble surrounding her father and the publicity which attended all the movements of the Davis family. Miss Davis attained her majority at Beauvoir, Miss. Here she assisted her mother in various ways, and took her place in the many social functions of the place. She was her father's constant companion. She assisted him in all his work, and much of the information which was required by Mr. Davis in his writings was secured for him by his daughter. Her strong character was marked from youth. She was engaged to Mr. Wilkerson, of Syracuse, N. Y., but shortly after her father's death the engagement was broken off. While no public explanation of the rupture was given out, it is well known that it was for the purpose of maintaining her father's name. She received the name, "Daughter of the Confederacy," in 1886, when her father made his famous trip through the south. Mr. Davis being unable to appear, Miss Winnie was brought before the thousands at the different points along the route and introduced as the "Daughter of the Confederacy."

MORE TROOPS FOR PHILIPPINES.

The War Department Has Ordered Five Additional Regiments to Go.

A special from Washington says: Five regiments now at San Francisco have been ordered to Manila. Arrangements for the transportation will be made at once. The regiments ordered to Manila are the following: Fifty-first Iowa, Twentieth Kansas, First Tennessee, First Washington and a detachment of the Second Oregon.

It was stated at the war department that no exigency had arisen which made it necessary to send the troops now at San Francisco to Manila, but the order issued Monday was in accordance with the general plan of the department regarding a garrison for the Philippines. The plan of garrison duty included 20,000 men.

Trustee Appointed for the University.

The governor has appointed Hon. E. L. Russell, of Mobile, the president of the Mobile & Ohio railroad, to be trustee of the University of Alabama, to succeed the late Hon. Willis G. Clark, deceased.

One-Sixth Sick in Gen. Lawton's Army.

Sickness among the troops of General Lawton's command at Santiago is increasing. Nearly one-sixth of the force is now on the sick list, although the number of deaths is not great.

Captain Rice Dead.

Captain Marshall C. Rice, Ex-Mayor of Jacksonville, Fla., died of Bright's disease Monday.

Joint High Commission Assembles.

The joint high commission appointed by the United States and Great Britain to consider and adjust certain international questions in controversy, reassembled at Quebec Tuesday.

Gray's Successor Appointed.

Senator O. J. Faulkner, of West Virginia, has been appointed to the position of the Canadian commission made vacant by the retirement of Senator Gray.

The Rush For Gold.

From the Texas Bluffs, Ill.

The rush of gold seekers to the Klondike brings thrilling memories to the "forty-niners" still alive, of the time when they girdled the continent, or faced the terrors of the great American desert on the journey to the land of gold. These pioneers tell some experiences which should be heeded by gold seekers of to-day. Constant exposure and faulty diet killed large numbers, while nearly all the survivors were afflicted with disease, many of them with rheumatism. Such a sufferer was Adam Vangundy, who now resides at Bluffs, Ill., where he has been justice of the peace and was the first president of the board of trustees. In a recent interview he said:

"A Forty-niner."

"I had been a sufferer of rheumatism for a number of years and the pain at times was very intense. I tried all the proprietary medicines I could think or hear of, but received no relief.

"I finally placed my case with several physicians and doctored with them for some time, but they failed to do me any good. Finally, with my hopes of relief nearly exhausted I read an article regarding Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which induced me to try them. I was anxious to get rid of the terrible disease and bought two boxes of the pills. I began using them about March, 1897. After I had taken two boxes I was completely cured, and the pain has never returned. I think it is the best medicine I have ever taken, and am willing at any time to sign my name to any testimony setting forth its good merits."

(Signed) ADAM VANGUNDY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of September, A. D. 1897.

FRANKLIN C. FUSK, *Notary Public.*

Mr. Vangundy's statement ought to be regarded as the criterion of the good merits of these pills. What better proof could a person want than the above facts.

THE DRESS OF QUAKERS.

Origin of the Peculiar Garb of This Peaceful Sect.

The dress of Quakerism—that is to say, the garb and speech which have always been traditionally associated with the sect—may well be treated first, though not of the highest order of importance, because these go to form the first (often the only) impressions of those whose knowledge is confined to what has been seen only. The use of the quietest styles, as was common in Fox's day, and of garments differing widely from the fashions of later times, was a part of the strong protest which the early Friends felt called upon to make against the scandalous and criminal license of the Restoration period in England, when the whole of "polite" society, following the lead of the buffoon King Charles II., seemed determined to turn into contempt all that for which Puritanism had stood, its politics and government, its morals and religion. In these days it will be admitted by most of the adherents of the sect that the protest or "testimony" as to plainness of apparel is to be viewed in the light of its higher meaning. * * * Not long ago a man in New York published a book descriptive of what he called "Society," in which he attempted to show that it was necessary for "fashionable" people, in order to maintain their "position" fully, to spend annually a sum more than enough to support the families of two hundred skilled workingmen for the same length of time, and that the mistress of such an establishment was expected—that is, compelled—to pay $10,000 for dress alone in a twelvemonth. Here are rich opportunities for the exercise of the "Friendly" spirit; not necessarily the old idea that persons should wear a severely plain, unfashionable, and very conspicuous dress, or even that there is any especial merit in so doing, but that expenditures upon the "things which perish" should be directed by justice, delicacy, good taste and common sense.—Popular Monthly.

Mrs. Young—I dreamt last night that mother was coming to stay with me for a month. Mr. Young—Ah! dear me, dreams always go by contraries. Mrs. Young—And I also dreamt that you said I couldn't have a new dress. Mr. Young—H'm! funny, isn't it, how true some dreams come?—Pick-Me-Up.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

In China, where most eyes are narrow and long, a small, round eye is considered an extraordinary beauty. China girls pluck their eyebrows to make them very fine.

Beauty is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets. Beauty for 10 cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Over 100,000 horses are killed every year for food in Paris, and there are scores of restaurants where horseflesh is served as an article of food.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

The largest country in one body and under one government is the Russian empire. It comprises 8,333,140 square miles.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitution disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

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"Why, Julia, how the waist of your frock smells of tar." "Yes, mamma; poor Mr. Rawlines of the Naval Reserves has been bidding me good-by again."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Ella—Where was it George proposed to you last week? Essie—At a hop. Ella—And you accepted him? Essie—At a jump.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"I see that glass bricks are coming into general use," said the popular science boarder. "They won't invade the gold-brick field," said the cheerful idiot; "they are too easily seen through."—Indianapolis Journal.

"Haven't I told you," asked the father, "to always tell the truth?" "Yes, you told me that," the young man admitted, "and at another time you told me never to become the slave of a habit."—Washington Star.

Harry—Good many years since we've seen each other, Jack; remember how we used to live from hand to mouth in college? Jack—Yes, that's still the case with me. Harry—How so? Jack—I'm a dentist.—Boston Courier.

Madison—I hear Mrs. Wheeler has given up arguing against the bicycle, and now rides a tandem with her husband. Lexington—Yes; she concluded that was the only way she could get ahead of him.—Exchange.

He (wondering if that Williams has ever been accepted)—Are both your rings heirlooms? She (concealing the hand)—Oh, dear, yes! One has been in the family since the time of Alfred, but the other is newer and (blushing) only dates from the conquest.—Harlem Life.

"My wife," said the tall, lantern-jawed man, "is as womanly a woman as you could find; but she can hammer nails like lightning." "Wonderful!" sang the chorus. "Lightning," the tall, lantern-jawed man continued, "seldom strikes twice in the same place."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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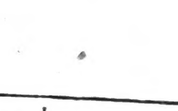

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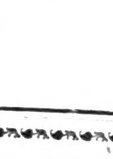

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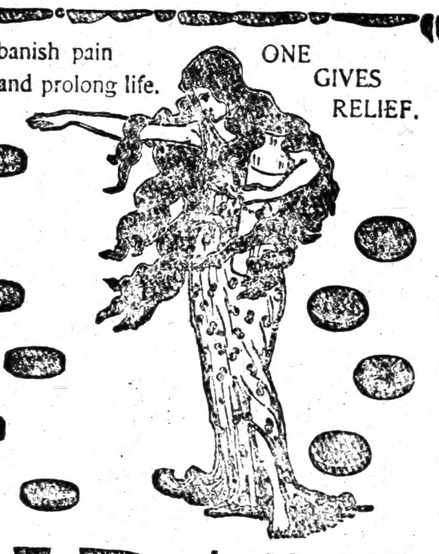

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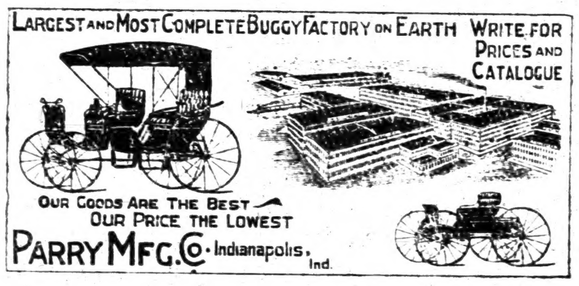

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Collins Chapel, Sept. 24, 1898

Editor BANNER. I wish to speak a few words to the people of our county. The cry now is for better times. But how can we have better times as long as we raise from four to five cents cotton? Friends, what must we do? They have got us where they have wanted us for a long time. People, I say we must organize and become as a unit; we could have been the independent people of the world if we had begun in time, but we have waited so long until we are dependent. We can make our bread, meat, clothes and shoes at home; but we now raise 4½ cent cotton to buy them with. People, if I had every bale of cotton in the United States I would have eight cents for it before I would let it slide. And if we will organize we can do the same.

I saw in the issue of the 15th where a few were opposin the bull and boar law. Wake up Uncle Mike, and I think you will see that a thousand pound bull will beat one weighing five hundred, and a cow giving two gallons of milk will beat one giving a quart. Bro. Mike said that we need more bulls and better bulls. How do you expect for us to get them when everything runs at large from one size of a goat up to a six year old bull weighing five hundred pounds. Then trace the bull back, and you will find their mother's giving ½ gallon per day and their father's stock giving one quart. I want plenty of good bulls and boars, and handle as stallions, and a special tax put on them and that to go for the benefit of public schools. I care not say much about public schools; no more than we need them the worst of all. I am ready for any law that will give us a better school system. I want some man to suggest a school law that will beat the one we have and we will follow him and help him to get it through the legislature.

As to the road law, I think the one we have is all O. K. if we will execute it.

J. D. C.

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Thorsby, Sept. 26, 1898

Editor BANNER—I notice in the Banner where several are writing in regard to the stock law, etc. I have talked with several about it, and they say we don't need any such law. I also have talked with two men in Dallas county, and they both said it was the worst thing they ever had to contend with. Consequently we don't need the stock law in Chilton.

As to the bull and boar law, it would be good for some, while it would be worse for others. There are so many poor people that could not pay the fee required by the owners.

As to the road law, we need an amendment to it; we need just such a law that would compel the overseers to have more work done on the roads. We don't need the roads to be worked by taxation, for that would let most all the young men and negroes out; and those that have worked out their time would have to come in and pay for the roads being worked; so that looks like it would be too hard on them.

In regard to the school law, we need everything possible to better it in every respect; for there are just as bright intellects in Chilton as there are anywhere, if they just had the opportunity. We also need the dog law and let it go to the public schools. THE RAIL SPLITTER.

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Corinth, Sept. 25, 1898

A large number of persons from the circumjacent neighborhoods assembled at Corinth church for an all day exercise in vocal music. The attendance was not very large, and good order was observed. There is no religious services more inspiring and entertaining than that of congregational music, prayer and praise. It softens the heart and lifts the aspirations of the mind and soul up to God, and we are better prepared for spiritual worship and adoration. The singing of a beautiful hymn has often touched the heart of the ungodly, and been made the means of his conversion. Such gatherings have a decided tendency to accomplish good, not only to the singers in a musical, educational point of view, but socially to all who may attend. The poet says that music hath charms to soothe the savage breast. If it contributes to the general good of the community we hope that many more Sabbaths will be devoted to its enjoyment by the good people of Chilton county.

The meeting was organized by electing as chairman J. S. Jones sr., Walter Kendrick was chosen secretary. The committee to arrange program and appoint leaders were W. D. Goss, P. H. Connell and J. R. Tarver. The services were opened with a short prayer by R. D. May at 10 o'clock a.m., then the lessons were conducted by John Barbour, N. J. Jones, Thomas Pyron, J. S. Jones and R. D. May.

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Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 26, 1898.

Editor BANNER:—Our regiment arrived safe and sound in this city Saturday, Sept. 17. We started from Jacksonville about noon of the day before after a morning's hard work of breaking camp and packing up. We were less reluctant to leave Jacksonville than Miami as we had been treated far better than at Flagler's pest hole.

We reached Waycross in time to see the last section of the 1st Ala. pull out over the Plant system while we went via Albany and Eufala.

The ride was uneventful and the boys tried to catch some sleep until we reached Eufala where the people were out in force to welcome us although they seemed to have forgotten the edibles that a soldier likes so well.

Union Springs was taken by surprise for one or two of the citizens said they didn't know when we were coming.

We rolled into the depot shed with the first section of the 1st. Ala having beaten the third section by three quarters of an hour and then traelled fifty miles futher.

The men of the 2nd Ala., were expecting an enthusiastic reception by the people of Montgomery and for days before starting home they would talk of the good things they were anticipating, even staying sober during the trip so as to have a good appearance; but the feeble cheers from the few who were standing around the depot and the cup of weak coffee provided by the government, was dishearteningly especially when the news of the reception of the 1st Ala., was read.

We pitched our camp out in Riverside park near the old fair grounds and near an old Confederate camp of the days of '61. A veteran who had camped remarked that it was strange to see the southern boys in blue camped so near to where the southern boys in grey once camped.

Early Tuesday morning orders were sent down for us to hand in the government property and to meet the paymaster, both of which were obeyed with alacrity, some of the boys vowing they would never touch a Springfield rifle again.

After the paymaster had finished our furloughs were handed to us and Camp Herbert was immediately deserted.

This will probably be the last letter you will receive from A PRIVATE of the 2nd Ala. Vols., as it's regiment is to be mustered out, and he will be transferred into the Hospital Corps. You may hear from him then. A PRIVATE.

Turn-Round Topics.

John Barbour and charming daughter, Miss Emma, of Billingsley, were pleasant visitors to Levi Dennis Sunday.

R. D. May and, wife of Prattville, visited relatives here last week.

F. M. Connell jr. and wife, of Cross Roads, visited Mrs. Kendrick Sunday.

Grandpa Gulledge, of Verbena, visited W. D Goss Sunday

G. W. Jones continues to improve.

Mrs. M. C. Williams we are sorry to say is on the sick list.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs T. J. Jones died Monday morning.

A crowd of young people gathered in and had a right nice song service at Mr. Levy Pennis' Sunday night.

Misses Minnie Bland, of Coopers, Ada Boyd, Martha Tyron and several others from Cross Roads were visitors here Sunday.

N. B.

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Collins' Chapel.

The people are now busy gathering their crops and we find them not as good as people thought they were.

Our people are now preparing to build them a school house in our community which will be a good opening for a good teacher, and I hope as soon as the house is completed some one will be ready to take it who will do their duty as a teacher.

Mr. Sam W. Collins left yesterday to enter college at Blountsville Ala. I hope his success will be great. Success to the Banner. J. D. C.

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Stanton

A. C. Smith and W. M. Adams, of Clanton, were in Stanton saturday.

C. W. Plant is again at home after being in Montevallo and Columbiana for two weeks.

S. M. Griffin and S. T. Nelson went to Plantersville Saturday on business.

Rev. W. J. Ruddick lost one of his mules Sunday by the train.

Mrs. Morlar, of Billingsley, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Middleton, of Mississippi, visited friends here last week.

Messrs. A. Mahone and Monroe Parnell attended meeting at Plantersville Friday night.

We are glad to see Mr. Albert McGee again at business, after being sick for some time.

Dr. Claughton was in town Saturday.

We are sorry to state that Master Truman Macar is confined to his bed with fever.

W. J. Milton caught a pole cat Tuesday night that has killed about one hundred chickens for him.

Mrs. Thomas and her daughter, Miss Willie, returned from Montgomery Tuesday.

Mr Joe Milton, of Hamburg, visited friends here this week.

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CAMP MEETING

The camp meeting at Fairview, formerly known as the Shelby Jone's place, has been postponed until the third Sunday in October, commencing on Friday before at 11 o'clock. Everybody is invited to come.

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MULBERRY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The next session of the Mulberry Baptist Sunday-school convention will be held with Macedonia church four miles east of Randolph, October 29 and 30 1898.

PROGRAM.

Saturday, 9 a.m. Welcome address by James Nix.

9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by W. D. Langston.

10. Organization.

1st Subject. The scriptural authority for Sunday-schools? Discussed by J. M. Langston and W. H. Shaw.

12. Recess for refreshments.

1:30 p.m. What is the duty of superintendent and teachers to the Sabbath-school? Opened by Jasper Langston followed by W. A. Mims.

2:30. What is our motive for attending Sunday-school? Discussed by John A. Lowery and David Smitherman.

3:30. Are we discharging our Christain duty when we take no part in the Sabbath-school work? Opened by James Scott followed by J. B. Oden.

Sunday, 10 a.m. Sabbath school mass meeting, conducted by Rev. J. P. Gentry.

11. Sermon by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

Song services conducted by Z. J. Jones. JOHN T. MARTIN, Sec.

A CRITICAL TIME

During the Battle of Santiago

SICK OR WELL, A RUSH NIGHT AND DAY

The Packers at the Battle of Santiago de Cuba were all Heroes. Their Heroic Efforts in Getting Ammunition and Rations to the Front Saved the Day.

P. E. BUTLER, of pack train No. 3 writing from Santiago, De Cuba, on July 23d, says: "We all had diarrhoea in more or less violent form, and when we landed we had no time to see a doctor, for it was a case of rush and rush night and day to keep the troops supplied with ammunition and rations, but thanks to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, we were able to keep at work and keep our health; in fact, I sincerely believe that at one critical time this medicine was the indirect saviour of our army, for if the packers had been unable to work there would have been no way of getting supplies to the front. There were no roads that a wagon train could use. My comrade and myself had the good fortune to lay in a supply of this medicine for our pack-train before we left Tampa and I know it four cases it absolutely saved life."

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CLANTON, - ALABAMA

Porto Rico means door to riches. The Spaniards have kept it shut and locked so long that it may prove a misnomer.

A bust of Oliver Cromwell has been placed in the corridor of the British house of commons. The house of commons has come to think more of the great Protector than he once did of the house of commons.

The officers of the Philadelphia Museum have received a letter from New South Wales, in which it is said; "When the federation of the Australian colonies shall have been accomplished English and American dealers will commence to build large factories in and near Sydney. Several large firms have already arranged for them."

Professor Koch of anti-tuberculosis fame has made a new discovery. He has come forward with the startling announcement that he knows what causes malaria, It's mosquitoes. Now Professor Koch may be a very great man, but he has simply begged the question. If mosquitoes cause malaria, what causes mosquitoes? That's what this patient world wishes to know. Tell us how to get rid of the mosquitoes, and we shall not worry about the malaria.

Mrs. Louise H. Pratt of Sherwood, Wis., thinks that sweet young things with golden hair should not monopolize the privilege of naming warships; so she wants to be allowed to name the battleship Wisconsin. Among her qualifications she mentions the following: She is fifty-one years old, got her education in a little log schoolhouse in Wisconsin, knows how to cook, knit, spin and make soft soap, wears her hair short, and has christened and reared two boys and two girls of her own.

The Hawaiian government has, in co-operation with a syndicate of planters and merchants, organized a pigeon post service between the eight largest islands of the Sandwich Archipelago. Communication had previously been carried on under difficulties and at irregular intervals, vessels not always being able to reach the islands. Several hundred birds have been trained to the service, and the attempt to establish a daily bird post has been attended with success. The most distant of the outlying posts is two hundred and fifty miles from Honolulu, the central station.

The Baltimore American says: "The effort to introduce foreign quail into this country has apparently proven a complete failure. Several years ago sportsmen through this country were deeply interested in the attempt made in this state to propagate quail from other countries. Many birds were imported into this city, and then liberated throughout the state. These have apparently all disappeared. The most conspicuous attempts were transporting here of birds from the Scilly Isands and from China. The money spent in this direction was a loss. The last attempt on an elaborate scale to stock Maryland with exotic birds was by Frank T. Redwood, the stock broker and member of the Baltimore Yacht club, and a hunt for his birds reveals the fact that none of them are to be found."

The Berlin (Germany) Reichsanzeiger has published an official statement of the finances of the kingdom of Prussia which is of great interest in many ways. It shows Prussia to be the most prosperous industrial state in the world, and explains how it is able to meet the heavy charges imposed by the political and military situation of Germany. With a population of about 32,000,000, the public debt of Prussia is rather more than $50 per capita, or about $1,625,000,000. It has been increased by $450,000,000 in the last six years, but of this amount only about $25,000,000 was expended on unproductive work. The cost to the state of the whole debt is only $55,000,000 a year, while the net revenue received from the public works and state properties is over $135,000,000. The net revenue of the railways belonging to the state, which in 1880-81 was only $23,000,000 during past years has averaged close on $75,000,000, and for 1898-99 is estimated at $109,500,000. The state domains and forests yield an average of $12,500,000.

Ned—"Bob says he was in the smoke of the battle all the time." Ted—"Yes; he was an army cook."—Boston Courier.

"It is all wrong," said the corn-fed philosopher, "to say that a woman can make a fool of a man. She merely develops him."—Indianapolis Journal.

MUST NOT BE DELAYED.

A Peremptory Message Has Been Sent to Cuban Commission.

TO DEMAND IMMEBIATE EVACUATION.

Satisfactory Progress Being Made in Evacuation of Porto Rico—Elaborate Ceremony When American Flag is Raised Over San Juan.

WASHINGTON.—A very peremptory message of instruction has been sent to the Cuban military commission and by them made the basis of a note to the Spanish commissioners.

The authorities in Washington will not make public the terms of the note, but its general tenor is that the United States will not be satisfied with any further delay in the evacuation of Cuba. It is to the effect that the terms of the protocol called for the immediate evacuation of Cuba, and that Spanish sovereignty must be relinquished. The American commissioners have been informed that the evacuation of Cuba cannot be delayed.

No Hitch in Porto Rico.

SAN JAUN, Porto Rico.—Everything regarding the evacuation of the island of Porto Rico by the Spanish troops is proceeding satisfactorily. The Spaniards are acting in perfect good faith, and are turning over everything as they quit the various towns.

Preparations are being made for an elaborate and impressive ceremony when the American flag is raised over San Jaun.

The lights on the north coast of the island, which have been dark since the war began, have been relighted by the Spaniards, except at San Jaun, where the lighthouse has been destroyed in the bombardment of the fleet under Rear Admiral Sampson.

CHANGES IN CHINA.

The Emperor Deposed by the Dowager Empress.

An imperial edict just issued definitely announces that the emperor of China has resigned his power to the empress (dowager empress), who has ordered the ministers to deliver to her in future their official reports.

It is difficult to obtain reliable information at the palace in regard to the proceeding, but the recent reformatory edicts probably caused the changes. While the emperor was subservient and a mere figurehead, the dowager empress permitted him to remain in peace, but as soon as he attempted to act on his own initiative his practical deposition was the result.

The effect of the change must be great. In all probability Li Hung Chang will be reinstated in power and Russian influence will increase. The hopes of reform evidently cherished by the intelligent factions of the Chinese are now impossible of fulfillment.

The suddenness of the coup is said to be due to the desire of the dowager empress to prevent the mission of the Marquis Ito from being successful.

The Japanese statesman recently came to Peking with the object of trying to bring about an alliance, offensive and defensive, between Japan and China.

The new order of things will undoubtedly prejudice British interests in China.

ENVOYS OF AGUINALDO

Will Urge at Washington That the Filipinos Be Allowed to Govern Themselves.

The steamer China, from Hong Kong and Nagasaki, arrived at San Francisco Friday. Among the passengers were Filipo Agoncillo and Jose Lopez, who are going to Washington as representatives of Aguinaldo. Agoncillo did not come direct from Manila, but started from Hong Kong, where he has been for some time. He declines to make public what Aguinaldo wants or expects, but states that the insurgents generally look for ultimate independence. After a short stay at Washington, the men will proceed to Paris to attend the meeting of the peace commission. It is probable that if they call at the white house on their way through Washington to Paris, they will be permitted to see President McKinley, but only as individuals, and not as representatives of any government.

All Relations Severed.

Advices received from Bogota, the capital of Colombia, say that all relations between Colombia and Italy have been severed, owing to the action of the Italian government in the Cerruti affair, which the Colombian officials considered arbitrary and in violation of the treaty of 1892, which was thereby annulled.

Time Fixed for Evacuation.

President McKinley has caused the commission to be instructed to demand that the evacuation of Cuba by the Spaniards begin not later than October 15, and that it be completed not later than December 31 next.

She Burned Herself to Death.

Mrs. Rainey Johnson, aged 30 years, who resided near Auburn, Logan county, Kentucky, arose from her bed, carefully dressed herself, saturated her clothing with kerosene oil, applied a lighted match, and burned herself to a crisp from the knees to the shoulders.

Buffalo Bill Critically Ill.

Colonel Cody "Buffalo Bill," is very ill at Kansas City, Mo. He is suffering from typhoid fever, and his physicians say his condition is serious.

WILL ORGANIZE CAVALRY.

General Wheeler on His Way to Huntsville to Take Command.

Major-General Wheeler, accompanied by his staff, all in full uniform, arrived at the Windsor hotel, New York, Monday afternoon. General Wheeler is on his way to Camp Wheeler, Huntsville, Ala., where he has been ordered to take command and organize six regiments of cavalry for Cuban service. Of his plans General Wheeler said:

"Tuesday I shall probably call at the army building. On Wednesday I shall review the cadets at West Point. I hope to be able to get away from New York to Huntsville not later than Friday. I have orders to organize six regiments of cavalry to go to Cuba. The Fifth cavalry is now at Huntsville; the First cavalry has been ordered from Camp Wikoff to relieve the Eighth in Dakota, the Eighth to proceed to Huntsville for preparation for Cuba; the Ninth goes to Colorado to relieve the Seventh, the latter going to Huntsville; the Second Sixth and Tenth, all at Camp Wikoff, have been ordered to Huntsville direct and will move just as soon as transportation can be arranged."

LIABLE TO CAPTURE AS PIRATES

Are the Vessels of the Philippine Insurgents—Talk of French Recognition.

MANILA.—When the United States auxiliary cruiser McCulloch captured the insurgent steamer Abbey, formerly the Passig, sixty miles south of Manila, the Abbey, it is believed, having landed 7,000 rifles, an insurgent gunboat followed the American vessel into Cavite and now the Americans contemplate taking possession of the entire insurgent fleet, because the vessels are flying an unrecognized flag and are liable to seizure as pirates by the war vessels of any nation. American cruisers have gone north, where the steamer Filipinos is landing troops.

Sanguinary conflicts have taken place at Cebu and Iloilo. There has been outbreaks of smallpox in the California regiment here, but only six cases of a mild type have been reported.

Means Trouble for France.

A special from Hong Kong says it is learned from a trustworthy Filipino source that France has promised to recognize the Filipino republic, and it is added that negotiations on the subject are proceeding at Manila, where there are three French warships.

TYPHOID AT DAWSON.

Thousands Are Suffering From the Disease in the Klondike.

The steamship Topeka has arrived at Port Townsend from Alaskan ports with 150 Klondikers, 90 per cent of whom have little or no dust to show for their experience in the land of gold, and they all express themselves as being glad to get out alive. Three thousand cases of typhoid fever is the estimate placed on the number of sick in Dawson September 6. A large number of deaths occur daily, of which no record is made. The cold weather coming on soon will check the fever. It is estimated that about 9,000 people joined the rush to Stewart river. Nearly every foot of available ground has been prospected, but no gold was found.

AFTER FIVE YEARS OF LIBERTY

A Murderer Is Brought to Justice and Sentenced to Death the Second Time.

In the criminal court of Jefferson county, Ala., Monday, Y. C. Hughes was sentenced to hang on November 18th next. This is the second time that the death sentence has been passed upon Hughes. He was to have been hung the other time on November 24, 1893, but he, along with four other prisoners, escaped from the county jail in September of the same year, while the sentence of death was being held up pending an appeal to the supreme court, and he was not executed. Hughes was at liberty for about five years, being captured a short time ago.

Strike at Galloway.

A strike has been on at Galloway, Ala., among the miners for the last week or so, and a report from there is to the effect that no less than 350 men have been idle. The cause of the strike is said to have resulted from the discharge of some of the leaders of the organization recently effected at that point.

Death of a Veteran.

Major I. P. Giradey, a Confederate veteran, aged 70 years, died at Paducah, Ky. He was born in France and spent most of his life at Augusta, Ga. He invented the Giradey fuse to explode shells, for which invention he received $50,000 for a one-fifth interest during the war. His invention was successfully used during the Franco-Prusian war.

The "Arena" to Suspend.

The only high-class American review, the Arena, devoted to the interests of free silver, and in general supporting the Chicago platform, has found it necessary to cease publication.

Atrocities by a Spanish General.

A prominent Spaniard, who has just arrived at Havana from Santo Espiritu, tells of many atrocities committed by the Spanish general Estruch in that vicinity. As a result many families have fled to the fields and others have died panic-stricken, suffering untold cruelties.

Spanish Commission Off for Paris.

The Spanish peace commissioners started from Madrid for Paris Sunday evening.

10,000 TROOPS OFFERED

By Russians to the Chinese to Keep Order in Peking.

EASTERN WAR CLOUD GROWS DARKER.

English Fleet Will Intercept Russian Transports if an Attempt to Land Soldiers is Made—Emperor Believed to Be Dead.

A special dispatch from Shanghai says that Kang Yu Wei, the emperor's brother, has been arrested in Peking and condemned to death. The dispatch also states that Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister, gave instructions that Kang Yu Wei should be protected from arrest. The British consulate holds his baggage and documents referring to state secrets. The Russians are incensed at the latter fact, and it is reported that Russia has offered the dowager empress the services of 10,000 troops from Port Arthur to keep order in Peking if necessary. It is stated that the British fleet in Chinese waters has been divided between Taku and Shan Haik Wan under orders to intercept Russian transports in the event of an effort to land troops.

The London Times' Shanghai correspondent telegraphs:

"On the arrival of Kang Yu Wei at Wu Hung he was placed for safety on board the steamer Ballarat. In the course of an interview he said that he left Peking on Tuesday in compliance with a secret message from the emperor warning him of his danger and urging him to obtain assistance from those interested in the country's welfare. He further stated that recent events were entirely due to the action of the Manhu party, headed by the dowager empress and Viceroy Yung Ti, and including all the high Manhu officials. The latter were displeased by the emperor's leaning toward the reform party, and decided to restore the regency of the dowager.

"The dowager empress' party is bound by an understanding with the Russians whereby the latter, in consideration of the support of the Russian interests, undertake to preserve Manchuria as the seat of the dynasty and to maintain Manchurian rule in China. The present movement is entirely Manchu as opposed to Chinese.

"The influence of Li Hung Chang is now subordinate to that of Yung Tu and is likely to decrease.

"The emperor's health is excellent, and his capacity for work and eagerness for progress are remarkable. His majesty is convinced, however, that it will be impossible to overcome the opposition without the assistance of England, which he endeavored to obtain for his recent progressive measures.

"Kang Yu Wei urges that England now has an opportunity to intervene and restore the emperor to his throne, by doing which, he asserts, she will earn the gratitude of the Chinese people. He also observes that unless protection is afforded to the victims of the coup d'etat, it will be impossible henceforth for any native official to support British interests."

Now Believed That the Emperor is Dead.

HONG KONG.—Although there is no positive confirmation, all the evidence tends to the conviction that the emperor is dead. A private dispatch says he died September 21, directly he issued the edict giving the dowage the regency.

Gen. Wood's Jurisdiction Extended.

President McKinley has extended the jurisdiction of Military Governor Wood so that it now embraces the whole province of Santiago de Cuba, and has appointed Lieut-Col. A. A. Wiley, of the Fifth immunes, lieutenant-governor, with the duties of organizing the civil courts and the administration of all civil affairs in eastern Cuba.

Suicide at Sheffield.

Sunday night R. A. Soloman, a leading commission merchant and broker of Sheffield, Ala., committeed suicide in the lodge-room of the Masonic fraternity, of which he was secretary. He severed the large artery in his left arm and placed a bucket in position to catch the blood. No cause is yet discovered for the deed.

Revision of Dreyfus Case Favored.

At meeting of the French cabinet Monday morning all the ministers being present, a decision was taken in favor of a revision of the trial of the former Captain Dreyfus and the documents in the case will be sent to the court of cassation.

Cause of Emperor's Downfall.

The London Chronicle's Tien Tsin correspondent says the emperor provoked the existing crisis by an edict introducing European dress and abolishing pig-tails.

Kitchener Now a Peer.

General Sir Herbert Kitchener has been elevated to the peerage.

Killed by Falling Plastering.

B. F. Marshall, of Mt. Sterling, Ala., was fatally injured by falling plastering one day last week and died the following day. He was in bed when a quantity of plastering fell from the very high ceiling.

Move Troops From Montauk Point.

The deputy quartermaster-general, Colonel Amos S. Kimball, has received orders from Washington to remove the remainder of the troops at Camp Wikoff to their various stations in the west and south.

THE KHALIFA'S END.

His Last Stronghold Taken and His Troops Routed With Heavy Losses.

SUAKIM.—The only organized remnant of the khalifa's army was defeated, and its last stronghold, Gedaref, captured on September 22, after three hours' hard fighting, when an Egyptian force numbering 1,300, under Colonel Parsons, routed 3,000 dervishes, of whom 500 were killed. Three British officers were wounded and thirty-seven Egyptian soldiers killed and fifty-nine wounded.

General Kitchener, commanding the Anglo-Egyptian expedition, has returned to Omdurman, having established posts at Fashoda and on the Sobat river.

HOBSON SUCCEEDS

The Infanta Maria Teresa is Floated and Will Be at Once Repaired.

PLAYA DEL ESTE.—The wrecking company engaged under Lieutenant Hobson in the work of saving the wrecked Spanish war ships has succeeded in floating the Infanta Maria Teresa. The cruiser, after being gotten afloat, was taken in tow by the Potomac, and, convoyed by the cruiser Newark, the Scorpion and the Alvarado, proceeded for Guantanamo bay. The successful issue of the attempt to float her was greeted by the blowing of whistles, the firing of national salutes and by cheers, in which the Cubans joined, disturbing the noon siesta.

CONFEDERATE FLAG

Captured by the 48th Ohio Infantry to Be Returned.

The Forty-eighth Ohio at its annual reunion at Lafayette adopted a resolution with but two dissenting votes to return the Thirtieth Louisiana flag to that regiment. The flag was captured in front of Atlanta, and is in the flag-room at the capitol. It is believed the resolution is the first of its kind

ONE KILLED, THREE INJURED.

Railroad Laborers on a Hand Car Run Down by a Freight Train.

A party of section men of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railway company's road went from Big Spring to Blocton, Ala., Saturday night on a hand-car to buy whisky to have a frolic. While returning, more or less intoxicated, they were run down by a freight train on a high trestle. Pat Clark, foreman, was killed, and Cooley Robinson, Alford Mitchell and Frank Turner, all seriously injured, may die.

STEAMERS COLLIDE.

The British Rhoubina With All Her Crew Save One Goes Down.

The Spanish steamer Carthagena, from Aviles for Barcelona, proceeded, after being in collision on September 22, of Cape Villano with the British steamer Rhoubina, from Huelva for Lisbon. The latter vessel was sunk and the crew, with the exception of one seaman and the captain, who were landed at Gibraltar, were drowned.

Released the Wrong Man.

John Williams, colored, was released some days ago from the Pratt Mines (Ala.) penitentiary on a pardon issued by Gov. Joseph F. Johnston. Williams was convicted on a charge of assaulting a Greek fruit stand keeper and was given twenty-five years in the penitentiary. Williams was re-arrested, a discovery having been made that the pardon issued by the governor was for a man who was about to die in the penitentiary hospital of consumption.

Omaha's Mayor Illegally Elected.

The supreme court of Nebraska has handed down the decision in the Moores-Broatch case, and held that Frank E. Moores is a usurper of the office of the mayor of Omaha, and that he was not eligible to election, for the reason that he was a defaulter as collector and custodian of public funds at the time.

General Grosvenor Seriously Ill.

General Charles H. Grosvenor is seriously ill at his home in Athens, O.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

John Morris, a negro teamster of the First Ohio cavalry, was found dead in an out-house in Huntsville.

Private Will Pride, of Company B, Wheeler's Rifles, First Alabama, died of typhoid malaria at Florence last week.

A telephone line from Quinsey to Weogufka, a distance of eleven and one-half miles, has been erected, and it will be extended to Sylacauga, making twenty-three miles of telephone line.

The state treasurer is busily engaged sending out money the county superintendents to pay the teachers for the quarter ending September 30. It will require about $110,000 to pay them all.

Mrs. Kate R. Jarvis has been appointed a member of the board of education of Dallas county, the first instance of the kind in that section. She is an experienced teacher and newspaper writer of some note.

Hon. W. R. Crutcher, a leading planter, and a man who has many times been the representative of the people in state affairs, died at his country home, thirteen miles east of Athens, last week, after a brief illness of brain fever.

John Lawrence, charged with having assassinated Joe Mays on the 4th of last May, who has been on trial at Dadeville since last Wednesday, has been found guilty, the jury returning a verdict of murder in the first degree and fixed the punishment in the penitentiary for life.

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GARCIA ENTERS SANTIAGO

Welcomed by 10,000 Persons—Banquet Tendered by American Officers.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—To the residents of Santiago Friday was the most important event since the capture, as it was the occasion of the entry of General Calixto Garcia into the city since he left there in a hostile manner July 17th. At 9 o'clock in the morning General Wood, with a party of General Lawton's staff and several American officers, met General Garcia outside the city limits and escorted him to town. Garcia was accompanied by his son, Colonel Calixto Garcia, many Cuban officers who have come to Santiago, and by a troop of cavalry.

The streets through which the party passed were thronged with cheering people, and it was estimated that 10,000 persons filled the plaza in front of the palace, where Garcia dismounted. He was met at the door by General Lawton, and an informal reception by the American officers was held in the audience room.

At night another reception was tendered General Garcia at the Hidalgo Club, which was filled with prominent Cubans, American officers and ladies.

ULTIMATUM TO SULTAN.

Powers Are Tired of Turkish Trifling—Determined to Pacify Crete.

At the beginning of the week the four powers, Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy, will append their signatures to an agreement for the pacification of the Island of Crete, including a plan for coercing the Sultan into submission. An ultimatum will be sent to the Sultan of Turkey informing him that unless he accepts the proposals measures will be taken to secure compliance. The powers have tacitly decided to settle the Cretan question immediately, and will not hesitate to send their fleets to the Dardanelles and beyond if necessary.

ADVANCE IN IRON.

It is Regarded as a Sure Indication of Business Activity.

A general advance of $2 per ton has been made in all grades of Southern pig iron, and as a result business in the Birmingham district has ben active. One firm has booked between 2,500 and 3,000 tons this week, and the demand is very active.

The Tennessee Coal and Iron company, which makes the best Southern iron, has sold all it can make up till March, and has orders on hand which, if accepted, will keep the furnaces running till next June.

Gomez Has Not Resigned.

Gen. Maximo Gomez gives a flat denial to the published report that he has presented his resignation as commander-in-chief of the Cuban army.

General Russell A. Alger, secretary of war, Surgeon General Sternberg and Quartermaster Ludington left in a few hours in Huntsville and Camp Wheeler Friday to ascertain the conditions of the soldiers in camp.

Birmingham will make a strong effort to obtain a permanent army camp.

SELECTING CUBAN ...

War Department Busy Making ... List of Appointments.

GENERAL FITZHUGH LEE MAY ...

The Army of Occupation Will ... All Immune Regiments Now in ... Speculation as to Who Will ... the Commander.

WASHINGTON (Special).—The department is considering the ... bility of breaking up all camps ... south, and establishing soldiers in ... racks for the winter. The only ... ment against this proposed plan ... item of expense. The quarter... department has authorized a com... tee to see what store rooms ca... rented for the purpose in New ... and other cities in the eastern ... southern states, with a view of ... the men during the winter. If ... out the army will be scattered in ... largest cities of the various ... The number of regiments given to ... city will depend upon the accom... tions to be had.

The officials of the war depart... have been busy making out the ... regiments of those at Middle... Lexington Huntsville and Jack... ville to form the first division of ... army of occupation in Cuba. All ... immune regiments will be among ... first to go. General Miles has ord... a thorough investigation of the ... mune regiments, as he desires the ... be in perfect health before they ... the shore. It is said at the war ... partment that these immune regim... will be mustered into the regular ... as soon as the latter is organized ... increased. No effort will be made ... keep in the privates who desire ... leave, but it is the organization w... General Miles is anxious to perpet... in the regular service.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

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—Cleveland Leader.

...ican Wages Highest and Most Valuable.

... Massachusetts Bureau of ... Labor began an immense ... chronological presentation ... wages in the United ... other manufacturing ... the work was con... report of the bureau for ... the latest report, re... the work has been ... the letter O in the ... of occupation. As ... the extent of this ... the number of wage ... report is nearly 500,- ... of individuals cov... necessarily beyond ... computation. ... of information ... compilation has been ... United States census re... statistics of various ... reports of the department of ... Washington and the reports ... and British consuls. ... information is defective ... it has been necessary ... it so as to make it ... permanent contribution ... labor and wages.

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... disparity in wages, ... Massachusetts Bureau ... labor is a mine of in... But these sta... complete until they ... the relations between ... the cost of produc... wages paid in some in... communities are more than ... to the employer by a less cost of production than is attainable under the low rates of wages paid elsewhere. The more widely diffused the means of industrial education shall become the less will be the geographical disparities in wages, the higher will rise the rates and the better will be the condition of workingmen everywhere.

Liquor and Labor.

Labor Commissioner Carroll D. Wright has concluded an investigation into the relationship between liquor drinking and hard work, the degree of discrimination of employers against drinking men, etc. He sent schedules of inquiry to employers of labor throughout the country, and replies were received from the employers of about 2,000,000 men.

About five-sixths of the responding employers said that they made careful inquiry into the liquor habits of applicants for work. Of the different classes of employers replying that they are careful on this point those engaged in the transportation industry showed the greatest percentage.

In some establishments no one using intoxicants is employed. In others certain employes may drink, others not. In many prohibition rules are applied only during working hours.

The two chief reasons given for insisting of non-indulgence are: "To guard against accident," and "because of responsibility of position."

Employes subjected to night work do not appear to be addicted to drink to any considerably degree above others. Between a fifth and sixth of the establishments having employes subject to overwork reported that these were harder drinkers than those not overworked. Out of more than 2,000 establishments having workmen exposed to severe weather less than 400 reported that such employes drink more than others not exposed. Men who are idle days or months at a time are apt to get into all kinds of mischief. Out of almost 2,000 establishments employing men irregularly and reporting as to this question a trifle more than 1,200 did not note any conspicuous relationship between such irregularities and drink, almost 400 confessed that they did and over 300 refused to answer. Conspicuous among those affected by irregularity are those whose occupations keep them busy only in certain seasons of the year.

One would reasonably suppose that more drinking is done immediately after payday than at any other time in the week or month. A majority of employers, replying as to this point, find that this is the case. Almost 4,000 find it so. This is strikingly noticeable in the mining and quarrying industries. A majority of employers, asked the general question whether they are troubled with intoxication among their employes, admit that they are. Discharge is the chief means tried and found effective to lessen the evil. Changing the pay-day from Saturday ranks next in effectiveness. Men are more apt to get drunk on Saturday night than at any other time in the week, because they have a day of rest and recuperation immediately in anticipation. Some purely practical employers report that they have changed their pay-days from other days of the week to Saturday in order to allow their hard-drinking employes the Sabbath for full recovery, and that they may return to their work Monday morning feeling fresh and clear-headed.

A firm doing an extensive coal handling business in Chicago and Milwaukee, and constantly employing many laborers of various nationalities common in this country, has contributed statistics as to the relationship between nationality and drink. The firm remunerates all of its employes every Tuesday by pay checks. For two months a record has been kept of the different concerns which return these checks to the firm for cash. As to the portion of money wasted for drink, it was discovered that in Milwaukee all, or one hundred per cent of the Hungarians and Poles and sixty-four per cent of the Germans cashed their checks at saloons. In Chicago seventy-seven per cent of the Hungarians and Poles, seventy-one per cent of the Scotch and Irish, seventy per cent of the Germans and sixty-one per cent of the English and Americans did the same. A conspicuous exception are a good majority of the Swedes and Norwegians and Scotch and Irish in Milwaukee, who cashed their checks in groceries. Still better, in Chicago as many as ninety-one per cent, or nearly all, of the Swedes and Norwegians spent their money away from the saloons.

From all of which it follows that he who seeks employment stands a better chance of securing it if he is a teetotaller than if he isn't.

From Labor Fields.

Duluth laborers get $1.75 a day.

Detroit milk peddlers organized.

Perth Amboy has a labor temple.

Rochester has an anti-saloon league.

Washington, D. C., has 7,000 unionists.

Elgin watchmakers struck for an advance.

Denver Machinists' Union employed non-union musicians.

Stahl (Mo.) miners' wages have been increased 10 per cent.

The woolen mills of Carthage, Mo., are running day and night.

Detroit's organization of business men will fight for fair railroad rates.

Ottawa (Canada) street railway employes won a strike for 14 2-7 cents per hour.

The man who establishes a branch of the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths is paid $10.

Washington (D. C.) Central Labor Union appointed a committee to look after union soldiers' families.

Cleveland longshoremen will make a fight if the vessel owners persist in their determination to remove the ladders and manholes from the boats.

PRICES GOING DOWN.

EVERY ARTICLE YOU HAVE FOR SALE GETTING CHEAPER.

The Cause of the Depreciation Is the Gold Standard of the Republican Party—Charles A. Towne Makes Some Facts Very Plain.

Falling prices are an industrial, economic, political and social evil of almost unparalleled proportions. They discourage industries, drive money from activity into idleness, from the channels of trade into the bank vaults, reduce wages and throw laborers out of employment, make property unproductive and therefore worthless, destroy equities, increase the burden of taxes and all fixed charges, ruin debtors, pile up wealth in the hands of the few, encourage the formation of trusts, monopolies and combines, make producers the prey of middlemen, strengthen the hold of the merely rich upon the political machinery of the state, stifle the spirit of liberty among the masses, increase immorality, and, if long enough protracted, inevitably lead to the overthrow and demolition of the very fabric of popular government. This indisputable and portentous fact—the tremendous appreciation of gold—is the central point of this great controversy. Rightly apprehended, it is alone absolutely destructive of all claims on the part of the gold standard to be considered a satisfactory money system. Any such claim is confronted with the insuperable fact that during the existence of that system it has given the gold-using world a most unstable measure of value, one that has nearly doubled in twenty-five years. The gold standard and permanently higher prices are impossible companions. The continuance of that system means a continued increase in the purchasing power of the dollar and, which is identically the same thing, a protracted fall of general prices. The par of exchange among nations can be restored in only one of two ways—either by the universal adoption of the gold standard, so that all nations shall use a common measure of one metal, or by the restoration of genuine bimetallism, so that all nations may possess a common measure, composed of the joint volume of both gold and silver. But the universal adoption of the gold standard is impossible. To say nothing of the folly of attempting its extension to India, its establishment in all its rigor, even in Europe, would produce a cataclysm of disaster and misery due to the enforced annihilation of hundreds of millions of dollars of silver and silver-supported paper, with their superimposed credit, that a social chaos would supervene, compared to which the dark ages would seem like an Arcadian era. Our country's power is rising. The next great conquest of commerce is in the Orient. The exploitation of China is an impossibility without the establishment of a stable par of exchange between ourselves and that country, nor can we make it profitable if her developing forces are to continue to receive the progressive stimulus afforded by a failing exchange. CHARLES A. TOWNE.

Maine Republicans.

Maine has returned Speaker Reed to congress with a marked falling off in the Republican vote. Lewellyn Powers was re-elected governor by a plurality of about 27,000, whereas two years ago he went into office with a plurality of 42,000. The decrease in the Republican vote is discouraging to the party in power, and explanations and excuses are now in order. Reed's constituents showed a lack of interest in their candidate and the result was a decrease of 4,000 votes in his usual majority. Analyzing the vote, it becomes apparent that the Republicans have lost 21 per cent, which is much more than the normal loss shown in an "off year." Such a thing as a Democratic victory in Maine is not to be expected, but Democrats can find encouragement in the showing of the polls, because it demonstrates that many thoughtful Republicans have become disgusted with the administration and have refused to give it the seal of their approval. While few speeches were made on either side much literature was distributed. The Democrats sent 280,000 documents to voters bearing upon the silver question. The Republicans mailed about 1,200,000 letters and circulars. The war was not discussed.

Jeering the Irish Soldiers.

From the Chicago Chronicle: The thoughtless gentleman who jeered at a member of the Seventh regiment last Tuesday because that organization didn't get to the front now knows that at least one of Kavanagh's warriors is willing to fight if he gets a chance. When the thoughtless gentleman gets his head out of a sling he will probably be more cautious about flouting the volunteers who have had the bad—or the good—luck to be debarred from participation in the actual fighting of the war. There is a good deal too much of this disposition manifest, not only among individuals, but in certain newspapers. It is idiotic, of course, but it is nevertheless exasperating—this idea that only the soldiers who went to Santiago or Porto Rico are entitled to credit for patriotism. In point of fact, the inaction of the home camps was tenfold more trying than the strain of active campaigning, and not a man in the army but would have preferred to take his chances with Mauser bullets rather than fight typhoid fever at Camp Alger or Chickamauga. It may take some fat-witted persons a little time to learn this fact, but after a few of them are satisfactorily thrashed, like the thoughtless gentleman referred to above, we shall hear less of this stupid and insulting slander on the men who were compelled to stay in camp while their comrades—no better and no braver—got the coveted chance to pot the Spaniards.

Hanna on Deck Again.

Many people who entertain no great admiration for President McKinley will nevertheless regret that the return of peace has apparently subjected him once more to the domination of the man Hanna. Since he emerged from his cyclone cellar upon the signing of the protocol Hanna has gradually assumed his former attitude of boss to the administration. He talks of the president's views in regard to all sorts of matters as if he were the authorized spokesman of the White House. The old firm of "Me and Mack" has resumed business to the disgust of everybody, including the president's friends. If the president can put a stop to it he ought to do so. It is a painful and humiliating spectacle to all Americans—Republicans and Democrats alike—this of a heavy-jowled fat-witted vulgarian posing as the master of the president of the United States without a protest or disclaimer from the president himself. Major McKinley owes it to the nation and to himself to assert his manhood and the dignity of his office. Let him turn Hanna down.

No Need of Private Funds.

From the Denver News: In the name of all that's good, what does it mean, this donation of money by private individuals to feed and clothe and comfort the soldiers? Why should Helen Gould or John Smith or anybody else have to donate $50,000 or $1 to buy needed supplies for the heroes of the Cuban war in camp along the Atlantic coast? The government has thousands of millions in its treasury. It is authorized to spend at its discretion, the people are willing to pay the bill. What is it, then, that clogs the wheels? What palsy has seized upon the departments? Is it the product of doddering, impotent stupidity or of downright callous cynicism?

Democratic Policy.

From the Grand Rapids Democrat: Whatever the reason, the growth of public opinion in favor of municipal ownership generally has for the last half dozen years been steady and rapid and in spite of the general opposition of the newspapers, not a few of which have been retained as special advocates of the private corporation. And this, in itself, is strongly suggestive that this change of public opinion is based on solid grounds.

THE TROUBLESOME GHOST.

The ghost of a Murdered Soldier confronts every Republican Candidate for Congress who desires to return to Washington.—New York Journal.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

GRAND MILITARY INAUGURATION

Alabamians Propose to Honor Their Governor and Their Soldiers.

A movement is on foot at Montgomery to celebrate the inaugural of Governor Johnston on December 1st with very attractive military ceremonies, to be concluded with a grand military hop. The idea is to make some demonstration of approval of Governor Johnston's administration and to toast the Alabama military. On inauguration day the legislature will be in session. Unless signs are misleading, the Second regiment will be in camp at Montgomery, and the First in camp at Birmingham, for there appears to be no doubt but that neither will be ordered mustered out until congress shall have confirmed the peace treaty with Spain. No plans have matured as yet, but it is likely the undertaking will be put in systematic shape.

Two Soldiers Killed.

Two volunteer privates came to their deaths at Montgomery from the effects of drinking too much whiskey. Both were members of Captain Vaiden's composite company, which was left to guard the effects of the Second Alabama regiment. Private Wallace Welbourne, of Ocean Springs, Miss., was killed by a train at Camp Herbert. He had been drinking hard since pay day, and had been having fits. The second tragedy occurred in the suburb of Vesuvius, where some soldiers found the horribly mangled remains of one of their comrades beside the track of the Western Railway of Alabama. Captain Vaiden recognized the body as that of Robert Tipton, a private in his regular company, the Uniontown Rifles, Company K, of the Second Alabama regiment.

Blasts and Engines for Ensley Furnace.

The Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company has just decided to put in two new blowing machines at its big Ensley furnaces. To run these will require 300-horse power engines. The engine house will have to be enlarged to accommodate them. This addition is being made in order that all four of the furnaces at Ensley can easily be kept in blast at one time, for the whole capacity of the plant will be taxed when the steel mill begins operations. The work of putting in the new engines and blowing machines will be completed in about four months.

Big Contracts Let.

The Alabama Steel and Supply company, which is erecting a million dollar steel plant at Ensley City, has let contracts for a forty-four inch blooming mill, a gas-producer building and ten open hearth furnaces, aggregating about $200,000. The contract for the iron work of the ten open hearth furnaces is the largest ever let in the world. Pittsburg concerns secured the contracts.

Wash Taylor Wins.

The State Democratic Executive committee, in session at Montgomery Saturday, unanimously passed resolutions declaring that while there were irregularities in Washington and Choctaw counties, and in the district convention, yet G. Wash Taylor had a majority of the delegates and was nominated for congress in the First district.

More Troops at Camp Shipp.

The First and Second United States regular infantry arrived at Camp Shipp from Montauk Point. They came on four special trains of twelve passenger cars each. There are only about 1,400 men in the two regiments, as they have been somewhat depleted by deaths at Santiago, Tampa and Montauk Point.

Fatal Quarrel Over a Debt.

A shooting affair occurred at Owens Cross Road in Madison county, which resulted in the death of Pratt Owen and the serious injury of Hugh Craft. Craft and Owen quarrelled over a small debt and Owen began shooting with a shotgun. Craft drew a pistol and shot Owen through the heart.

Big Vote for General Wheeler.

The central democratic executive committee of Madison county met Friday and canvassed the vote cast for General Wheeler for congress. The vote cast for General Wheeler numbered 4,525, the largest vote a candidate for congress ever received in this county.

Colored Labor for Pana.

One hundred negroes left Birmingham Saturday for Pana, Ill., where they will take the places of striking miners in the coal mines there. This makes about 500 negroes in all who have been carried from the Birmingham district to Pana.

Secretary Alger Visits Camp Shipp.

Secretary of War Russell A. Alger, Surgeon-General George M. Sternberg and Quartermaster-General M. I. Ludington were Saturday shown Camp Shipp, Anniston, and the army stationed there, by Colonel Royal T. Frank, in charge of the camp.

Minister Woodford Resigns.

Following the custom in the case of a minister who has been obliged to leave his post by the breaking out of hostilities, Stewart L. Woodford has filed his resignation as minister to Spain. It is believed that it will be six months before the United States has occasion to send a minister to Madrid again.

Japan Wants Money.

It is understood that the Japanese government has decided to negotiate for a foreign loan of $50,000,000.

ARMY INQUIRY COMMISSION

To Investigate the Conduct of the War Meets With the President

GENERAL DODGE MADE CHAIRMAN.

President McKinley Instructs the Committee to Proceed with Its Work Without Fear or Favor and Make Thorough Investigation of Charges.

WASHINGTON. The commission to investigate the conduct of the war department during the recent conflict with Spain held its initial meeting in the office of President McKinley at the white house Saturday. There was eight members present and it was announced that the services of a ninth man were counted upon, though his name was not made public. The eight who were present were: Major General Granville M. Dodge, of Iowa; Colonel J. A. Sexton, of Illinois; Captain Evan P. Howell, of Georgia; Major-General J. M. Wilson, chief of engineers of the United States army; Hon. Charles Denby, of Indiana, late minister to China; Ex-Governor Urban A. Woodbury, of Vermont; Ex-Governor James A. Beaver, of Pennsylvania; Major-General H. McD. Cook, of the army (retired).

The proceedings with the president consisted in the main of a general exchange of views as to the scope of the commission, in which the president participated quite freely. He told the members that the organization of the commission had been undertaken at the request of Secretary Alger, and read a letter from the secretary, in which he made the request. The president had put his own views in writing, and read them before proceeding to a verbal discussion. In this statement he said that complaints had been directed especially at the surgeon-general's, the quartermaster-general's and the commissary-general's departments of the army, and he suggested that the conduct of these departments should receive especial consideration at the hands of the commission. To this specific request he added that it was his desire that the entire military organization should, if it appeared necessary, be made the subject of inquiry, saying that he wished the committee to go to the bottom of the subject in all cases, and proceed with its work without fear or favor.

COLONEL JOHNSTON DEAD.

He Was Noted as an Educator, Lecturer and Writer.

Richard Malcolm Johnston, the famous lecturer and novelist, died in Baltimore, Md., Friday, after an illness of several months.

Colonel Johnston was born in Hancock county, Georgia, in 1822, was educated at the Mercer Baptist University and began life as a school teacher. Subsequently he took up the practice of law at Sparta, Ga., which he afterwards gave up to accept a professorship in the University of Georgia. At the close of the civil war he went to Baltimore and established a school near the city at which many prominent men received their rudimentary education. Several years ago he abandoned this occupation and has since devoted his time to lecturing and to writing those characteristic stories and sketches of southern life that have made his name a household word in all parts of this country.

Dewey Prizes Worth $1,500,000.

The work of setting the wheels of business in the harbor of Manila in motion has been entrusted to Captain Henry Glass, of the United States steamship Charleston. One of his first duties was that of taking an inventory of all the shipping that fell into Admiral Dewey's hands on the 14th instant. This includes everything afloat, either on the bay or river, which means a radius of forty miles, and its value is about $1,500,000.

To Be Mustered Out.

Eight companies of the First Florida regiment are to be mustered out. As there are twelve companies in the regiment, this will mean the mustering out of two-thirds of the regiment, and will probably mean the consolidation of the remainder with the regiment from some other state.

Congressman Cox Renominated.

Late returns from the democratic congressional primary held Saturday in the Seventh Tennessee district show the renomination of Congressman N. N. Cox by 1,200 majority.

Governor Taylor Very Sick.

Advices from Johnson City, Tenn., are to the effect that the condition of Governor R. L. Taylor, who has been ill for some time, is alarming.

Miss Winnie Davis Buried.

The funeral service and burial of Miss Winnie Davis, "Daughter of the Confederacy," took place Friday at Richmond, Va.

More Soldiers for Huntsville.

Batteries A and F, Second artillery, and the Sixteenth infantry, reached Huntsville Saturday. The Eighth infantry has gone into camp at East Huntsville.

Brief Summary.

About ninety-five per cent of the Second Alabama regiment have been furloughed.

The Laxson cotton gin at New Market was destroyed by fire, loss about $3,000. The fire was of incendiary origin.

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FOR CONGRESS:

W. F. ALDRICH

THE yellow fever has gained no foothold in Alabama, but none the less all sanitary precautions should be taken.

Cotton at 4½ cents is most disheartening to the whole southland, and the prospects of any advance are not at all bright.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN is sick in the city of Washington. There are many who would like to see Col. Bryan reign from the army, and resume his place in politics.

Ex-Secretary of State Bayard died this week. He was a gentleman and a statesman, whose life work was of the highest order of statesmanship.

We are glad to see the suggestion of Hon. L. H. Reynolds being acted upon, and the people are discussing the merits and demerits of road laws, stock laws, bull and boar laws, school laws, etc. The more discussion the more likelihood of the best points for or against any proposed legislation coming out. Laws to suit the people best be prepared this way, and we hope the discussions will be continued to a finish.

LIEUT. Hobson first came into celebrity by skilfully sinking a ship. He has again distinguished himself by raising one and adding her to the United States Navy. After the Spanish fleet was sent to the bottom by Schley's guns Lieut. Hobson confidently believed that two of the great warships might be raised. His superior officers had faith in his plans and they officially reported adversely to his proceeding. But he had the same confidence in himself in this matter that he had in the matter of sinking a ship, and he persisted. He has his reward. He has raised a noble cruiser, the Maria Teresa, towed her forty miles into a harbor, whence after repair she will sail for an American port.

He still believes thathe can raise the Cristobal Colon and add her too to our navy. Surely after this conspicuous success he should have leave to try, and ample means with which to try.—N. Y. World.

Of all the metals hitherto discovered there is none more interesting from certain points of view than nickel and cobalt. There is a scientific mystery surrounding them that has never been solved and is not likely to be explained for many years to come. Although they possess very distinct properties, and form salts of very different colors, they have exactly the same combining number (29.5), and this number approaches that of iron (28), the commonest metal, with the exception perhaps of aluminum, that exists in the crust of the earth. They are also, like iron, attracted by the magnet.

Moreover, they are invariably present in those masses of metal called meteoric iron, or aerolites, which occasionally fall from the skies upon the surface of our earth. The fall of these aerolites generally occurs in broad daylight, when the sky is clear and the sun shining brightly. A stream of cloud, or luminous vapor, appears in the air, and is soon like the loudest thunder is heard after the whizzing of the meteor, constituting one of the most striking phenomena it is possible to behold.—Chambers' Journal.

Only Human.

"What was it that interrupted the proceedings of the peace congress?"

"All the delegates ran out to see a fight in the alley."—Chicago Post.

THE following correspondence explains itself:—

Selma, Ala., Sept. 23, '98
Hon. W. F. Aldrich,
Aldrich, Ala.

Dear Sir—I challenge you for a joint discussion of political issues in all of the counties of the Fourth Congressional District; and I hope that you will accept this proposition because I propose to make some remarks, on the stump, relating to your record in Congress, of which I prefer to speak in your presence.

The details of such joint canvass can be arranged through Mr. F. W. Gist, Chairman of the Democratic Committee, Columbiana, and the Chairman of your Committee.

Yours truly,
(Signed) GASTON A. ROBBINS

Hon. Gaston A. Robbins,
Selma, Alabama.

Dear Sir.—Your letter of September 23, which was published in the Montgomery Advertiser of September 24, in which you challenge me for a joint discussion of the political issues, in all the counties of the Fourth District, at hand; and in reply thereto will say: The principle issue and the only one before the people, until it is settled, is the question whether or not the people shall be accorded an honest election and have an honest return of the votes as cast. I cannot see from my standpoint favoring this proposition, how there can be any joint discussion of this subject; and I, therefore, decline your challenge.

The record of my official acts in Congress is, of course, public property and you are at liberty to discuss the same from the Record, at all times and at all places, whether I am present or not. It needs no defense by me.

Mr. G. B. Deans, of Calera, is the Chairman of my Campaign Committee. Yours truly,
W. F. ALDRICH.

When you call for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the great pile cure, don't accept anything else. Don't be talked into accepting a substitute, for piles, for sores, for burns. Stanfield & Matthews.

The Nothingness of It.

He had been to see her father.

It is hardly necessary here to state what the object of his visit was.

Whatever it was may be guessed when the reader is apprised that the visitor was 25 and the daughter of the father was five years younger.

He had returned to her and she had met him in fear and trembling, for the youth was poor and their hearts' happiness depended upon how much papa could be coaxed into allowing them as a wedding portion.

In fact, without that there was no happiness, for happiness is scarcely possible on $7.50 per week.

"Did you see papa?" she asked timorously.

"Yes, darling," he replied.

"And he gave his consent?" she asked with maiden eagerness.

He was silent.

"What did he say?" she asked, grasping him by the coat sleeve.

"Nothing."

"Nothing!" she exclaimed. "Nothing! He must have made some reply," she insisted.

"He said nothing, I tell you," he answered angrily.

It was the first time she had ever seen him thus and her heart sank. She could not understand. The tears came to her eyes and she put her arms about his neck.

"What did you ask him, Harold?" she inquired.

"I asked him how much he was going to give you when I married you."

That was Harold's answer and she knew then what her papa's reply meant to them.—Somerville Journal.

Sleep.

Sleep ensues when the brain is largely denuded of blood, when cerebral anæmia is established. To partly empty the brain of its blood supply, to keep the head cool, the body sufficiently warm and to send the blood rather to the lower extremities—this is the physical problem of the sleepless. It is interesting to note that during sleep a great number of the bodily functions continue quite normally without interfering with sleep itself, and therefore sleep is not so like death as some of the poets have imagined. Man asleep is not so profoundly different from man awake, the two chief points of difference, however, being these—a greater indrawing of oxygen and exhalation of carbonic acid and a complete vasomotor rest.—London Spectator.

Bones and Holes.

Grocer—You butchers have a soft snap. You weigh the bones with the meat and charge meat prices.

Butcher—I don't see as you have any call to talk. When you sell Swiss cheese, don't you weigh the holes and charge cheese prices for them?—Boston Transcript.

Technically, We Annex Cuba.

In spite of every precaution that can be taken, the Spanish evacuation would seem almost certain to be attended by a somewhat dangerous condition of interregnum in Cuba. Throughout the greater part of the island the Spanish authority is still in active political operation, although it is now more than two weeks since Spain signed away all her sovereign rights there. The government at Madrid is absolutely without any means of effective control over the officials in Cuba who remain clothed with a little brief authority. Every populous and civilized portion of the globe is supposed to pertain to some responsible power which holds a recognized place in the family of nations. Since the signing of the protocol Spain could not well be held accountable—at least, in more than a very limited sense—for violations on Cuban soil of the rights of foreigners; while, on the other hand, the United States could hardly be expected to admit as yet any full degree of accountability. Although the protocal does not specifically make a cession of Cuba to the United States, the logic of the situation leads to practically the same thing. Political sovereignty must certainly be exercised by somebody in Cuba. Spain's withdrawal makes it obligatory upon the United States to exercise such sovereignty, and so far as other nations are concerned there can be no "limited-liability" clause in the arrangements. The Spaniards are going to make Cuba over to the United States in just as short a time as the transfer can be carried out as a piece of practical business. The United States will thereby have become wholly responsible, so far as the out-side world is concerned, for the management of Cuban affairs. If, for example, a European consul should be mobbed in a Cuban town, the United States would be held to just as strict an account as if the outrage had occurred in New York or Washington. In other words, to be perfectly plain, the protocal means nothing short of the immediate annexation of Cuba by the United States. We have already annexed the easternmost tip of the island by virtue of the terms of the Santiago surrender. Major-General Lawton, who represents the United States as governor of the ceded district, and General Wood, who is in command of the city of Santiago, are exercising sovereign authority in the name of the United States in as complete a sense as Gov. John G. Brady is exercising it in Alaska. We must not confuse metaphysics with facts. So long as the Spaniard remained in exercise of Cuban sovereignty, he was accountable to the outside world for Cuban government. The responsibility that he relinquishes we, perforce, must assume.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for September.

The city of Boston runs its own printing office. For the year 1897 after setting aside 10 percent of the profits for depreciation of the plant it cleared over $8000. What could the state of Alabama clear? The Journal believes that $50,000 per year could be cleared on a state printing office, and this would be a neat sum to add to the school fund of Alabama. Most of the money now spent for state and county printing goes out of the state.—Luverne Journal.

"You women are much like Spaniards, after all."

"What do you mean?"

"Well, when you aim you never hit anything."—Exchange.

"Just as Good."

as Scott's and we sell it much cheaper," is a statement sometimes made by the druggist when Scott's Emulsion is called for. This shows that the druggists themselves regard

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of Cod-Liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda as the standard, and the purchaser who desires to procure the "standard" because he knows it has been of untold benefit, should not for one instant think of taking the risk of using some untried preparation. The substitution of something said to be "just as good" for a standard preparation twenty-five years on the market, should not be permitted by the intelligent purchaser.

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Thanks to W. F. Aldrich.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Anniston City Council:

Be it resolved, That the city council of Anniston holds in highest estimation the valuable aid of Hon. Hilary A. Herbert and the Hon. William F. Aldrich, M. C., given in the successful efforts made to secure the establishment of a military camp at this place. And that the thanks of this council, and of all the citizens of Anniston, are hereby tendered to the gentlemen named for their very effective service to this city.

Resolved, That the city clerk transmit to both Colonel Herbert and Mr. Aldrich a copy of this resolution.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Clanton Drug Store and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

Hot Business.

"Fightin's hot business," said Willie, as he read about the regiments. "First thing they got peppered at by the enemy, an' then they get mustard out by their own Gov'ment."—Harper's Bazar.

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton County and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Commencing at the north-east corner of Lot Number Thirteen in Block Number Seven, thence west fifty feet, thence south crossing the south line of said lot Number Thirteen Fifty feet west of the south-east corner, thence south in Lot Number Fourteen Block Number Seven as far as the south line of Lot Number Ten in Block Number Seven, making corner Fifty feet west from south-west corner of Lot Number Ten Block Number Seven, a strip Fifty feet wide. Also one hundred and twenty eight feet off of the west end of Lot Number Ten of Block Number Seven. All according to the Plat of the Town of Thorsby, Alabama, and being and lying in Chilton County, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1898

during the legal hours of sale at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton, Alabama, this 24 day of September 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Non-Resident Notice.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In Chancery, at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District North-Eastern Chancery Division.

J. S. Johnson, Jr., Complainant, vs Issa A. Gilchrist, Admin'r trator, et al, Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of A. C. Smith, Complainant's Solicitor, that the Defendants, Mrs. J. L. Barrett and Mrs. G. L. Wood, are non-residents of the State of Alabama and that Mrs. J. Barrett resides at Axtell, State of Texas, and that Mrs. G. L. Wood resides at Battle, State of Texas, and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendants are both over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Mrs. J. L. Barrett and Mrs. G. L. Wood, to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days from the 26th day of October, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against them in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 26th day of September, 1898.

W. F. ALDRICH, Register.
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Towels	4	" each
Shoes, Ladies'	75	" and up
" Men's	$1.00	"
" Children's, all kinds	24	cents "

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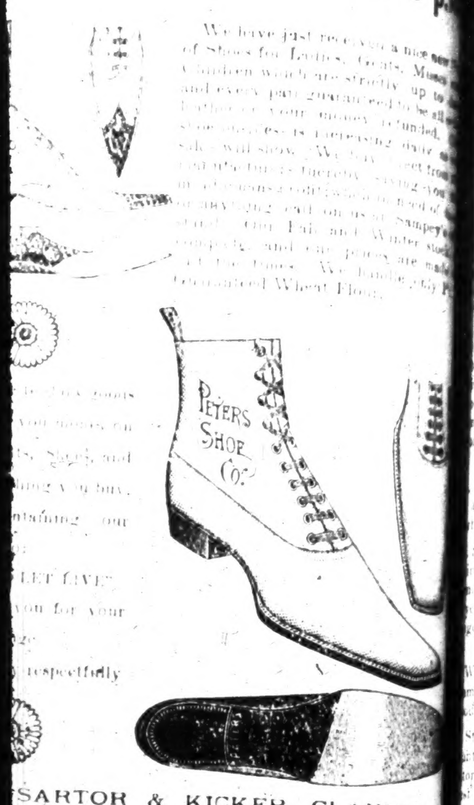

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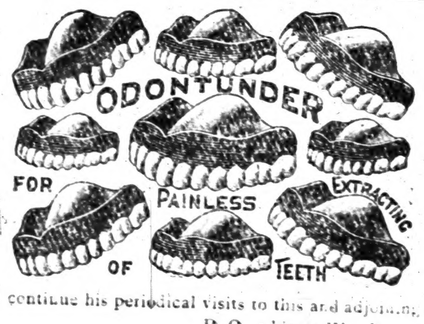

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Benson	" 3	"	3
Maplesville	" 7	"	4
Shoultz	" 7	"	5
Dixie	" 8	"	6
Stanton	" 8	"	7
Macedonia	" 3	"	10
Providence	" 2	"	11
Jemison	" 2	"	12
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	13
Strasburg	" 9	"	14
Clanton	" 4	"	17
Coopers	" 5	"	18
Verbena	" 5	19 &	20
Davis & Rollins' Gin, Beat 6		"	21
Albert Headley's Store	" 6	"	22

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
T. J. HUBBARD, Tax Collector.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Joachim Bockholdt out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Joachim Bockholdt, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

One Bay Horse about ten years old.
One one-horse Wagon.
One Set of Single Harness.
One Bale of Cotton

(The levy as to the Horse and Wagon is made, and save had, subject to a mortgage made to D. I. Deramus on March 5, 1897.)

Therefore according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named Joachim Bockholdt in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama

Dated this 19th day of September, 1898

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot number six (6) in Block number eleven (11) in the Town of Clanton, Alabama, lying on the eastern side of the South and North Alabama Railroad.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated this 22d day of September, 1898

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Sewage—Poisoned.

The human body is poisoned if its sewage is not regularly removed, and breaks out in nasty skin and blood diseases. Cascarets Candy Cathartic purify and cure. 10, 25, 50c

CLANTON BARBER SHOP

W. H. TAYLOR, Proprietor.

HAIR CUTTING
SHAVING
SHAMPOOING

In all the Latest City Styles. Reasonable Charges. Prompt Attention.

HOT AND COLD BATHS.

CLANTON

NICOTINIZED NERVES.

Millions of America's men day after day feed their nerves with tobacco, until the nerves become nicotinized and the blood tobacco-tainted, then the NERVES creep and crave for more tobacco. That's called a habit. It's a disease, and in all this world there is but one guaranteed cure,

NO-TO-BAC.

Over one million boxes sold in two years; 300,000 cured, tells the story of great merit. NO-TO-BAC, a nerve-maker, restores vitality to weak men. Many report a gain of ten pounds in ten days. Go buy it to-day under your

DRUGGIST'S GUARANTEE.

Every druggist is authorized to sell No-To-Bac under absolute guarantee to cure any form of tobacco using. Our written guarantee, free booklet of No-To-Bac and booklet called "Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away," mailed for the asking. Address THE STERLING REMEDY CO. Chicago, Montreal, Can., New York. 71

CASCARETS candy cathartic cure constipation forever 10c

Headache and biliousness cured by Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills. 25 doses 25 cents.

Subscribe to the Banner.

TAX NOTICE

ASSESSOR'S & COLLECTOR'S SECOND ROUND.

WE will attend at the following times and places for the purpose of Assessing the State and County Taxes of Chilton county for the year 1899, and collecting the taxes for the year 1898:

Kincheon	Beat 6	Nov.	1
Pletcher's Mill	" 8	"	2
Clanton Ford	" 8	"	3
Stanton	" 8	"	4
Benson	" 3	"	
Maplesville	" 7	"	
Shoults	"	"	
Dixie	" 8	"	10
Valley Crk church	8	"	11
Macedonia	" 3	"	12
Hayes Mill	" 2	"	14
Providence church	2	"	15
Elijah Busby's	" 1	"	16
Smith School house	1	"	17
Cofer's Mill	" 2	"	18
Jemison	" 2	"	21
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	22
Strasburg	" 9	"	23
James Maddox Mill	4	"	24
Clanton	" 4	"	25
Cane creek	" 4	"	28
Jesse Maddox's	" 4	"	29
Goer's School	" 4	"	30
Coopers	" 5	Dec.	1
Verbena	" 5	"	5
Mountain Creek	" 5	"	6
Burwell	" 5	"	7
Caloway's Mill	" 5	"	8
Providence ch	" 5	"	9
Clanton, from Dec. 19 to 29, Sunday excepted.		"	10

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
T. J. HUBBARD, Tax Collector.

CLANTON LOCALS

Miss McQueen is visiting her sister, Mrs. Selma Davis.

M. Tom Smith has opened a restaurant on the corner next to the depot, where he will entertain the public in good style at reasonable prices.

The American Baptist says: "Clanton may well boast of her people with Clanton, this county and the people are closest to God and the outside world."

Our readers in Maplesville and vicinity will find it to their interest to read J. Damsky's ad in this paper. He will give you some good prices.

DR. RUSSELL'S FREE TREATMENT

For Weak Men and Women

A MOST LIBERAL OFFER FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS.

In introducing the great European success, "The VI-BE-NI" treatment for Kidney, Liver and Bladder complaints, Female Weakness, Catarrh, Blood Poison, Rheumatism, &c., prepared by the Russell Specialists. They will send you free patent enough for one case as an inducement to buy more, and give you home advice how to cure yourself with the

VI-BE-NI

System of Eclectic, European Hospital methods of treatment, which are used the world over. These specifics are kept by all druggists. A separate cure for each disease.

Send your name and address together with the symptoms of your complaint, or write for symptom blanks and name this paper. Address

RUSSELL MEDICAL INSTITUTE
Cor. 3d Ave. & 19th St.,
Birmingham, Ala.

NOTICE.

I take the liberty to announce to the good people of Maplesville and vicinity that I have opened a new store in the storehouse of D. C. Savage.

My stock is complete in
I offer them at such low prices as was never known in this country before.

Everybody is invited to call and examine my stock and prices. You will get goods for a little money. I will mention here a few prices, as follows:

I have bundles of very heavy ticklings in large remnants from 6 to 8 pounds to the bundle; it is worth $2.00 but we sell it at 90 cts per bundle.
Men's fine shoes from 90 cts up.
Ladies' fine shoes from 90 cts up.
Men's Pants from 65 cts up.
Suits from $3.50 up.
Shirts from 20 cts up.
Caps from 15 cts up.
Ladies' woolen Dress Skirts from $1.00 up.
Ladies' Caps in cloth and in plush from 50c up.
Counterpanes from 75 cts up.
Towels from 5 cts up.
Linen Table Cloths from 50 cts up according to size and quality.
Ladies' and Men's Hose from 5 cts up.
Brass pins one cent a paper.
Writing paper 36 sheets for 5 cts.
Envelopes 25 for 5 cts.
Suspenders from 10 cts up.
Boy's Suits and Knee Pants from 25 cts up.
Cotton Checks 5 cts per yard.
Calicoes at 4 cts per yard.
Handkercheifs 5 for 10 cts.

Yours very truly,

J. DAMSKY.

Savage's Old Store, MAPLESVILLE

—CALL AT THE—

CASH STORE
Thorsby, Ala.

IF YOU HAVE

CHICKENS AND EGGS

to sell. We will pay the highest market price --Cash or Trade. We have made arrangements to handle all that come in.

We have always on hand a full line of

FANCY GROCERIES

FINE : FRUIT : ORANGES : LEMONS : BANANAS

We are headquarters for FLOUR, BRAN, OATS, CORN, HAY and IRISH POTATOES

F. MOBECK
A. M. JOHNSON, Manager.

STREET IN CAVITE, SHOWING GENERAL AGUINALDO'S HEADQUARTERS.

THE WILY AGUINALDO AND HIS FIERCE FILIPINOS

The latest from Manila is that Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, has issued a memorial addressed to all the foreign Powers reciting the fact that the Filipinos have formed a Government under the Constitution adopted on June 23.

He adds that "the Filipino forces

A TYPICAL PHILIPPINE INSURGENT.

have since carried on a campaign of liberty, taken forty provinces, and have reduced Manila. They have 9000 prisoners."

Peace and tranquillity prevail in the conquered provinces, and there is no resistance to Aguinaldo's authority. The campaign, the memorial says, was conducted with due regard to the rules of civilized warfare.

He asks for the recognition of the independence of the Philippine Republic, or, failing in that, to grant the Filipinos belligerent rights. The United States are not mentioned in the memorial.

Senor Don Emilio Aguinaldo y Faury —there was a time not long ago when he left off both the front and rear ends of that name—is a very clever young man. He has read the story of a young man from Corsica, who made considerable history at the other end of the century. Far be it from any carping critic to suggest that he endeavors to imitate that master of artillery. But there are certain marked traits which the two men have in common, even to the desire to wear gold collars. They say he is twenty-seven years old, and he looks it. It is a noticeable fact that all the leaders of the Filipinos are young; that is the result of the conditions which make the background of the revolutions, which make, in fact, the leaders themselves.

In the days when young Aguinaldo was neither Senor nor Don, but just plain Emilio, he was servant boy for a Jesuit priest, and there lay the beginnings of his fortune, for this Jesuit, true to the traditions and teachings of his order, gave the boy the foundation of the education which by its development has given him the mastery over his people. The native wit got the tools with which to work, and boundless ambition drove it on until achievement is assuming proportions beyond the wildest dream of boyhood servant days. He left the priest and studied medicine. He went to Hong Kong and saw something of other peoples and of other intellects than degenerate Spanish or undeveloped Filipino.

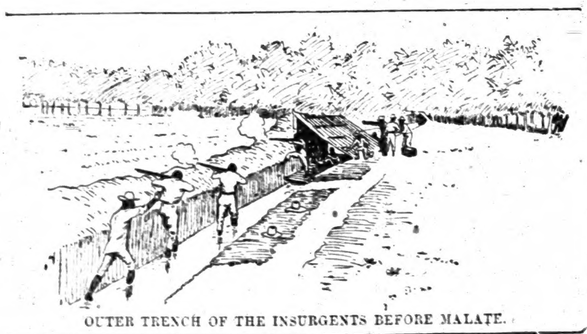
In this growth to manhood and this struggle for education young Aguinaldo found personal experience of the amazing blindness of the masters of the islands. The rule of the Spanish in the Philippines is almost beyond belief. Nevertheless, the testimony is convincing. The nation which deliberately does all in its power to retard the progress of learning, to prevent the education of its people, has small claim to civilization. In these islands it was practically a crime for a Filipino to achieve any education. If he came to the notice of the authorities it was more than probable that, if he were not disposed of more effectively, he would be exiled. Aguinaldo suffered this punishment for his ambition, and now he is taking revenge. His friends, his relatives, suffered similarly, and now strive with him for vengeance on the Spaniard.

The Filipinos are stoical in endurance, one benefit of three centuries of Spanish oppression and misrule. They can endure and be still, endure physical pain and suffering, with the outward indifference of a red Indian. They have the patience of Pambe Serang, limitless courage of the fighting sort, and ambition, in the case of their leaders, that knows neither metes nor bounds. In manners they are polite and agreeable, and intercourse with European civilization has given some of their leaders a distinguishing polish. They affect the hauteur and the reserve of their old Spanish rulers, and thereby attach to themselves the

COMPARATIVE SIZES OF AMERICAN SOLDIER AND PHILIPPINE INSURGENT.

dignity of position. The people are simple, open-hearted, hospitable, with an unshaken faith in the wisdom, the ability and the truth of their leaders. Especially is this true of Aguinaldo. By whatever means he acquired his hold on the Filipinos, his word now is law with them.

Personally, says the Manila correspondent of the New York Sun, I believe him to be only a great adventurer, like that man at the other end of the century whom he imitates in his small way. His ambition is as boundless as Napoleon's, but he has less with which to work. His courage is limitless, and is of the dashing type which has given him the ascendency over his people which he now



OUTER TRENCH OF THE INSURGENTS BEFORE MALATE.

holds. The humblest peasant speaks of Don Emilio as a "terrible fighter." He has surrounded himself with brave, clever men, most of whom are apparently thoroughly patriotic. They are devoted entirely to Aguinaldo because they believe that that way lies the best chance of success.

WOMEN STREET-CAR CONDUCTORS.

Their Employment in Railway Service Extending in This Country.

Women are a success as street-car conductors in Chillicothe, Ohio. Since they were engaged one month ago by the Electric Street Railway Company the receipts of the corporation have increased thirty per cent. The women were employed originally as a measure of economy. It was found that the system of having every person put his own fare in the box resulted in the missing of a great many fares. On the other hand, it would cost too much to hire two men for each car. It was then that the superintendent hit upon the idea of employing women as conductors, to whom only half as much was paid as would have been paid to men. The girls are good looking and members of eminently respectable families. They are paid $4 per week, and enjoy their work, while the superintendent says that they do it well.

Lately a sort of epidemic for employing women in the transportation service of the country has broken out. It's not a local epidemic, so it's going to be difficult to quarantine it, though many of the trades unionists have been trying their best to stamp it out. There's not likely to be more successful than usual, however.

The epidemic seems to have started last winter at Middletown, Conn., where a woman got employment as a motorman on a street car. The notoriety the line got as a result was discouraging, so the pioneer was discharged, but the notion that women would make first-class conductors if not grip manipulators in small towns struck more than one street railroad manager.

Out in Vincennes, Ind., a month or so ago the local street railway company, in a fit of economy, decided to discharge its men conductors and employ women. Fifty women applied for the job and five were put to work at $5 a week.

The superintendent of the Electric Railway, Light and Power Company, of Chillicothe, W. J. Myers, has written an optimistic letter to the Electrical Engineer on the subject:

"We could not afford to employ men, and we could not see why women would not make as good conductors as men. We keep them on duty ten hours a day and pay them $4 per week, and they are proving themselves in every way competent and efficient. We are very particular in selecting them, and had no trouble in getting good applications and a great many more than we are able to employ. It gives us a very clean service, and we think that this will be a new field for the employment of ladies."

Madison, Ind., has caught the epidemic, too, but somehow its citizens seem to have been inoculated against it. The families of the men who have been thrown out of work by the new women conductors have been making a big fuss about it, and the citizens declare they will walk before they will patronize cars conducted by women.

The steam railroads are falling into line. It is four or five years now since a vigorous howl went up because the Brooklyn Elevated decided to employ women ticket agents. A few months ago the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad put women in charge of eighteen of its offices. Time and again it has been rumored that the New York Elevated and the New York Central Railroad would substitute women in its stations all along the line. Already there are more women employed in the Central's offices than on any other road.

But after all these are not the pioneers in a new field. As a matter of fact we are away behind the rest of the world in the employment of women in the railway service. England hires a few, while in France women railroaders are common.

Betrayed by a Clock.

The forester who permitted two photographers to enter the death chamber shortly after Prince Bismarck's death was instantly discharged, without pension. His indiscretion and that of the two photographers was betrayed by the late Prince's clock, which figured in the photograph, and pointed at 2.15. The culprits had effected an entrance into the death chamber through the window opening out upon the park, and Prince Herbert Bismarck has instituted proceedings against them for the criminal offense of "disturbing family peace."—Liverpool Post.

Amateur photographers in Russia are obliged to secure licenses.

CANADA'S NEW RULERS.

The Appointment of the Earl and Countess of Minto Hailed With Satisfaction.

The appointment of the Earl of Minto as Governor-General to succeed the Earl of Aberdeen is hailed with satisfaction throughout Canada. It is generally believed that no more fitting appointment could have been made by the Home Government. Lord Minto will not assume his official duties under the disadvantage of being a stranger, for he is widely known throughout the provinces. It might be truthfully said that he is already a popular man, and is sure to fill bein to the general good with which all Canadians feel for the Earl of Aberdeen.

The arrival of the Earl and his charming wife, the Countess of Minto, is sure to strengthen the regard now entertained for them. They will be the handsomest couple ever occupying Rideau Hall, the Dominion palace at Ottawa, and fully capable of maintaining the social prestige of their high position.

The new Governor-General's full name is Gilbert John Elliot-Murray Kynynmound-Elliot, and he is the

WOMEN IN A NEW FIELD—CHILLICOTHE'S STREET-CAR CONDUCTORS.

fourth Earl of Minto. He was born in 1845, and succeeded his father as fourth Earl in 1891. He was formerly a lieutenant in the Scots Guards, was attached to the Turkish army in the Russo-Turkish war in 1877, serving in Afghanistan in 1879, was a volunteer in the Egyptian campaign in 1882, and commanded the South of Scotland Volunteers, with the rank of colonel. He took an active part in the Canadian rebellion in 1885, when he was Military Secretary to the Governor-General of Canada. This position he held from 1883 to 1886. In 1883 the Earl married Mary Caroline, daughter of General the Hon. Charles Grey. In politics he is a Liberal.

THE EARL AND COUNTESS OF MINTO.

Queer Ways of the "Covites."

In an article on the "Covites" of the Cumberland Mountains, published in the Ladies's Home Journal, Sarah Barnwell Elliott says: "The people are usually squatters on small lots of uncleared mountain land, which is extremely shallow and poor. They usually live in log or slab houses—sometimes 'chinked' and sometimes not; sometimes with floors, and sometimes without—eking out an existence by peddling either the nuts and fruits of the wilderness, or their poor 'gyarden truck.' They are very keen at a bargain, even when they have no idea of the proper value of the thing in hand, and though they are very hospitable when you come to their houses, and will give you anything they have in the way of food, they will never give you anything that they have brought to sell. They may give it to your cook, or to your next-door neighbor, or they may throw it away just outside your gate, but you having declined to pay their price they will not give it to you—at least, not that special article."

The Bookkeeper's Vision.

"The figures stared him in the face."

One of the first effects of the business boom which is bound to follow the restoration of peace will be a prodigious demand from Spain's lost islands for American bathtubs.

TWO DIVISIONS FOR CUBA.

War Department Outlines the Plan for Occupation.

GENERALS WADE AND LEE WILL COMMAND

First Division Under General Wade Will Leave in October, and Second Under General Lee in November. 12,000 Men Included.

WASHINGTON (Special).—A comprehensive programme for moving troops to Cuba has been outlined by the war department, and its initial features have been decided upon. This result is due to the directions given by the president on September 19 to the effect that details of troops be made for Cuba. Acting on this, Major General Miles outlined a plan for sending two divisions to Cuba, the first under command of Major General Wade, to leave in October, and the second division, under Major General Fitzhugh Lee, to leave in November. Each division will embrace about 6,000 men, so that the plan is to have 12,000 troops in Cuba or on the way there within the next sixty days.

It is not contemplated, however, that any large number of this force shall be assembled at any one point in this country or in Cuba, the desire to keep them scattered, as they can thereby be handled to better advantage.

From the fact that they go to Cuba it does not mean that they will proceed directly to Havana. On the contrary, the outlook is that there will be very few troops at Havana, the bulk of them being scattered through the western end of the island, garrisoning the small towns and thus gradually putting into effect the military occupation of the island. In anticipation of the move the quartermaster's department is preparing to have transports available for the troops.

The war department Tuesday gave out the order ordering the formation of the First Division, which is to go to Cuba. It simply creates the division, making no mention of proposed execution in Cuba. These features, however, were embraced in a confidential telegram sent to the several commanding officers affected by the order. It makes known to them that the division is "for service in Cuba, not later than October 20."

Although the November division under command of General Fitzhugh Lee has been fully projected as a part of this same programme, its formal execution will be deferred or a time. The regiments forming the November division embrace both cavalry and infantry, with General Sumner in command of the first brigade.

BANK OF ANNISTON ASSIGNS.

Loans On Securities Which Had Declined In Value Cause of Failure.

The bank of Anniston, a state bank, of which Frank Nelson, Jr., was president, assigned Tuesday morning to W. W. Stringfellow, president of the First National bank. The bank had a capital of $87,000. President Nelson in an interview stated that there were about $24,000 of general deposits and $15,000 of time deposits. As assets there are $6,000 in cash, loans and discounts amounting to $75,000 and real estate owned by the bank which cost $35,000. He said the cause of the assignment was loans made before he became president four years ago on real estate and other questionable securities, which had declined in value. In the money on deposit was $500 belonging to the Epworth League.

CYCLONE KILLS SIX.

Many More Are Fatally Injured—Death List May Reach Fifteen.

The most appalling storm in the history of Niagara peninsula passed over the strip of land between Lakes Erie and Ontario, passing almost parallel with the Welland canal, cutting a swath 300 feet wide through the peninsula and cutting off a portion of it, went almost at right angles with the main path of the cyclone and took in Tonawanda. It struck at St. Catherines, Merriton and Grantham, Ont., hardest. The number of lives lost is estimated at six. However, at least six more are fatally injured. The death list may reach fifteen.

Charge of Wife-Murder.

Rev. G. E. Morrison, pastor of the Methodist church at Pan Handle City, Tex., who has been on trial at Vernon for a week on the charge of murdering his wife, was found guilty and his punishment fixed at death. Morrison administered strychnine to his wife after returning from church.

Sultan Says No.

VIENNA.—It is semi-officially announced that the Turkish government replies unfavorably to the demands of the powers respecting the island of Crete, which must be complied with by October 11, or a blockade will follow certain places in Crete on land and sea.

Remains of Columbus.

This telegram was sent to President McKinley Tuesday by the Cuban-American league: "The Cuban-American League believes that it voices the earnest wish of the people of both the United States and Cuba when it urges you not to permit Cuba's most interesting and sacred relic—the remains of Christopher Columbus—to be removed from America."

Foreign Ships Leave Manila.

All the British, French and German war ships have left Manila.

SIONS FOR CUBA.

...ey Outlines Our Plan ...d Spain.

...AND LEE WILL COMMAND

...ander General Wade Will ...ther and Second Under ...ee in November. ...s Men Included.

Special Accompre... ...nded to moving troops ...been ordered by the ...nt, and the initial ben... ...ected upon. The ... ...ion given by ... September 20 to the ...ds of troops to be made ...ing in the Major Gen... ...and will be extended to the C... ...Paul Rush, nine miles beyond ... ...ond. The road will also reach ... ...northwestern corner of Fayette ... ...ty. The full length of the road ... ...about 25 miles. The work of ... ...struction will begin at once.

CHESS MOVES CONFESSED.

Another Chapter in the Talladega C... Whitecap Case.

That "murder will out" has been ... ...emplified in the prosecution of the ... Talladega mountaineers charged ... the murder of W. A. Thompson, ... government witness. Several ... ...engo the defense in the case attempted ... to fasten the killing of Thompson on ... Bob Taylor, the man who ... ...state's evidence on the preliminary ... trial, and who escaped ... ...custody just before he was ... take the stand in the present ... Tuesday several witnesses were ... and red and then the spectators in the ... court room were treated to a ... sensation, even larger than any ... those which have been presented ... during this extremely ... trial. Chess Moves, one of the ... defendants, took the stand and ... he said the killing, saying that he, ... Bob Taylor did it and that the ... defendants, Walter Motes, ... Plunkenhup, John Littlejohn and ... Robinson, had nothing to do with ... affair and did not know that ... murder was contemplated.

The story of the killing, as told by Chess Motes, was horrible in its ... ...xtreme.

SHOCKING MURDER.

...n a Brawl Before a Church Doors... Man is Stabbed to Death.

At Gilbertsboro, Limestone ... Ala. Monday afternoon, while ... services were being held at the M... ...dist church, the services were ... ...rupted by a brawl just in front of ... building and a fight was in ... A young lad by the name of ... from Tennessee, was engaged ... ...rough and tumble fight with ... Adams. They had been quarreling ... some time and finally came to ... and then clinched. While they ... in this attitude, Shoat Jessup, ... brother of the boy who was ... rushed in and before the ... could present, had cut and ... Adams to death, cutting his ... open and stabbing him in the ... inflicting a deep gash in his ... The wounded man falling dead ... very church steps. The ... escaped.

STORY RETIERATED.

San Francisco Post Says Gen... Arming Philippine Insurgents.

The San Francisco Post reiterates ... former stories regarding the ... of arms to the Filipinos by the ... government and is positive that ... thority is absolutely correct. ... Post published an interview with ... in which he says that he is in ... position to tell the full story ... reason thereof, he is financially ... in the plot and has actually ... party to the scheme. He says ... is interested in the German ... trade to the extent of nearly ... dollars and that for fifteen ... many has been working among ... sergeants for her own benefit. ... also told The Post that there ... have been a revolution ... not been for the German gold. ... sums that have been supplied ... the imperial government ... furnished through the trading ... so as to conceal the German ...

Roosevelt Nominated for Governor.

The republican convention ... session at Saratoga, N. Y., ... the following ticket: For ... governor, Theodore Roosevelt; ... for lieutenant-governor, ... Timothy L. Woodruff, of Kings; ... for attorney-general, William J. Morgan, ... secretary of state, John F. ... ...ough, of Albany; state treasurer, ... B. Jackel, of Cayuga; state ... Edward A. Bond, of Jefferson; ... ...ney-general, John C. Davis.

Body Recovered.

The body of Mrs. Jesse S... ... was drowned in the river at ... Ala., has been found.

Saved from Annihilation.

The Cairo correspondent of the ... Mail says: Major Mc... admitted in conversation ... ...rival of the General Khe... him from annihilation by ... ...vation.

Oregon and Iowa Sail for Manila.

The battleships Oregon, ... S. Parker, and Iowa, ... Terry, sailed Wednesday ... It is expected that it will ... the ships sixty days to ... journey.

Wife-Murder.

...Harrison, janitor of the ... at Pan Handle City, ... on trial at Vernon ... charge of murdering ... and guilty and sen... ...at death. Morrison ... ...ephalone to his wife ... ...rom church.

Spain Says No.

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...was sent to President ...day by the Cuban ... The Cuban ... ...ot wish to people ... States and Cuba ... not to permit Cu... ...ting and sacred relic ... Cristopher Colum... ...oved from America.

...ips Leave Manila.

...sh, French and German ... left Manila.

NEW RAILROAD FOR ALABAMA.

Charter Granted for the Building of the Canton, Aberdeen and Nashville Road.

A charter has been granted the C... ...n, Aberdeen and Nashville Rail... ...company of Alabamas. The ... ...tion of the railroad which the ... ...pany is about to build means the ... ...penditure of about $1,000,000 and ... ...penetration of rich coal, farming ... timber lands of Alabama, which ... ...ows without railroad facilities. ... ...rts of the Alabama branch will be ... ...follows: The road will leave the ... ...sissippi line of the Canton, Aber... and Nashville railroad at West Point, Miss., running up the Buttahatchie valley in a northeasterly direction ... passing through Clay and Lowndes counties, in Mississippi. Also ... will be tapped by the road in Lamar county. It will extend to Vernon, a northeasterly direction until ... Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad is reached at Winfield, Marion county. From Winfield ... and will be extended to the Coal Basin, nine miles beyond ... Cullman, the first station ... Major General Wade, to ... ...ing and the second to ... ...Major General Pitzhugh ... November. Each di... ...ance of at least 6,000 men, ...ey have 12,000 ... ...ay their ... ...ected at ... ...ompleted, however, that ... ...ber of trains force shall ... ...y to expedite in the ... ...ks, but desire to keep ... ...as they can thereby ... ...advantage.

That Sour go to Cuba ... ...ngo the defense in the case attempted ... to fasten the killing of Thompson on ... Bob Taylor, the man who ... ...state's evidence on the preli... ...trial, and who escaped ... ...custody just before he was ... take the stand in the present ... Tuesday several witnesses were ... and red and then the spectators in ... court room were treated to a ... sensation, even larger than any ... those which have been presented ... during this extremely ... trial. Chess Motes, one of the ... defendants, took the stand and ... he said the killing, saying that he, ... Bob Taylor did it and that the ... defendants, Walter Motes, ... Plunkenhup, John Littlejohn and ... Robinson, had nothing to do with ... affair and did not know that ... murder was contemplated.

The story of the killing, as told by Chess Motes, was horrible in its ... ...xtreme.

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San Francisco Post Says Gen... Arming Philippine Insurgents.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR OCTOBER 2.

Lesson Text: "Reformation Under Asa," II Chronicles xiv., 2-12—Golden Text: II Chronicles xiv., 11—Commentary by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

2. "And Asa did that which was good and right in the eyes of the Lord his God." Last quarter was spent chiefly with the prophets Elijah and Elisha, men of God, and now we are to have several lessons on kings who were men of God. Asa was the third king of Judah after the kingdom was divided at the death of Solomon, and the first to do right in the sight of the Lord. This statement is made concerning seven other kings of Judah, but not once concerning any of the kings of the ten tribes. The throne was called the throne of the Lord, or the throne of the kingdom of the Lord over Israel, and the king was said to be king for the Lord his God (I Chron. xxix., 23; xxviii., 5; II Chron., ix., 8).

3. "He took away the altars of the strange gods." Although the law of God said, "Thou shalt have no other gods before Me" (Ex. xx., 3), yet Solomon introduced many strange gods to please his wives, and both Rehoboam and Abijah continued the idol worship. It is difficult to go against the customs of your father and grandfather, but Asa feared God rather than man and was determined to do right before Him.

4. "And commanded Judah to seek the Lord God of their fathers." In verses 3 and 4 of the next chapter we read that Israel had been for a long season without the true God, and without a teaching priest, and without law, but when they turned to the Lord and sought Him He was found of them. In verses 12 and 15 we read that they sought Him with all their heart and soul, even with their whole desire, and He gave them rest round about. The Lord takes heed to our hearts rather than our words, and will fulfill the the desire of them that fear Him.

5. "The kingdom was quiet before him." Verse 1 says, "In his days the land was quiet ten years." Quietness is one of the great gifts of God which shall not be fully enjoyed not only by all Israel but by all the world, when "the work of righteousness shall be peace, and the effect (or service) of righteousness shall be quietness and assurance forever" (Isa. xxxii., 17). In quietness and in confidence is strength, and the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit is in the sight of God of great price (I Pet. iii., 4).

6. "The land had rest, because the Lord had given him rest." In Joshua xxiii., 1, it is written that the Lord had given rest unto Israel from all their enemies. In I Chron. xxii., 9, the Lord had told David that his son Solomon (peaceable) would be a man of rest and that Israel would enjoy peace and quietness in his days. Lamech said concerning his son, "This shall comfort us concerning our work," and so he called him Noah—i. e., rest or comfort. The earliest rest is that of Gen. ii., 3, which was broken by the devil doubting God's word and God's love, and thus he still seeks to break all rest.

7. "Because we have sought the Lord our God He hath given us rest on every side." When Solomon was about to build the temple, he said to Hiram, "The Lord my God hath given me rest on every side, so that there is neither adversary nor evil occurrent" (I Kings v., 4). The rest of the kingdom that is coming will be glorious (Isa. xl., 10), or, as in the margin, glory. Even now He says, "Come unto Me, and I will give you rest," and "When He giveth quietness, who then can make trouble?" (Math. xi., 28; Job xxxiv., 29.) When, even in our ordinary daily affairs, we allow the government to be upon His shoulder and the peace of God to rule (Isa. ix., 7; Col. iii., 15), we will have a glorious foretaste of the rest of the kingdom. Some say that they seek Him yet do not seem to find Him as their rest, but it must be that they do not seek Him with the whole heart (Jer. xxix., 13).

8-10. The adversary will not allow us to rest if he can help it, so here we have over a million of Ethiopians gathered against Asa in battle, and he has but little over half as many with which to meet them. Wars will not wholly cease from the earth until the devil is cast into the lake of fire at the end of the thousand years (Rev. xx., 7-10), for, while the millennium will be a time of peace, it will end with a great war. Israel had no reason to fear her enemies, however numerous, for the promise of God was that one should chase a thousand and two put 10,000 to flight. The deliverance from Egypt and the conquest of the Canaanites, with the many deliverances and victories in the days of the Judges and in the time of David, would strengthen the hands of any one who feared God. David could say, "I will not be afraid of tens of thousands of people that have set themselves against me round about." "Though a host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear" (Ps. iii., 6; xxvii., 3; xlvi., 1, 2).

11. "And Asa cried unto the Lord his God and said, Lord, it is nothing with Thee to help, whether with many or with them that have no power." Jonathan said to his armor bearer, "It may be that the Lord will work for us, for there is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few" (I Sam. xiv., 6). The greatest hindrance to the Lord's work is generally our fancied strength or wisdom, and there is no proverb much more unscriptural than this, that God helps those who help themselves. In the matter of salvation it is only the lost and helpless and ungodly for whom it is provided, and it has been provided wholly by our Lord Jesus Christ and is given freely to every penitent sinner. In the daily life for God it is God who works all our works in us and for us (Isa. xxvi., 12). He delivers the needy, the poor also and him that hath no helper (Ps. lxxii., 12). When Gideon had only 32,000 men against an innumerable host, the Lord said to him, "The people that are with thee are too many, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me" (Judg. vii., 2). God must be glorified in all things, and no flesh dare presume to glory in His presence (I Cor. i., 29, 31; Isa. ii., 11, 17, 22). If we are living in the name of the Lord and seeking only His glory, no man or demon can prevail against us or even touch us without God's permission.

12. "So the Lord smote the Ethiopians before Asa and before Judah." They were destroyed before the Lord and before His host (verse 13). Yet when the king of Israel came against Asa in the thirty-sixth year of his reign he forgot this great deliverance and relied on the king of Syria rather than upon God, and when rebuked for it he grew angry with the Lord's servant and put him in prison (chapter xvi.). So prone are we to forget God and to lean upon an arm of flesh instead of putting our whole trust in the Lord! Blessed are all they that thrust in Him (Ps. ii., 12).—Lesson Helper.

Germany Not Scheming.

The officials of the war department pronounced to be without foundation in fact the alarmist stories coming from sources in San Francisco to the effect that Germany had shown any disposition to arm the insurgents with a view of inciting them to harass the the American army at Manila.

On account of the quarantine restrictions, the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company has annulled the railroad schedule south of Mobile.

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Fell From a Scaffold.

From the Herald, Watertown, N. Y.

John Young, of Le Roy, N. Y., is 72 years old, and is well known in that and neighboring towns. While putting some wa... boards on a barn, standing on a scaffold twenty-two feet from the ground, he felt dizzy, lost his balance and fell to the ground. The side of his face, arm and one entire side of his body, on which he struck, were badly bruised. Picked up and carried to the house, he was under a doctor's care for several weeks. The doctor finally came to the conclusion that his patient had received a stroke of paralysis and was beyond medical aid. He could not use one arm or turn over in bed.

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But this explanation solves one mystery only to present another which is even more inexplicable. In the Mojave desert, for instance, where the annual average rainfall is only five inches, the soil beneath the alkaline crust is always moist. In Southern California, where the summer rainfall is less than an inch, tobacco and sugar beets, which require much water, grow luxuriantly without irrigation.

This phenomenon has been ascribed tentatively to the peculiar quality of the soil to absorb moisture and retain it, notwithstanding the low humidity of the atmosphere. But whence does this excess of moisture come? Artesian wells in all the regions under consideration show water at depths varying between forty and 200 feet, and it is concentrated by the experiments and investigations that there may be a slow and continuous upward movement of moisture from subterranean sources. Since water, however, never percolates upward it must be assumed that the soils of a large part of the arid and semiarid regions of the country consist of a vast sheet of absorbent material which draws up moisture from below like blotting paper, by capillary attraction. The investigations of the division of soils in these arid regions will make one of the most remarkable chapters in the history of agriculture.—Philadelphia Record.

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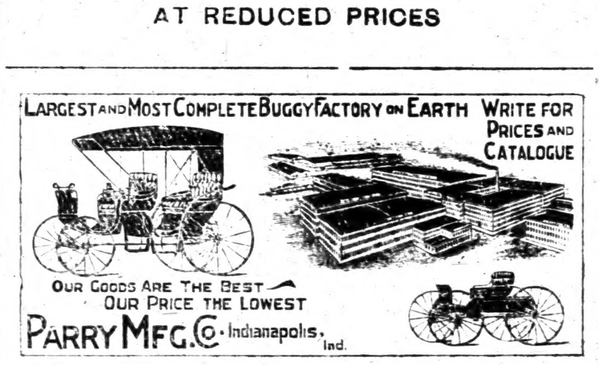

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Given under my hand this the 5th day of October, 1898.

J. T. COATS, Sheriff.

THE IMMUNES AT SANTIAGO DE CUBA.

Written for The Banner.

Santiago de Cuba, Sept. 21, 1898.

Editor Banner—Thinking you would like to hear from Cuba I will give you some of my experiences. I am a soldier and have been some time. We have had a very good time at times, but we get it rough and ready at that to make

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

Coopers, Oct. 3, 1898

Editor BANNER. As to legislation I will say that the people of this section are not in favor of any new road law which will raise their taxes any. As it is the roads are worked at leisure times, so it cost the farmers but little. Neither are they in favor of a stock law.

There are several in favor of a bull and boar law, while others are against it. I think if we had such a law that every man should be allowed to keep one of any kind he wishes but not allow it to run out.

As far as I can learn the people are solid against a Constitutional convention.

I hope that there may be a dog law also. And as to new school laws, anything to insure better schools. J. N. DENNIS.

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Jemison, Oct. 4, '98

Editor BANNER—You know we believe in Populist principles from first to finish. Now, as it is thought Mr. Aldrich holds to Populist doctrine, and he has been tested in the matter of ferretting out fraud, and is the only one who has the ability, coupled with information, you have no time to lose in working against the powers that be.

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Kincheon, Oct. 4, '98

Editor BANNER—I notice considerable cavilling over the contemplated road law. Now, my idea is this: Let there be a special tax added to each poll tax for the purpose of keeping up the roads, and as the poll taxes are retained in the townships for public school purposes, also retain the special road tax to some townships for road purposes. Then let there be a special road tax levied on rich corporations and other property holders (at the same time) consider the use of public roads to said property holders and tax them accordingly, all the while retaining said road tax in the township from whence it comes.

Now, I think the above will partly overcome the so much heard of objection that those who have faithfully served their time on the roads up to 45 years of age will still have the burden to bear. Now let someone else make an amendment to the above and maybe we can get the matter settled.

After a while, I stand, as I have heretofore stated, on the bull and school law and would like to know what others who are much better informed than I think of my suggestion. Please speak through the Banner as I write to draw suggestions from intelligent persons.

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West Chilton, Oct. 4, '98

Editor BANNER—Dear Sir, will you please publish these few lines in regard to Mr. L. H. Reynold's bull law. I repeat again that Chilton county don't need any such nonsence law, and I think those men who are advocating a bull law must be over-balanced in their minds. I will admit that the cattle ought to be improved, but this can be done without confining the bulls. If there was a bull law forced over the heads of the people, the next thing would be a stock law. The bull law would be the first sly step to get the stock law in Chilton. We need more bulls and better bulls, and this can be done without a bull law.

In regard to a road law, we don't need any taxation to work the roads. A law of this sort would let out all the boys from 18 to 21 who would pay no tax. We need the Dallas county road law put in force in Chilton and that is this: Work every able-bodied man between 18 and 60 years of age 10 days in the year. This kind of a law would soon have Chilton county with as good roads as Dallas county now has, and no one hurt by taxation. We have to pay too much tax already.

In regard to a dog law, every head of a family should be allowed one dog free of tax, and all over that number should be taxed 50 cents a head or more, and that amount be added to the school fund. This would be better for the negro and white man too. A dog law of this kind would run our schools longer, and keep meal in the barrel longer, and more sheep in the woods. Success to the Banner and its editor. OLD MIKE.

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Stanton

Misses Fannie and Dixie Griffin are visitieg friends in Selma.

W. J. Melton visited his son, Mr. Joe Melton, at Hamburg, Saturday.

Nearly everybody in town attended the baptizing at Clanton Ford Sunday. Fourteen were baptized.

W. C. Dyer went to Selma Friday.

The many friends of Mr. Robt. Lester are glad to see him at home again.

J. F. Gregory went to Selma Tuesday.

Mrs. Gregory is visiting her parents at Riderville. STAN.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. C. McKinney are at present very low with slow fever.

Mrs. Williams and little grandson, Charlie, of Deatsville, is now visiting her son M. C. Williams.

Miss Ada Johnson, after an extended visit here to her grandparents returned to her home in Birmingham last Friday, much to the regret of her many friends.

Thad Kicker and M. C. Williams visited Clanton Saturday.

Beater Kendrick spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. F. M. Connell jr. at Cross Roads.

Rev. Mr. Hasie, of Talladega Springs, spent Tuesday night with Walter Kendrick.

Gus Gray, of the First Alabama Regiment, is with relatives here on a furlough.

Mrs. Kendrick visited Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Manning last week.

Several from Cross Roads and Verbena passed here last week en route to the Central Association at Providence, Coosa county.

John Howard and family paid Prattville a visit last week.

G. W. Jones we are glad to say is still improving.

David Kendrick visited Montgomery Sunday.

W. D. Goss and son J. N. Goss were visitors to Prattville last week.

Willie Manning has secured a position with Mr. Evans near Bozeman.

Mrs. Jesse Jones returned Sunday from a visit to Prattville.

Mrs. Mary Dennis, of Prattville, is now visiting relatives here.

There is a lot of cotton open in the fields and this rainy weather is damaging it very badly.

We work a day now and then on our new church; it is about ready for the roof to be put on.

Rev. Mr. Thomas preached his farewell sermons here Saturday and Sunday. We are sorry to have to give him up, but hope the next pastor will be equally as good.

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Mrs. M. A. Mullins is about to build a new dwelling house at the Sexton place.

Mr. W. H. Taylor has built a handsome new porch to the front of his barber shop.

Mr. Bryan McKee has moved his meat market to the corner next the depot.

Mr. McKinney, of Bessemer, was in town Sunday.

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9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by W. D. Langston.

10. Organization.

1st Subject. The scriptual author for Sunday-school? Discussed by J. M. Langston and W. H. Shaw.

12. Recess for refreshments.

1:30 p.m. What is the duty of superintendent and teachers to the Sabbath school? Opened by Jasper Langston followed by W. A. Mims.

2:30. What is our motive for attending Sunday-school? Discussed by John A. Lowery and David Smitherman.

3:30. Are we discharging our Christain duty when we take no part in the Sabbath-school work? Opened by James Scott followed by J. B. Oden.

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The inventive facilities of the American girl seem practically unlimited. The Atchison (Kan.) Globe says: "By tying sandpaper about her ankles an Atchison girl produces the same effect as by buying an expensive silk skirt. The pieces of sandpaper rub together and sound just like a $12 skirt." Pretty rough on the dressmakers, though.

The Siberian railroad is offering great inducements to travelers. It provides not merely parlor and sleeping cars, but one fitted with a gymnasium and Russian baths, a dark room for photographers and a stationary bicycle, on which one may make century runs without leaving the train. It is not supposed that political exiles will travel in such cars. But then their number is growing less and that of free travelers in that land of vast expanses and vast possibilities is growing rapidly larger.

Travelers over the line of railway from the City of Mexico to the city of Vera Cruz are said to be greatly impressed with some of the engines they see in use on that route—double-headers as they are termed. The Mexican railway company has already as many as a dozen, adding them from time to time to its stock as business has demanded. Each of these mammoth constructions weighs 100 tons, and is capable of hauling 100 tons up a four and one-half per cent. grade. They are of Scotch manufacture, and have now been in the service of the road about ten years. The fact is mentioned as somewhat singular that these double-headers are used by no other road in North America.

The Santa Cruz Islands, which Great Britain has seized, have for some years been under a British protectorate, though at one time by the French. They lie near the Solomon Islands, which are British, and about an equal distance from the New Hebrides, which are under the control of a mixed French and British commission. They comprise a dozen volcanic islands and numerous mere rocky islets too small for habitation. Their total area is three hundred and sixty square miles, and their population about five thousand mixed Melanesians and Polynesians of uncommonly inhospitable disposition. The islands are of no strategic and of little other value, and the raising of the union jack upon them will not perceptibly alter the inclination of the Ecliptic.

Many of the United States senators from Southern states come from small towns, the policy in many parts of the South being to recognize country rather than city statesmen. Neither of the representatives of Texas is from Galveston; neither of the representatives from Georgia is from Atlanta; neither of the senators from North Carolina is from Raleigh; neither of the senators from South Carolina is from Charleston; neither of the senators from Kentucky is from Louisville; neither of the senators from West Virginia is from Wheeling, and neither of the senators from Missouri is from St. Louis. Some of the towns represented are Marietta, Ga.; Bennetsville, S. C.; Tyler, Tex.; Scottsville, Va.; Marshall, N. C., and Marion, Ky. Tennessee is the only Southern state whose two senators represent the two chief cities.

As pretty an illustration as we have yet seen of the new spirit which marks the interchange of comment between England and America appears in the last Spectator to arrive by mail, says the New York Times. Discussing the statement of the English captain at Manila, when asked by the German admiral what he would do in case the Germans interfered with the bombardment of the city—the statement being that only the English captain and American admiral had or could get any information on that delicate topic—The Spectator says: "There is something very naive in the German admiral imagining that we should allow him to bully Admiral Dewey—though, as far as that goes, there is no reason to think that the American sailors would want any one's help if it came to fighting the Germans." The first part of this sentence is entirely friendly, and only a few months ago the possibility that it might be a little irritating to American nerves would not have worried the Spectater a bit. But now an afterthought comes, and it gets instant expression. The words as they stand are not exactly a lesson in tact, to be sure, but aren't they delightful. They make the Atlantic ocean seem narrow indeed.

ORDER FOR OCCUPATION

Of Cuba Has Been Issued by Adjutant-General Corbin.

THE COMMANDER NOT YET NAMED.

Fourth Volunteer Infantry Directed to Take Station at Manzanillo and Report Arrival to Major-General Wade. Under Temporary Command.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(Special.)—The following order for the occupation of Cuba has been issued by Adjutant-General Corbin:

"By direction of the secretary of war the Fourth United States Volunteer Infantry, detached from the Seventh Army Corps, will be placed in readiness for immediate service in Cuba pursuant to general order No. 154, current series from this office, and proceed, fully armed and equipped, to take station at Manzanillo, the commanding officer reporting his arrival by telegraph to Major-General Wade, United States Volunteers, Havana, who will give instructions as to its duty and disposition.

"The quartermaster department will furnish the necessary transportation, and the subsistence department will provide the necessary suitable rations, and the surgeon-general make ample provisions for necessary medical attendance and supplies for the troops en route and after arrival.

"By command of Major-General Miles. H. C. CORBIN,
"Adjutant-General."

The published order forming the First Division for the occupation of Cuba, does not designate the major-general who will command it, but states that the division will be temporarily commanded by a senior officer on duty, until a permanent division commander is chosen by the president.

"Department of Porto Rico.

The president has issued an executive order creating Porto Rico into a new military department, to be known as the department of Porto Rico, with Major-Gen. John R. Brooke in command. The headquarters of the department will be at Ponce until after the evacuation of the Spanish army, when it will be transferred to San Juan.

ALABAMA NEWS.

Joseph L. Meade, a prominent member of the Birmingham bar, died Saturday.

The jury, after being out forty-eight hours, rendered a verdict finding Lut Evans guilty of murder of Parker Rowe, a prominent dentist, of Piedmont. Evans was given twenty-three years.

It looks now that the bridge across the Alabama river at Selma will not be made free before January, as the county has no authority to borrow money or issue bonds without an act of the Legislature.

Calvin Wheeler, of the well-known Wheeler spring near Palestine, Cleburne county, met with a serious, if not fatal, accident near the furnace. His horse became frightened at the switch engine, running away and throwing him out.

About October 10 Attorney General William C. Fitts will issue his biennial report, which will include the number of crimes committed in the state and arrests and convictions, and many other important matters connected with the administration of justice.

A special term of the supreme court will probably be held between now and November 3, the date when the new judges will occupy the bench. The calendar is now being overhauled. Under the old code the judges would not have entered into office until November 9.

Before War Investigating Commission.

The war investigating commission has decided to ask General Lee to follow General Wheeler in giving testimony concerning the charges made against the war department, and suggested Wednesday of this week as a date when he could be heard. General Wheeler will be before the committee on Tuesday, and will be interrogated both about Camp Wikoff and the Santiago campaign.

Minister in Trouble.

At Scottsboro Saturday Postoffice Inspector Resson caused the arrest of Dr. J. W. Shoemaker and son Lisle, charged with using cancelled postage stamps. Both parties were carried to Huntsville for hearing before the United States commissioner, and were put under bonds of $1,000 each.

Strike Settled.

The miners' strike at Mary Lee mines, Jefferson county, which has been on since July 1, when the yearly wage scale expired, has been settled by the operators granting the men the raise they asked. The new scale is 37½ cents per ton, an advance of 2½ cents.

Gomez Grateful.

Gen. Maximo Gomez has left the Rojas camp, and is retiring to the estate of Boarl Yaguyay, near Remedios, Province of Santa Clara. Gomez seems very grateful to the United States, and confident that the Americans will establish a stable and independent government.

Bayard Laid to Rest.

The remains of Thomas F. Bayard were interred at Wilmington, Del., Saturday with impressive ceremonies.

DECREE SIGNED BY BLANCO

Granting Pardon to All Political Prisoners in Cuba.

HAVANA.—The official Gazette has published a decree signed by Captain General Blanco and bearing date of September 27, granting pardon to, and ordering the release of, all political prisoners in the island.

It is understood that orders have been given to the Spanish forces at Holguin to march to Gibara, concentrate there and hold themselves in readiness for shipment to Spain. The troops at Puerto Principe are expected to go to Nuevitas, those on the Jucaro Moron trocha to San Fernandino and those at Manzanillo to Cienfuegos. The third and fourth divisions of the first army corps will embark at Matanzas and the first and second divisions of the same corps from Havana. The forces in the provinee of Pinar del Rio and the division engaged in the defense of Havana, with General Blanco and his staff, will embark at Havana.

HOBSON'S WORK.

Young Constructor Will Be Given Further Aid in Raising Cristobal Colon.

Assistant Secretary Allen, who has been directly in charge of the arrangements made with the wrecking companies for raising such of the Spanish warships, sunk or stranded in the battle of July 3d as can be recovered, said, referring to Constructor Hobson's work on the Teresa, that the navy department had given the young constructor all of the assistance which it was possible to extend in the prosecution of his work. Moreover, it is now proposed to give him further aid in his effort to raise the Colon, by far the finest ship in the Spanish squadron. In the case of this ship, young Constructor Hobson has staked his professional reputation against the unanimous opinion of all the expert wreckers who have examined the ship. Yet the navy department is unhesitatingly supporting Hobson's judgment, as is indicated by the fact that it shipped from New York $20,000 worth of specially manufactured rubber air bags to be used in lifting the Colon.

VOTED FOR PROHIBITION.

Majority Against Liquor in Canada Will Not Exceed 18,000.

TORONTO, Ont.—The majority for prohibition in the entire Dominion will not likely exceed 18,000. All the provinces except Quebec voted prohibition, Ontario giving it a majority of about 10,000. Quebec's majority against, 4,000, is just about offset by the returns from the maritime provinces, while the returns from Manitoba, the territories and British Cobia show that the west is in favor of prohibition by a majority of 7,000 or 8,000. Even the prohibition papers consider the majority too small to influence the government to attempt to enact prohibition legislation.

Peace Commissions' First Meeting.

The American and Spanish peace commission assembled in Paris for their first business session at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the rooms assigned for their deliberations at the French foreign office on the Quai D'Orsay. A special entrance is set apart for the use of the commissioners in order to furnish them with every privacy and convenience possible. Both commissions maintain secrecy as to their proceedings.

Colonel Bryan Wins.

The question as to whether Colonel Bryan shall be retained in the military service was finally disposed of Friday when Secretary Alger notified Governor Holcomb, of Nebraska, that the selection of the Nebraska regiment to be mustered out will be left entirely with him. Colonel Bryan will once more become a private citizen, which will enable him to take part in the campaign.

Gen. Gomez's Views.

Gen. Maximo Gomez, in an interview at Camp Rojas, province of Santa Clara, is quoted as saying that the insurgent forces will disband and apply themselves to farm labor as soon as the Spanish troops evacuate the island.

Edhem Pasha Deprived of Power.

Edhem Pasha, the Turkish governor who is chiefly blamed for the recent rioting at Candia, Isle of Crete, has been deprived of the governorship.

Henry George for Governor.

At a meeting of the Chicago platform democrats in New York Henry George, the son of the single tax advocate, was nominated to head an independent democratic ticket. The nomination of Elliott F. Danforth for lieutenant-governor by the regular democratic convention of Syracuse was endorsed.

Preferred Death to Life In Camp.

Albert Nickens, corporal of the 2d Tennessee, at Nashville, on a furlough, committed suicide by taking poison rather than return to his regiment. Nickens told a young lady friend that he would rather die than return. He was 19 years old.

ARMY CAMPS.

The Troops to Be Quartered In Georgia and Carolina Towns.

The following official announcement of sites for army camps in the south, recommended by the Schwan board, sent south for that purpose, was posted at the war department Saturday.

The following points have been recommended by the Schwan board: Augusta, Ga.; Columbia, S. C.; Spartanburg, S. C.; Atlanta, Ga.; Macon, Ga.; Columbus, Ga.; Americus, Ga., and Albany, Ga.

CHINA'S EMPEROR IS DEAD.

Committed Suicide After Signing Decree Placing Empress on Throne.

SEMI-OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION MADE.

Reports of His Taking Off Differ—One Report Says He Died by Poison and Another That Death Was Caused by Strangulation.

A special dispatch from Shanghai says telegrams furnished by the taotai or local governor, to a Chinese paper there allege that the emperor of China committed suicide on September 21, after signing the decrees which placed the dowager empress at the head of affairs in China. This, it is added, is understood to mean that the emperor was assassinated.

All the English-speaking secretaries and the principal members of the Chinese foreign office, it is further announced, have been seized and banished.

A later dispatch from Shanghai said it was semi-officially announced that the emperor of China committed suicide on September 21.

Report Confirmed.

A special dispatch from Shanghai says the announcement of the death of the emperor is confirmed. The reports as to the means employed in his taking off differ. One story has it that he died by poison and another that death was caused by strangulation, while a third states that he was subjected to frightful torture, a red hot iron being thrust through his bowels.

ITS WORK COMPLETED.

The Congressional Committee Has Returned From Hawaii.

The steamer Gaelic has arrived at San Francisco from Hong Kong and Yokohama via Honolula, bringing the congressional committee from the latter place.

Under date of September 23 the Honolulu correspondent of the Associated Press writes that the congressional committee having completed its work, Senators Cullom and Morgan and Congressman Hitt left for Washington, where they will hold a meeting on November 14, which will be attended by Justice Frear and probably by President Dole.

During the last few days of their stay in Honolulu, a number of petitions were sent to the committee by various foreign residents. The American Union party, which claims to represent the American party in the islands, presented a memorial requesting of the commission a liberal form of territorial government. The memorial further favors a liberal suffrage, the extention of the United States tariff laws and shipping to Hawaii.

SCHEDULED FOR CUBA.

General Lee Would Prefer That His Command Occupy Havana.

Major-General Fitzhugh Lee was at the war department Friday. There seems to be no doubt in official circles that General Lee is scheduled to go to Cuba. Some question has aresen, however, as to the point in Cuba he will occupy. Quite a number of public men, and it is probable that General Lee himself, would prefer that his command go to Havana. There is some sentiment in the matter and many persons have expressed the hope that as Blanco marches out, that General Lee might march into the city. A number of men in official life have already interested themselves in this subject and will urge the president to issue his orders for the occupation of Cuba with this end in view.

SICK COMING HOME.

The President Orders All the Soldiers Ill in Porto Rico Brought Back.

The war department has posted the following: "The president has given instructions that all sick at Porto Rico be sent north as soon as they are able to travel with safety, his purpose being to relieve General Brooke of the further care of the sick, and at the same time enable the men to receive the treatment obtainable in the better appointed home hospitals. These men will be furloughed as in cases of those returning from Santiago."

A King's Narrow Escape.

A man has been arrested at Orsovekorsova charged with complicity in a plot to assassinate the King of Roumania. The police received timely warning and the attempt was frustrated. A vial of poison, a dagger and several other weapons were found in the man's posessions.

Young Lady Mangled by an Engine.

A frightful tragedy, which resulted in the death of Miss Susie Myers, occurred at Nashville Saturday, when she was run over by a switch engine of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroad near the South Cherry street crossing and mangled beyond recognition.

Will Select Camps in Cuba.

The war department has decided to send boards of officers to Cuba to investigate and report upon locations for camps for the army of occupation in that island. Havana, Cienfuegos, Matanzas and Mariel will be visited. There will be five posts established, including Manzanillo, and six, counting Santiago.

The Red Destroyer.

The loss from forest fires in West Wisconsin is estimated at from $3,000,000 to $5,000,000.

WILL NOT RESIGN.

General Wheeler Will Remain in Service if the President Wishes It.

General Wheeler will not resign from the army as long as the president needs his services in the field. The president has asked the general to reconsider his determination and remain under orders. The president has supreme confidence in General Wheeler and believes his congressional experience will be of special value just now in Cuba. General Wheeler had made up his mind to resign his commission when congress should convene, but his decision has been changed in accordance with the president's wishes. General Wheeler said that after appearing before the war investigating committee he will go to Huntsville, Ala., to assume command of a division placed under him. General Wheeler said that while his future movements have not been definitely settled, he understands that he will be sent to Cuba in command of a division of cavalry. He will probably be stationed in Santa Clara province.

WAR ON COLORED MINERS.

Masked White Men Visit Cabins Occupied by the Blacks and Drive Them Out of Town.

One hundred and fifty coal miners from Pana, Ill., went to Washington, Ind., Sunday and met at the fair grounds with the home union miners and organized. Sunday night they got together and, masked, visited all the shacks where the colored coal miners lived. About fifty of the negroes were corralled, and at the point of pistols were driven out of town. One negro refused to go and the miners fired on him. He has not been found, and may be killed. Chief of Police Call turned in the fire alarm and called out the citizens to assist in keeping peace. A new outbreak of trouble is feared and much bloodshed is likely to result. There are possibly fifty negroes who declare they will die before they will leave town.

AFFAIRS AT PEKIN

Causes Secretary of War to Order War Ships to Chinese Waters.

Secretary Long, upon advices received at the state department showing the existence of threatening conditions in China, has ordered Admiral Dewey to send two war ships immediately from Manila to a point as near the Chinese capital as possible for a war ship to approach. The vessels selected for this undertaking are the Baltimore and Petrel.

Foreign Fleet Assembling.

The state department has received the following cablegram from Minister Conger at Pekin: "There is no serious danger yet, but considerable anxiety for the future. The foreign fleet is assembling at Tien-Tsin. Some of the ministers are ordering marines to Pekin for legation guards.

Henry George Declines Nomination.

Henry George has declined the nomination for governor of New York on the ticket placed in the field by the Chicago platform democrats and the committee having authority to fill the vacancies nominated Henry M. McDonald, of the county of New York, for the place. Mr. George in his letter says that he is pursuing uninterruptedly in writing his father's biography and can do more for the principles of freedom than by engaging actively in politics.

More Troops En Route to Anniston.

The Second army corps will be shipped from Camp Meade, Middletown, Pa., to Anniston, Ala., preparatory to being sent to Cuba. The movement will begin in about two weeks, and will be completed with the least possible delay.

The second division, in command of General Davis, is now moving to Anniston, and from there to Cuba to take the place of the First when it returns to muster out.

More Troops Ordered to Porto Rico.

The war department has decided to send more troops to Porto Rico. Orders have been issued directing that the Fifth Regular Cavalry now at Huntsville, Ala., the Sixth United States Volunteer Infantry, now at Chickamauga, and the Forty-seventh New York at Fort Adams, shall proceed to such port in Porto Rico as may be desired by the commanding general in that island.

Van Wyck for Governor.

The democratic convention of New York in session at Syracuse named the following ticket: For governor, Augustus Van Wyck, of Kings; lieutenant-governor, Elliot Danforth, of Chenango; secretary of state, Geo. W. Batten, of Niagara; comptroller, Edward S. Atwater, of Duchess; state treasurer, E. P. Morris, of Wayne; attorney general, Thomas F. Conway, of Clinton; state engineer and surveyor, Martin Schenk, of Rensselaer.

Gov. Taylor Worse.

Information from Johnson City, Tenn., says Governor Taylor's condition has become more critical than at any time during his illness.

Col. Hay Sworn in.

Col. John Hay was sworn into office as secretary of state at 11 o'clock Friday morning. The ceremony took place in the president's room at the white house and the oath was administered by Justice Harlan of the supreme court.

Admiral Sicard Retired.

Rear-Admiral Montgomery Sicard has been retired, having reached the age of 62 years. He will retain his place at the head of the promotion board.

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place the property loss at half a m
and, though when the de
are added the figures may be consi
much greater way. The Mal
Atlantic Coast Line and Southern rail
tracks were under water four feet.
The residence section of the city
water was from two to eight f
The storm is a full sweep of wind
waves from the ocean into and a
the city.

Fatalities in Brunswick
since a few miles out of the city
been reported. Those in the city
negro children. Their parents
ing and may have been drow
A few miles out of town Sterritt A
colored, was killed by falling
blown from a chimney. Ma
ports from the sea islands on the
are far from reassuring. At
island, where the chief houses of
wick millionaires are situated,
damage has been done. Dixi
suburb of Brunswick, inhabit
negroes, was inundated and th
struction is almost complete. No
were lost there.

Five vessels were ashore in B
wick harbor, two being the Norw
barks Record and Louise, o
American schooner and two
pilot boats.

The storm began at 4 a. m
continued twelve hours with
from forty to sixty miles an hou

Damage to Crops.

A special from Eastman, Ga.,
The storm has done much d
to corn and cotton, but, as
known no lives were lost. Sugar
has been blown down very l
There were a good many stores
unroofed, leaving exposed sto
goods to the heavy rains. The
been thousands of dollars d
done to stores, fencing and good

Damage to Rice Crop.

Reports received from differen
of the South Carolina district
nearly the estimate of $75,000 d
to the rice crop by the storm.

CAMPAIGN COMMITTE

Named by James K. Jones, of Ar
W. H. Harvey Will Be Manag

James K. Jones, of Arkansas,
man of the democratic nationa
mittee, has appointed Ex-G
Patton, his appointed Ex-Go
ernor John P. Altgeld, of I
Senator William V. Allen, of N
and Senator H. M. Teller, of C
and Senator H. M. Teller, of C
to act in conjunction with
as a committee on ways and
This committee tendered the p
of general manager of its work
H. Harvey, of Chicago, who
copied the office.

A Singular Suicide.

T. C. Collins, father of M
Collins, the Kentucky free
who was found dead in a Bost
over a year ago, drowned hi
pond at Elizabeth, four mil
Paris, Ky. He first loosened
on one wheel of his buggy, t
himself to the buggy and dr
ten feet of water in the pond.

Killed by Live Wire.

Nora Burke, a street car co
at Macon, Ga., was killed whi
to remove a fallen electric li
from the car track. He cau
of the wire and immediat
received crying for help.
dared to touch him, and he fe
in great agony in the presenc
carload of people.

A Chaplain Commits Su

Advices from Japan bring
of the death of Rev. Tha
Freeman, chaplain of the
States steamer Baltimore at
From all accounts Freeman c
suicide while in a state of
pression consequent upon i
health. He plunged overb
the Zealandia and was drown

Death of Dr. Mastin.

Dr. Claudius S. Mastin, a
physician and surgeon of M
and director of the First
Polk's army, and afterwards
of the army of the Missis
Monday after a short illness.

Dr. Hill Succeeds Secretary

The president has appo
David J. Hill, of Roche
first assistant secretary of s
ceed John Bassett Moore,
Dr. Hill is president of the
University, is a scholarly
and is particularly known
knowledge of international

Suddenly Fell Dead.

Thomas McKay, aged abo
died very suddenly Sunday
City, Ala. He was walking
Station when he fell over

LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO
UNION WORKMEN.

Profit-Sharing Ventures That
Have Failed. How to Make
Them Successful. What Manual La-
bor Is.

Together.

[illegible] Dixie."
[illegible] when they
[illegible] thirty year
[illegible] take us,
[illegible] Lord 'ul
[illegible] through sum-
[illegible] thirty year
[illegible] that's ringin'
[illegible] as they
[illegible] play, an' all
[illegible] thirty year
[illegible] and the mu-
[illegible] the echoes of
[illegible] the chorus—
[illegible] now—
[illegible] thirty year

—Atlanta Constitution.

Profit Sharing Successes.

[illegible] the wool felt mills
[illegible] of Mr. Alfred
[illegible] N. Y., were shut
[illegible] They have now been reopened
[illegible] co-operative, profit-
[illegible] system, short-hour
[illegible] to make a failure. The
[illegible] proposes to run ten
[illegible] ware for that work.
[illegible] that. It hopes to be

[illegible] Pa., a co-operative
[illegible] company was recently
[illegible] under favorable
[illegible] A few weeks ago the co-
[illegible] company broke. Last
[illegible] were sold to an in-
[illegible] He expects to suc-
[illegible] the mines.

[illegible] sufficient
[illegible] it was a simple co-opera-
[illegible] and consequently shared
[illegible] the great majority of such
[illegible] The experiments of Mr.
[illegible] achieved wide celebrity.
[illegible] His profit-
[illegible] embraced three theories: 1.
[illegible] 2. pension; 3. endowment.
[illegible] insurance, was good while it
[illegible] This plan provided that after
[illegible] years' continuous service the op-
[illegible] should receive an insurance
[illegible] for $1,000, at the end of another
[illegible] years another $1,000 policy, and so
[illegible] Mr. Dolge paid the premiums on
[illegible] About 75 policies were in
[illegible] at the time of the failure.
[illegible] plan, pension, provided
[illegible] when an operative had become old
[illegible] and no longer able to work,
[illegible] should be retired on a pension of
[illegible] Only four men were on the
[illegible] at the time of the failure.
[illegible] plan embraced the endow-
[illegible] This provided that if any
[illegible] operatives made an improvement
[illegible] so that the cost of
[illegible] should be decreased, the op-
[illegible] should have credit for a certain
[illegible] of the increased profit. The
[illegible] was payable when
[illegible] reached the age of 60
[illegible] to his heirs on his death.
[illegible] operatives had several
[illegible] on the endow-
[illegible] how the account is
[illegible] of the paper it is
[illegible] and pension
[illegible] encourage con-
[illegible] the third plan had
[illegible] harder work.
[illegible] standing with
[illegible] works. Three
[illegible] limited the hours
[illegible] giving 10
[illegible] now off.
[illegible] failed. It is
[illegible] competitive mar-
[illegible] bound to fail.
[illegible] for his product.
He was load-
[illegible] charges. To sell
[illegible] meet his competi-
[illegible] sell at any fixed
[illegible] that he always
[illegible] of the lowest of
[illegible] have put a fixed

[illegible] such as those
[illegible] general sort of
[illegible] are doomed to
[illegible] in the long
[illegible] conducted in
[illegible] and com-
[illegible] follow that
[illegible] underlying them
[illegible] a secure place
[illegible] Prince Bis-
[illegible] for Germany as
Mr. Dolge unsuc-
[illegible] for the people of
[illegible] insurance system
[illegible] useful in Germany
[illegible] instituted in nearly
[illegible] of the army of the Missis
Monday after a short illness.
[illegible] The Sickness
[illegible] the Accident In-
[illegible] and 1885 and the
[illegible] law of 1889 are due
[illegible] value of the system
[illegible] Consul Monaghan
[illegible] report printed by the
[illegible] of Aug. 4. The con-

[illegible] the practical value
[illegible] workmen's insurance
[illegible] return to the subject
[illegible] since I believe it to be
[illegible] great deal of attention.
[illegible] economic influence of so
[illegible] must be very great.
[illegible] system is to alleviate
[illegible] of workmen and their
[illegible] in cases of sickness
[illegible] (2) in cases of acci-
[illegible] at work (accident in-
[illegible] in cases of feebleness,
wasting diseases, decreased capacity to
work, and old age (invalid and old-age
insurance.) In cases coming under No.
1 there is given free medical treatment;
sick money—that is, money during pe-
riod of sickness with which to obtain
medicine, nourishment, etc., or, if de-
sired, free treatment in a hospital and
support for the family; and money, in
case of death, is supplied the family.
The fund is furnished by employers
and employed—the former paying one-
third, the latter two-thirds. In cases
of accident insurance the parties re-
ceive support during convalescence
from the fourteenth week after the ac-
cident happens. Money is given the
wounded person from the fifth week.
Rents are paid from the first day of the
fourteenth week after the accident.
The rents amount to two-thirds and in
some cases to three-fifths of the work-
man's yearly salary. The fund for
burial expenses is furnished by the
employers. In cases coming under in-
valid and old-age insurance, the parties
receive rents from the time they are
unable to work, without regard to age.
Old-age rents, from the seventieth year
even if they can work and do not draw
invalid rent; and assistance against
disease so as to prevent incapacity. In
case of his death or marriage, the full
sum paid by the party is returned."

From 1885 to the close of 1897, $257,-
517,856 was paid for sick insurance
and $86,847,842 for accidents. Invalid
and old-age pensions began to be paid
in 1891, and $60,696,997 has already
been spent under that head.

It is true that some co-operative en-
terprises flourish despite competition.
These enterprises, as an almost in-
variable rule, are of such a nature that
competition is not fierce, and that the
co-operative method of production is
positively lower in price than any
other kind. Thus, co-operative cream-
eries are generally successful; so are
co-operative farms, so long as the
farmers "stick." But when the product
comes in close competition with that
of other factories, etc., as in the case
with shoes, hats, coal, etc., co-operation
and profit-sharing is not apt to long
hold up its head.

What Manual Work Is.

A writer in the London Graphic
draws in the following paragraph a
strong and true picture of just what
manual toil is. The mere realization
of it made him (or her) tired. "How
little do idle people realize what an
eight or ten-hour day's labor really
means! It was my fate once to occupy
a bedroom opposite a steam sawmill.
At 5:30 o'clock, just when I was
plunged in the most delicious slumber,
the sound of the carts of wood arriving
woke me, the work-people filed in, the
saw was set going. When, a little
later, I sleepily arose and walked to the
window, there was everything in full
swing, the brilliant summer morning
in its glory, the dew still standing on
the grass, a sense of moisture and ver-
dure in the air, the whole creation to
live and labor. All through the hot
morning, while a lounge under cool
green trees seemed to me the only pos-
sible existence, that mill creaked and
snorted, hissed and sawed without in-
termission. Men, singly or in groups,
ran in and out like ants, offering host-
ages to its greedy maw. A short pause
for dinner, and then, during that long,
fiery afternoon, which seemed as
though it would never end, the mill
thundered, while hot and dirty men,
their faces black with sweat, cut and
planed and hammered in the sun,
whose rays fell vertically, burning as
they fell. The shadows lengthened, the
very birds lay still, hushed by the
tropical heat, the grasshoppers ceased
to chirrup—only the sawmill still re-
lentlessly worked on. Then from my
cool vantage ground, as I watched the
endless toil, I felt at last that I knew
the meaning of work, of that constant
grinding labor that leaves no respite,
that bows men's backs and furrows
their faces, and marks off the toilers
from the idlers with as grim a brand as
life knows how to fashion, which
makes men prematurely old, and leaves
them to die hopelessly when they are
no longer of any use. It was evening.
The little stars began to peep out tim-
idly one by one from the pale blue twi-
light, all nature had dropped into
quiet, the plain was filled with shadow
when slowly, regretfully almost as it
seems, the men plodded out wearily
along the dusty road, the horses were
harnessed to the heavy wagons, and the
last echoing creak of the wheels died
away in the distance. The day's labor
was over, and, tired out myself by the
mere realization of its meaning, I crept
away to bed."

Canadian Labor Congress.

The fourteenth annual convention of
the Canadian Labor Congress met at
Winnipeg, Manitoba, the past week.
Mr. Thomas I. Kidd, general secretary
of the Amalgamated Woodworkers' In-
ternational Union, was fraternal dele-
gate from the Federation of Labor.

The basis of representation in the
Congress is as follows:

Trades unions, local assemblies of
the Knights of Labor, federal unions
and directories of the Industrial Broth-
erhood shall be allowed one delegate
for each 100 members or under, and
one for each additional 100 or majority
fraction thereof. Trades councils, cen-
tral labor unions, national trades
unions, national directory of Industrial
Brotherhood and district assemblies of
the Knights of Labor, three delegates
each. Two or more trades unions, local
assemblies of the Knights of Labor, or
directories of the Industrial Brother-
hood, whose aggregate membership does
not exceed 150, may unite to send one
delegate. No proxy representative is
allowed and all delegates must be mem-
bers of the bodies they represent.

In the towns of which London is
composed private companies are seek-
ing to compete with the vestries in sup-
plying electric light.

Over 1,000,000 men work in the coal
mines of the world.

ACCEPTS THE REAL ISSUE.

Stop all this talk about other issues. The only issue in this Campaign is Free Silver Coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1.—Chicago Times-Herald.

PEOPLE WISE ENOUGH

WHY DEMOCRACY FAVORS THE REFERENDUM.

And Why the Republican Party Opposes It—Latter Does Not Want People to Have a Voice in Making Laws—Democrats Say People Must Rule.

In nearly every state, west and south, this year the representatives of the Democratic party in convention assembled have reindorsed the glorious principles of the Chicago platform. These reindorsements are not the perfunctory work that used to be done in the days when Cleveland and his Republican cohorts used to dominate the party. But the Democrats have gone further than the platform and have taken up the question of the referendum. In Illinois particularly, where a Republican administration has been selling legislation to corporations, the people are evincing a lively interest in that plank in the Democratic platform which says: "IF THE PEOPLE ELECT OUR TICKET NO MORE LAWS SHALL BE MADE UNLESS VOTED ON BY ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE."

We clip the following from the Galesburg Tribune:

Question—What is a political platform?

Answer—It is a declaration of principles usually made at a state or national convention, by which the party indicates measures it favors.

Q.—When did the Democrats make their last platform?

A.—At the last national convention in 1896, known as the Chicago platform, and the state platform was adopted at Springfield July 12, 1898.

Q.—Is there any vital issue at stake now?

A.—Yes, the fundamental principles of the republic are at stake.

Q.—How so?

A.—Well, it is well known that the state and national government is now at the mercy of corrupt rings and monopolists. Mr. Taylor, in his book, "The People or the Politician," says: "At present everything favors the corruptionist. He has first the opportunity of nominating his tools, and, failing in this, he has the opportunity of converting the nominees into tools by offering to aid in their election or threatening their defeat, and then if men are elected on whom he has no hold he has resources and powers for influencing them which the average man finds it next to impossible to resist."

Q.—I don't believe it. Give me some proof of it.

A.—The last legislature passed the Allen bill, the most brazen, corrupt and venal law ever passed by the legislature of Illinois. John R. Tanner, the present governor, tried to get just such a bill through once before when John P. Altgeld was governor, who vetoed it. Altgeld was beaten for governor and Tanner was elected in his place. The bill came up first as the Humphrey bill, but that was too infamous, then modified, it passed as the Allen bill. John R. Tanner signed it and it is a law. Many voted for it who were not elected to vote for such bills.

Q.—Who got that bill through?

A.—John R. Tanner and a man named Yerkes, a street car magnate of Chicago, are said to have been its chief sponsors.

Q.—Were men corrupt who voted for that bill?

A.—There were too classes who voted for it—dishonest men and the men who were deceived. The former were paid for voting for it, the latter were not.

Q.—Didn't Democrats vote for that bill?

A.—Oh, yes! but they won't do so any more. They have been sent into political exile to repent their mistake.

Q.—What did the Republicans do to the fellows who voted for that bill?

A.—Oh, "they didn't do a t'ing to them." They nominated most of them again, and try to appear proud of their faults.

Q.—But don't the people of that party object?

A.—Yes; but the politicians don't care. They are used to that. They intend to whip them into line. At first Republican papers howled dolefully, but they are swallowing the pill without making a wry face.

Q.—But what can we do to stop such bills being passed?

A.—By direct legislation. Let the people make the laws. The people are too numerous to be bought.

Q.—What do you mean by direct legislation?

A.—Why at present you legislate through representatives. Direct legislation is to have the laws made by the people themselves.

Q.—How is that?

A.—By a system known as "THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM." That system is this: The legislature cannot do more than formulate (initiate) or start a law. Then it is referred to the people for their sanction at the next general election, and if the people ratify it, it becomes a law; if not, it is dead. Under such a system there would be no incentive for corruptionists to get their tools into office, for they could not serve their masters. Next, there would be no man fool enough to spend his money on a man who could not pass his law.

Q.—But will this not make matters more complicated?

A.—By no means. "We now have the Australian ballot system, secret voting, strict registration laws, special election of officers, etc., thus rendering the present system unnecessarily burdensome and expensive. The adoption of the referendum will make these precautions useless, both in the referendary and elective ballots, since not only will it be impossible for any class or combination of classes to influence the people sufficiently to secure legislation in their favor, but the transformation of the legislators into simple committee men will make them useless as tools to these classes and will make the election of one man no more to them than another.

Q.—Surely that is only a just way of legislating. Does any person object to that?

A.—Ah, yes! The Republicans.

Q.—What does the Democratic platform say on this question?

A.—It denounces the Allen bill as nefarious, and it favors and is pledged to the initiative and referendum. The Republican platform is as dumb as an oyster on these points and the corrupt leaders who secured the passage of that act are now in full control of the entire organization. With no legislative restriction like the initiative and referendum, the corrupt men of last legislature, if returned to power, can enact equally venal laws. If you send them back you indorse them. Therefore the issue is plain. The Republican convention, too cowardly to indorse and too venal to condemn the Allen law, have attempted to evade a direct issue. To return them to power means to indorse their platform. They promise you nothing, but secured by that curse of our state, "the cohesive power of plunder," they are quietly pushing themselves into power again, when they are not wanted, outside of the gang. The Democracy, on the other hand, condemned the Allen bill. It disowns the Democrats who voted for that bill. The Democracy promises to change the laws so as to effectually prevent, in the future, the passage of any others like it, by the initiative and referendum.

Prosperity and Republicanism.

From the Mississippi Valley Democrat: Republican delegates to the St. Louis convention report much "prosperity" among farmers, but they do not say how greatly it is helped out by the bond issue, by gold hoarding and the consequent drop in the price of wheat.

The Three Greatest Crimes.

From the Nonconformist: The three greatest modern crimes against humanity are the monopolization of natural bounties, the forced increase of debts and the periodical shrinkage of values.

CROSS EXAMINATION.

OF THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE'S GOLDBUG EDITOR.

Why Put Up the Price of Money?—Debtors and Creditors, Producers and Money-Hoarders — Dear Dollars Make Cheap Men.

One of the Chicago Tribune's recent editorials upon the money question caused James Cockrell, an Illinois farmer, to ask the editor to explain the following:

1. What do you mean by the term "44-cent dollar?" How can a piece of money coined by the authority of the government of the United States as a dollar, be a dollar and contain less than one hundred cents?

2. When you speak of the "most prosperous and progressive commercial nations of the world," do you have reference to the prosperity of the Rothschilds and a few hundred other bankers, brokers, money changers and landlords, or to the prosperity of the people in general?

3. Do you judge the prosperity of a nation by its commerce and the bonds and mortgages held by its money lenders, or by the wealth actually owned and controlled by those that produce all wealth (the common people)? If by the latter, are then, in your opinion, the common people in England, Germany, Italy, Austria and Spain prosperous? If so, is it due to the "gold standard?"

4. How would cheaper money ("44-cent dollars") have the effect of placing the American people on a level with Chinamen? Were the people of our country on a level with Chinamen before the coinage of silver was stopped and thus far silver demonetized?

5. If the free and independent coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, should, as you say it would, wipe out 60 per cent of the credits of the country, what would become of that wealth, if it be real wealth? If the creditor lost it would the debtor gain it?

6. If the creditor class (as you say) would lose 60 per cent by the full and complete remonetization of silver, how much then did the debtors lose by the demonetization of that metal?

7. During the last thirty years who has lost the most wealth, the creditor class by a fall in the value of money, or the debtors by a rise in the value of money? Have you kept track of this little matter?

8. If, after a thorough investigation of the matter, you should discover that the toiling, wealth-producing and debtor classes have been the constant losers and to the extent of billions of dollars, in consequence of money growing dearer and dearing during the last twenty-five or thirty years, would you then consent to have matters evened up a little by squeezing say 40 or 50 per cent of value out of money, and, to that extent, return it into the fruits of the toil of the real wealth producer? Is it any worse to rob a creditor than a debtor, and, if so, why?

9. You say there are "$2,010 saving bank depositors in Ohio, who have $33,000,000 on deposit." Do you know how many men there are in Ohio, out of a population of 4,000,000, who are paying interest to the savings banks for the privilege of using this money?

10. Do you know how many men, women and children in Ohio have not a dollar on earth, and who have no means of acquiring a dollar except through their labor? You, sir, give 2½ per cent of the population of the state as having bank deposits, what do you say about the 97½ per cent (ninety-seven out of every hundred), without any deposits?

11. Why is it that you are not as deeply interested in the welfare of the many who have money to buy or earn, as you are in the welfare of the very few who have money to sell?

12. Don't you reckon that the little 2½ per cent bank depositors would gain more than they would lose, if the Populists or somebody else should rob dollars of 60 per cent of their value by adding 60 per cent to the value of labor? I can think of no other way by which the trick can be performed, can you?

13. You have a good deal to say about the purchasing power of money. I suppose by that you have reference to the amount or quality one man can buy of the fruits of another man's toil, with one dollar; if you are contending for dollars of the greatest purchasing power, then why did you manifest so much joy when it took $1.75 to buy one bushel of wheat. If dollars of the greatest purchasing power are the best for everybody, don't you think that a general rise in prices, so that dollars would not buy so much, would be the worst thing that could happen?

The answers to these questions are obvious to the dullest understanding, but the financial editor of the Tribune has not attempted an answer.

Use Your Vote for Yourself.

What is your vote for? asks the Appeal to Reason. Does the mere act of putting a piece of paper, that other men have fixed, into a box tickle you? Or do you enjoy seeing some other man receive a big salary for doing nothing, whe nyou have to foot the bill? What good has your ballot ever done you? Has it arranged conditions that made it easier and more easy to make a living on the farm or in the shop?

Equality.

"Do you really have equality in America?" asked the Englishman of the American. "Why, certainly," answered the American. "For instance, our poor people pay as much war tax as our millionaires."—Herold des Glaubens.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The available cash balance in the United States treasury is close to $450,000,000. Can anybody give a plausible reason why even $1 more should be held idle in the treasury? The only reason that suggests itself is that it is a good thing for the money-changers.

This enormous surplus, which belongs to all of the people, is being distributed among the national banks by whom it is loaned out at regular rates of interest to some of the actual owners of the money.

The bankers and the stockbrokers paid the expenses of electing the present administration, and they are certainly getting the worth of their money.

When the people elect a president and a congress these matters will be changed. There will be no unnecessary surplus in the treasury, and there will be a very useful surplus in the pockets of the taxpayers.

Congressman Loud of California will be defeated for re-election, but during the short term of the present congress he will again bring forward his bill for the burdening of the country press and the suppression of reform publications. And Speaker Reed will crowd it through the house, but it will be stopped in the upper house by the Populist senators.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

Whenever a trust dies the price of the article or articles it controls goes down; yet trust makers always declare that they make prices lower by lessening the cost of producing and selling it. Why can't the fellows be satisfied with being thieves only?—Farm, Stock and Home.

Once there exists a written constitution there is an end to all freedom. The judges can make the law to suit themselves. There is really no one else to make the laws, because under a written constitution the state of the law depends upon interpretation.—Twentieth Century.

The Hannacrats are denouncing what they call an "unlicensed press." How long before they will begin suppressing "unlicensed" newspapers here, as they have done in Porto Rico?—Journal of Agriculture.

The world moves, the human progress is not to pay tribute to monopoly or stop, and don't you forget it. The people must now master these monsters or be mastered by them. By no use of money shall one man or corporation draw from the producers a part of the product of their toil.—Appeal to reason.

Better vote the other ticket once in a while than to let blind partisanship become a chronic disease.—Farm, Stock and Home.

The question to be decided by the voters on Nov. 8 is, Shall the people rule or shall monopolies be entrenched? Yes or no?—San Francisco Star.

A Lesson in Political Economy.

It is manifestly impossible that men in general, or all men, or indeed any but a small minority of men, can satisfy their material desires by stealing, since in the nature of things working or the rendering of service is the only way in which the material satisfaction of desire can be primarily obtained or produced.

Stealing produces nothing; it only alters the distribution of what has already been produced.

Therefore, however it be that stealing is to be considered by an individual economy or by an economy of a political division, and with whatever propriety a successful thief who has endowed churches and colleges and libraries and soup-houses may in such an economy be treated as a public benefactor and spoken of as Anthony spoke of Caesar:

He hath brought many captives home to Rome,
Whose ransoms did the general coffers fills:

a true science of political economy takes no cognizance of stealing, except in so far as the various forms of it may pervert the natural distribution, and thus check the natural production of wealth.—Henry George.

Carrying Out the Policy.

From the Ottumwa Iowa, Democrat: Judge Grosscup of Chicago, with all of his top-loftical flights of oratory, was consistent in his demand that after swallowing the Philippines our next movement should be in the direction of China and secure a slice of that territory. This is but the legitimate outcome of the spread-eagle policy; there is no end to it. In order to round our possessions in the archipelago we must have a part of China; in the language of the grasping old farmer, "We want everything that jines us!"

Labor and Economics.

Issuing paper money does not add anything to the wealth of the country. Any thinker can see that. But it often happens that the increased facility for exchange, which such an issue affords, causes production to be so increased that the country really gains more than the amount of the money issued, and it seems as if the money had really been an addition to the wealth of the nations. But he who would understand economics must keep in mind the fact that labor alone creates wealth.—New Era.

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FOR CONGRESS:

W. F. ALDRICH

In Georgia yesterday the Democratic State ticket was elected by about 70,000 majority.

A FREE vote and honest count is the battle-cry in this district. In the last two congressional elections the vote was too free in Dallas, and it took the committee on elections in Congress to get the count right.

A REPRESENTATIVE in Congress should represent the district from which he is returned. Does any one know what Gaston A. Robbins did for this district when he was supposed to be representing it?

AN Indian rising in Minnesota resulted in a battle between U. S. soldiers and the Indians. Four soldiers were killed, and a rumor is afloat that the whole company of 100 men has been massacred, but the report needs confirmation.

HON. Gaston A. Robbins, "the silent member," we believe had some appointment this week in remote parts of Chilton county. As we have not heard any mention of the honorable gentleman it is to be presumed he has been "wasting his sweetness on the desert air."

WE are glad to note the L. & N. R. R. Co., with its accustomed regard to the public wants, and recognizing the growing business of Clanton, has given our general depot agent a day operator as well as a night operator. This leaves Mr. Higgins free to attend to the freight business which increases every day.

THE Hon. Gaston A. Robbins has developed into a full-blown orator, and is desirous of exhibiting his ability to the voters of the Fourth Congressional district. He was dumb as an oyster in the session of Congress when he was supposed to be representing this distaict, and it is said many members of congress did not even know the Hon. Gaston existed. As to any thing he ever did for the Fourth Congressional district of Alabama no one has yet been able to find out. But now Mr. Robbins wants to tell the dear people all he has done for them, and invites Mr. Aldrich to stump the district with him and Mr. Aldrich very properly declines.

WE understand that several lists of names for managers of the forthcoming election have been submitted to the appointing board—the Probate Judge, Sheriff and Circuit Clerk. What this extraordinary proceeding is entended for it is hard to say. There are but two candidates, one the nominee of the Populists and the Republicans, and the other the Democratic nominee. If the recognized friends of both candidates submit a list of names it would seem to be all that is necessary, more especially as, under the law, it is within the power of the appointing board to ignore these recommendations, and appoint whom they please, so long as each party is represented at the election. The Banner has no partiality either as to managers of elections, providing the law is complied with, and both candidates have representatives at each polling place. We have every confidence in the honesty of the people of Chilton county; we have been enjoying fair elections in this county and will continue to do so, for the simple reason our people will not tolerate any other. So long as the appointments are made in full compliance with the law we have no objections to raise.

RECENTLY we referred briefly to the broad-minded, non-partisan spirit of the Populists and Republicans in the Eighth Congressional District in participating in the Democratic primary and making the nomination, which is equivalent to the election, of General Joe Wheeler for Congress, unanimous. This non-partisan spirit might well be emulated in other districts, and more especially in this, the Fourth. The Populists and Republicans in the Eight district show by their action that, given a good man, who will worthily represent the best interests of all the people, they are willing to accept him and vote for him, not letting their prejudices or party spirit so bias them as to insist upon having a member of their own party to represent them in Congress. This is highly to be commended, and we heartily congratulate General Wheeler on his nomination. But it seems to us that the Democrats in this district could easily follow the example set them in the Eighth district by the Populists and Republicans, and taking the man whom it is generally acknowledged will most worthily represent this district, should withdraw their candidate, Hon. Gaston A. Robbins, and so make the election of W. F. Aldrich unanimous. The Fourth district of Alabama has unfortunately, acquired an unenviable reputation throughout the States, and if our Democratic friends will only be broad-minded and liberal enough to do as their Populist and Republican brethren in the Eighth district have done, and we unanimously elect W. F. Aldrich, it will go far to place the Fourth district in a better light before the country. Let us try it!

How to Prevent Croup

We have two children who are subject to attacks of croup. Whenever an attack is coming on my wife gives them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it always prevents the attack. It is a household necessity in this county and no matter what else we run out of, it would not do to be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. More of it is sold here than of all other cough medicines combined.—J. M. NICKLE, of Nickle Bros., merchants, Nickleville, Pa. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

Cotton Production.

Twenty-five years ago the United States produced 70 per cent of the cotton of the world; today she produces 85 per cent of the world's cotton. This increase in the percentage has been, not because of a reduction of the cotton produced in other parts of the world, but simply on account of the increase in our own. The cotton supply of the other cotton-producing sections of the world in 1872-73 was 1,667,000 bales, and in 1897-98 1,665,000 bales. The average cotton production of other countries from 1872 to 1878 was 1,618,000 bales per annum, and from 1890 to 1897 was 1,924,000 bales per annum, showing that there has also been a slight growth in cotton production in other parts of the world, while our own production has been increasing enormously.

Not only has the price of cotton fallen at about the same rate that the production has increased, but there has also been a corresponding fall in the price of cloths manufactured from cotton. The reports of the Bureau of Statistics show that cotton "printing cloths" were quoted at 7 88 cents per yard in 1872, while reports just published show an average rate of 2 17 cents per yard in the cotton year 1898 for the same grade of cloths the fall in the manufactured article thus having, in this case at least, nearly or quite kept pace with the fall in the price of raw cotton and the increase in production of that article.

It is proper to add that the prices quoted for the earlier years are based upon the currency values of that period, and if reduced to a gold basis would be slightly less. Cotton "printing cloths," whose prices are given in the table, are of the quality manufactured for use in printing calicoes and accepted as a standard grade by which prices are constantly quoted.—Montgomery Journal.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has the largest sale of any Salve in the world. This fact and its merit has led dishonest people to attempt to counterfeit it. Look out for the man who attempts to deceive you when you call for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the great pile cure. J. M. Stanfield.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 5, 1898

In spite of a subsidized press and a party anxious to shield him the disgrace of our chief executive, ament the late war, is piling up alarmingly. All the country has been scandalized by the disclosure that Mr. McKinley's eat doctor was put in charge of the medical department and that Corbin, who had almost unlimited power, rests under charge of cowardice and unfitness to command brave men during the civil war. Solemn faced delegations from many sections have been for weeks waiting upon the president, urging the immediate removal of Secretary Alger, as his war record is proving too great an ordeal for even case hardened campaigners to stand up under.

One of the most significant political movements of to-day is the widespread tendency of the negro voters to assume an independent attitude toward the G. O. P. At many points they have put out candidates who will run against the regular party nominees, and they seem at last to have fully awakened to the fact that they have been used as the cat's-paw to pull chestnuts out of the political fire for the Republicans long enough.

The Socialist Labor party of Texas has filed its first nominations and will support a full state ticket this year.

Governor Leedy's continued illness, which it is feared will cause him to lose an eye, has kept him out of the campaign, much to the regret of the Kansas people.

Only nine men, it is alleged, responded to a recent call for a mass meeting of all the Populists of New York City.

Ex-Governors Altgeld of Illinois and Stone of Missouri have agreed to exchange speeches during the present campaign. Unless these able men are incorrectly reported in Democratic papers, they are delivering about as good Populist talks as any one would care to hear.

The Trade Unionists of Butte, Montana, have entered a hearty protest against the street car companies of that city being given license to do a freight business.

Owing to the earnest protestations and petitions of the Trades Unions of San Francisco all children under fourteen have been excluded from working in the department stores of that city.

The Pittsburg Labor League has entered politics. The party will be known as the Union Party, and no man will be eligible for membership therein who will not, under oath, renounce all allegiance to all former party affiliations and pledge himself to support the nominees, who must be members in good standing of the new party and of some labor organization.

The ticket of the three allied parties, it has been decided by the Secretary of State of California, must be headed "Democratic," while the Anti fusionists are given the name "People's Party."

It is estimated that the corn crop of Populist Nebraska this year will be worth $37,500,000. Such crops, now that the horde of thievish Republican officials has been removed, ought to make a Populist administration synonymous with prosperity, thus robbing the G. O. P. of its chief campaign slogan.

At the recent Democratic convention in New York the gold wing controlled and the Bryanites will put out a separate ticket.

The demand for silver money is greater throughout the South and West than ever before. Each of the mints is turning out silver coin, chiefly dollars and half-dollars, at the rate of $500,000 per month, without being able to fill all orders. Of course everybody remembers how silver was dubbed "cumbersome" and "inconvenient" by '96 gold bug spell-binders. A. R.

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A sage once said, "I have learned much from my teachers, more from my companions and most from my pupils."—Talmud.

Her Faults.

Edith—There is one thing in particular that I like Mr. Tactin for. He is so frank, you know. He always tells me of my faults without the least hesitation. That was the agreement I caused him to make.

Bertha—And you mean to say that you do not get angry with him?

Edith—Never.

Bertha—Tell me some of the faults he has found in you.

Edith—Oh, he hasn't found any yet. When I ask him to name them he always says that I am faultless. —Boston Transcript.

An Old Idea.

Every day strengthens the belief of eminent physicians that impure blood is the cause of the majority of our diseases. Twenty-five years ago this theory was used as a basis for the formula of Browns' Iron Bitters. The many remarkable cures effected by this famous old household remedy are sufficient to prove that the theory is correct. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton County and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Commencing at the north-east corner of Lot Number Thirteen in Block Number Seven, the same west fifty feet, thence south crossing the south line of said lot Number Thirteen Fifty feet west of the south-east corner, thence south in Lot Number Fourteen Block Number Seven as far as the south line of Lot Number Ten in Block Number Seven, making corner Fifty feet west from south-west corner of Lot Number Ten Block Number Seven, a strip Fifty feet wide. Also one hundred and twenty eight feet off of the west end of Lot Number Ten of Block Number Seven. All according to the Plat of the Town of Thorsby, Alabama, and being and lying in Chilton County, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1898

during the legal hours of sale at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton, Alabama, this 24 day of September, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Non-Resident Notice.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In Chancery, at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District North Eastern Chancery Division.

J. S. Johnson, Jr., Complainant, vs. Jesse A. Gilchrist, administrator, etc., et al, Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of A. C. Smith, Complainant's Solicitor, that the Defendants, Mrs. J. L. Barrett and Mrs. G. E. Wood, are non-residents of the State of Alabama; and that Mrs. J. L. Barrett resides in Anson, State of Texas, and that Mrs. G. E. Wood resides in Bartlett, State of Texas; and further, that in the belief of said affiant, that the said parties are both over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Mrs. J. L. Barrett and Mrs. G. E. Wood, to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days from the 26th day of October, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against them in said cause. Given at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 26th day of September, 1898.

W. E. STEWART, Register.
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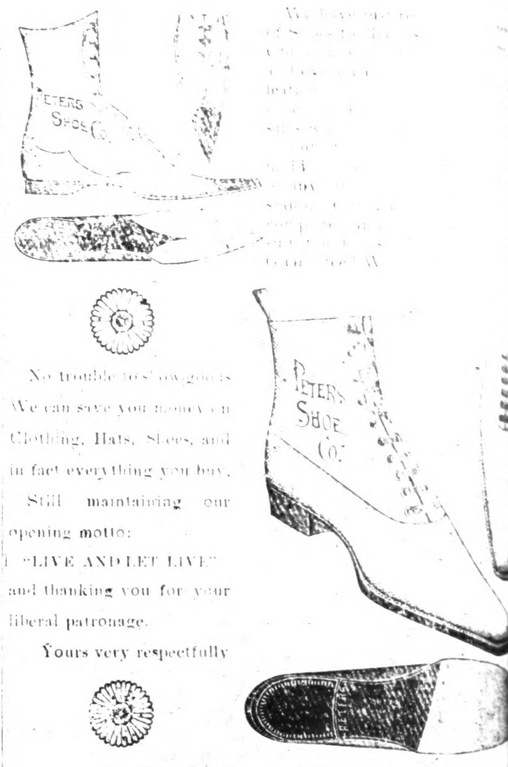

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Cotton checks	4	" a yard
Towels	4	" each
Shoes, Ladies'	75	" and up
" Men's	$1 00	"
" Children's, all kinds	24	cents "
Hats, big bargain, $1 50 hat for only	95	cents
Underskirts	17½	cents each

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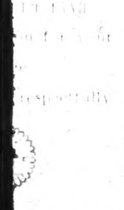

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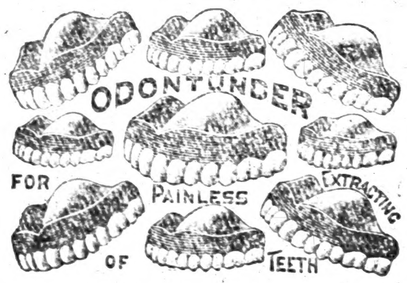

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Kircheon	Beat 6	October 1
Benson	" 2	" 3
Maplesville	" 7	" 4
Stantz	" 7	" 5
Dixie	" 8	" 6
Stanton	" 8	" 7
Mountain Creek	" 5	" 10
Providence	" 2	" 11
Jemison	" 2	" 12
Mineral Springs	" 1	" 13
Strasburg	" 9	" 14
Clanton	" 4	" 17
Coopers	" 5	" 18
Verbena	" 5	" 19 & 20
Davis & Rollins' Gin, Beat 6		" 21
Albert Beasley's Store	" 6	" 22

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
T. J. HUBBARD, Tax Collector.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly, out of the goods, chattles, lands and tenements of the said Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot number six (6) in Block number eleven (11) in the Town of Clanton, Alabama, lying on the eastern side of the South and North Alabama Railroad.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated this 22d day of September, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 10982.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., October 1, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., November 12th, 1898, viz., Malachi C. Williams, Homestead entry No. 28,057, for the s ½ of se ¼, sec. 27, tp. 21 north of range 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Edmund T. Connell, William F. Mims, W. D. Goss, Phillip H. Connell, all of Barwell, Ala.

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WE will attend at the following times and places for the purpose of Assessing the State and County Taxes of Chilton county for the year 1898, and collecting the taxes for the year 1898:

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Kircheon	Beat 6	November 1
Plowden's Mill	" 8	" 2
Clanton Beat	" 8	" 3
Stantz	" 7	" 4
Benson	" 2	" 5
Maplesville	" 7	" 7
Stanton	" 8	" 8
Dixie	" 8	" 9
Valley Creek church	" 8	" 10
Macedonia	" 2	" 11
Hayes Mill	" 2	" 12
Providence church	" 2	" 14
Elijah Busby's	" 1	" 15
Smith School house	" 1	" 16
Cofer's Mill	" 2	" 17
Jemison	" 2	" 18
Mineral Springs	" 1	" 21
Strasburg	" 9	" 22
James Maddox Mill	" 4	" 23
Clanton	" 4	" 25
Cane creek	" 4	" 26
Jesse Maddox's	" 4	" 29
Goer's School	" 4	" 30
Coopers	" 5	Dec. 1
Verbena	" 5	" 5
Mountain Creek	" 5	" 6
Burwell	" 5	" 7
Caloway's Mill	" 5	" 8
Providence ch	" 5	" 9

Clanton, from Dec. 19 to 29, Sunday excepted.

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
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The Examiners were for several months in the county and have the names of nearly all heads of families. Don't neglect to call and pay your taxes.

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DEFEAT OF THE DERVISHES--- THE SOUDAN RECONQUERED.

"Chinese" Gordon Avenged.

COMPLETE and overwhelming is the defeat of the Dervishes.

January 27, 1885—England was humiliated in the Soudan by the rout of her troops, the assassination of Gordon and the fall of Khartoum, the capital of the Equatorial Provinces of Egypt and the centre of British influence in Central Africa.

September 3, 1898—England and Gordon were avenged by the utter rout of the Mahdists, by the fall of Omdurman, the Mahdist capital, just across the Nile from the ruins of Khartoum, and by the complete re-establishment of British power in the rich Soudanese provinces. With the overthrow of the Mahdist empire the last stronghold of the slave trade in the world has been destroyed.

The man who has routed the Dervishes, Major-General Sir Horatio Herbert Kitchener, G. B. C. M. G., has rendered the greatest service to

MAJOR-GENERAL HERBERT KITCHENER.

his country, both in a military and civil capacity. He was born in Ireland, of good old Irish fighting stock, in 1851 and obtained a lieutenant's commission when twenty years of age. He became captain in 1883, major in the following year, lieutenant-colonel in 1885 and colonel in 1888.

After the Soudan campaign he was selected to recognize the Egyptian army and appointed Sirdar of the forces, and striking testimony to his ability has been given by the efficiency of the troops under his command during the expedition which has culminated in the recapture of the stronghold of the fanatics.

The fall of Khartoum means that the power of the Khalifa Abdullah is practically overthrown and that Kardofan and the Soudan are restored to the rule of Egypt, and that a point of great strategic importance and of vast commercial possibilities has been gained. Seated at the confluence of the Blue Nile and White Nile, the city is bound to be a great emporium of trade. It is shaped like the head of an elephant, from which it derives its name. In the old days it was very beautiful, with white walls and domes and minarets gleaming through green palm groves. But the Khalifa's wild followers have probably made the city desolate.

The city has had an eventful history since 1882. Raouf Pacha was governing the Isle of Meroe for the Khedive in that year. News was beginning to arrive of a certain Dervish wandering in the Soudan, who was drawing all the natives to him, and especially those Arabs who lived by the slave trade, which Gessi Pacha had been extirpating.

This Dervish, Mohammed Ahmad by name, could turn, it is said, all government bullets into water, and had, in truth, once and again defeated Egyptian troops sent to arrest him. Then, becoming bolder, the pretender of a sudden openly called himself the Mahdi, a name derived from a word in the opening chapter of the Koran.

He called himself Mahdi Khalifat er Rasul, ("the successor of the Prophet"), while his adherents called him Sayid ("The Master"); Savid na el Mahdi ("Our Master, the Leader"). This troublesome and extraordinary person, with no drill or military science, no weapons to speak of, but plenty of ferocious followers, principally of the Baggara race, marched through the towns and villages of Kordofan, and with 30,000 men beseiged El Obeid and took the town after one repulse, cruelly murdering its brave defenders.

That conquest increased the name and fame of the Mahdi, who settled down like a king at El Obeid, while preparing for a further advance to Khartoum. By this time he had inflamed with his preaching and success the whole of Kordofan and of Sennar.

A DERVISH CHIEF.

except that corner where the city of Khartoum sits upon the junction of the White and Blue Nile.

Before he could master this central position he had to confront the expedition under Hicks Pacha, sent by the Egyptian Government to Rahad. Everybody knows the miserable issue. The Mahdi cut that force to pieces, so that hardly a man escaped, and by this victory gained almost the entire Soudan, and opened the way to the conquest of Khartoum.

Then the victorious and pious slave dealer set out for Khartoum, where the hapeless people, deceived by the hope of English help, had lingered to welcome Gordon. No notice was taken of that hero's proclamations to the Soudanese. His communications were cut with the north, and very soon a horde numbering 200,000 swarmed at the heels of the Mahdi into Omdurman and the outskirts of Khartoum. This was in October, 1884.

The low Nile left a part of the ram parts broken and indefensible. The vast mass of assailing Dervishes made thereby their rush, in two bands, just before the British relieving force came in sight of the white walls and green palm groves of the city. Gordon died at his hopeless post.

This undoubted triumph intoxicated his followers with faith, but demoralized the Mahdi. He took to unbridled luxury, and died of its consequences on July 22, 1885. The desert ascetic, whose bed had been a mat of straw, expired upon Persian carpets in all the splendor and state of a great Eastern prince, having founded in his brief career an empire built on the basis of slavery and reckless bloodshed. Before death he had himself nominated Abdullah as his successor, who thus inherited a dominion stretching from the Bahr-el-Ghaxal to Egypt, and from Darfur to the Red Sea.

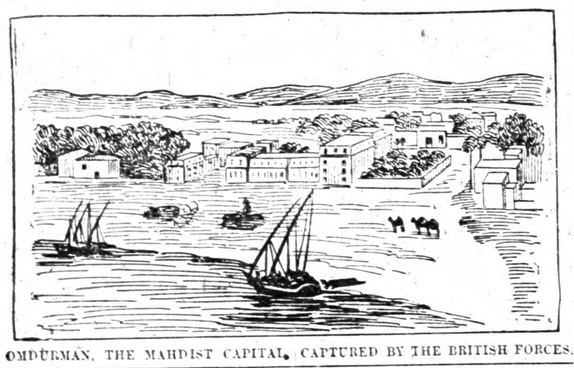
The new tyrant began with very great ideas. He proclaimed that he would conquer all Egypt, as well as Abyssinia. Putting all laws on one side, he made himself absolute master over life and death in the Soudan.

THE KHALIFA ABDULLAH ON CAMELBACK AT THE HEAD OF HIS DERVISHES.

Some idea of the inner life of the Mahdi and the Kahlifa is found in the remarkable experience of an Austrian officer named Slatin, who, while acting as governor of a province in the Soudan under Gordon, was captured by the Mahdi and held a prisoner many years. When Khartoum was taken Slatin was living in a hut at Omdurman, heavily chained and exposed daily to the insults of the mob. After the taking of the city some Dervishes came to him with something rolled in a cloth, and, commanding him to stand forth, they unrolled suddenly their bundle and showed him the gory head of Gordon. Afterward he learned how Gordon had died. When Khartoum fell and the Mahdists were swarming through the city, Gordon came down the stairway of his house and demanded the leader of the invaders. He was speared to death where he stood, and his head cut off to show to the Mahdi.

The return of "The Man Who Was" in Kipling's story was no more dramatic than the actual return to the land of white men of Rudolph Slatin, or Slatin Pasha, as he is known. Sixteen years before the young and dashing Austrian officer had gone out into the wilds of Africa as governor of the great province of Darfur. For twelve years he had been a slave in the hands of the Mahdists, suffering every indignity that the ingenuity of the Mahdi and his successor, the Khalifa, could invent. One day a man disguised as an Arab trader, passed him in the street and whispered to him that he had been sent by Major Wingate, Director of Military Intelligence, Egyptian Army, and Baron Heidler, Austrian Ambassador in Cairo, to help him to escape. They managed to have several interviews, and finally one night, after the Khalifa had gone to bed and the city was asleep, Slatin mounted a donkey and rode to where the faithful Arab, Hussein, had camels in waiting. Then a long and hazardous flight began, which, after much suffering and many perils, ended in the officers' mess at Assuan.

SLATIN PASHA.



OMDURMAN, THE MAHDIST CAPITAL, CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH FORCES.

AUTUMNAL FABRICS ARE WORKS OF ART.

WAR COLORS IN THE GOWNS.

LATE fall and winter dress materials of 1898 are works of art, and their variety is great. Many women hesitate to select fabrics for their winter gowns so early in the season, believing that new designs and materials will be brought out as the season advances. Those who plunge right in, however, have the wider choice. In colored goods, poplin and crepon vie with each other for first place. Many people understand by poplin a smooth one-toned material worn by their grandmothers, and by crepon almost any soft stuff with a raised figure. Such will open their eyes in astonishment when they come to view the brilliant goods now displayed. Among poplins there are exquisite shadow plaids on a poplin ground, broken plaids, two-toned poplin velours and plain two-toned poplins in all the new shades and standard colorings. One thinks that nothing in the way of dress goods could be prettier until the plain poplins in the new shades of red and blue and purple, with bayadere stripes of black plush, come into sight. Some of these have a black stripe, between the plush stripes, in serpentine braid effect.

In fact there is more chance than ever for woman to be beautiful, since now there are war colors in her gowns. She wears marine blue, military gray and cavalry yellow. Artillery red is also seen in the trimmings of her costumes and wraps and there is a martial air about them.

A Charming Design

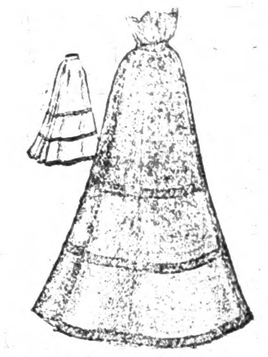
A charming combination is here represented in steel grey and white broadcloth decorated with black guipure lace and narrow black satin ribbon "frizzed out." The yoke and standing collar of white cloth is overlaid with black guipure lace applique to match decorating the fronts, back and sleeves. The fashionable fronts are cut low and crossed in "Indor" style, just enough fulness being collected by gathers at the waist to pouch becomingly over the belt. Glove-fitted linings that close in centre front support the deep yoke that is included in the right shoulder arm, and closes with the standing collar over on the left shoulder. The over fronts lap to the left and close invisibly with the shaped belt. Over the seamless back that is smooth at the top a rounded yoke facing is applied, the fulness at the lower edge being laid in overlapping plaits at the centre.

A novel feature is the smooth round bertha of white cloth that outlines the yoke edge with narrow black "frizzed" ribbon and the shaped belt that lengthens the waist line.

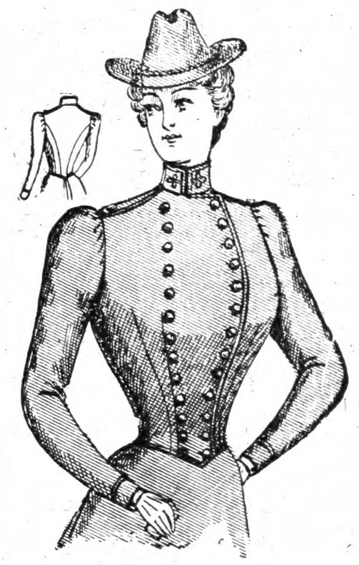
The stylish sleeves are shaped with two seams, the upper portions being adjusted by gathers and tacking over the fitted lining to form a puff at the top. At the wrists a narrow pointed cuff is joined that flares downward over the hand.

Very stylish dress goods are shown in white, many of them with the warp of silk with a fine wool weft. Black in stripes, checks and figures of silk with a velvet finish, satin with satin figures and many other new and artistic combinations are among the many novelties.

To make this waist for a lady of medium size will require three and a half yards of material forty-four inches wide.



THE FAVORITE SKIRT.



LADIES' ADMIRAL BASQUE.

AN "INDOR" WAIST.

and can be decorated in various ways, cross bands as here shown being best for tall and lengthwise for short figures.

The narrow front gore is set between two wide circular portions that meet in a seam at centre back.

The fulness at the top is laid in two overlapping plaits at each side of centre but gathers can be employed if so preferred. Small darts fit the top smoothly over the hips, the graceful flare to the foot resulting from the shaping that accords with the newest mode.

Cloth, serge, camel's hair, crepon, cheviot, mohair, etamine and all wide novelty fabrics will give satisfaction when developed by the model, braid, ribbon or bias bands of the material providing suitable decoration.

A skirt of black nuns veiling, henrietta cashmere or drap-de-sete trimmed with bands of crepe or dupp ribbon silk in this style will be very appropriate for mourning.

The skirt measures four yards at the foot in the middle size.

To make this skirt for a lady of medium size will require three and a half yards of material forty-four inches wide.

An Autumn Military Effect.

Military effects dominate the new season's styles, braid and brass buttons entering largely into the decorations.

All shades of blue are worn from the light greyish cadet to the darkest navy.

A perfect glove-fitting adjustment is the prominent characteristic of the "Admiral" basque shown in the large illustration. It is fitted with the usual double darts, under-arm and side back gores, that curve higher on the back than is usual and may be made with or without a centre back seam. The fronts lap in double breasted style to the neck, closing with graduated rows of brass buttons.

The lower outline reaches a trifle below the waist at the sides curving over the hips to pretty points front and back.

Shoulder straps are included in the neck seam, the pointed lower end being secured by single brass buttons.

The high military collar is trimmed with braid and all the free edges of the basque are similarly outlined.

The sleeves are shaped with upper and under portions, the moderate fulness being gathered at the top and the wrists have cuffs simulated by double rows of braid

PHILIPPINES LOST

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REPRESENTS [illegible]

REBELLION S[illegible]

New Rising of the Tr[illegible]
Paper Urges a Br[illegible]

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EVACUATING PORTO [illegible]

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To Light [illegible]

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PHILIPPINES LOST TO SP...

Senator Hanna Say... the Domi...
Have to Give Up the Islands.

REPRESENTS THE VIEWS OF THE PRES...

Rebellion Spreading in Several P...
of the Island of Luzon. A Protest
Be Made to the Paris Commissi...
Minister Hoshi's Opinion.

In an interview with Senator ... concerning the Philippine qu... he had the following to say, wh... believed to represent the view... President McKinley:

"I do not know what the ... have given to our peace commissi... are," said the senator, "but as ... concerns the negotiations which ... be instituted in Paris I can ... either result than that Spain will ... to relinquish her sovereignty ... of the Luzon island, but the ... Philippine archipelago. Spain ... reason to expect to be able to ... any portion of the group. She ... into the war and lost and now ... to be prepared to suffer all the ... quences which such a defeat ... I regard the Philippines as ... Spain, and that being a foregone ... clusion, in my opinion, the p... which next confronts us relates ... form of government which ... give the islands."

REBELLION SPREADING.

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EVACUATING PORTO R...

American Troops Now Occ... Thirds of the Island.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR OCTOBER 9.

Lesson Text: "Jehosaphat's Good Reign," II Chronicles xvii., 1-10—Golden Text Proverbs iii., 6—Commentary by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

1. "And Jehosaphat, his son, reigned in his stead and strengthened himself against Israel." Israel, or the ten tribes, had proved themselves to be the enemies of God and to stand with God means to stand against His enemies (Jas. iv., 4). How great the contrast in chapter xviii., 1, where we see Jehosaphat joining affinity with Ahab, the king of Israel, and thus necessitating the rebuke of the Lord in chapter xix., 2, "Shouldest thou help the ungodly and love them that hate the Lord?" To be for God at all times and under all circumstances is a rare thing and is seen perfectly only in the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. "And he placed forces in all the fenced cities of Judah." Every king was king for the Lord (II Chron. ix., 8), and his strength was to be in the Lord and not in horses and chariots (Deut. xvii., 16). When we put our trust in things visible, we are apt to cease to see and rely upon God (Jer. xvii., 5). This is a constant temptation and a snare. The Lord is often proving us as He did Philip, and we, like Philip, venture to suggest to Him how it might be done, but all the while He Himself knows what He will do (John vi., 5-7). When we obediently and trustfully, under God's guidance, make ordinary provision, all as well. The difficulty is when we cease to see God.

3. "And the Lord was with Jehosaphat." This is the secret of all blessing. The Lord was with Joseph (Gen. xxxix., 2, 3, 21, 23). The Lord was with David (II Sam. v., 10). His comfort to Moses, Joshua, Gideon and Jeremiah was the assurance that He was with them (Ex. iii., 12; Josh. i., 5; Judg. vi., 16; Jer. i., 8). So when the Lord Jesus sent His followers into all the world the greatest encouragement He could give them was His assurance: "All power is given unto Me in heaven and on earth. Go ye, therefore, and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the age" (Math. xxviii., 18-20).

4. "He sought to the Lord God of his father and walked in His commandments." It is written of Zacharias and Elizabeth that they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless (Luke i., 6). God had said to Israel that if they would obey His voice and keep His covenant, they would be a peculiar treasure unto Him above all people (Ex. xix., 5), and in Titus ii., 14 (R. V.), it is written that He gave Himself for us to redeem us from all iniquity and purify unto Himself a people for His own possession, zealous of good works.

5. "Therefore the Lord established the kingdom in his hand." Joshua was told that if he would observe to do according to all the law, his way would be prosperous and he would have good success (Joshua i., 7, 8). In II Chron. xx., 20, Jehosaphat is heard saying to the people, "Believe in the Lord your God, so shall ye be established," and in Isa. vii., 9, is the contrast, "If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established." In God and in His word is the only establishment, for all else shall be shaken. Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken let us have grace whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear, for our God is a consuming fire (Heb. xii., 28, 29).

6. "And his heart was lifted up in the ways of the Lord." The margin says that he was encouraged in the ways of the Lord; those who seek to walk in the way of the Lord shall not lack encouragement to continue therein. There will be many a handful dropped for us on purpose to lead us in His way (Ruth ii., 16). They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles (Isa. xl., 31). The way of the Lord was so attractive and enjoyable that the way of the world and the devil became distasteful and the high places and groves were taken away. We cannot walk with God unless we humble ourselves so to do and make up our minds to be agreed with Him (Mic. vi., 8; Amos iii., 3).

7. "Also in the third year of his reign he sent to his princes to teach in the cities of Judah." What a suggestive foreshadowing of the time when "A king shall reign in righteousness and princes shall rule in judgment, and the work of righteousness shall be peace, and the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever" (Isa. xxxii., 1, 17). There cannot be anything more important than that men should know the Lord and His ways, and when kings and princes take up this as their mission, the kingdom will either have come or be very near. Just now our Government has given $50,000,000 for defense, for the purchase or manufacture of warships or war material, but was it ever heard that any Government ever gave even $1,000,000 to make known the living God?

8. "And with them Levites and priests." The priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth, for he is the messenger of the Lord of Hosts (Mal. ii., 7). Their calling is simply set forth in II Chron. xxix., 11, in these words, "My sons, be not now negligent, for the Lord hath chosen you to stand before Him to serve Him and that ye should minister unto Him and burn incense." Priests, prophets and kings were to recognize God alone as their Master and live only unto Him.

9. "And they taught in Judah and had the book of the law of the Lord with them and went about throughout all the cities of Judah and taught the people." There is nothing on earth so heavenly as the Word of God. It is all "true from the beginning" and "forever settled in heaven" (Ps. cxix., 89, 160). We are to receive it meekly, hold it fast, rightly divide it and hold it forth, for it is an engrafted word, a faithful word, a word of truth and a word of life (Jas. i., 21; Titus i., 9; II Tim. ii., 15; Phil. ii., 16). If all ministers and teachers taught only the Word of God and honored it as the Word of God, how much more would be accomplished for God! But when those who profess to be its friends dishonor and even set aside many portions of it what shall we say? Just this, "Forever, O Lord, Thy word is settled in heaven."

10. "And the fear of the Lord fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that were round about Judah." There was no war. Other nations brought presents and tribute, and Jehosaphat waxed great exceedingly (verses 11, 12). The remaining verses of the chapter tell that his army was 1,160,000, but the very next chapter tells of his downfall. Uzziah was marvelously helped till he was strong, but his strength was his weakness and the cause of his fall (II Chron. xxvi., 15, 16). Our only strength is in the Lord. Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.—Lesson Helper.

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Rome's trades unions have taken a sensible view of the czar's proposal for general disarmament, and have voted to begin by putting down the practice among Italian workmen of carrying and using knives.

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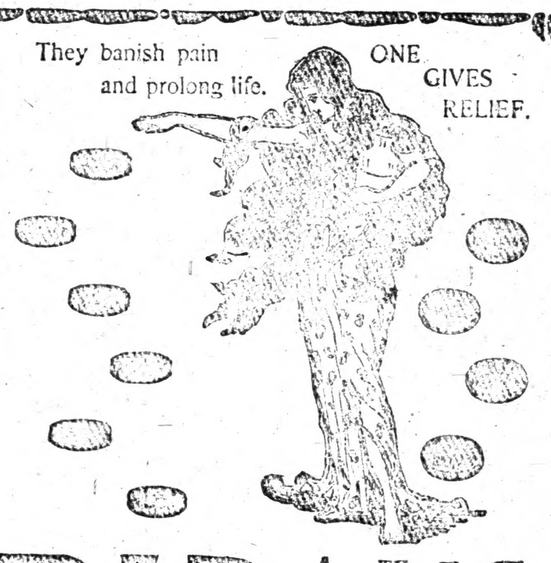

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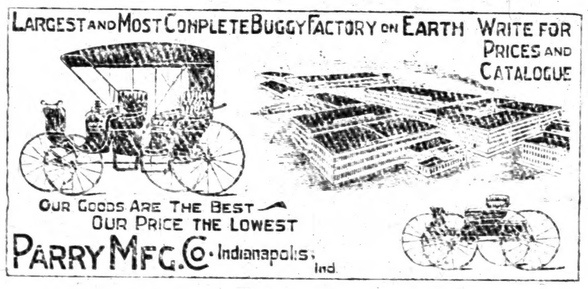

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ELECTION NOTICE.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

Notice is hereby given that a general election to be held at the various voting places in Chilton County, Alabama, on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1898,

for the election of a Representative in the Congress of the United States from the Fourth Congressional District of Alabama.

This the 5th day of October, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

We the undersigned, as required by law, have this day selected the following named persons to act as Inspectors and Returning officers of an election to be held in Chilton County, Alabama, on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1898, to wit:

Beat 1. Inspectors, J. N. Glasscock, Henry Young, W. R. Robinson. Returning Officer, J. M. Robinson.

Beat 2. Box 1. Inspectors, G. G. Armstrong, Hugh Henry. Returning Officer, W. A. Sims.

Beat 2. Box 2. Inspectors, I. P. Green, J. L. Thomas. Returning Officer, Geo. W. Shaw.

Beat 3. Box 1. Inspectors, B. H. Walker, Alfred Mims. Returning Officer, Calvin Jones.

Beat 3. Box 2. Inspectors, Z. J. Jones, [illegible] Bates. Returning Officer, [illegible]

Beat 4. Box 1. Inspectors, J. E. Sims, A. C. [illegible]. Returning officer, [illegible]

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Beat 6. Box 2. Inspectors, J. H. [illegible], G. M. Moore, [illegible]. Returning Officer, N. W. Latham.

Beat 7. Box 1. Inspectors, F. J. Parnell, [illegible]. Returning Officer, [illegible]

Beat 7. Box 2. Inspectors, J. Bice, T. T. Thornton. Returning Officer, G. [illegible]

This the 5th day of October, 1898.

[illegible], Probate Judge.

[illegible], Sheriff.

J. J. [illegible], Circuit Clerk.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

Hon. W. [illegible] will address the citizens of Chilton county at the following times and places:

Clanton, Monday, October 31, at 10 a. m.

Jemison, Tuesday, November 1, at 10 a. m.

Thorsby, Wednesday, November 2, at 7:30 p. m.

Chilton, Thursday, November 3, at 10 a. m.

Coppedge, Thursday, November 3, at 3:30 p. m.

Verbena, Friday, November 4, at 10 a. m.

Hon. A. [illegible] Longshore will address the citizens as follows:

Clanton, Monday, October 24, at 10 a. m.

Jemison, Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 10 a. m.

Thorsby, Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 7:30 p. m.

Chilton, Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 3:30 p. m.

Coppedge, Thursday, Oct. 27, at 10 a. m.

Verbena, Friday, Oct. 28, at 10 a. m.

Marbleville, Saturday, Oct. 29, at 10 a. m.

Hon. Joseph F. Johnston will address the people on the political issues of the day at Jemison, Chilton county, on Saturday, October 22, at 10 a. m.

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Clanton, Ala., Oct. 7, 1898

Editor BANNER—As I have noticed nothing from this part of the country lately in regard to the much talked of stock and road law would like to give my idea in reference thereto. Now, let's see about the stock law to begin with. The stock law is a nuisance, from the fact that it compels a poor man to make away with all of his cattle and hogs. Why so? Simply because he cannot afford to keep them up all the year and feed them. Oh, the other side will say, two or three acres in rye or oats or something like that will feed half a dozen head of cattle and then they will give so much more milk and butter. Now, I will ask what are they going to do with the man that has not got land enough to make a living for his family on if he uses it for pasturage? Then he must do something else besides farming for a living, or in other words if it takes all of his land to make a living for his family, then how is he to make a living for his family and his cattle too? It won't work. It is like putting a bushel of corn or wheat in a peck measure. Now we have got a nice bunch of cattle, just as fat as their hides will hold them 11 head in all, yet we have no stock law and do not want it. Let me make a suggestion right here. If a man wants the stock law, if he just builds a fence 8 or 10 feet high around his stock then he will have it. Here is the trouble; there are a few individuals in Chilton county that own large tracts of land. Now if they can get this stock law then they can turn their farms into pastures and realize more money out of them than they can by raising 4½ cent cotton, and they know that the poor man can't afford to make buzzard meat out of his stock and will have to come to their terms in order to get their stock fed, and their terms means about 24 dollars a year on a cow and other stock in proportion. Individually, the stock law would not hurt me in the least, but I don't think it right to run anything over the people that would be in the least detrimental to their interests. More anon. Success to the Banner and its editor. J. D. GRANT.

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Shoults, Oct. 10, 1898

Editor BANNER—I see the question of a law relative to some kinds of stock running at large, also taxing dogs where a man owns more than one, is open for discussion. Now, we, the undersigned, wish to enter our solemn protest against any such infringements upon our rights. It smacks of stock law straight, and to pass the bill is sharpening the knife to cut our own throats. We have a right to own as many dogs as we wish, without being required to put collars on them. Next you would claim the right to say what kind of collar the dog should wear, get a patent for same, and have a monopoly of the business at once.

As to the hogs and cattle of course you want us to get good stock, fewer and better. We have the fewer now, and will and an improving grade at our own discretion or ability so to do. The proposed bill in curtailing the rights of citizens will cause no small amount of trouble. We should be very careful about passing laws infringing upon usages so long established until they are considered national rights. How strange it is that a great many people living around little burgs know so much more of our needs than we know.

And here are our neighbors in Perry county, liners who would be affected, join us in our protest against any such law.

Signed: George Moore, J. N. Gentry, W. A. Green, W. B. Green, Mercer Oneal, Samuel Johnson, L. O. Burnett, T. J. Littlejohn, James Green and J. D. Holsenbeck, and scores of others not necessary to name.

Oakmulgee, Ala., Oct. 8, 1898

Editor BANNER:—As there is a great deal being said just now in regard to bull laws, etc., I would like to say a few words in regard to the election of a member of congress, as we are not interested in having laws enacted that would interfere with our rights as free people just yet. But we are interested in the election of Hon. William F. Aldrich to congress, and I think every man should be who believes in the majority of the people having a voice in government affairs, which we have only had in the last ten years through the never ceasing efforts of Hon. W. F. Aldrich, our present member of congress, to redeem our country from the clutches of Democratic usurpation. How many people have ever thought that they were not allowed to vote in State and National elections—that is, your votes are killed by fictitious votes made up from the black belt portion of the State mainly.

Now, as the all important issue before the people to-day is fair elections, and as the Hon. Wm. F. Aldrich is the acknowledged champion of said issue, true and tried, it is not only a privilege but it is the indispensible duty of every individual to go to the polls on the 8th of November and cast one vote for W. F. Aldrich, that is if they believe in every man having a right to have his vote counted as cast, and not over run by a fictitious vote from the black belt part of the district. Now, we want to hear from the people on the subject in every part of the county through the Banner. Wake up from your lethargy and let the people know how you stand, if it is only a half-dozen lines.

We should give Mr. Aldrich the biggest vote this time he has ever received from Chilton county, but to do it will require some effort. There will be many votes in this election that will go on record for future reference. "Choose ye to day whom ye serve." Well, I will close this time with three cheers Aldrich. WM. B. GREENE.

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Turn-Round Topics.

E. J. Kelley, of Pine Flat, spent Saturday night with Walter Kendrick.

Miss Martha Pyron and brother, of Verbena, visited Miss Vena Pyron Sunday.

Bud Hawes, of Bozeman, was over on business Monday.

Mrs. E. T. and P. H. Connell spent Tuesday with Mrs. H. Kendrick.

Messrs. Hardy and Hammons visited Clanton last week.

We witnessed another heavy rain here Tuesday evening.

Walter Kendrick and Peyton Pattillo report having spent a most pleasant day in Clanton Sunday.

We are sorry to state that Mr. and Mrs. McKinney are no better at this writing.

Prof. J. C. Pattillo, fifteen years ago, while hoeing, had a little gravel flew into his eye. Last week he went to Montgomery to be treated under a skilled physician. The rock was taken out and he came home Saturday much relived, and visited Union Point Sunday.

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Marbleville.

We regret that Mr. W. Perry's family have moved to Tuskaloosa.

J. A. DuBose is home on furlough.

Mrs. and Miss Gertrude Wooley have moved to Birmingham.

Mrs. Paisley has returned to Selma.

Mr. Perry McGee has been to see his sister here, Mrs. Mary DuBose; the latter has been very ill.

Our soldiers who get lunch here are a festive set, sometimes playing so roughly with the bugle—we are as to break much of it. So far from the seat of war our citizens were delighted with their bugle music.

Our enterprising citizens, R. D. Martin and G. Fox, have added to their houses from press of business.

Our friend, A. C. Baker, is quarantine officer on the Southern railroad from Selma.

Dr. Kelley and his brother Frank, are visiting their sister, Mrs. R. L. Martin. SUBSCRIBER.

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White Plain.

Our town is still on a boom, several new dwellings are about completed, and quite a number of delapidated buildings are being renovated.

Mr. J. C. Bozeman removed his family to Blufton this week.

Misses Lizzie Gardner and Georgie Thompson, of Verbena, and Miss Annie Haardt of West Point, were visitors here this week.

An ice cream supper was given at the residence of Mr. F. P. Townsen last Friday night in honor of the visiting young ladies.

We had a very refreshing shower of rain last evening which was badly needed. A FRIEND.

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A Remarkable Family Reunion.

A remarkable family reunion on the 30th of September at the home of C. H. Dansby near Verbena was a remarkable family reunion of two brothers and two sisters, one brother and sister who had not met in thirty-two years. The eldest was 75, the youngest 58, only one had a living companion and all had been married. Their united ages were 267 years. They were J. V. Dansby of Pensacola, Fla., F. M. Dansby of Birmingham, Ala., Mrs. C. Glover of Marbleville, and Mrs. M. G. Sullivan of Dayton. The meeting was pleasant tinged with much sadness, pleasant recalling the joys of youth and saddened to think of the loved and lost. The genial host and his most excellent wife added much to the pleasure of this remarkable reunion. B. O. GLOVER.

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PROGRAM.

Saturday, 9 a.m. Welcome address by James Nix.

9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by W. D. Langston.

10. Organization.

1st Subject. The scriptual author for Sunday-school? Discussed by J. M. Langston and W. H. Shaw.

12. Recess for refreshments.

1:30 p.m. What is the duty of superintendent and teachers to the Sabbath school? Opened by Jasper Langston followed by W. A. Mims.

2:30. What is our motive for attending Sunday-school? Discussed by John A. Lowery and David Smitherman.

3:30. Are we discharging our Christain duty when we take no part in the Sabbath-school work? Opened by James Scott followed by J. B. Oden.

Sunday, 10 a.m. Sabbath school mass meeting, conducted by Rev. L. P. Gentry.

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A certain individual writing on the perils of vacations at sea, remarks that if the voyager is a bachelor there is no sufficient reason against his leaving the vessel an engaged man. But where is he free from this danger? Where is the womanless Eden to which he can fly and be out of danger?

Switzerland is noted for its high schools, which are much frequented by foreigners, especially the English. But in regard to common schools there is a great difference between the Cantons. In Basel, Zurich and Geneva teachers receive a salary of $600 to $800 a year, whereas in Wallis, Freiburg and Tessin there are not a few who get only $100 and whose services are hardly worth more. The Canton of Aargau has just passed a law making the pay equal for men and women teachers, the minimum being $280, with an addition of $20 a year, up to $60.

Some curiosities of Chicago's population are shown in the recently completed school census, particularly as to the proportion of foreign-born. One block, for instance, in the Sixteenth Ward has only seven American-born residents out of a total of 2727, the majority being Poles, with a sprinkling of several other nationalities. Another block near by has a total population of 231, only about one-sixth of whom are natives, Germans predominating here. But the record for alien residents belongs to two other neighboring blocks, with a total population of 2584, of whom 2583 are Poles, the other man being a Chinaman. The total population of the city is estimated to be 1,851,588, which would indicate a growth of over seventy per cent. since 1890—a most remarkable increase in urban population.

When the Ohio Legislature enacted last spring that a jury in a murder case may accompany a verdict of murder in the first degree with a recommendation for mercy, which shall entitle the accused to a sentence of life imprisonment instead of death, it was not supposed that it was virtually abolishing capital punishment. The change in the law was regarded as a concession to the scruples of people who sometimes get on juries, and who hesitate to convict on circumstantial evidence when such conviction means capital punishment. In operation, however, the law is expected to abolish hanging in the State, except in the rare cases when exceptional atrocity in crime may awake the revengeful spirit in the minds of the jurymen. In the first murder case tried under the new law the jury exercised their veto power by a recommendation to mercy, and the convict went to prison for life, although it does not appear in the newspaper reports of the trial that there was the remotest doubt of his guilt.

The New York Sun says: On the 22d of June the army under command of Major-General Shafter landed at Baiquiri in Cuba. On the 14th of July, after a campaign of three weeks, conducted with brilliant impetuosity, came the surrender of Santiago. On the 25th of August, General Shafter relinquished the command of the department of Santiago de Cuba to General Lawton and embarked for the camp at Montauk Point, his job completed, the main part of his army having already been removed thither. All these great events, it will be observed, occurred within the space of two months only; two months of the hottest and unhealthiest season in Cuba. Our troops were transported 1100 miles; in three weeks they forced the enemy to surrender a force greater than their own, and in two months they are back in their own country crowned with complete victory. Now is there any precedent in the history of war for a campaign of such brevity, with results so glorious in their completeness, and with losses so small relatively to the difficulties encountered and the ends gained? At any rate, it was one of the most remarkably successful military operations ever conducted. Faults of detail may be found in it, but as a whole it was unassailable. It was quick work, well and thoroughly done. No army in the world would or could have done better.

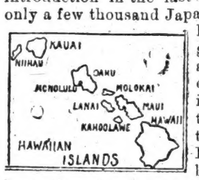
HAWAII'S DEVELOPMENT.

Our New Territory by No Means a Wilderness Sheltering Savages.

People are beginning to ask practical questions about the nation's new domain in the Hawaiian Islands. There is a widespread inquiry as to opportunities presented in the islands for fortune-getting. Many of these inquiries betray the supposition that Hawaii is nearly an untrod wilderness, given over to half-naked savages in

HAWAIIAN COUNTRY RESIDENCE.

an aboriginal state of simplicity and heathenism. There is much picturesque material in the native life and customs, which invites the descriptive writer to turn aside and dwell upon it. It thus receives undue prominence. As a matter of fact, the native element is a constantly dwindling influence, not only by reason of the decrease in numbers of the race, but also of the increasing ratio of the foreign population and commercial and industrial improvements. With a total population in all the islands of much less than 100,000, it is easily seen that a small change in the absolute numbers may work vast changes in proportions. Thus, the introduction in the last few years of only a few thousand Japanese laborers



has awakened grave fears of a new predominating influence in the affairs of the islands. But the little brown men have thus far proved themselves as quiet, contented and law-abiding as had the Chinese, who comprised the largest part of the male population after the growth of the sugar industry had invited the use of their labor.

But it is surprising how little effect all of these alien elements have in changing the prevailing Anglo-Saxon character of the little country's institutions. All matters, industrial, commercial, social and political, centre in Honolulu. And Honolulu is a New England town transplanted into the tropics and embowered in palms instead of elms. The selection of the site of Honolulu was not merely fortuitous. The deep bay, with the entrance locked by a coral reef, opening away from the prevailing trade winds, makes it the one secure harbor in the group, as it did when the New England whalers first made it their rendezvous for their annual expeditions. Even Pearl River Harbor itself, which is counted so valuable as a naval coaling station for the United States, offers its promise to the skilled eye of the engineer rather than to the heart of a mariner seeking refuge from immediate storm. Honolulu alone boasts of finished wharves, to which seagoing craft can come and unload and load their cargoes. The so-called "esplanade" in Honolulu presents a scene of bustle and activity at any time, with a fair showing of sailing vessels tied up to its wharves. The shipping and commission houses are the most powerful element in the business of the islands. The majority of them are American, but there are some strong British and German houses as well. Many of the plantations are owned and financed by such Honolulu houses, who may be also in the import business and own the bottoms in which they import dry goods, lumber and supplies of all kinds and export sugar. There are vessels thus owned which come out from Boston or from Liverpool and go on to China and India as traders. The young men of the islands consider themselves fortunate to secure business positions with these powerful Honolulu houses, and the young Americans, Englishmen and Germans who have this connection make up an important element in the life of the town.

One of the influential figures in the business life of the islands is Ah Fong, the well-known Chinese merchant. Ah Fong's principal business connections are in China, and he does a large import trade from there.

Small groceries and bakeshops in Honolulu are largely in the hands of Chinamen, and their little provision stores are dotted all over the island. They are also the purveyors of fruits and vegetables for the Honolulu householders. The country about Honolulu is much taken up with their immaculately kept gardens. A pocket handkerchief would more than cover any neglected or unfruitful portion of these gardens. They labor in them minutely and assiduously, crowned with broad, pagoda-like hats, carrying huge cans of water on a yoke stick across their shoulders down the furrows and sprinkling the vegetables on either side. In marketing his produce the Chinaman seeks no middleman, but yokes himself with his shoulder stick, with a basket on each end loaded with vegetables, and with a quick, swinging trot goes from house to house and delivers his produce to the cook-house. Fresh vegetables are cheap and always abundant, and owing to the equable climate one crop ripens after the other all the year around. The same is true of most of the fruits. It is no unusual sight to find fruit blossoms, ripe fruit and the intermediate stages all together on one tree. The Chinese are the household servants, almost without exception, and are highly prized, and also highly priced.

Living, on the whole, is rather dear in Honolulu, and there is large dependence on canned goods, both for meats and for fruits and vegetables, such as are not successfully produced in the islands. The Honolulu fish market is one of the sights of the

A NATIVE HAWAIIAN WITCH DOCTOR.

town. The dealers are mostly native fishermen, and one may see here nearly all the uncouth monsters of the sea—the dying splendors of the dolphin, and the demoniac squid, which is a favorite article of diet with the natives. Fresh fish of choicest flavor can always be had from these native dealers, who form mullet ponds by building sea walls of stones, and have some skill in cultivating the fish. An ice factory affords ample supply for refrigerating purposes and for cooling drinks, the need for which is by no means pressing, as the temperature is rarely oppressive and is tempered during the larger part of the year by the northeast trade winds. The demands upon the time and energies of business men are not excessive. Life flows easily and equably in the little community. Many residents of Honolulu own cottages on the sea beach at Waikiki, only a few miles from Honolulu. The surf comes in over the coral reef and breaks on a shelving, sandy beach. A noble grove of cocoa-nut palms fringes the beach and shades the cottages. Here the well-to-do residents of Honolulu rusticate; and there is no lovelier spot the world around.

PINEAPPLE PATCH IN HAWAII.

The combined area of the Philippines, the Hawaiian Islands, Cuba and Porto Rico, is 247,743 square miles, or a little less than that of Texas.

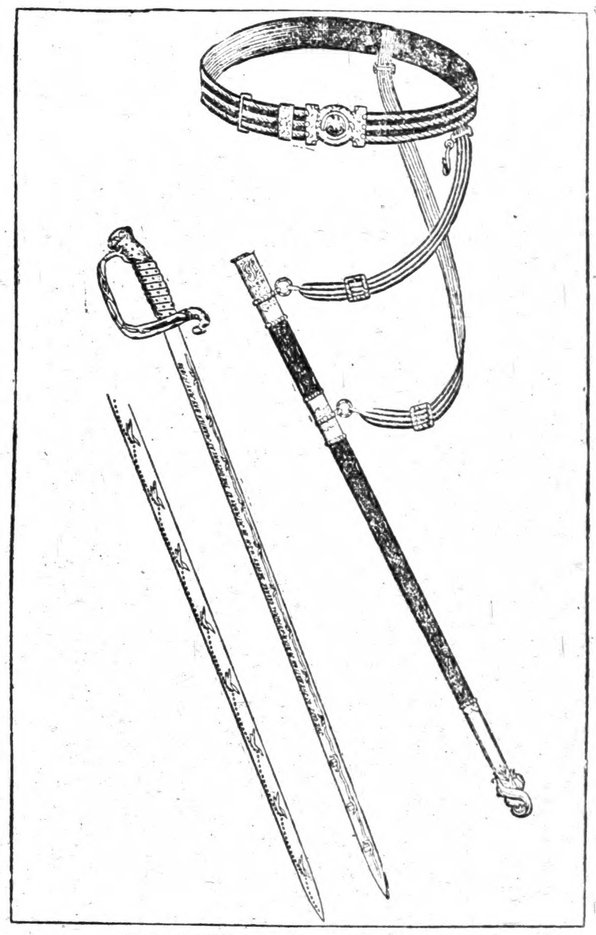
During the first seven months in 1898 the gold produced in Victoria, Queensland and West Australia amounted to 1,567,401 ounces.

REAR ADMIRAL DEWEY'S SWORD OF HONOR.

Of all the presentation swords which the United States Government has given in times past to its heroes of the army and navy, none equals in artistic beauty and skillful design the sword of honor soon to be given Rear Admiral George Dewey.

The cost of the sword will not be far from $10,000, which was appropriated by Congress last May to defray the expense, also, of manufacturing a set of bronze medals for the officers and men of the Asiatic Squadron.

With the exception of the steel blade and the body metal of the scabbard the sword will be made entirely of pure gold, of twenty-two carats fine; the grip will be covered with fine sharkskin bound with gold wire and inlaid with gold stars. Above the sharkskin the handle terminates in a richly carved and enameled gold collar and knot. A narrow band of oak leaves unites the sharkskin to the collar. Then come the arms of the Admiral's native State, Vermont, with the motto, "Freedom and Unity," and above this, and spreading toward the top, is the great seal of the United States, with the blue field of the shield in enamel; the shield in the arms of Vermont is also enameled.



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(Showing both sides of the blade, together with the scabbard and belt.)

The collar is surmounted with a closely woven wreath of oak leaves, the standard decoration for rank, and the intervening spaces between the decoration are studded with stars. On the pommel is carved the name of the cruiser Olympia, and the zodiacal sign for the month of December, when Dewey was born.

The guard is composed of a conventional eagle, terminating in a claw clasping the top, the outspread wings forming the guard proper. The expression of the eagle is one of cool determination, and, while firm, still bearing a message of peace in the laurel wreath held in the beak. The wreath serves as a protection, covering the point of the beak, and at the same time preserves the proper outlines of the guard.

The scabbard will be of thin steel, damascened in gold, with sprays of rose marinus, signifying fidelity, constancy and remembrance. The sprays are interlaced in the form of a series of cartouches, with a star in the centre of each, while dolphins fill the outer spaces. Sprays of oak leaves and acorns secure the rings and trappings of the scabbord; above these, on the front of the scabbord, is a raised monogram in brilliants entwining the letters "G. D.," and immediately under them are the letters "U. S. N.," surrounded by the sprays of rose marinus. The ferrule, or lower end of the scabbard, terminates in entwined gold dolphins.

The sword blade is damascened with the inscription:

> The Gift of the Nation to Rear Admiral George Dewey, U. S. N., in Memory of the Victory at Manila Bay, May 1, 1898.

The letters are of an ornamental character, and sufficiently large to be dignified. The Phœnician galley, representing the first craft of the world's navies, supplies the rest of the ornament on this side of the blade. On the other side of the blade is shown the flight of the eagles of victory, bearing festoons of laurel to the four quarters of the earth.

Three women are members of the Board of Aldermen at Lincoln, Neb.

FARM WAGON BY TROLLEY.

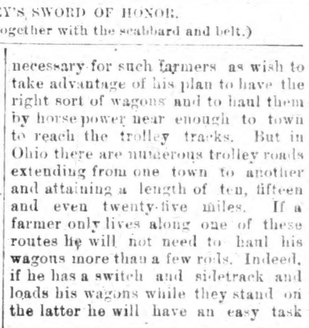
A Special Truck to Carry It When Rails Are Reached.

A great many different schemes have been proposed, and some of them have been tried, for lessening the work of carting farm produce into town. The traction engine is used for that purpose to a considerable extent in England, although in America wagon hauling is done therewith. Then again there has been a good deal of talk of laying broad, guttered paths by the common highway for the wheels of the ordinary wagon to run in.

In some parts of the United States there are trolley lines reaching through the rural regions and carrying not only passengers, but also mail and express matter.

A Toledo man, named Bonner, has devised a special truck which is designed to run on a street railway and to carry a farm or express wagon. Inasmuch as the ordinary vehicle would not fit the truck, Mr. Bonner thinks it better to have his own wagons as well as his railway truck. He has obtained a franchise from the city of Toledo for running his wagons through the streets.

After the city service is fairly started Mr. Bonner will endeavor to secure rural patronage. Of course, it will be necessary for such farmers as wish to take advantage of his plan to have the right sort of wagons and to haul them by horse power near enough to town to reach the trolley tracks. But in Ohio there are numerous trolley roads extending from one town to another and attaining a length of ten, fifteen and even twenty-five miles. If a farmer only lives along one of these routes he will not need to haul his wagons more than a few rods. Indeed, if he has a switch and sidetrack and loads his wagons while they stand on the latter he will have an easy task before him. The rapid development of trolley lines through the rural districts nowadays makes Mr. Bonner's idea an interesting one. There is no telling how far it is likely to become serviceable to American farmers.



NOVEL TROLLEY WAGON.

What Dusty Rhodes Did.

"At the first call he went to the front."

Letter Carriers in India.

Each letter carrier in India has a run of six miles, and at the end of it is relieved by another carrier, who at once begins his run. Thus the mail is conveyed over unpopulous sections in comparatively quick time.—Cleveland Leader.

Packing an Alligator For Transportation.

He was sent packed like this on the way from Panama to London.

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NORTHEAST ALABAMA FAIR.

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PRESIDENT IS WEARY WITH DELAY

...e Evacuation of Porto Rico and Cuba, and Fixes Time Limit.

...NARDS MUST GET OUT BY OCTOBER 18

...ust Leave Cuba by Dec. 1—Our Commissioners Instructed to Take Possession of the Governments if This Order Is Not Complied With.

Washington, President McKinley cabled the United States military ... Porto Rico that the island ... ated by the Spanish ... commissioners be ... October 18 and ... of the failure of the ... the evacuation ... United States com... to take possession ... all of the functions ... and in case it is found ... to secure transportation ... troops by October ... may be permitted to go into ... quarters until transports ... to take them to Spain.

The fact was developed at Friday's ... meeting and it was also stated ... from this time forward a more ... policy would be pursued with ... to the evacuation of Cuba. The ... has notified the United ... evacuation commission at Havana that the Spaniards would be expected to have evacuated the island ... December 1, with a strong intimation that in case of failure the United States would brook no further delay ... immediately thereafter take possession of the government.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

New Industries Reported to the Tradesman for the Week.

The more important of the new industries reported to the Tradesman by its special correspondents during the week ended September 8th, comprise a brick works in South Carolina; coal mines, capital $50,000 in the Birmingham district; a $50,000 cotton compress in Arkansas; a cotton mill in Texas; a $15,000 grain elevator in Mississippi; a $12,000 flouring mill in Kentucky; two in North Carolina; one each in South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas; a gas company in Kentucky; a hoop factory in Kentucky; a hosiery mill in South Carolina; ice factories in Tennessee and Virginia; two timber companies in West Virginia; a mattress and spring bed factory in Louisiana; a paper mill in Virginia; a phosphate company, with Massachusetts capital, in Florida; a planing mill in Mississippi; a telephone system in North Carolina, and two tobacco stemmeries in Kentucky.

FIVE THOUSAND MEN

All That the United States Need Send to Cuba.

George Reno, bearing important messages from the Cuban provisional government, is en route to Washington, charged with important information for President McKinley. Mr. Reno said that the Cubans had implicit confidence in the honest intentions of the government, and that it was entirely unnecessary to send more than 5,000 men there to maintain order in the island, and a large army would awaken suspicion, while only every Cuban is anxious to show his trust in this country and return as speedily as possible to the peaceful pursuits necessary to the rehabilitation of the island.

OREGON SENATORSHIP

Joseph Simon, a Hebrew, Is Finally Elected.

Joseph Simon, of Portland, has been elected United States senator by the legislature in joint session. Mr. Simon received the entire vote of the republican majority which ended Saturday in the election of Mr. Simon, has been ... for two years. Mr. Simon is a Hebrew, and was born in ... 1851. He came to New York ... his parents when only a ... five years later came to ... Mr. Simon is an advocate of the ... He has been active in ... county five years.

New Corps Organized.

A ... order was issued by the ... Friday organizing new army corps and designating various points at which troops shall be stationed. The Third, Fifth and Sixth corps are continued. The First, Second and Fourth are reorganized. They are to be commanded respectively by Major Generals Breckenridge, Graham and Wheeler. The headquarters of the corps will be: First corps, Macon, Ga.; Second, Augusta, Ga.; Fourth, Huntsville, Ala.

One Million to Be Spent in Improvements.

One million dollars is to be expended in building railroad terminals on Hutchinson's island, opposite Savannah, by the Georgia & Alabama Terminal Company, which includes a number of northern capitalists. The capital of $5,000,000 has been subscribed and bonds to the extent of $1,000,000 are to be issued, the Georgia & Alabama owning terminals when in readiness.

Quebec Conference Has Adjourned.

Senators Fairbanks and Falkner left Quebec for their homes Saturday and no further work will be done by the international commission in Quebec.

COTTON REPORT.

The Average Condition Shows a Decline of 4.4 Points in September.

WASHINGTON.—The October report of the statistician of the department of agriculture shows the average condition of cotton October 1 to have been 75.4, as compared with 79.8 September 1, a decline of 4.4 points. The average condition on October 1, 1897, was 70, and the mean of the October averages for the last ten years is 73.9. The decline during September, though by no means uniform, affected the entire cotton-producing region, being two points in South Carolina, Texas and Tennessee; four points in Alabama, five in Georgia and Arkansas, six points in Mississippi, seven in Virginia and Florida, eight points in North Carolina, nine points in Louisiana, fifteen in Oklahoma and twenty-two in Indian Territory.

The averages of the states are as follows: Virginia, 84; North Carolina, 76; South Carolina, 73; Georgia, 75; Florida, 66; Alabama, 76; Mississippi, 72; Louisiana, 67; Texas, 73; Arkansas, 84; Tennessee, 92; Missouri, 95; Oklahoma, 75; Indian Territory, 76.

DAMAGE SUITS COMPROMISED.

Claims for $105,950 Growing Out of the Wrecking of the 69th New York Quickly Settled.

One hundred and sixteen suits, aggregating $105,950, were filed in the city court at Birmingham Monday against the Louisville & Nashville railroad company and were immediately dismissed, having been compromised out of court. The suits grew out of the wreck of the special train on August 8 last at Hughes' Switch near Birmingham, which was bearing the Sixty-ninth regiment, New York Volunteers, from Fernandina, Fla. to Huntsville, Ala. The regiment was in command of Colonel Edward Duffy and was known as the famous "Irish Regiment." Four cars were derailed and piled in a heap, resulting in the death of Frank P. Glennon and Peter Forley and the injury of a number of other members of the regiment. It is understood that the compromise was effected on the payment of $50,000.

AN INTERESTING PIONEER.

Mrs. Margaret McMahon, Who Attended Lafayette's Reception.

Mrs. Margaret McMahon, who has lived in Courtland, Ala., continuously since before Alabama was admitted into the union as a state, and who is an octogenarian, is one of the few persons alive who attended a reception given Lafayette at Charleston, S. C. during his visit to this country in 1824. Mrs. McMahon has part of the costume worn on that occasion, and also has a badge, which is a piece of blue ribbon, faded now, on which is inscribed in plain gilt letters, "Lafayette, the Nation's Guest." Mrs McMahon belonges to one of the first families in Alabama. She is still active, and her mind is remarkably active for one of her age.

EVACUATION OF CUBA

Proceeding Satisfactorily and Smoothly According to Chairman Wade.

WASHINGTON.—Advices received at the war department indicate that the evacuation of Cuba by the Spanish forces is proceeding satisfactorily and smoothly. The threatened trouble at Manzanillo has blown over, and the Spaniards have yielded control to the American forces. The following dispatch was received Monday at the war department:

HAVANA, October 10.—Adjutant-General, Washington: Spanish forces evacuating Manzanillo today; vacates military control of Spain of entire southern coast line west to the jurisdiction of Jucaro. (Signed)

WADE, Chairman.

FRANCE FEARS A REVOLUTION.

Garrisons of Numerous Towns Called Upon for Quotas of Troops.

PARIS.—The government has issued special orders to the garrisons of numerous towns near the capital to send immediately to Paris 500 infantry each.

The Journal Des Debats declares that these reinforcements will amount to 10,000 men. The paper expresses the hope that the country is not on the eve of a revolution.

All the troops will be supplied with two days' rations and sixty rounds of ball cartridges.

Admiral Febiger Dead.

Admiral John Carwon Febiger, United States navy (retired), died Monday near Easton, Md., in his 78th year. During the civil war he took part in the fight between the little fleet of wooden vessels and the confederate ram Albemarle in Albemarle sound, in which the ram was defeated.

Would Not Endorse Wheeler.

At Monday's session of the republican eighth Alabama congressional district convention, resolutions endorsing Gen. Joe Wheeler for congress were defeated by a vote of 33 to 1. No nomination to oppose Wheeler was made.

Can Be No Successor.

The Virginia Grand Camp Confederate Veterans adopted a resolution to the effect that there could be no successor to Miss Winnie Davis as the "Daughter of the Confederacy," the title having expired with her death.

Dead on the Track.

Two negroes, whose names were unknown, were found lying beside the Alabama Great Southern railroad track, a mile below Kewanee, Miss., a station eighteen miles from Meridian, Saturday morning.

INDIAN TROUBLES REGARDED AS OVER.

Official Dispatches From General Bacon Reach Washington.

FIVE MEN KILLED AND TEN WOUNDED

In the Battle Fought Last Wednesday and Thursday—Step Will be Taken to Fix Responsibility Among the Indians for Their Stand Against the Government.

Reports received by the officials of the war department at Washington and the interior departments from the Indian outbreak are of a reassuring character, and they now feel that the uprising may be regarded as over. General Bacon, who has charge of the affairs in the department of which he is in command, will remain at Walker, Minn., for the present.

The following dispatches from Brigadier-General Bacon, bearing on the Indian troubles, have been received by the war department:

Adjutant General, Washington:

Walker, Minn.—Whilst protecting United States marshal at this camp on Leech Lake, opposite the Bear Island, with a detachment of eighty men, 3d Infantry, was attacked by a large force of Chippewa Indians Wednesday. Indians fighting from heavy timber and underbrush; Indians driven back. Our loss was: killed, Capt. Wilkinson, Sergt. Butler, Pvts, Olmstead and Ziebell; wounded, Sergt. Ayres, Pvts. Daley, Boucher, Brown, Wicker, Jenson, Turner, Zigler and Francony and Deputy Marshal Sheehan. Communication is most difficult by steamboat.

Adjutant-General, Washington:

Walker, Minn.—One soldier killed Thursday, and one Indian policeman killed and one wounded. Number of Indians killed impossible to estimate. They are now scattered in their canoes during night to the various islands in this section. Have accomplished all that can be done here at this late season, and will return with my command Friday. Communication with this point rare and difficult.

It is stated at the war department that the last dispatch probably means that Gen. Bacon will return with his command to Ft. Snelling, unless the force is actually needed for the protection of the people in the vicinity.

Steps will be made to have an investigation made with a view to fixing the responsibility among the Indians for their stand against the government.

SPAIN SENDS TROOPS

To Reinforce Its Garrison in the Philippine Islands.

Admiral Dewey has cabled the navy department that he has been advised that a number of Spanish troops have arrived at Singapore bound for the Philippines to reinforce the Spanish garrison at Iloilo, on the island of Panay. At this place is concentrated about all that remains of the Spanish army of occupation of the Philippines outside of the few troops on the island of Luzon.

In dispatching troops from Spain to the islands the Spanish government has raised the direct question as to the right to reinforce troops now engaged in active hostilities with the insurgent forces. The weight of opinion in Washington is that this action is permissable, and does not constitute a breach of the terms of the protocol suspending hostilities.

ENGLAND ANNEXING ISLANDS.

Three Groups in the Pacific Bagged by John Bull.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The islands recently annexed by the British warship Gold Finch are said to be the Duff, Cherrick and Mitre groups. The Mohawk planted the British flag on the Santa Cruz islands, the Reef islands and Swallow group.

The Duff group numbers eleven islands, all thickly inhabited by copper-colored natives. The islands are densely wooded and of great fertility. Mitre island is uninhabited, but Cherrick island has between 500 and 600 natives on it, the same race as the Tocupians. The whole of the recent annexations have been placed under the control of Mr. C. M. Woodford, the British resident in the Solomon group.

Dons Pessimistic.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Times, says: Although nothing concrete is known, it is the prevailing opinion here that the Paris negotiations are not proceeding with the smoothness that is desirable. The government, it is understood, shares the opinion.

French Government After Esterhazy.

PARIS.—The Siecle says it learns that the government is about to demand the expulsion from the Legion of Honor of Major Comte Ferdinand Walzin Esterhazy, who is believed to be the author of the bordereau in the Dreyfus case.

Dora Richardson Weds Again.

Riley Brock, a sawmill hand, and Miss Dora Richardson, the divorced child-wife of General Cassius M. Clay, were married Friday afternoon at Keene, Ky. The couple went immediately to the home given Dora by General Clay some weeks ago, where they will reside.

The President at Canton.

President and Mrs. McKinley left Washington Saturday for Canton, where they will attend the funeral of Mrs. McKinley's brother, George Saxton.

FAVOR ANNEXATION.

Wealthy Planters in Cuba Want Island to Become a Part of the United States.

WASHINGTON—Information has been received here that Senor D. Nicholas Rivero, editor of Del Diaro de la Marina, the official organ of General Blanco in Havana, has left that city and is on his way to Washington, where he is expected to arrive within a few days. Senor Rivero is president of the civil council of Havana, and one of the most prominent leaders of the autonomists. He is wealthy, and one of the most influential citizens of the Cuban capital.

His purpose in coming to Washington at this time is to lay before President McKinley and the state department a petition signed by several hundred of the most prominent and wealthy planters of Cuba, the majority of them Spaniards and owning large tracts of sugar lands on the island, praying that Cuba should be annexed to the United States. The petition which Senor Rivero bears recites at some length the condition of affairs in Cuba, with respect to the inland districts, and expresses the fear of the planters that inasmuch as many of them are Spaniards, having large interests at stake, they will not be safe under the independent government of the Cubans.

SAILED FOR PORTO RICO.

Sixth United States Immunes and 47th New York Have Embarked.

The 6th United States immunes sailed from New York Sunday and the 47th New York sailed Monday from Newport, R. I., for San Juan, Porto Rico. Both of the regiments are due to arrive at San Juan next Friday. Occupation is not formerly to be given to the American forces until the 18th instant. In case the Spanish authorities object to the landing of the regiments at San Juan prior to that date, General Brooke has discretionary authority to send them to any other point on the island.

ENTERTAINED THE DONS.

Evacuation Commissioners Give an Elaborate Luncheon to the Spaniards.

HAVANA—The members of the United States evacuation commission gave an elaborate luncheon Sunday to the members of the Spanish evacuation commission at the Hotel Trocha Elvado. Owing to a slight indisposition Rear Admiral Sampson could not be present, and Major-General Wade and Brigadier-General Butler did the honors of the occasion. The Spanish peace commissioners were all present. No allusion to the war, the evacuation or the political situation was made.

A Princess Kills Herself.

BERLIN—Princess Trubetskoi, who was under arrest at Berlin on an extradition demand from the Italian government charged with forging documents, committed suicide Sunday at the police station.

There arr several ladies of high rank or wide reputations known as Princess Truebetskoi or Troubetskoi. Among them are the wife of the grand marshal of the Russian court and the American novelist, who was formerly Miss Amelia Rives. It is not believed to be either of these.

"DYING LIKE FLIES."

Great Mortality at Cairo Among General Kitchener's Veterans.

A dispatch to the London Daily Chronicle from Alexandria, says: "The troops who have returned from Khartoum are dying like flies from enteric disorders, supposed to be due to canned beef and indulgence in cheap spirits."

Negro's Horrible Crime.

At Helena, Ark., Frank Dubarry, a prominent white planter, was murdered and robbed and his body burned in his own house by Charlie Munn, a negro employe, at La Tour, Ark. The negro has confessed and says he committed the crime to obtain money due him.

Court House Burned.

The court house at Douglass, Ga., was entirely destroyed by fire Saturday night. The court records and documents are supposed to be in the safes and some of the returns of the election are safe, but the votes are supposed to have been burned.

LABOR TROUBLES IN PARIS.

About 60,000 Men Out on a Strike—Leaders Are Fomenting Revolution.

PARIS.—The strike of laborers here is extending to nearly all the building trades, and it is feared that the railroad men will join in the movement. Work on the exhibition building and underground railroad has completely ceased. About sixty thousand men have gone out on strike, and the situation is causing consternation.

The Temps declares that the leaders of the men are aiming at a general strike, if not a revolotion, and points out what a dreadful thing it will be if the exhibition of 1900 is compromised

Smallpox at Manila.

There have been fourteen cases of smallpox and six deaths from that disease among the American troops at Manila during the past two days. The dead are Western men. Eight deaths from typhoid fever have been recorded. Artilleryman Roach was killed by a sentry at Tondo.

The president has appointed Thos. F. McGourin, of Florida, to be marshal of the United States for the northern district of Florida; John P. Squire, of Colorado, to be register of the land office at Glenwood Springs,

GEN. LEE'S COMMAND ORDERED TO SAVANNAH

To Be Held in Readiness to Embark for Havana.

PLANS OF SECOND EXPEDITION COMPLETED

Major-General Wade Will Command the Entire Force When He Has Completed His Duties With the Commission—Will Leave on the Last of the Month.

WASHINGTON—Major-General Fitzhugh Lee received an order from the war department Friday directing him to move his command from Jacksonville, Fla., to Savannah, Ga., and get it in readiness to embark for Havana by the last of this month.

The war department has completed its plans for the departure of the second expedition of troops to garrison Cuba. The First division is already under orders and should be started within a very few days from the southern ports near their camping grounds. The First division starts under command of Brigadier-General L. H. Carpenter, U. S. V., who commands the cavalry brigade composed of the Seventh and Eighth cavalry.

It is the intention of the war department that Major-General Wade, now president of the military evacuation commission, shall command the entire force of United States troops assigned to duty in Cuba, but he will scarcely take active command until he has completed his duties with the commission.

The Second division will comprise all the troops now under the command of Maj.-Gen. Fitzhugh Lee. These troops are stationed at Jacksonville, and the force comprises the following regiments, all volunteer troops:

The 2d, 4th and 9th Illinois Inft., 161st Indiana Inft., 2d Louisiana Inft., 6th Missouri Inf., 3d Nebraska Inft. (Col. Bryan's regiment), 1st North Carolina Inf., 2d South Carolina Inft., 1st Texas Inft., 4th Virginia Inft., and the 2d U. S. Vol. Cav.

The general orders which will be issued to this division are to begin the movement the last of this month, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

STATE BREVITIES.

The Alabama Poultry and Pet Stock Association will hold another exhibition in Birmingham in December. The show promises to be the largest and best of the kind ever given in Alabama.

The city council took the first step at its last meeting to procure a new charter for the city of Birmingham, when it authorized City Attorney Lowe to draw up one to be submitted to the board for approval.

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state for a railroad fifteen miles in length to be built from Rockford to Kellyton, in Coosa county. The capital stock is placed at $50,000.

The tax valuation of real and personal property in Jefferson county for the year 1898, shows an increase over last year of more than $5,000,000. The figures are: 1897, $29,098,738; 1898, $34,552,738. The poll tax for 1898 shows an increase of $5,116,50.

Messrs. Clardy & Son have finished the handsome new chapel at the Academy for the Blind at Talladega and the last touches are being given by the artisans to the indoor wood. This building, though costing the state only $10,000, is a beauty and a very fine specimen of the architectural art.

The new morning daily, the Montgomery Chronicle, made its first appearance in Montgomery Monday. Messrs. Simpson and Lillard, who are at the head of the new undertaking, promish to furnish the public a bright, newsy, democratic morning paper just as long as a reasonable support is given them.

The last issue of the Florence Standard-Journal was issued Friday, the plant having been purchased by Messrs. W. M. Bunting, of the Florence Herald, and M. W. Camper, of the Florence Times. Since the killing of Editor R. C. McFarland, the paper has been edited and controlled by Wm. F. McFarland, brother of the deceased.

DEFERRED UNTIL 1899.

United States Prevents Conclusions of Delagoa Bay Negotiations.

LONDON.—A dispatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from Lisbon, Portugal, says that the Delagoa bay negotiations have been deferred until 1899, owing to the United States insisting upon Portugal's strict observance of the agreement that neither the railroad, the harbor nor public lands at Lorenzo Marquez be alienated until the Beroe award is completed.

The United States is interested in these proceedings on account of the estate of the late Col. McMurdo, an American, being involved.

Killed His Sweetheart.

At Monticello, Ky., Sunday night Alex Keith, a young farmer, called on his sweetheart, Miss Lou Dick, and found a rival talking to her. Angry words passed and Keith attempted to shoot the other man. Miss Dick interfered, when Keith turned his revolver on her and shot her through the right breast inflicting a mortal wound. He then fled.

The Strike Increasing.

The bricklayers and woodcarvers at Paris have decided to go on strike.

AGRICULTURAL REPORT.

Statistician Hyde Gives the General Average of Crops for October.

WASHINGTON.—The department of agriculture Monday issued the following crop report:

The October report of the statistician of the department of agriculture shows the average condition of corn on October 1 to have been 82 as compared with 84.1 on September 1, with 77.1 on October 1, 1897, and with 82.9, the mean of the October averages of the last ten years.

The usual wheat report is withheld pending the result of further investigations. The preliminary estimate of the yield per acre of oats is 27.8 bushels. This is three-tenths of a bushel per acre less than the preliminary estimate of the crop of 1897, but 2.1 bushels per acre above the mean of the preliminary averages of the last ten years.

The preliminary estimate of the yield per acre of barley is 21.6 bushels, or 2.9 bushels per acre less than in 1897 and 1.3 below the mean of the October estimates for the last ten years. The average for quality is 93.3 as compared with 87.6 last year.

The tobacco reports as a whole are somewhat less favorable than last month. Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina show a decline of 19, 10, 7 and 8 points, respectively. Kentucky, however, reports a condition indicating 96 per cent of a full normal crop, an improvement of 4 points during the month; while Tennessee, Wisconsin and New York report 97, 98 and 100 per cent., respectively.

PHILIPPINES NOT CONSIDERED.

Subject Has Not Yet Been Discussed by Commissioners.

PARIS.—The United States peace commission held two sessions Monday. They were devoted to acquiring and weighing the information relative to all the questions involved in the matters under the immediate consideration of the commissioners. As the joint commissioners have not yet considered the Philippine question, the Paris papers appear to Americans as making the statements that the Philippines are under consideration in order to be in a position to adjure the American commission to treat Spain generously.

The Gaulois reviews the political situation and draws the conclusion that "between the alleged republican purpose of expansion and democratic opposition thereto, President McKinley and the American commissioners will be inspired after all with the sentiments of generosity which the honor of victorious nations demand."

FIRST AND SECOND MISSISSIPPI

Will Probably Be Moved to Birmingham to Be Mustered Out.

The First and Second Mississippi regiments, who are now encamped in various cities and towns in that state, will probably be moved to Birmingham to be mustered out. The government wishes to move the Mississippi troops out of that state on account of yellow fever. It is proposed to move 300 of the troops, which are stationed at Lauderdale Springs, just above Meridian, from that locality immediately. The remainder of the two regiments, about two thousand in number, it is proposed to remove out of that state early in November.

Wood's Health Report.

General Wood reports to the war department that two deaths occurred among the American troops at Santiago on the 8th inst. His dispatch follows:

Fever cases, all kinds, 669; total sickness, 1,130.

Deaths—Joshua W. Jones, Third United States Volunteers, yellow fever, October 8; Albert Denaney, corporal Ninth United States Volunteers, bilious fever, October 8.

Evacuation of Manzanillo.

The Spanish troops left Manzanillo Sunday. Gen. Parron, the Spanish commander, turned the city over to the mayor, who made the official transfer to Col. Ray, representing the United States, on Monday. All the political prisoners here have been released. The military convicts will be taken to Cienfuegos and sent thence to Havana, possibly afterward to Spain.

A Murderer Cheats the Gallows.

Y. C. Hughes, the condemned murderer, sentenced to hang on November 18 at Birmingham, died Friday. Hughes was evidently not born to be hung for he has twice defeated the gallows. He escaped from the county jail in 1893 while under the death sentence, and enjoyed his liberty until a few weeks ago when he was captured, brought back and resentenced.

Butler Sentenced for Life.

In the city court of Selma Frank Butler was sentenced to the penitentiary for life for the murder of Dan Crayson. The killing occurred near the city on September 24.

Engineer Killed.

An accident occurred at Johnson City, Tenn., Saturday, which resulted in the death of Sam Sneed, engineer at Lewis Bros.' sawmills. Sneed in some manner came in contact with the large main belt and was jerked up among the wheels and his neck was broken.

Teague Indicted for Murder.

The grand jury found a true bill against Albert Teague for murder in the first degree. Teague assassinated W. D. Clarke, at Albertville, Ala.

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FOR CONGRESS:

W. F. ALDRICH

COLONEL W. J. Bryan has taken a vote of his regiment as to whether they favor going to Cuba or being mustered out. Eighty-seven per cent favor returning home. To Governor Holcomb has been left the decision as to which Nebraska regiment is to be released.

SENATOR Matthew S. Quay, of Pennsylvania, is defendant in a suit to come to trial at the November term of court. He is charged with unlawfully using large sums of the Commonwealth's funds for speculating in stocks, bonds and railroad building.

A WORLD embracing Trust, to control the building of armored ships and the manufacture of all material used in such construction, is just now engaging the attention of such men as Cramp, Carnegie and others. Those who believe in construction of war vessels would rejoice to see this trust formed—the more arbitrary and outrageous the better.

MR. ROBBINS wishes to discuss some of our Representative's official acts in Congress. We respectfully suggest he take up the Bill to punish offenses against the elective franchise, introduced by Mr. Aldrich, and tell us why he opposes it. Any man who desires honest elections must be in favor of this bill. Every man who wishes to see it become law will vote for W. F. Aldrich.

IN the forthcoming congressional election the marker or fixer will not be needed or at all events his services will be superfluous. Even a man who can neither read or write will be able to mark his ballot without the aid of a "fixer." The ballot is simplicity itmself, and will be practically the same as the sample ballot we print on page one. There will be only two names on it, W. F. Aldrich and Gaston A. Robbins, and they will be at the bottom of the ballot. All our friends need to do is to start from the BOTTOM, miss the last name, and put a cross mark in front of the name on the second line from the bottom. Try it once or twice with some of your neighbors who cannot read and you will see how easy it is to vote for the right man, W. F. Aldrich.

THE statement is so frequently made by some of our Democratic friends that because of his connection with the Republican party Mr. W. F. Aldrich must necessarily be a gold-bug, we have this week published the full text of a bill on the currency question, which was introduced by Mr. Aldrich in the last session of congress. The Populists in this district are well acquainted and fully satisfied with Mr. Aldrich's position on the money question, and it is the attention of our Free Silver Democrats we wish more particularly to draw to this bill. They will readily see that the man who introduced this bill is one they can conscientiously vote for, one who is in full sympathy with their views on the money question, one whom it is directly to their interests to vote for, one who will honor them by serving them as their representative. Let each man study this matter of a representative in congress for himself, and we have no doubt but that a large number of Free Silver Democrats will join us in again returning to congress W. F. Aldrich.

THE next issue of THE BANNER completes the sixth volume, and we are proud of the success the paper has attained, But while our subscription list continues steadily to increase, we are anxious to add a large number of new subscribers to commence our seventh year, and we intend to send out sample copies to every family in Chilton county this and the next few weeks. There will be no charge for these papers, we send them to you free, so do not be afraid to take them out of the post office. Our hope is that after you have received a few sample copies you will become permanent subscribers. All friends of THE BANNER who will send us a list of names of their friends and neighbors will do us a kindness for which we shall be grateful. We hope to make our seventh volume better than the preceeding six, and the more subscribers we have the better paper we can give you. Send in your subscription now; one dollar for 52 eight-page papers.

EVERY man in this district who is in favor of honest elections should read and study the subjoined bill introduced in the last congress by our Representative, W. F. Aldrich. Democrats, Populists and Republicans alike can, and will, vote for a man who is doing all in his power to secure to them a free vote and honest count.

In the House of Representatives, July 5, 1898, Mr. Aldrich introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Election of President, Vice-President, and Representatives in Congress and ordered to be printed.

A BILL

To punish offenses against the elective franchise.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that every person who, by any unlawful means, hinders, prevents, or obstructs, or combines and confederates with another or with others to hinder, delay, psevent, or obstruct, any citizen from doing any act required to be done to qualify him to vote, or from voting at any election in any State, Territory, district, county, city, parish, township, school district, municipality, or other territorial subdivision, and every election officer who shall fail to make the returns required by law within the time limited by law, or who makes false or fraudulent returns of any election at which a Member of Congress or Presidential electors are voted for, shall be fined not less that five hundred dollars and shall be punished, in addition, with such punisement as is attached to such offense by the laws of the State in which the offense is committed.

How to Prevent Croup

We have two children who are subject to attacks of croup. Whenever an attack is coming on my wife gives them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it always prevents the attack. It is a household necessity in this county and no matter what else we run out of, it would not do to be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. More of it is sold here than of all other cough medicines combined.—J. M. NICKLE, of Nickle Bros., merchants, Nickleville, Pa. For sale by J. S Johnson jr.

THE Democrats of New York having been dominated by such open autocrats and goldbugs as Croker and Senator Hill, have caused that portion of the party which adheres to the Chicago platform and believe that finance should be the main issue in 1900, to put out a full State ticket. Henry George, son of the great Single Taxer, was placed at the head, but he has declined to serve, giving as his reason that he believes it his first duty to complete the biography of his father, which he is writing. Mr. George in his letter reviews the fact that his father did not believe fully in the silver plank of the Chicago platform, but favored government paper money, and he wishes to publicly ascribe the same view. Henry M. McDonald was substituted for Mr George.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has the largest sale of any Salve in the world. This fact and its merit has led dishonest people to attempt to counterfeit it. Look out for the man who attempts to deceive you when you call for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the great pile cure. J. M. Stanfield.

A CURRENCY BILL.

In the House of Representatives, June 23, 1898, Mr. Aldrich introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency and ordered to be printed.

A BILL

To retire the United States legal-tender notes and Treasury notes, and to substitute therefor Treasury certificates, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and is hereby, authorized and directed to issue five hundred million dollars in Treasury certificates as herein provided.

Sec. 2. That said certificates shall be of the denominations of ten, twenty, fifty, and one hundred dollars, and shall be in the following form, to wit: The United States will pay to the bearer on demand, in coin, on or after January first, and the United States will receive this certificate at its par value for all customs, taxes, and all public dues, and said certificates shall be a legal tender at their par value in payment of all debts, public and private. These certificates shall be divided into blocks of fifty millions each, and each block shall be made payable one year apart. The first block shall be made payable January first, nineteen hundred. The second block January first, nineteen hundred and one, and so on continuously until the entire issue is provided for. When any of said certificates are received into the Treasury under any law from any source whatever, and shall belong to the United States, they shall not be retired, canceled, nor destroyed, but they shall be reissued under a date at least ten years in advance and paid out again and kept in circulation: Provided, that no greater amount than fifty millions shall be made payable in any one year: Provided further, that nothing herein shall prohibit the cancellation and destruction of mutilated certificates and the issue of other certificates in their stead. Said certificates when held by any national banking association may be counted as a part of its lawful reserve. Said certificates shall be of uniform size and appearance, from designs selected by the Secretary of the Treasury, and a sum sufficient to carry into effect the provisions of this Act is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. The United States shall receive said certificates as the exact equivalent of the standard money of the United States, dollar for dollar.

Sec. 3. That the Secretary of the Treasury shall, immediately upon the passage of this Act, prepare and issue the said certificates in place of all United States legal-tender notes and of Treasury notes issued under the Act of July fourteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety, that may be in the Treasury; and shall continue the substitution of the said certificates for all the legal-tender notes and Treasury notes that become the property of the government by redemption, exchange, or otherwise. The said legal-tender notes, commonly called "greenbacks," and the said Treasury notes are to be canceled and destroyed.

Sec. 4. That the Secretary of the Treasury shall redeem the United States notes, commonly called "greenbacks," and also the Treasury notes issued under the provisions of the Act of July fourteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety, when presented for redemption, in standard silver dollars or in gold coin, using for redemption of said notes either gold or silver coins, or both, not at the option of the holder, but exclusively at the option of the Treasury Department, and said notes when so redeemed shall be destroyed as provided in section three of this Act.

Sec. 5. That the gold held in the Treasury as a redemption fund for the legal tender and Treasury notes, when the process of substitution of Treasury certificates therefor shall have been completed, shall be set aside and used as a redemption fund for United States bonds and to pay the interest thereon.

Sec. 6. That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to use such portion of the five hundred million dollars of Treasury certificates in the payment of the current expenses of the government as shall remain after deducting the total amount of legal-tender notes and Treasury notes outstanding on the passage of this Act from the said five hundred millions.

Sec. 7. That this Act shall take effect immediately.

Sec. 8. That all acts and parts of acts in conflict here-with are hereby repealed.

IF you had not yet decided whom you would vote for for Congress, after reading the foregoing bill, you will doubtless decide to vote for W. F. Aldrich.

An Enterprising Druggist.

There are few people more wide awake and enterprising than the Clanton Drug Co. who spare no pains to secure the best of everything in teeir line for their many customers. They now have the valuable agency for Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Cough and Colds. This is the wonderful remedy that is producing such a furor all ovev the country by its many startling cures. It absolutely cures Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all affections of the of the Throat, Chest ang Lungs. Call at above drug store and get a trial bottle free or a regular size for 50c and $1.00 Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton County and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against B. M. Gentry and W. Bratley out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said B. M. Gentry and W. Bratley, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Commencing at the north-east corner of Lot Number Thirteen in Block Number Seven, thence west fifty feet, thence south crossing the south line of said lot Number Thirteen Fifty feet west of the south-east corner, thence south in Lot Number Fourteen Block Number Seven as far as the south line of Lot Number Ten in Block Number Seven, making corner Fifty feet west from south-west corner of Lot Number Ten Block Number Seven, a strip Fifty feet wide. Also one hundred and twenty eight feet off of the west end of Lot Numbered Ten of Block Number Seven. All according to the Plat of the Town of Thorsby, Alabama, and being and lying in Chilton County, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named B. M. Gentry and W. Bratley in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1898

during the legal hours of sale at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated at Clanton, Alabama, this 24 day of September 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Non-Resident Notice.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In Chancery, at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District North-Eastern Chancery Division.

J. S. Johnson, Jr., Complainant, vs. Isse A. Gilchrist, administrator, etc., et al, Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of A. C. Smith, Complainant's Solicitor, that the Defendants, Mrs. J. L. Barrett and Mrs. G. L. Wood, are non residents of the State of Alabama; and that Mrs. J. Barrett resides at Axtell, State of Texas; and that Mrs. G. L. Wood resides at Battle, State of Texas; and further, that to the benef of said affiant, the Defendants are both over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Mrs. J. L. Barrett and Mrs. G. L. Wood, to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 20th day of October, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against them in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 20th day of September, 1898.

W. E. STEWART, Register.
A. C. SMITH & WM. ADAMS
Solicitors for Complainant.

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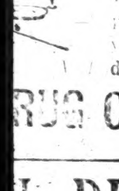

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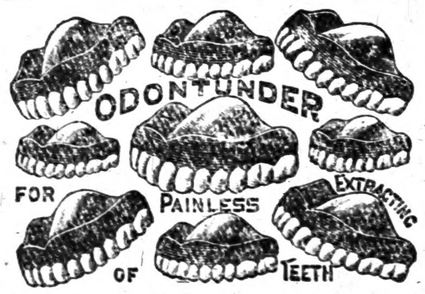

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WE will attend at the following times and places for the purpose of Assessing the State and County Tax of Chilton county for the year 1899, and collecting the taxes for the year 1898:

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Kincheon	Beat 6	October 1
Benson	" 3	" 3
Maplesville	" 7	" 4
Shoultz	" 7	" 5
Dixie	" 8	" 6
Stanton	" 8	" 7
Macedonia	" 3	" 10
Providence	" 2	" 11
Jemison	" 2	" 12
Mineral Springs	" 1	" 13
Strasburg	" 9	" 14
Clanton	" 4	" 17
Coopers	" 5	" 18
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Davis & Rollins' Gin, Beat 6		" 21
Albert Headley's Store	" 6	" 22

A. C. MIMS, Tax Assessor.
T. J. HUBBARD, Tax Collector.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot number six (6) in Block number eleven (11) in the Town of Clanton, Alabama, lying on the eastern side of the South and North Alabama Railroad.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated this 22d day of September, 1898
J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19,983.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala. October 4, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., November 12th, 1898, viz., Malachi C. Williams, Homestead entry No. 28,657, for the s ½ of se ¼, sec. 27, tp. 21 north of range 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Edmund T. Connell, William T. Mims, W. D. Goss, Philip H. Connell, all of Burwell, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER,
Register.

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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by J. L. Robinson and W. S. Robinson to W. I. Mullins on the 12th day of March, 1898, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton county, Alabama, on the 14th day of March, 1898 in Volume 45 of Mortgages, page 32, which said mortgage has been duly assigned and transferred, together with the notes secured, to the undersigned, Cornelia Gulliahorn, the said undersigned declares having been made in the payment of the said mortgage debt, will proceed to sell to the highest bidder at public auction in front of the Court House door in Clanton, in the county of Clanton, and State of Alabama, between the legal hours of sale on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1898,

all the right, title and interest of the said Mullins, Mortgagor, in and to the following property, to wit:

One circular saw mill complete, together with carriage, head blocks, pulleys, belting, shafting, together with all fixtures belonging to said saw mill; one circular saw; One Erie City 10 X 12 25 horse power Engine, together with all fittings and connections; One 40 horse power Boiler and connections; One home made cotton press, together with ropes and pulleys complete; One 45 saw Pratt Gin, complete, with feeder and condenser; One white Ox named Bill; One red speckled Ox named Jack; One red Ox named Buck; One red Ox named Joe.

The said engine is encumbered by a first mortgage, and Assignee is at this date informed that there are also prior liens on said Boiler and Gin.

This, the 13th day of October, 1898.

MRS. CORNELIA GULLAHORN,
Assignee of said mortgage.
By TIPTON MULLINS, her Attorney.

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My stock is complete in

Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Ladies' Ready Made Skirts, Caps and Hats.

I offer them at such low prices as was never known in this country before.

Everybody is invited to call and examine my stock and prices. You will get goods for a little money. I will mention here a few prices, as follows:-

I have bundles of very heavy duckings in large remnants from 6 to 8 poundg to the bundle; it is worth $2.00 but we sell it at 90 cts per bundle.
Men's fine shoes from 90 cts up.
Ladies' fine shoes from 90 cts up.
Men's Pants from 65 cts up.
Suits from $3.50 up.
Shirts from 20 cts up.
Caps from 15 cts up.
Ladies' woolen Dress Skirts from $1.00 up.
Ladies' Capes in cloth and in plush from 50c up.
Counterpanes from 75 cts up.
Towels from 5 cts up.
Linen Table Cloths from 50 cts up according to size and quality.
Ladies' and Men's Hose from 5 cts up.
Brass pins one cent a paper.
Writing paper 36 sheets for 5 cts.
Envelopes 25 for 5 cts.
Suspenders from 10 cts up.
Boy's Suits and Knee Pants from 25 ctr up.
Cotton Checks 4 cts per yard.
Calicoes at 4 cts per yard.
Handkercheifs 5 for 10 cts.

Yours very truly,
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SILVER AND THE RATIO

SIXTEEN TO ONE BEST FOR THIS COUNTRY.

The Commercial Ratio of 30 to 1 Would Soon Change to 16 to 1 if the Mints Were Opened to the Free Coinage of the Constitutional Dollar.

Many people think that because there were but 8,000,000 silver dollars coined in the United States previous to 1873 we were not upon a bimetallic standard. The reason no more silver dollars were coined in the United States was because the ratio of 15½ to 1 prevailed at the French mint, which made silver worth $1.33 an ounce, instead of $1.29 an ounce. The holder of silver bullion in the United States at the expenditure of 1 cent per ounce could transmit his silver to the French mint and thus make 3 cents more per ounce than he could make by having it coined into American dollars. Is it any wonder, then, that there were no more silver dollars coined in America than 8,000,000. But during that period the great quantity of silver that we transferred to France was doing duty and service as money in Europe, and, was, therefore, relieving the strain upon gold equally as if that silver were in circulation in the United States. *It must be borne in mind also, in determining what great influence a powerful nation like the United States will have in establishing the parity of the metals, that, although the people of the United States are nearly equally divided upon the question of opening our mints to the free coinage of silver, 7,000,000 having voted for President McKinley and 6,500,000 having voted for Mr. Bryan, the minute that a free coinage act is passed all of this difference of opinion will vanish, and we will have a united nation and a united people using all their power to establish the equal value of the metals. Why is this true? Because all the capitalists in the country have obligations that are payable in lawful money, the United States bonds themselves held by national banks being payable in coin; and when silver under free coinage becomes lawful money, with full legal tender powers to discharge those obligations, immediately it becomes the interests of those capitalists and banks to elevate the price of silver, to make the purchasing power of silver just as good as they now desire the purchasing power of the gold dollar to become, and hence the minute a free coinage law is passed, that minute you have all the power of Wall street exercised to its utmost limit to elevate the price of silver.

JOHN F. SHAFROTH.

COMPARATIVE FINANCES.

Of all the ungrateful and treacherous attacks ever made on political allies the worst we have ever known is now being made by the Republicans on the financial record of Mr. Cleveland. The Republicans of Indiana profess to believe in the gold standard, and that its maintenance is essential to the welfare of the country. They have admitted repeatedly that it was necessary for Mr. Cleveland to issue bonds in order to maintain the gold standard. They praised him at the time for doing so, and have coddled the gold-bug Democrats with professions of vast esteem for them and their theories, yet now they are entering upon a campaign of abuse of Mr. Cleveland for issuing bonds "in time of peace."

All of them are at it. Senator Fairbanks and Orator Bederidge have sounded keynotes in that line. The Journal and its satellites have taken up the cry and are telling what a shame it was for Mr. Cleveland to issue bonds "in time of peace" to an amount greater than wise Mr. McKinley had issued for a whole war. Their object, of course, is to defend the recent unnecessary bond issue of McKinley by denouncing Mr. Cleveland, and for political purposes they are entirely ready to sacrifice him and his friends. But what are the facts? The last financial statement of Mr. Harrison's administration showed a practically bankrupt treasury. He had come into office with the benefit of the enormous surplus accumulated by Mr. Cleveland's first administration. He left it, as shown by Secretary Foster's statement of March 1, 1893, with a net cash balance of only $24,128,087.

In order to make this showing the treasury bookkeeping had been altered three times. One change was to include in the available cash the "minor coin"—dimes, nickels and cents—which had never been included in the credits, and these formed $11,497,839.74 of the net cash balance reported. The other changes were to transfer to the credits what has always been treated as trust funds, amounting to $54,388,475. These changes proving the embarrassment of the treasury, had already started the panic of 1893, which was forced on by the Wall street interests that wanted bonds, until the business of the country was at a standstill. Harrison's secretary of the treasury had ordered plates for the issue of bonds, but Harrison did not have the courage to issue them, and so the panic was allowed to develop and the bankrupt treasury was pushed over to his successor.

Mr. Cleveland issued the bonds and maintained the gold standard, and went out of office leaving the proceeds of the bond sales in the treasury. The Republican party has not been confronted by such a situation. On March 1, 1898, before the war appropriation was made, the net cash balance in the treasury, in excess of the $100,000,000 gold reserve, was $125,564,203.35. The first appropriation was of $50,000,000, and the extraordinary expenses have not run over $30,000,000 a month. It was evident when the bond sale was authorized that the war was near an end, and when the bond sale was actually made, it was certain that it was practically over, and that the revenue was coming in large quantities, but the Wall street influence got their bonds.

In consequence we have a net cash balance in the treasury of about $300,000,000, and the money from the bond sales is not all in yet. That is the difference between Cleveland and McKinley financiering. From the false gold standard point of view the Cleveland sale of bonds was necessary and the McKinley sale was not.—Indianapolis Journal.

In the Future.

The "great things" to be performed by the McKinley administration are always in the future tense. First "prosperity" was to follow the election, then it was to follow inauguration; failing then, it was surely to follow the regular session of congress. Now Postmaster General Smith, the silver-tongued orator of the cabinet, says, "It is essentially necessary to vote the Republican ticket again this year, to enable congress to "reform the currency" in order to insure the prosperity promised by the speakers of 1896. Always "in the future." The Republicans have had a majority in both houses; why do they not "reform" the currency? Like the promise of international bimetallism, it is a sham.

Gold Only.

The fact in regard to the use of gold and silver as money that the people are beginning to realize is that in demonetizing silver one-half the standard money of the country was destroyed, doubling the other half, which is gold, and depreciating property values to the extent that to obtain one of these dear dollars it takes double the amount of property, whether the dollar is represented by silver, paper or gold. The "milk in the cocoanut" is in the fact that money (gold only) fixes the value of property under legislation controlled by the power of money, and too many have, through the same influence, been led to regard the representative of money as money.

Horrors After the War.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer: If there was only a lull in the painful proceedings, and if there was only a promise of better management and results to come, we would be patient, but there are no such signs discernible; the horizon is still as black as night. Still come into port the transports from the south, each with its addition to the count of criminal culpability on the part of some one in authority, each with the same indictment of bad water, decayed and unsuitable rations and insufficient medical attendance.

The Prosperity Fraud.

Republican journals seem to think that the larger the amount of money piled up in the vaults of the treasury the greater degree of "prosperity" of the people. This large amount over which goldite papers are rejoicing as evidences of Republican prosperity has been withdrawn from general circulation for the purpose of purchasing bonds. How people can be made prosperous by taking from them that which they have, is a new "wrinkle" in political economy.

Commissions Badly Distributed.

From the New York Times: If the government had made the officers of the regular army the arbiters of the distribution of commissions, as they did in the case of the navy, the glaring incompetence which is now throwing shame on our entire military establishment would never have had the power to work evil. The officers of the regular army would have seen to it that only men properly qualified had commissions.

Going to Certain Defeat.

From the Memphis Commercial-Appeal: The young gentleman who is running for governor of Tennessee on the Republican ticket is excusable. He is very young. Were he a little older he would know better.

The Republican Catchphrase Slogan and What It Means.

NOT OVERPRODUCTION

THE SUPPLY OF WHEAT HAS NOT INCREASED.

Unquestioned Statistics Prove That the Price of Wheat Has Fallen—One-Half Its Production Has Actually Decreased.

The price of wheat is lower this year than it was last year; it was lower last year than it was ten years ago; the average price of wheat has been falling for the last thirty years, while the supply of wheat, in proportion to population, has been steadily decreasing.

The Wall street editors and orators insist that the fall in the price of wheat has been caused salely by enormously increased production, caused by the invention of self-binding harvesters, steam threshers, etc.

But the production of wheat has not increased. Probably every farmer who has cast a vote for a goldbug candidate believes that the low price of wheat is unavoidable because machinery has increased its production until the markets are glutted, but there is no truth in the assertion which has deluded them.

Wheat fell in price from 1891 to 1896; yet the world's supply of wheat, according to Goldbug Secretary of Agriculture J. Sterling Morton's reports, did not vary during the period more than 5 per cent any year, and the supply was slightly less in 1896 than in 1891, and population was increasing year by year.

Here are Secretary Morton's figures: World's wheat product for 1891, 2,432,322,000 bushels; 1892, 2,481,805,000 bushels; 1893, 2,562,913,000 bushels; 1894, 2,676,651,000 bushels; 1895, 2,546,494,000 bushels; 1896, 2,430,497,000 bushels.

After being convinced by Secretary Morton's statistics that the production of wheat was less in 1896 than it was in 1891, the gold-standard farmer should seriously ask himself and his political leaders why the price of wheat averaged 83.9 cents per bushel in 1891 and but 49.1 cents per bushel in 1896.

Some gold-standard farmers will at once reply that it is because Goldbug Harrison was president in 1891, while Goldbug Cleveland was president in 1896; but this could certainly not account for the state of the foreign markets, and the Liverpool price of wheat fell as low, proportionately, as the Chicago price.

The price of cotton has this year been lower than has ever before been known, and the increased production of cotton has not kept pace with the increased use of it. The prices of other farm products have fallen with wheat and cotton, and with all other products of labor.

But the necessary cash expenses—the "fixed charges"—of the farmers and workingmen have not been reduced in anything like the same proportion. Taxes and house rent, on the contrary, have increased. Freight rates have been reduced, but are much more burdensome than formerly, as they are now a greater share of the value of the crops than ever before. Debts have not been reduced one dollar, although the value of crops per acre has been reduced one-half.

The situation as it exists, therefore, is satisfactory to usurers, railroad monopolists, landlords and officeholders, whose incomes have not been reduced, while the purchasing power of their incomes has been doubled.

Wall street newspapers and orators parade statistics to prove that prosperity has returned, but farmers and workingmen ought to know that there can be no revival of prosperity while farm products are failing in price and wages are being reduced. Statistics prove the prosperity of usurers and monopolists only. Business men whose prosperity depends upon that of the farmers and workingmen know that they are making no headway, and that the claims of the goldbugs are fraudulent.

In the face of actual conditions Wall street theories can not be forced upon the people. The gold standard and the monopolies which fatten upon it must go.

PERCY PEPOON.

Prosperous Farmers.

Mr. C. A. Pillsbury, the great miller of Minneapolis, is said to have recently reported at the New York Produce Exchange that:

"Northwestern farmers are not going to market their wheat faster than the consumptive demand will take it. * * * There are very few farmers in Minnesota who have not money to loan. For the last year we have been able to borrow money cheaper in Minnesota than in New York or Boston. * * * Farmers don't want to sell their wheat to get money for running expenses. They have plenty of money and can not be forced to sell. There are hardly any mortgages left in Minnesota now. Minnesota and Wisconsin are probably the two states that lead, as far as general prosperity among farmers is concerned."

It is with keenest pleasure that F. S. & H. carries this glad tidings of great joy to the farmers of the states named. But it is difficult to square this rosy report with the fact that wheat prices are sadly demoralized by reason of the abnormal receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth, being more than double what they were at the same time last year!—Farm Stock and Home.

CURRENT NOTES.

The hundreds of millions unnecessarily hoarded in the United States treasury are being distributed week by week among pet national banks, which loan it back to the people from whom it was extorted. This is profitable to the banks and politicians, most of whom are tax-dodgers, but where do the tax-payers come in?

Locked-out workingmen and strikers have been trying to take advantage of the injunction scheme, but have not once succeeded in making it work. Government by injunction is designed only for the benefit of the governing class, and workingmen, though in the majority, do not govern in this country by long odds.

An ancient Greek, when asked how he was getting along, replied, "I am beginning to be a friend to myself." It is time for the American voter to begin to be a friend to himself.

In every state where test has been made Populist administration has resulted in savings to the taxpayers and the exposure of official rascality.

An encouraging sign of the times is that our free-silver allies, the silver Republicans and Democrats, are constantly getting closer to true Populist principles. We shall soon have a great and victorious reform party.

It is incredible that the administration should even consider the proposition to impose our government upon Cuba and the Philippines without the consent of the people of those islands. We have no citizens to sacrifice to the yellow fever as Spain has been doing. We have no right to keep a single soldier in Cuba after the departure of the Spaniards, and if we do we shall suffer from it.

Repeal the war taxes upon industry and impose taxes upon plutocratic incomes to pay the plutocratic bondholders. And, as the contract so provides, we may as well pay them in silver.

Sixteen to One or Bust.

The immense increase in the productive power of machinery would be accompanied by a corresponding increase in the comfort of the people, says the Journal of Agriculture, but for two things:

1. Combinations to shut down factories and control supply.

2. Combinations to restrict the supply of money.

If the supply of money increased as does the productive capacity of machinery, prices would advance in spite of the great increase in production. There could be no such thing as "overproduction," as long as want exists in the world.

But with gold cornered and held out of circulation; with silver demonetized, and trusts controlling our factories, we will go from one period of depression to another.

Free coinage is an absolute necessity of business. Sixteen to One or Bust is a condition and not a theory.

The American Volunteer.

Pity the sorrows of the volunteer when he enlists in the service of a government that is ruled by millionaires.

The Mauser bullets of the Spaniards have not been half as deadly as the maggoty meat furnished by dishonest contractors.

The smokeless powder of the foreign enemy did not cause the loss of as many lives as the unsanitary camps at home.

Cervera treated Hobson and his men with far more humanity than many American officers have shown to the members of their regiments.

According to the reports that have been coming from the various camps, hundreds of our young men are being murdered by preventable diseases. Less than 300 killed in war, more than 1,500 killed in camps! What a record of murder for the Republican party to face!—Coming Nation.

The People Can Rule.

When the people have chosen a Congress and a President in harmony with themselves, any law they deem necessary can be passed. Should the supreme court pronounce it null and void, the decision may be wholly ignored. When the states-general of France were in session, a courier arrived and told the President that the King ordered them to adjourn. The President paid no attention to the announcement, whereupon the courier asked if he had heard the orders of the King. The President replied that he had, but that he would now find out the orders of the people. The time is coming, and coming rapidly, when the decisions of the supreme court of the United States will come into conflict with the decisions of the people.—Twentieth Century.

The Whiskered Popocrats.

Kansas has just had the pleasure of announcing that her debts are paid. And Kansas is governed by those wild and woolly whiskerites, the Popocrats, who stand for nothing but ruin, anarchy, repudiation and the unsettling of business confidence, if we remember aright.—Healdsburg Enterprise.

Washington has had similar experience. In both states the Republicans robbed with unsparing hands, leaving their successors to foot the bills.—Star.

BUSINESS REVIEW.

Cotton Industry Improves in Spite of Low Prices.

R. G. Dun & Co., in their Weekly Review of Trade, in part says:

It can do no good to disguise the fact that the large eastern advances on wool to be held for higher prices has helped to retard the natural decline in that product. The truth is that demand for goods is not helped by high prices for wool.

The cotton industry shows better conditions in spite of the falling prices to the lowest quotation ever known, and there is larger demand for these staple goods.

The iron industry still grows steadily that an unhealthy boom would seem to be in progress but for particular conditions. In spite of the combination of valley producers, which now propose a joint agency at Pittsburg, sales run a little below these large figures, $10 to being quoted at Pittsburg and $9.25 for gray forge, while southern and local iron are scarcely at Chicago, and anthracite is no stronger at Philadelphia, but the consumptive demand is remarkably heavy.

Wheat has been declining a little, with foreign reports somewhat more favorable as to European crops, and yet the actual shipments have been nearly as large as last year. Farmers are quite generally holding back their crop in the hope of higher prices, and collections at the west are almost everywhere retarded on that account, and yet the western receipts amount to 10,523,459 bushels against 8,810,720 for the same week last year.

Failures for the week have been 169 in the United States against 261 last year, and twenty-three in Canada against twenty-nine last year.

DECREES BY BLANCO.

By Which Many Spanish Soldiers Will Be Permitted to Remain in Cuba.

A decree of Captain-General Blanco, dated October 5, has been published in Havana. It provides, first, that a full discharge be granted to every enlisted man who has the right to it, and who desires to remain in Cuba, and, secondly, it provides for the transfer to the second reserve of those who, possessing the necessary qualifications, wish to remain in Cuba. Third, the decree provides for the return to Spain of those who may have previously lost the right to a return passage.

These orders are looked upon as being important. Many men now in the Spanish army will decide to remain, as there is a brighter future for them in prospect in Cuba than there would be if they returned to Spain.

One Killed and Many Wounded.

A double-head Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley freight train ran into the rear end of an Omaha passenger train in the yards at Omaha Saturday. The last car of the passenger train was the dining car "Delmonico." It was split almost in two lengthwise. Harry Jones, of Chicago, waiter, was killed, and many wounded. The accident was due to the inability of the engineer of the head engine of the freight to stop his train.

Lil Wants Lucre.

It is learned on good authority that ex-Queen Liliokalana will leave Honolulu for Washington about the middle of November to press her claims against congress for remuneration for the loss of her throne and the revenue from the crown lands, for which she feels that the people of the United States owe her some pecuniary compensation.

Sultan Yields to the Powers.

Ismael Bey, governor of the Island of Crete, informed the Mussulman nobles Friday that the sultan will withdraw the Turkish troops from Crete in accordance with the demands of Great Britain, Italy, France and Russia, who presented to the porte a collective note calling for a withdrawal of the Ottoman forces.

Two Cadets Drowned.

Cadets Burner and Morehead were drowned at Clever Military academy, at Norfolk, Ohio. The young men were in a small boat on the lake when it was overturned.

Dreyfus' Return.

The latest news of Dreyfus is that the government has arranged for his return to France in a merchant vessel. He will be lodged in Mont Valarian fort, outside of Paris.

Keeps the Gun That Saved His Life.

Don Stark, Ann Arbor's hero in the battle at Santiago, arrived home on a 20-day furlough, although he will, without doubt, be discharged from service on account of his disability. The news of his arrival spread and friends and neighbors invaded his home, anxious to hear first-handed an account of the memorable fight with the Spanish.

Stark brought back with him the Springfield rifle he carried and which saved his life. A Spanish shell struck the gun about 18 inches from the muzzle and bent it nearly at right angles. Glancing from this the shell struck his wrist and severed his hand from his arm as if by a knife. Had it not been for his gun, the shell undoubtedly would have killed him. At the time Stark was wounded he was on a railroad track and the Spaniards from a fort a mile and a half away rained shot and shell among the soldiers. He crawled to the shelter of the woods, and in five minutes was being attended to by the surgeons.—Detroit (Mich.) Tribune.

Drowning Man—Help! Help! Rescuer (yelling to amateur photographer on bank)—Wait a second. I've nearly reached him. * * * Now!—Chicago Tribune.

THE SABBATH

INTERNATIONAL LESSON

FOR OCT. 9th

Lesson Text

Lesson

Golden Text

Commit Verses

Explanatory

1. "And the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

2. "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me." Nineveh was the capital of Assyria, and was situated on the east bank of the Tigris river, opposite the modern city of Mosul. It was founded by Nimrod (Gen. x. 11). It was the largest city in the world at that time. It was the only city that ever repented at the preaching of a prophet. Jonah was exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

3. "And the word of the Lord came unto Jonah the second time, saying." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

4. "And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

5. "Then the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

6. "And word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

7. "And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything: let them not feed, nor drink water: but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let every one turn from his evil way, and from the violence that is in his hands." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

8. "Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?" Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

9. "And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did it not." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

10. "But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

11. "And he prayed unto the Lord, and said, I pray thee, O Lord, was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou art a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

12. "Therefore now, O Lord, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

13. "Then said the Lord, Doest thou well to be angry?" Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

14. "So Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and there made him a booth, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

15. "And the Lord God prepared a gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah was exceeding glad of the gourd." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

16. "But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd, that it withered." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

17. "And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, It is better for me to die than to live." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

18. "And God said to Jonah, Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, I do well to be angry, even unto death." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

19. "Then said the Lord, Thou hast had pity on the gourd, for which thou hast not labored, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night, and perished in a night." Jonah was a prophet in the days of Jeroboam II. (2 Kings xiv. 25). He was the only prophet of whom we have any record who was a native of Galilee. He is mentioned in Matthew xii. 39, 41; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 29, 30, 32. He is also referred to in Matthew xii. 40; Luke xi. 30. He is exalted in that day (Luke xi. 31, 32).

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SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS

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REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY.

Subject: "The Hounded Reindeer"—Let Those Who Are Pursued by the Hounds of Persecution Run to the Glorious Lake of Divine Solace.

TEXT: "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God."—Psa. xlii., 1.

David, who must some time have seen a deer-hunt, points us here to a hunted stag making for the water. The fascinating animal called in my text the hart is the same animal that in sacred and profane literature is called the stag, the roebuck, the hind, the gazelle, the reindeer. In Central Syria, in Bible times, there were whole pasture-fields of them, as Solomon suggests when he says, "I charge you by the hinds of the field." Their antlers jutted from long grass as they lay down. No hunter who has been long in "John Brown's tract" will wonder that in the Bible they were classed among clean animals, for the dews, the showers, the lakes washed them as clean as the sky. When Isaac, the patriarch, longed for venison, Esau shot and brought home a roebuck. Isaiah compares the sprightliness of the restored cripple of millennial times to the long and quick jump of the stag, saying, "The lame shall leap as the hart." Solomon expressed his disgust at a hunter who having shot a deer is too lazy to cook it, saying, "The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting."

But one day David, while far from the home from which he had been driven, and sitting near the mouth of a lonely cave where he had lodged and on the banks of a pond or river, hears a pack of hounds in swift pursuit. Because of the previous silence of the forest the clangor startles him, and he says to himself: "I wonder what those dogs are after." Then there is a crackling in the brushwood, and the loud breathing of some rushing wonder of the woods, and the antlers of a deer rend the leaves of the thicket, and by an instinct which all hunters recognize the creature plunges into a pool or lake or river to cool its thirst, and at the same time by its capacity for swifter and longer swimming to get away from the foaming harriers. David says to himself: Aha, that is myself! Saul after me, Absalom after me, enemies without number after me; I am chased; their bloody muzzles at my heels, barking at my good name, barking after my body, barking after my soul. Oh, the hounds, the hounds! But look there," says David to himself. "That reindeer has splashed into the water. It puts its hot lips and nostrils into the cool wave that washes its leathered flanks, and it swims away from the fiery canines, and it is free at last. Oh, that I might find in the deep, wide lake of God's mercy and consolation escape from my pursuers! Oh, for the waters of life and rescue! 'As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God.'"

The Adirondacks are now populous with hunters, and the deer are being slain by the score. Talking one summer with a hunter, I thought I would like to see whether my text was accurate in its allusion, and as I heard the dogs baying a little way off and supposed they were on the track of a deer, I said to one of the hunters in rough corduroy: "Do the deer always make for water when they are pursued?" He said: "Oh, yes, Mister; you see they are a hot and thirsty animal, and they know where the water is, and when they hear danger in the distance they lift their antlers and sniff the breeze and start for the Raquet or Loon or Saranac; and we get into our cedar shell-boat or stand by the 'runaway' with rifle loaded and ready to blaze away."

My friends, that is one reason why I like the Bible so much—its allusions are so true to nature. Its partridges are real partridges, its ostriches real ostriches, and its reindeer real reindeer. I do not wonder that this antlered glory of the text makes the hunter's eye sparkle and his cheek glow and his respiration quicken. To say nothing of its usefulness, although it is the most useful of all game, its flesh delicious, its skin turned into human apparel, its sinews fashioned into bow-strings, its antlers putting handles on cutlery, and the shavings of its horn used as a pungent restorative, the name taken from the hart and called hartshorn. But putting aside its usefulness, this enchanting creature seems made out of gracefulness and elasticity. What an eye, with a liquid brightness as it gathered up from a hundred lakes at sunset! The horns, a coronal branching into every possible curve, and after it seems complete ascending into other projections of exquisiteness, a tree of polished bone, uplifted in pride, or swung down for awful combat. The hart is velocity embodied. Timidity, impersonated. The enchantment of the woods. Its eye lustrous in life and pathetic in death. The splendid animal a complete rhythm of muscle, and bone, and color, and attitude, and locomotion, whether couched in the grass among the shadows, or a living bolt shot through the forest, or turning at bay to attack the hounds, or rearing for its last fall under the buckshot of the trapper. It is a splendid appearance that the painter's pencil fails to sketch, and only a hunter's dream on a pillow of hemlock at the foot of St. Regis is able to picture. When, twenty miles from any settlement, it comes down at eventide to the lake's edge to drink among the lily pods and, with its sharp-edged hoof, shatters the crystal of Long Lake, it is very picturesque. But only when, after miles of pursuit, with heaving sides and lolling tongue and eyes swimming in death the stag leaps from the cliff into Upper Saranac, can you realize how much David had suffered from his troubles, and how much he wanted God when he expressed himself in the words of the text: "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God."

Well, now, let all those who have coming after them the lean hounds of poverty, or the black hounds of persecution, or the spotted hounds of vicissitude, or the pale hounds of death, or who are in any wise pursued, run to the wide, deep, glorious lake of divine solace and rescue. The most of the men and women whom I happened to know at different times, if not now, have had trouble after them, sharp-muzzled troubles, swift troubles, all-devouring troubles. Many of you have made the mistake of trying to fight them. Somebody meanly attacked you, and you attacked them; they depreciated you, you depreciated them; or they overreached you in a bargain, and you tried, in Wall street parlance, to get a corner on them; or you have had a bereavement, and, instead of being submissive, you are fighting that bereavement, you charge on the doctors who failed to effect a cure; or you charge on the carelessness of the railroad company through which the accident occurred; or you are a chronic invalid, and you fret, and worry, and scold, and wonder why you cannot be well like other people, and you angrily blame the neuralgia, or the laryngitis, or the ague, or the sick headache.

I saw whole chains of lakes in the Adirondacks, and from one height you can see thirty, and there are said to be over eight hundred in the great wilderness of New York. So near are they to each other that your mountain guide picks up and carries the boat from lake to lake, the small distance between them for that reason called a "carry." And the realm of God's Word is one long chain of bright, refreshing lakes; each promise a lake, a very short carry between them, and though for ages the pursued have been drinking out of them, they are full to the top of the green banks, and the same David describes them, and they seem so near together that in three different places he speaks of them as a continuous river, saying: "There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God;" "Thou shalt make them drink of the rivers of Thy pleasures;" "Thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water."

But many of you have turned your back on that supply, and confront your trouble, and you are soured with your circumstances, and you are fighting society, and you are fighting a pursuing world, and troubles, instead of driving you into the cool lake of heavenly comfort, have made you stop and turn around and lower your head, and it is simply antler against tooth. I do not blame you. Probably under the same circumstances I would have done worse. But you are all wrong. You need to do as the reindeer does in February and March—it sheds its horns. The Rabbinical writers allude to this resignation of antlers by the stag when they say of a man who ventures his money in risky enterprises, he has hung it on the stag's horns; and a proverb in the far East tells a man who has foolishly lost his fortune to go and find where the deer sheds her horns. My brother, quit the antagonism of your circumstances, quit misanthropy, quit complaint, quit pitching into your pursuers, be as wise as, next spring, will be all the deer of the Adirondacks. Shed your horns.

But very many of you who are wronged of the world—and if in any assembly between here and Golden Gate, San Francisco, it were asked that all those that had been sometimes badly treated should raise both their hands, and full response should be made, there would be twice as many hands lifted as persons present—I say many of you would declare: "We have always done the best we could and tried to be useful, and why we should become the victims of malignment, or invalidism, or mishap, is inscrutable." Why, do you know the finer a deer and the more elegant its proportions, and the more beautiful its bearing, the more anxious the hunters and the hounds are to capture it. Had the roebuck a ragged fur and broken hoofs and an obliterated eye and a limping gait, the hunters would have said: "Pshaw! don't let us waste our ammunition on a sick deer." And the hounds would have given a few sniffs of the scent, and then darted off in another direction for better game. But when they see a deer with antlers lifted in mighty challenge to earth and sky, and the sleek hide looks as if it had been smoothed by invisible hands, and the fat sides enclose the richest pasture that could be nibbled from the banks of rills so clear they seem to have dropped out of Heaven, and the stamp of its foot defies the jack-shooting lantern and the rifle, the horn and the hound, that deer they will have if they must needs break their neck in the rapids. So if there were no noble stuff in your make up, if you were a bifurcated nothing, if you were a forlorn failure, you would be allowed to go undisturbed; but the fact that the whole pack is in full cry after you is proof positive that you are splendid game and worth capturing.

Yes, for some people in this world there seems no let-up. They are pursued from youth to manhood, and from manhood to old age. Very distinguished are Lord Stafford's hounds, the Earl of Yarborough's hounds, and Queen Victoria pays eight thousand five hundred dollars per year to her Master of Buckhounds. But all of them put together do not equal in number or speed, or power to hunt down, the great kennel of hounds of which Sin and Trouble are owner and master.

But what is a relief for all this pursuit of trouble, and annoyance, and pain, and bereavement? My text gives it to you in a word of three letters, but each letter is a chariot if you would triumph, or a throne if you want to be crowned, or a lake if you would slake your thirst—yes, a chain of three lakes—G-O-D, the One for whom David longed, and the One whom David found. You might as well meet a stag which, after its sixth mile of running at the topmost speed through thicket and gorge, and with the breath of the dogs on its heels, has come in full sight of Scroon Lake, and try to cool its projecting and blistered tongue with a drop of dew from a blade of grass, as to attempt to satisfy an immortal soul, when flying from trouble and sin, with anything less deep, and high, and broad, and immense, and infinite, and eternal than God. His comfort, why it embosoms all distress. His arm, it wrenches off all bondage. His hand, it wipes away all tears. His Christly atonement, it makes us all right with the past, and all right with the future; all right with God, all right with man, and all right forever. Lamartine tells us that King Nimrod said to his three sons, "Here are three vases, and one is of clay, another of amber, and another of gold. Choose now which you will have." The eldest son, having first choice, chose the vase of gold, on which was written the word "Empire," and when opened it was found to contain human blood. The second son, making the next choice, chose the vase of amber, inscribed with the word "Glory," and when opened it contained the ashes of those who were once called great. The third son took the vase of clay, and, opening it, found it empty, but on the bottom of it was inscribed the name of God. King Nimrod asked his courtiers which vase they thought weighed the most. The avaricious men of his court said the vase of gold. The poets said the one of amber. But the wisest men said the empty vase, because one letter of the name of God outweighed a universe.

For Him I thirst; for His grace I beg; on His promise I build my all. Without Him I cannot be happy. I have tried the world, and it does well enough as far it goes, but it is too uncertain a world, too evanescent a world. I am not a prejudiced witness. I have nothing against this world. I have been one of the most fortunate, or to use a more Christian word, one of the most blessed of men—blessed in my parents, blessed in the place of my nativity, blessed in my health, blessed in my field of work, blessed in my natural temperament, blessed in my family, blessed in my opportunities, blessed in a comfortable livelihood, blessed in the hope that my soul will go to Heaven through the pardoning mercy of God, and my body, unless it be lost at sea or cremated in some conflagration, will lie down in the gardens of Greenwood among my kindred and friends, some already gone and others to come after me. Life to many has been a disappointment, but to me it has been a pleasant surprise, and yet I declare that if I did not feel that God was now my Friend and ever-present help, I should be wretched and terror-stricken. But I want more of Him. I have thought over this text and preached this sermon to myself until with all the aroused energies of my body, mind and soul, I can cry out, "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after Thee, O God."

Oh, when some of you get there it will be like what a hunter tells of, when pushing his canoe far up North in the winter and amid the ice-floes, and a hundred miles, as he thought, from any other human being! He was startled one day as he heard a stepping on the ice, and he cocked his rifle ready to meet anything that came near. He found a man, careworn and lame from long exposure, approaching him. Taking him into his canoe and kindling fires to warm him, he restored him and found out where he had lived, and took him to his home, and found all the village in great excitement. A hundred men were searching for the lost man, and his family and friends rushed out to meet him; and, as had been agreed, at his first appearance, bells were rung, and guns were fired, and banquets spread, and the rescuer loaded with presents. Well, when some of you step out of this wilderness, where you have been chilled and torn and sometimes lost amid the icebergs, into the warm greetings of all the villages of the glorified, and your friends rush out to give you welcoming kiss, the news that there is another soul forever saved will call the caterers of Heaven to spread the banquet, and the bell-men to lay hold of the rope in the tower, and while the chalices click at the feast, and the bells clang from the turrets, it will be a scene so uplifting I pray God I may be there to take part in the celestial merriment. "Until the day break and the shadows flee away, be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether."

A Japanese admiral receives, by a recent ordinance, 6 00 silver dollars a year, a vice admiral 4000, while first and second-class captains get 2496 and 2263 respectively.

A Domestic Incident.

From the Observer, Flushing, Mich.

"Early in November, 1896," says Frank Long, who lives near Lennon, Mich., "on starting to get up from the dinner table, I was taken with a pain in my back. The pain increased and I was obliged to take to my bed. The physician who was summoned pronounced my case muscular rheumatism accompanied by lumbago. He gave me remedies and injected morphine into my arm to ease the pain.

"My disease gradually became worse until I thought that death would be welcome release from my sufferings. Besides my regular physician I also consulted another, but he gave me no encouragement.

On Getting Up From the Table.

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At the roof garden entertainment in New York the other night there was an illustration of Roosevelt's popularity and the enthusiastic spirit which possesses the people. A well-known impersonator of prominent characters introduced into his act several military features. He appears as General Miles, in the celebrated uniform; as Admiral Dewey and Colonel Roosevelt, dressed in his Kharkee uniform. When he appeared on the platform in this costume Monday night the audience was startled by a prolonged ki-yi-yi-yi, the war whoop of the Rough Riders, which came from a young man who sat at one of the side tables drinking beer with a party of friends and fondling a pair of crutches. Everybody arose and looked that way, and the war-whoop was repeated. In less than a minute everyone on the roof knew that a genuine wounded Rough Rider was in the audience, and although he was only a private, they made him take the platform and tried to induce him to make a speech. But his tongue was paralyzed, and although he might have faced the Spanish batteries without trembling he was frightened half out of his wits by the demonstration of the audience.—W. E. Curtis in Chicago Record.

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How $348 Was "Heap Plenty" in Settlement of a Claim for $3,000.

It is not so easy now to cheat the Indians in bargaining as it was in the days when Manhattan Island was bought from them for $23. Their long intercourse with the white men has taught them many things about the value of their possessions, and they are pretty sharp in making the ordinary trades which come up in their daily life. Nevertheless, it is still true that when it comes to a question of large sums of money thousands or even hundreds of dollars—the average Indian is bewildered at the mere idea of so much wealth. An incident which happened not long ago in New Mexico illustrates this point.

An Indian, while crossing the tracks of one of the railroads, had been killed by a train. His squaw demanded $3,000 as an indemnity for the loss of her husband, and the company was willing to settle the matter. So they sent to deal with the squaw a man who had had considerable experience in negotiating with the Indians. He took with him several bags of "dobe," or Mexican silver dollars, which pass freely among the Indians and settlers in that part of the country. Sitting down gravely with the aggrieved widow, he began counting out the big shining dollars one by one. When the pile had reached 100 he glanced inquiringly at the squaw. But she shook her head firmly. The agent went on with his counting. At the end of another 100 he looked up again. The squaw repeated the negative shake of her head, but her eyes began to brighten at the heap of silver. At 300 the agent paused a little longer. His customer still held out, though with unmistakable signs of weakening. The agent counted more slowly and impressively. When he reached $348 the squaw stopped his hand.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENT FOR OCTOBER 23.

Lesson Text: "Isaiah Called to Service," Isaiah vi., 1-13—Golden Text, Isaiah vi., 8—Commentary on the Lesson of the Day by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

1. "In the year that King Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple." Although King Uzziah was a leper, yet his life as a whole was right in the sight of the Lord (II Chron. xxvi., 4). There is a King who never dies, who is on the throne of the universe. We are continually to realize His position and our relationship to Him. The word "Lord" is Adonai, not Jehovah, and signifies ruler or possessor. It was none other than the Son of God whom Isaiah saw (John xii., 41). Ezekiel was qualified for service by a vision of the Lord as a man upon the throne (Ezek. i., 26).

2. "Above it stood the seraphims." These holy beings are mentioned only in this chapter in the Bible, while cherubim are mentioned many times from Genesis to Revelation. I am persuaded that the cherubim represent the church, the body of Christ, as part of Himself, one with Him in His glory and power when the time shall have come. The seraphim may possibly be identical with the living ones. Compare Rev. iv., with this chapter.

3. "And one cried unto another and said, Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory." Compare the only other thrice holy in Scripture, Rev. iv., 8. On the last clause of this verse see the marginal reading and compare chapters xi., 9; Num. xiv., 21; Hab. ii., 14. There is no self praise in heaven, but all unite in glorifying Him who alone is worthy to be praised. No flesh shall glory in His presence. The Lord alone shall be exalted in that day (I Cor. i., 29; Isa. ii., 11, 17).

4. "And the post of the door moved at the voice of him that cried and the house was filled with smoke." In Ex. xix., 18; Isa. iv., 5, smoke and cloud are associated with the presence of the Lord. We read also of the pillar of cloud that led Israel and of the tabernacle and temple filled with His glory at their dedication (Ex. xl., 34; I Kings viii., 10, 11).

5. "Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone." As the prophet saw the King in His glory he was filled with a sense of his own unworthiness. Compare Job xlii., 5, 6; Dan. x., 8; Rev. i., 17. To serve the Lord aright we should we must not only be filled with a sense of His worthiness, but also with a deep sense of our own unworthiness, wisdom of words, but the power of God to do the work. Not any might or power of ours, but His Spirit. This is His word (I Cor. ii., 4, 5; Zech. iv., 6).

6. "A live coal from off the altar," the brazen altar in tabernacle and temple, suggestive of the work of Christ on Calvary for us, when He shed His own blood for our sins, gave Himself a sacrifice for us once for all. The golden altar speaks of His present work of intercession for us, by which we are saved and by the other we are kept day by day.

7. "Lo, this hath touched thy lips, and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged." The mouth suggests the heart, for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh (Math. xii., 34; Rom. x., 10). Nothing but the sacrifice of Christ can take away our sins or give us a clean heart. No works of ours can help. It is His work alone that does it, and we must accept it as His gift, as Adam and Eve accepted the coats of skins which the Lord Himself provided by the shedding of blood (Gen. iii., 21; Rom. vi., 23).

8. "Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me." To bring the time when the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord messengers must go forth in His name and proclaim His name and declare His glory, that He may be exalted (Isa. xii., 4). The messengers must be redeemed ones, knowing their sins forgiven, recognizing as their Lord the one living and true God, who says "Whom shall I send?" and the Trinity, who say, "Who will go for us?" When we remember that although we ourselves utterly unworthy, we are yet commissioned by a King, even the King of kings, having all power in heaven and on earth, and that He is in heaven for us, ordering and arranging all the details of the work which He would have us do, only to do through us, it gives great quickening and confidence in His service.

9, 10. "And He said, Go and tell this people." Then follows a commission which sounds anything but encouraging, for he is told that the people will not perceive what he is setting before them nor understand his message. The commission of Jeremiah and Ezekiel was in somewhat similar terms (Jer. i., 17-19; Ezek. ii., 3-7; xxxiii., 30-32). The words of these verses in Isaiah are quoted three times in the New Testament (Math. xiii., 14, 15; John xii., 40; Acts xxviii., 26, 27), and are referred to in Rom. xi., 8. When our Lord sent forth the twelve, He said, "Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves" (Math. x., 16). He afterward told them that not all the seed sown would bear fruit, that tares would grow with the wheat, that birds would get in the branches, and that the food would become leavened, but He also told them for their encouragement of the treasure and the pearl and that He had given up all to buy the field and the pearl. He is not discouraged. He will be satisfied, the kingdom shall be the Lord's, and every purpose of the Lord shall be performed (Isa. xiii., 4; liii., 11; Jer. xxiii., 20).

11-13. "Then said I, Lord, how long?" The Lord's purposes seem slow of fulfillment, and it oft seems to our eyes like a long and unnecessary delay, but the time will come when there shall be delay no longer (Rev. x., 6, R. V., margin), and we shall see that for all seeming delay there has been a cause (Ezek. xiv., 23). Isaiah was a messenger to Judah (Isa. i., 1), and our Lord Himself and His apostles were sent first to Israel, but it has come to pass as He said, and Israel has been scattered far away and her land is desolate. But the Lord's portion, a faithful remnant, has always been in Israel, even in her darkest days, and shall yet burst forth into full life to the glory of God. When the trees cast their leaves, they seem to be dead, but the life being there becomes manifest in due time. There will be a springtime for Israel when she shall blossom and bud and fill the face of the earth with fruit (Isa. xxvii., 6). Let us now tell every one of the redemption that is in Christ, so that from all nations those who may come to form His body, the church. If we receive the same treatment as prophets and apostles, let us not think it strange.—Lesson Helper.

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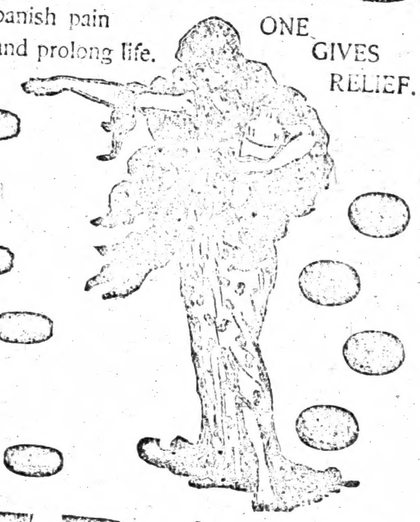

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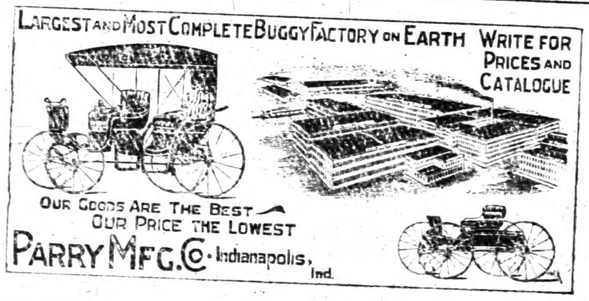

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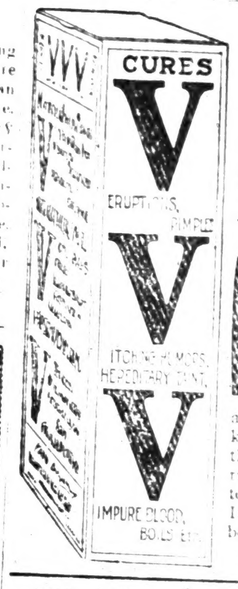

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1898,

for the election of a Representative to the Congress of the United States for the Fourth Congressional District of Alabama.

This the 5th day of October, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

We the undersigned, as required by law, have this day selected the following named persons to act as Inspectors and Returning officers of an election to be held in Chilton County, Alabama, on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1898, to wit:

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Thursday, Monday, October 31.

[illegible], Wednesday, November 2.

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[illegible], Monday, October 24.

[illegible], Tuesday, Oct. 25, at [illegible]

[illegible], Wednesday, Oct. 26.

[illegible], Wednesday, Oct. 26.

[illegible], Thursday, Oct. 27, at [illegible]

[illegible], Friday, Oct. 28, at [illegible]

[illegible], Saturday, Oct. 29, at [illegible]

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Canton Locals.

Mrs. M. A. Mullins is building a new five-roomed dwelling house on the Sexton lot, which will be quite an improvement to that part of town.

Mr. W. M. Wilson is having erected a four-roomed dwelling house on the lot adjoining Mr. Sartor's place.

A much needed convenience is about to be furnished Clanton by Mr. J. M. Morgan who will build and run a livery stable on the corner lot across from the depot.

Mr. Tipton Mullins' new law office is about completed, and has a pretty appearance.

Mr. W. M. Adams is having some repairs done at the Adams place, and his new law office is finished.

Mr. W. H. Taylor's new and convenient barber shop is finished and everything is up to date.

The Telephone Company's men have pased through Clanton, and now the poles and wires along our principal streets give us quite a city appearance.

Circuit Clerk Deason has received his commission, and we presume the other elected officers have also received theirs, but have no positive information to that effect.

Mr. M. A. Killgore is on the sick list.

We are sorry to say Postmaster L. B. Pounds does not improve very fast.

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Commissions Issued

The governor's office and that of the secretary of state this week sent out commissions to the sixty-six probate judges in this state the term of each of whom begins November 3. The secretary of state collects the fees for all commissions, and they are registered in his office. The most important and lucrative probate judgeships are those of Jefferson and Montgomery. The former is said to pays $12,000 or $15,000 a year, and the latter about $8,000 or $10,000. But out of these sums the judges have to pay heavy office expenses, which leave them barely decent salaries. In some counties the pay of probate judges is small. For examples, Lowndes county pays about $200 a month, Butler about $150 and Chilton $125. Dallas and Mobile pay very well.—Montgomery Journal.

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COTTON TALK.

Wall street has worried much lately over the poor price of cotton and depressing theories have gone the rounds based on the idea that low figures for cotton mean deplorable things for the south. A propos of this view and against it, are the following recitation of facts and expression of opinion by Mr. Henry Schaefer, of the firm of S. Gruner & Co., who on the cotton exchange holds high ranks as a thoughtful student of trade conditions. Says Mr. Schaefer:

"The cotton trade has learned in the last few years that cotton can be raised for very much less than a few years ago was thought possible. The conclusion has been arrived at through the continued large acreage which is being annually devoted to the production of the staple by the southern planters. If the present crop turns out as large as the last one there will undoubtedly be some difficulty in disposing of it except at gradually declining prices.

"But what the cost of producing cotton actually is we have never been able to find out. Should there be a low price maintained until the period when a new crop is being put in, this low price would seem to be the salvation of the planter, if it induced him to plant less cotton than heretofore.

"The various transportation interests and the laborer benefit by low prices and a large yield of cotton. To the real prosperity of the south it is, however, essential that the planter should have good prices for his product. There is a constant increase in the consumption of cotton, but notwithstanding this fact, it is evident that production has overtaken consumption. In China and Japan cotton spinning has been introduced where formerly the goods were bought entirely from other countries.

"Southern planters are at the present time in a better position to hold cotton than they have been in former years; but Texas, it is unlikely that at first the farmer will raise anything but cotton. This is always their money crop. Texas has also a corn and wheat crop, the production being mostly for their home consumption. The hog interest is an immense one, but it also is one which finds home consumption. To that extent the important state of Texas is ahead, in that they raise within their own borders the food required for their families instead of being obliged to take their supplies from the West."—New York Times.

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Executor's Notice.

J. P. ALLEN, Deceased, } Probate Court.
Estate of } Chilton County

Letters testamentary, under the last will and testament of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned, on the 16th day of September, 1898, by the Hon. R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of the Probate Court of Chilton County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate will be required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or that the same will be barred. H. E. ALLEN,

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Mrs. Kate Anderson and daughter, Miss Myrtle, of Birmingham, are visitors to Clanton.

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A TEXAS WONDER.

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One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame back, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $1. One small bottle is two month's treatment, and will cure any case above mentioned. E. W. Hall Sole manufacturer. P. O. Box 218, Waco, Texas. For sale by Dr. J. S. Johnson jr., Clanton, Ala

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Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption, and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at Dr. Johnson's Drug Store. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.00.

MULBERRY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The next session of the Mulberry Baptist Sunday-school convention will be held with Macedonia church four miles east of Randolph, October 29 and 30 1898.

PROGRAM.

Saturday, 9 a.m. Welcome address by James Nix.

9:30. Devotional exercises conducted by W. D. Langston.

10. Organization.

1st Subject. The Scriptural authority for Sunday-school? Discussed by J. M. Langston and W. H. Shaw.

12. Recess for refreshments.

1:30 p.m. What is the duty of superintendent and teachers to the Sabbath school? Opened by Jasper Langston followed by W. A. Mims.

2:30. What is our motive for attending Sunday-school? Dispussed by John A. Lowery and David Smitherman.

3:30. Are we discharging our Christain duty when we take no part in the Sabbath-school work? Opened by James Scott followed by J. B. Oden.

Sunday, 10 a.m. Sabbath school mass meeting, conducted by Rev. J. P. Gentry.

11. Sermon by Rev. R. M. Honeycutt.

Song services conducted by Z. J. Jones. JOHN T. MARTIN, Sec.

Three Doctors in Consultation.

From Benjamin Franklin

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When you have a bad cold Dr. Inclination would recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy because it is pleasant and safe to take. Dr. Experience would recommend it because it never fails to effect a speedy and permanent cure. Dr. Reason would recommend it because it is prepared on scientific principles, and acts on nature's plan in relieving the lungs, opening the secretions and restoring the system to a natural and healthy condition. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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says the St. Louis Journal of Agriculture in an editorial about No-To-Bac, the famous tobacco habit cure. We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac, one a prominent St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by druggists everywhere. 50 cure, 1 to pay. Book free. Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

Maine is again to enter the list of copper-mining states. The deposits, which are numerous and valuable, were worked more than twenty-five years ago, but a sudden decline in the price of copper made them unprofitable; improved and cheapened method of production is the cause of resumption of work.

Here are some of the conclusions that English experts have arrived at concerning the naval features of the war: Fast battleships are everything; have big batteries aboard; teach the men to shoot well; as for personnel, the Anglo-Saxon can beat anything that floats. These specifications cover the ground pretty well, though it might be well to mention the importance of personal heroism, says the Boston Herald.

The only significance in the small increase in railway mileage in the United States last year is that pretty nearly every available section of the country is now fully accessible by railroad. The railway mileage will of course continue to increase in the future, but not at such a rate as in the past. With improvements that have been made in engine power and carrying capacity of cars, moreover, the present lines are able to accommodate more traffic. This means that fewer railroad lines are likely to go into the hands of receivers hereafter and at the same time that demands of traffic will be met.

The American death rate is in almost every state in the Union higher for males than for females. There is an excessive mortality among males in the earlier years of life, which, although the sexes differ but little in this regard at more advanced ages, makes itself felt in the total statistics. Males are also enormously more subject to certain common causes of death than females. Thus they are five times more likely to die of alcoholism, four times more likely to commit suicide, and three times as likely to be killed by accident. Females, on the other hand, succumb more readily than males to many of the diseases common to both sexes. They are, as the census shows, more likely to die of cancer, peritonitis, whooping cough, consumption, diphtheria, scarlet fever and measles.

The prune industry in California has had a remarkable growth in the last decade. In 1888 there were about 11,000 acres of bearing prune trees, and about 6000 acres more of young orchards. Between 1890 and 1894 about 40,000 acres of prune orchards were planted. Since then the growth has proceeded in lesser degree, but the total bearing area is now estimated at 55,000 acres, with 10,000 more to come into bearing within the next year or two. The investment in lands, trees, irrigation systems, agricultural tools, and packing houses is estimated at $25,000,000. This year's production of green fruit will amount to about 84,000 tons, and growers anticipate a crop of 100,000 tons within a few years. Of this year's yield, about one-fifth will be shipped east as green fruit; the remainder will be dried, making, with the water evaporated, about 24,000 tons.

A writer in the Scientific American seems to have taken careful note of the lifeboats on ocean steamers. He says: "Any one who has traveled to and fro a few times can but notice the paucity of lifeboats and the fact that the davit room is not all utilized. The examination of fifteen photographs, representing as many liners, showed an average of seven boats on each side; one ship only showing an interrupted line of ten large boats on each side. What does this average of fourteen boats to the ship represent? The fact that only those on the lee side can be used in rough weather reduces the total to seven; two must be considered as sacrificed, smashed or capsized during launching. Five are left, with a capacity of about 140 persons—less than the ship's crew. Lifeboats? If they are lifeboats, why do they fill and sink with such rapidity? What use are rafts and life preservers in such calamities as that of the Elbe and the Bourgogne?" These are alarming statements, and they are evidently made by somebody with knowledge of his topic.

Of British birds the cuckoo lays the smallest egg in proportion to its size.

Spain's diplomats seem to be hoping for an unforseen mine explosion under the peace negotiations.

A CRISIS IN PROCEEDINGS

Reached by the Peace Commissioners at Paris.

AMERICA WILL NOT ASSUME CUBAN DEBT

The Philippines Will Be Demanded—Day Informs Spanish Commissioners That Further Delay Will Not Be Tolerated.

A dispatch to London news agency from Paris says:

"Today (Monday) the conference reached a crisis for the first time. Judge Day presented the demands of the American commission in threatening words. He said that delay was the only possible object attainable by the persistent efforts of the Spanish commissioners to saddle the United States with the Cuban debt and would be tolerated no longer, as the United States would neither assume nor antee any part of the debt.

"The Spaniards replied that this placed Spain in a position of repudiating or of reducing the face value of the Cuban bonds from 50 to 60 per cent., paying only half the stipulated interest on the reduced value. Before they would adopt either alternative, they would surrender to the United States the entire Philippines.

"Judge Day responded that the Philippines would probably be demanded, irrespective of the Cuban or any other debt.

"This, to the Spaniards, the first intimations of the intentions of the United States as to the Philippines, resulted in a whispered consultation on the part of the Spanish commissioners, after which they asked for time to communicate with Madrid. Judge Day said that President McKinley had instructed him to demand the entire surrender of Porto Rico tomorrow (Tuesday) and the delivery of every town to the United States officers before midnight, together with the evacuation of Havana on or before November 1, when the United States would be at the gates ready to take possession.

"There was no alternative offered in the case of either of these demands, and the session consequently was very brief. The American commissioners have received dispatches from Washington indicating that the administration is irritated and indignant over the delay of the Spanish commissioners."

WARLIKE PREPARATIONS.

Are Being Made by France—Getting Cruisers Ready.

PARIS.—Inquiries made Monday at the offices of the French minister of marine confirm the report published by the Soliel in a dispatch from Toulon that Vice-Admiral Fournier, who is now at Tunis with the minister of marine, M. Rockroy, will return immediately to Toulon, where orders have been received to speedily prepare the armored cruisers Admiral Trechouart, Bouvines, Jemmapez and Valmy for active service, and that, in addition, orders have been issued to send the largest possible number of gunners to Brest without delay to man the forts and batteries there. The vessels mentioned are to be promptly placed on a war footing and sent to Brest. Rumors connect the French preparations with the Fashoda dispute.

MUST BE RESTORED.

England Demands That Chinese Emperor be Returned His Throne.

A dispatch to a London news agency from Shanghai says:

"Reports from Japanese sources are in circulation here to the effect that Sir Claude McDonald, British minister at Pekin, had informed the Chinese government that sovereignty appertains solely to the emperor, who has been forcibly abducted and deposed, and that he must be restored to his position, while Kank Yu Wei and the other reformers must be pardoned. Failing compliance, Great Britain will enforce these demands."

Russia Concentrating Troops.

The Odessa correspondent to the Standard says that Russia has hastily concentrated 40,000 men at Port Arthur, to be in readiness for any emergency at Pekin.

British Ship Blengfell Burned.

The British ship Blengfell, Captain Johnson, from New York, September 18 for London, was destroyed by a sudden fire off Margaet, England, early Monday morning. Nine of the crew, including the captain and a pilot, perished.

Later it developed that the captain's wife and children, the first and second mates, were also lost.

Congressman Love Dead.

Congressman W. S. Love of the Sixth Mississippi district, died Sunday, at Gloster, Miss. He had been ill two weeks.

$125,000 Fire at Macon, Ga.

The candy and cracker factory of the Winn-Johnson Co., and the oil and paint store of T. C. Burke, at Macon, Ga., burned Friday. Loss $125,000.

Mrs. John Sherman Paralyzed.

Mrs. Sherman, wife of former Secretary of State John Sherman, suffered a stroke of paralysis Thursday and now lies at her K street home in Washington in a very critical condition.

GOMEZ WILL BE MADE PRESIDENT

Cuban Assembly Will Meet at Santa Cruz Oct. 20.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—The meeting of the Cuban assembly at Santa Cruz is fixed for October 20, but owing to the lack of transportation facilities the members of the assembly will be unable to arrive at Santa Cruz on time, and the end of the month will probably have come before the election of a president and cabinet takes place.

El Cubano, a daily paper of Santiago, predicts the election of the following ticket:

President, Gen. Maximo omez; vice-president, Senor Bartholome Maso; secretary of foreign affairs, Dr. Domingo Mendez Capote; home secretary, Senor Benjamin Guerra; secretary of justice, Senor Jose A. Lanuza; secretary of war, Gen Calixto Garcia; secretary of public instruction, Senor Enrique Varona.

A BLIZZARD IN THE WEST.

Heavy Fall of Snow Reported in Missouri and Kansas.

A Monday's special from Kansas City, Mo., says. A genuine blizzard prevails in the Southwest and West today. A heavy snow has fallen since 3 o'clock, and driven by a strong wind has prostrated wires in all directions and caused delay to railway traffic. The snow followed twenty-four hours of steady rain.

There has been a decided fall in the temperature, and the suddenness of the storm, coming as it has upon the track of Indian summer weather will undoubtedly cause great suffering, especially on the ranges covered with cattle. Kansas City is practically cut off from the West, as far as telegraph communication is concerned.

TO SAVE HIS WATCH

Edward Thomas Rushed Into a Fire and Burned to Death.

His love for a plain silver watch which was an heirloom caused the death of Edward Thomas, a watchman at the furnaces of the Pioneer Manufacturing company, at Thomas, Ala., Monday. Thomas was employed as top filler. His duties were in the top house, 150 feet from the ground. Gas from the furnace blown over by a driving southeast wind set the top house on fire. At this time Thomas was on the safety platform, but rushed across and entered the house to save his watch, and was literally roasted to death.

M'KINLEY HONORED.

University of Chicago Confers Degree of Doctor of Laws Upon the President.

The University of Chicago Monday conferred upon President McKinley the degree of doctor of laws. Hundreds of people applauded to the echo as the president of the college placed around the shoulders of the nation's executive a hood of purple, to indicate, as Dr. Harper said in Latin, that the receiver of the degree had "Surpassed other men in native genius and devotion to it." The exercises at the university, while hampered very much by wet weather, were still impressive in an extraordinary degree.

KILLED BY A TENNESSEAN.

Member of Second Infantry Defied the Provost Guard.

At Anniston Saturday a number of volunteers and regulars from Camp Shipp became involved in a free-for-all fight and a riot ensued. The Third Tennessee provost guard was summoned. One of the guards, whose name has not been learned, fired shots killing Sergeant Heise, Co. M, Second infantry, and wounding Corporal Conroy of the same company; Private A. R. Griffin, Co. C, Third Tennessee, and Private Oliver Shippard, Co. F, Second infantry. Heise was promoted from private to sergeant for bravery shown in the charge up San Juan hill.

Preparing to Muster Out First Alabama

George W. Van Dusen, First Lieutenant and Adjutant of the First United States Artillery, has opened an office in the government building at Birmingham and is now making active preparations to muster out the First Alabama regiment. Lieutenant Van Dusen states that he hoped to have the members of the regiment mustered out of service by November 1.

LOCKED UP IN ST. LOUIS.

Alabama Negroes From Virden, Ill., Are in Jail.

The fifty-seven Alabama negroes that were sent to St. Louis from Springfield, Ill., after the union miners at Virden had refused to allow them to remain in that city, are in jail in St. Louis. They spent Sunday in religious service, and are anxious to get back to Alabama. Mayor Zeigenheim is trying to devise a way to get the hapless negroes back without legal intricacies. To send them to Alabama is not within the province of the St. Louis authorities, who had no connection with the trouble in Virden.

CORRESPONDENTS PROSCRIBED.

Notice From Governor-General of the Dutch West Indies.

The treasury department has just been advised that the governor-general of the Dutch West Indies has issued a proclamation that all American yachts having war correspondents on board will be treated as privateers.

Snow in Chicago.

Snow fell in Chicago for over an hour Thursday. It was the first of the season and the earliest in twenty-six years.

GREAT BRITAIN PREPARING

Talk of War Over the Fashoda Affair.

FRANCE MUST BACK DOWN OR FIGHT

Grave Situation Arising Out of the French Aggressions in the Soudan Indications That France Will Retire From Fashoda.

LONDON.—There has been a great deal of talk here about the possibility of war with France and various preparations upon the part of the British government reported to have been made. It is announced that a leading small arms firm at Birmingham was asked this week whether it was prepared to turn out a thousand magazine rifles weekly. The significance of this will be appreciated when it is pointed out that the British government works alone are capable of turning out 4,000 magazine rifles weekly. It is also rumored that war insurances have been effected at Lloyds during the last few days, but they appear to have been more in the character of bets than trading.

The situation arising out of the question between Great Britain and France as to the right of occupying Fashoda is extremely grave. Everything hinges on the nature of the report of Maj. Marchand, the French commander at Fashoda, who is is now on his way from Khartoum to Paris.

The evacuation of Fashoda by the French must, however, take place if war between Great Britain and France is to be averted, as the Marquis of Salisbury has nailed his colors to the mast and cannot recede from the position he has taken up, and in which he has received the unanimous support of the country.

The emphatic declarations English press and public men have already had a certain influence across the channel and the inspired statements of the French press belittle the importance of Fashoda and shift the ground to an undefined claim upon the province of Bahr-El-Ghaseal and a port on the Nile. The mouth-piece of the French foreign office is preparing France for the abandonment of Fashoda by asserting that Major Marchand overshot his goal and that instead of going to Fashoda he ought to have stopped at the confluence of the Bahr El-Ghaseal

THEY WILL NOT YIELD.

Firm Stand Taken by the American Commissioners at Paris.

MADRID.—The semi-official Correspondencia attaches much importance to Friday's meeting of the peace commissioners. It says it believes that besides discussing the Cuban debt and the evacuation of Cuba, the Philippine question was under discussion, which this paper claims to regard as incredible "as all unprejudiced people must think, that after the signature of the protocol, the rights and sovereignty of Spain would be unquestioned."

Continuing, the Correspondencia says: "The Americans are uncompromising and disposed to only yield on points of unimportant detail. They are not disposed to agree to arbitration, while Spain is willing to accept Russia or Germany. The public is anxious, but we cannot immediately reassure it, the telegraph not being under the present circumstances, the best means of information."

GARCIA'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

He Says the Present Cuban Government is Not Legal.

It appears that Garcia has unofficially expressed the opinion that the present Cuban government, owing to lack of members and personnel, could not be considered legal, as a quorum was impossible, and therefore its actions were unconstitutional.

Gen. Garcia, it seems from what his secretary says, in all questions of authority at the present moment only recognizes the general-in-chief of the Cuban army, though he recognizes the "transitory government of the United States as a consequence of intervention," and being commanded by the revolutionary government to accept and co-oporate with the American army and navy, he obeyed orders.

Fell Under the Wheels.

Charley Bridwell, a brakeman on the Alabama Great Southern railroad was run over in the freight yards of that road at Birmingham and was very seriously injured. He was coupling cars in the yard, and was just stepping from the engine to the caboose when he slipped and feel under the train.

Anniston to Have a Permanent Camp.

Anniston is to have a permanent military camp. Saturday Senator Morgan received the following from Adjutant-General Corbin: "Anniston has already been selected for a permanent camp."

Miles to Investigate Indian Troubles.

General Miles has gone to Minnesota. It is believed that the president intimated to the general his wish that he would personally investigate the Indian situation. If this is true, it gives significance to the situation, which has been concealed very carefully.

A Fatal Mine Explosion.

Five men were killed and eleven injured by an explosion of gas in colliery No. 8, at Coaldale, near Tamaque, Pa.

CULVER FILES ANNUAL REPORT

Reviews Work of His Department in Regard to Fertilizer—Agricultural Schools.

In his annual report to the governor, just filed, Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, of Alabama, says:

"One of the most important duties assigned to this department is the management and general supervision of the fertilizer trade of the state. Heretofore it has been the custom of this department to have the manufacturers submit samples of their fertilizers, and have them analyzed by the state chemist, this being the guarantee upon which goods are sold within the state. During the present season we have abolished this custom, and have received samples of the various brands direct from dealers after coming into the state. During the present year we hope to get our fertilizer dealers familiar with the workings of this plan, and we are sure that it will prove very beneficial to the fertilizer consumers of the state.

"The demand for farmers' institutes has been greater than for many previous years. I have visited many counties of the state, and everywhere the farmers have attended in large numbers, evincing a strong desire to become more familiar with the needs of their soils and the proper methods of fertilization and cultivation.

"I have visited all of the above schools during the year, and on close inspection find that they are complying with the law, both in teaching scientific agriculture and in making experiments on the farm. When the crops are gathered, the results of the experiments will be published in pamphlet form, as well as all the newspapers in their respective districts. Every pupil over the age of ten years is required to study agriculture and horticulture. The time once was when it only required muscle and some brain to cultivate our then virgin soils, which yielded so abundantly to the husbandman; but that day is in the past; we have worn down and dilapidated our soil until it no longer yields to mere force. It now requires to be built up as it is cultivated. This is what is being taught in our agricultural schools, and, in my humble judgment, the young men from these schools will revolutionize the farming interests of this country. I would urge every farmer in Alabama to send as many of his sons as possible to some one of these schools.

"The branch station located at Tuskegee for the colored race, under the direction of Professor Booker T. Washington, is also doing fine work. Professor Carver, who is an educated man, is teaching scientific and practical farming, and, in my opinion, that station should have an equal showing with the other schools of this character.

Proclamation by the Governor.

Governor Johnston Friday issued the following proclamation:

The LaFayette Memorial association are appealing to the youth of the United States for funds to erect a monument that will testify the gratitude this country has for gallant Frenchmen who gave such generous aid to our fathers in the war for independence. To aid in this work I appeal to the teachers of Alabama to give the pupils in their schools an opportunity to contribute to this monument, so that it may be erected during the exposition in Paris in 1900. All contributions can be sent to the state superintendent of education to be forwarded.

Damages Awarded.

In the city court at Birmingham, the jury in the case of Mrs. S. A. Jones, administratrix, against the Louisville & Nashville Railroad company, brought in a verdict for the plaintiff for $3,737.37. The plaintiff sued for $25,000 damages for the death of J. S. Jones, who was killed by the explosion of a locomotive while running, near Hartselle, Ala., on July 2, 1896.

Delegates to National Convention.

The governor has assigned to Commissioner of Agriculture Culver the task of selecting seventy-five delegates from Alabama to the Farmers' National congress, which will meet shortly at Fort Worth, Tex., and the commissioner will be glad to hear from any representative farmers in the state who can arrange to go as delegates.

Birmingham's Mardi Gras.

J. M. Evans, of New Orleans, has been given the contract to put on Birmingham's Mardi Gras carnival in February next.

Chaplain McIntyre Dismissed.

The navy department has made public the findings and sentence of the courtmartial in the case of Chaplain McIntyre of the battleship Oregon. The chaplain was charged with conduct unbecoming an officer of the navy. The accused was declared guilty under the charge and was sentenced to be dismissed from the United States naval service.

Dance Will Be Made to Surrender Coal.

The cruiser Newark has left Port Antonio, Jamaica, for St. Thomas to demand possession of the coal belonging to the United States.

May Have Free Mail.

The efforts of Postmaster J. W. Hughes to secure the establishment of the free delivery system for the suburban towns of Birmingham has been taken up by the postoffice department at Washington, and it is probable that at no very distant day the citizens of Woodlawn, Avondale, Ensley, Pratt City, Thomas, West End, Elyton, Jonesville and North Birmingham will enjoy metropolitan postal facilities.

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NUAL REPORT

Department of Re-
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Rigorous Censorship Revived by the Madrid Government—French Threaten to Send Troops Across the Celestial Frontier—Anarchist Plot.

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

The Modern Typewriter Industry—Some Labor in Germany Extremely Poorly Rewarded—General Notes Pertaining to Labor.

A Song and a Sigh.

[illegible] grow
[illegible]
[illegible] down the line!
[illegible]
they were manned
[illegible]
[illegible] skies.

[illegible] were blessed seas
[illegible] kissed ease,
[illegible] dreams
[illegible] schemes
[illegible] tide
were trimmed and

[illegible]
[illegible] summer skies.

[illegible] were painted gray
[illegible] day,
[illegible] sailed well,
[illegible] hope would sail.
[illegible] all—
[illegible] sail
[illegible] my tired eyes
[illegible] summer skies,

[illegible] of long ago
[illegible] a heavenly glow;
[illegible] aways are bright
[illegible] precious light,
[illegible] bring them here,
[illegible] old and dear,
[illegible] of paradise—
[illegible] of summer skies.

—E. Bowen, in The Chicago Record.

A Great Modern Industry.

One of the new and important American industries that has grown up during the last twenty years, along with the telephone, the bicycle, and the moving picture camera, is that of the typewriter. In 1880 the aggregate capital invested in all four of these industries was only a small part of what is now employed in the prosecution of any one of them. The telephone and bicycle lead in importance; the typewriter ranks next. In 1890 thirty typewriter factories were in operation; they employed 4,735 men, and the value of their product was $3,636,126. In 1897 one typewriter company gave regular employment to 2,300 workmen. During that year each of the leading makers was selling behind in their orders. In 1895 a careful estimate placed the number of machines in use not less than 500,000. During the year following 428 typewriters were used in thirty-four office buildings in New York city. A statement published in the Typographic World of April, 1896, showed that in New York there were more than 3,000 typewriters in the section of Fulton street and east of Broadway and that throughout the city the number of high-class machines in daily operation exceeded 35,000. Chicago was estimated, used 15,000; Philadelphia, 14,500; Boston, 6,000; St. Louis, 4,500; Baltimore, 4,300; Washington, 3,500; Cincinnati, 3,500, and San Francisco, 3,000, while Cleveland, Buffalo, Pittsburg and Detroit used more than 2,000 machines each. In some of the dozen smaller cities of the land were to be found less than 1,000, some of them had as many as 500. The total number in use in the United States was placed at 150,000, and the manufacture and sale of typewriters has greatly increased. The amount of the exact number now used at the present time is not known, certainly exceeds half a million, and reaches perhaps three-quarters of a million. Agencies for the sale of the machines and dealers in typewriter supplies are located in every city and in many small towns in the country. The number of schools in which typewriting is taught is estimated to be 1,500, attended by more than 75,000 pupils, a large majority of whom are women. Perhaps no other branch of American industry has been affected by foreign competition to that under consideration. Repeated attempts on the part of manufacturers of other nations to devise machines which would supplant those made in this country, the product is today as much a favorite abroad as it is at home. In fact, America practically supplies the world with typewriters all over the globe. The exportation of them during the last eight years has probably exceeded one-third of the entire product. The total value of the typewriting machines and parts exported during the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1897, was $1,566,916. Progress closely resembles that of labor, but it opens out vistas that are broader, longer and more impressive.

Some Labor in Germany.

Charles W. Erdman, United States consul at Breslau, Germany, has compiled a report of wages paid in the city of Breslau and the province of Silesia generally. In considering them it must be remembered that Posen, Silesia and adjacent parts of Austria are the places where lowest wages prevail. Mr. Erdman finds that in glass factories blowers get from $5.95 to $6.57 a week; cutters, from $4.29 to $5.71; engravers and painters the same; sorters get from $2.86 to $4.29; heaters, cutters, sorters and packers, $2.86. Grinding girls only $1.43. In glove factories cutters receive from $2.86 to $4.29; heaters, sorters from $1.19 to $1.43, and sewing girls from 95 cents to $1.19. Even the skilled labor is underpaid. Railroad engineers get from $1.90 to $1.90 a week, switchmen from $2.09 to $8.09, conductors the same as engineers, firemen from $4.47 to $7.61, brakemen from $3.57 to $5.47. Shoemakers receive from $2.86 to $4.80, tanners from $3.33 to $4.29, laborers from $2.86 to $3.57, bakers from $4.29 to $5.24, policemen from $4.53 to $7.14, electricians from $4.29 to $9.52, blacksmiths and horseshoers from $4.29 to $7.14, machinists from $4.29 to $5.71, boiler makers from $2.86 to $5.95 and so on.

Mr. Erdman asks how a country where unskilled labor is paid at the rate of from $1.25 to $2 a day is to compete with skilled labor receiving as little as 50 cents.

Some American firms have taken advantage of conditions in Silesia. Thus, Mr. Erdman reports that the Arbuckles coffee people placed a $50,000 order for posters there, because they got a lower price than American printers could quote. Several printing firms have solicitors for American trade. Many factories of different kinds are running day and night on American orders.

While this is true of the district where Mr. Erdman is stationed, the trade report of the German empire as a whole tell a different story. It is a fact, as shown by the recent treasury bulletin published in Washington, that German importations have, to a marked and material extent, fallen off this year. From 1894 to 1897 inclusive, taking the fiscal years of each year (year ending July 1) German exportations to the United States steadily increased each year. In 1894 they amounted to $60,000,000, in 1895 to $81,000,000, in 1896 to $94,000,000, and in 1897 to $141,000,000, the high mark. Last year the fiscal year recently ended, there was a decline to $69,000,000, a falling off of forty-five per cent. Other countries, it is true, exported less to the United States, last year than in some of the years preceding, the decline of French imports being about twenty per cent, compared with 1897, of British imports about thirty per cent, and of Holland imports about five per cent. Germany's excess of manufactured products is increased and diminished by the market for "cheap-made goods," and the present industrial conditions of the United States are not, and do not seem likely for many years to be favorable to a large sale of manufactured articles in the American market.

The American exports to Germany for which German goods or their equivalent are exchanged amounted to $97,000,000 in 1896, $125,000,000 in 1897, and $155,000,000 in 1898. The chief article of American exportation to Germany is cotton. Lard, oil cake, hides and timber are other items. There is also a large exportation of American tobacco to Germany, and of copper in bars.

The Individual.

Who is indispensable in the industrial world? Is any one indispensable, or are all indispensable? If you inquire of the average printer, he will tell you that the world could not well wag on without him and his craft. The Peoples' department of Grit has contained several frank admissions on the part of coal miners that they, like Dewey, are to be reckoned the "hot stuff" that "did it," and given special honor and glory, because they dug the coal that made the steam that lifted the shell that sank the Reina Christina. The tailor, the farmer, the shoemaker, the editor, and all the rest of us, incline to the fond delusion that "my" craft or occupation is the one indispensable thing, whatever may be the claims or merits of another. The truth is that no one is indispensable, in the sense that he may justly claim that without him or the product of his toil the world would come to a standstill. Occupations have arisen, flourished, and been so thoroughly superseded by others that scarcely a memory remains. In every large town the printer of 20 years ago is on the run; where he isn't on the run, it's because all of him has already run out. Yet newspapers and books are printed in greater number, and better, than before. The old kind of printer evidently wasn't indispensable, though he thought he was. Neither is the new kind. The sailor used to claim that he it was who must be considered if there was to be commerce across wide waters. The coal digger, engine builder and propellor-man came along and the sailor found that he wasn't "in it" as far as being indispensable is concerned. Coal today enters into the production of most things, and the prosecution of most enterprises, war included. But if all miners went on perpetual strike, and every coal deposit was sealed forever, no one need fear that the world wouldn't go right on progressing. If all experience counts for anything, coal and men who dig it would very soon be a dim recollection of something that had been, and the superiority of the new fuel would make forever impossible the return of King Coal's reign. While these things are true, it is equally true that in a sense all are indispensable. To no man or occupation belongs the arrogant prerogative of claiming that to him or it the world is beholden in especial manner. The progress of mankind is the resultant of all the intellectual and material achievements of the people. Anything that enters in the creation of a product, or the development of a nation, is indispensable, until it is superseded by something more efficient. The paper-maker, the freight-handler, the drayman, is just as indispensable to the production of a newspaper as is the editor, the printer, or the man who pays wages. Coal helps to develop a nation. So does wool. The miner has no claim for indispensability superior to that of the lad who tends sheep on an Ohio farm. The banker no claim above the baker. From all of which it follows that it's not a sign of good sense for a man to proclaim that to him or his craft the world should make obeisance.

The National Brotherhood of Blacksmiths offers $10 and the Trunk and Bag Workers International union offers $6 to organizers of the American Federation of Labor for every union formed by them of those crafts.

THE PARTY IS RIGHT.

THROUGH DEMOCRACY PLUTOCRACY MUST FALL.

The Republican Imperialistic Plan of Suppressing the Right of People to Vote—Plan to Govern by Military Force—Hannaism Growing Wilder.

It is reported that government architects in making plans for a proposed public building in Chicago have laid out the lower story on the lines of a fortification. Their objects for this defensive plan is not to provide against foreign aggression, but to resist domestic riot. For some time an influential body of our citizens, with the same danger in view, has advocated an increase in the army and its concentration in the centers of population. The remedy thus proposed to meet a recurring and increasing crisis is not the removal of the causes, but only the suppression of a manifestation of discontent. Those advocating military concentration at centers of population are placed on one or other horn of a dilemma. Either our political economy and method of government is so partial and discriminating as to justly discontent to the point of violence and insurrection in the body or the workers of our free institutions and popular government have produced a lawless and dangerous class so large as to defy peace officers and to require military control. Either of these views is a deadly arraignment of the American republic. Those who advocate permanent military establishments at large centers of population assume by logical implication, first, that existing sources of discontent will grow to need military force for the control of the discontented; second, that a large army is required for domestic rather than foreign foes, and, third, that American free institutions and popular control of government are insufficient to preserve order, protect property, or even to secure the life of the citizen from violence. In other words, the American republic is a failure; the powers of government can no longer be derived from the consent of the governed, but must henceforth grow out of a certain class of the people and be supported by an efficient military organization. Those who have given attention to the experiences of the world in military governments, and especially to such as relied on military force for domestic peace, cannot but know that it is in such governments that order, property and life are and have been the least secure. That there is an undercurrent of discontent in this country is true. It is also true that dangerous outbreaks in evidence of it occur from time to time. It is only reasonable to say that this discontent has its origin in real abuse and injustice, the lack of employment of labor due to the gold standard and its power to concentrate wealth in the hands of the few. It is folly for any one to say that our domestic discontent is without cause. Supporters of the American republic have but one course open to them. They must search out the abuses and injustice that breed discontent and remove them. The issue is a status quo of our political economy and methods of government, with an army establishment to suppress the insurrections which their unreformed continuance will bring on, upon the one hand, or, on the other, tireless and earnest work to remove the abuses and injustice and thus remove the discontent and avoid domestic insurrection.

Afraid of It.

In Hanapolis Sentinel—It will be observed that none of the Republican papers is saying anything about the "enlightened currency legislation," which the grand old party has pronounced for. Why don't they print the bill reported by the house committee on banking and currency, to which the Republican party stands committed and explain and defend its provisions? This bill, which is substantially the measure prepared by Mr. Hugh Hann's monetary reform commission, and introduced in the house by Jesse Overstreet, provided for the destruction of the greenbacks, for the total abandonment of silver as standard money, for the irrevocable establishment of the single gold standard, for the granting of a monopoly of the issue of paper currency to the national banks and the most vicious and dangerous expedient of reckless and dishonest finance, known as banking on assets. The issue presented by this measure is the most important before the country, save the question of humanity and justice raised by the war department scandals. Why don't the Republican press discuss this issue?

Wool Tariff a Failure.

The New York wool exchange has quit business. President Allen McNaughton, in explanation, says: "Owing to the depressed conditions of the wool market, and it appearing that improvement in that direction is not likely to occur for some time, it has been deemed for the best interests of the corporation and its stockholders to discontinue all farther operations in wool until a better outlook presents itself." Wool growers ought to learn by this time what little use a tariff is to give them good prices for wool. They ought to learn that promises held out to them by the Republican

SIXTEEN TO ONE.

O, what is the cry that is rending the sky,
All over the South and the West?
From far and from near the same slogan we hear,
With never a pause or a rest.
Though faint in the East, it is ever increased,
As you follow the course of the sun.
Till the Rockies are passed, with a wild trumpet blast,
For silver at sixteen to one.

It sounds to the tramp of the far mining camp,
Then comes over mountain and plain;
Till caught in the mouth of the planter down South,
While the farmer takes up the refrain.
Wherever 'tis found 'tis a magical sound,
And a wonderful work it has done.
Here, there, everywhere, it is filling the air,
Free silver at sixteen to one.

From the far Golden Gate to Washington State,
Thence east to Superior's beach
Take your course, and then ship down the broad Mississip,
Till the shores of Kentucky you reach;
Up the fair Ohio, past Virginia go,
Thence eastward the boundary run.
You will thus understand that three fourths of the land
Is howling for sixteen to one.

Though gold-bugs berate, and their partisans prate,
And their newspapers fill up their space;
They tremble in fear when that slogan they hear,
And find it growing apace;
Though they fume and they sweat, we will wallop them yet,
And won't we have oceans of fun,
As we bury them deep in their ultimate sleep,
'Neath ballots for sixteen to one?

As fair futures ope through a glory of hope,
To the vision enchanted of youth;
As the forces of right come on like the light,
And triumph with justice and truth
So the prospect we see of swift victory,
When the battle at last is begun;
Things are coming our way, 'tis the break of the day,
For silver at sixteen to one.

J. A. EDGERTON.

Lincoln, Neb.

DEATH IN THE DEEP SEA

One Hundred and Sixty-Five Persons Drowned.

STEAMER STRANDED ON ENGLISH COAST

The Ship Was Blown on the Rocks and Scores Were Drowned Like Rats—Thirty-One Out of Two Hundred Saved.

LONDON.—The Atlantic Transport company's steamer, Moh Eagan, formerly the Cleopatra, of the Wilson and Furness-Leyland line, which left London for New York Friday, with 50 passengers and a crew of 150, ran ashore off the Lizard, between the Manacles and the lowlands. It is rumored that there has been a great loss of life.

It appears that when the Moh Eagan struck a gale was blowing and the sea was running high. Lifeboats put off from the Lizzard and from Falmouth, one returning filled with passengers. Several were drowned, however, it is reported, on the passage of the lifeboat to the shore. The coast at that point is extremely dangerous, and has been the scene of numerous wrecks.

A dispatch from Falmouth says that the Moh Eagan foundered and was probably blown ashore by the heavy sea and wind after her machinery was disabled.

Later.—According to a dispatch just received from Falmouth, out of 200 persons constituing the passengers and crew of the Moh Eagan, only 31 have been saved.

CONSPIRACY DISCOVERED.

Plotters Were Arranging to Overturn French Affairs.

PARIS.—It is announced that a military plot against the government has been discovered. The plot was discovered by a general holding an important position. The plotters were to have taken action on Saturday during the absence of the minister of war, General Chanoine.

It further appears that when the government was warned of the plot, the ministers were not surprised, having already obtained information regarding the conspiracy.

The Matin says the plot was not in favor of one of the pretenders to the throne of France, who has been talked about for some time, but was only for the purpose of changing certain officials of the government, without touching the president.

WAR WITH ENGLAND

Would Result From a Military Revolution.

LONDON.—The situation in Paris is regarded in well-informed quarters here as being more serious than at any time since the commune.

The St. James Gazette says: "A military revolution, however peaceful, which replaces the Brisson cabinet with the nominees of the generals, would imperil the relations between England and France almost to the breaking point. The semi-official and party-inspired Paris papers are still pretending that negotiations are proceeding between the two governments, and France believes it, although everybody in England knows that the statement is ridiculous. Even supposing Major Marchand is unconditionally withdrawn from Fashoda, the difficulties with France will in no way end. Behind it lies the whole question of the Behr el Ghazal, the richest prize in the Soudan.

ATE SPIDERS AND DIED.

Novel Means of Suicide of an Iowa Murderess.

Stranger than the death of Cleopatra from the sting of an asp was the death of Cora Smith, self-confessed murderess of her father, at the Anamosa, Ia., state prison. The court of the prison, where the female prisoners are allowed to take their exercise, is surrounded by high stone walls. Here the spiders come out from the crevices in the rocks to bask in the sunshine. Cora captured them, one at a time, placed them in her handkerchief and hid them in a paper bag in her cell. When she had accumulated enough, she began to eat them. A post-mortem examination revealed the cause of death.

Blanco Will Remain.

MADRID.—Senor Sagasta denies somewhat hotly that there were any difficulties with General Blanco on account of the latter's demands for money. He denied the truth of the report that General Blanco would be recalled, and said that on the contrary he would remain until the last.

Condition of Mrs. Lee Critical.

Major-General Fitzhugh Lee telegraphed Major General Greene Sunday that the condition of Mrs Lee was so critical that he could not talk business. He asked General Green to take command of the First division, Seventh corps.

Uprising at an End.

Adjutant-General Corbin Monday received the following dispatch from General Bacon indicating that the Indian uprising in Minnesota is practically at an end:

"Walker, Minn.—Adjutant-General: At council with hostile Indians today, the latter said they wanted no more fighting with United States soldiers and agreed to come and surrender on Wednesday. This is the result of their defeat when engaged with our men on the 5th."

GUARDING THE NEGRO MINERS.

Alabamians in Springfield Are Protected by Police.

All of the negro miners from Alabama, who went to work in the Chicago-Virden Company's mine at Virden, Ill., with the exception of a few who went north on the train from Springfield, are established in the headquarters of the local miners' union. Policemen are guarding the hall. The negroes number 100. It was understood that the negroes would be shipped back to Alabama, but it has not been done.

Adjutant-General Reece stated that the Federation of Miners refused to have anything to do with the transportation of the negroes from here to their homes; that the state authorities were in a quandary, because they had no authority to send them away.

FIGHTING IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Five Northern Provinces Rebel Against Aguinaldo.

A rumor at Manila says that Macabulos, chief of the five northern provinces of the Philippine islands, has rebelled against Aguinaldo, and that hard fighting has already taken place between the opposing factions. It is also reported here that General Rios, the Spanish commander at Iloilo, has sent emissaries from that place to undermine Aguinaldo's influence and induce the natives to demand that Spain retain the Philippine islands.

SICKNESS ON SULLIVAN'S ISLAND

Four Hundred Men Are Confined to Quarters.

The great amount of sickness among the enlisted men stationed at Sullivan's island, South Carolina, is causing the commandant, Colonel Rawles, much concern. During the summer many of the men were ill, and typhoid and malarial fever have almost assumed the proportions of an epidemic. At present 400 men are confined to quarters.

Progress of Evacuation.

The Spanish military commissioners in Havana delivered an official note to the American commissioners Friday, giving the number of Spanish troops shipped to Spain up to the present time at 6,617, not including those who go by the transports Montserrat and Miguel Gallart, which will take 2,200 additional men. In addition it was announced that transports to carry the entire garrisons of Gibara, Holguin and other places in those divisions will leave on October 20, 25, 26 and 30. After they have sailed, it is pointed out, half the island of Cuba will have been entirely evacuated.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

A hospital train having on board 120 convalescent soldiers, left Jacksonville for Old Point Comfort.

American imports into China continue to increase, while those of other countries decrease.

The Summit Lumber company's large plant was destroyed by fire at Junction City, Ark. The loss is about $50,000.

J. McD. Scott & Co., wholesale shoe dealers of Pittsburg, Pa., have made a voluntary assignment. The liabilities are stated to be $200,000.

Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy have decided to respond the porte's suggested modifications in the ultimatum to the Turkish government on the evacuation of the island of Crete.

The Rt. Hon. Wm. St. John Brodrick, English under secretary of state for war, has been appointed under secretary of state for foreign affairs in succession to Lord Curzon, the new secretary of India.

It is reported that Chang-Yin-Hoan, who was recently dismissed from the tsung li yamin and from all his other offices, and banished to Illi, Turkestan, was murdered while en route to the place of exile, on a secret order from the empress dowager.

The May stock farm near Lexington, Ky., has been leased to Congressman Joseph C. Bailey, of Texas, to be used for breeding trotting horses. It is expected that Mr. Bailey will make his permanent home there.

It is the understanding at the war department that the Seventh and Eighth cavalry, now at Huntsville, Ala., will be the first troops that will go to Cuba, and it is not now expected that they will go with General Lee.

GOMEZ IS PRESIDENT.

General Commissioned to Reorganize the Cuban Army.

The Cuban Generals Maya, Madriguese and Nodaves left Havana Friday for Santa Cruz del Sur in answer to an urgent summons from the Cuban revolutionary government. It was given out here that the Cuban revolutionary ministers have commissioned these Cuban generals to reorganize the Cuban army in the eastern provinces.

It is understood that Gomez has already been elected president of the Cuban government.

Wyman in the South.

Surgeon-General Wyman, of the Marine hospital service, left Washington Friday for a trip of a week or ten days' inspection of the work in the south in fighting yellow fever. He will go direct to Cincinnati, Atlanta, Mobile, New Orleans and other points. He will confer with the state and local health authorities.

Argentine's New President.

Gen. Julio A. Roca was inaugurated president of Argentine Friday. Alcorta remains minister for foreign affairs.

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THE right man in the right place —W. F. Aldrich in Congress.

THE peace jubilee at Chicago seems to be a howling success.

ADMIRAL Dewey is reported to be having a little scrimage with the Philippine insurgents.

Circuit Court will convene at Clanton on Monday, November 21, 1898.

BIRMINGHAM is talking of annexing the surrounding county and becoming "Greater Birmingham."

THE concensus of opinion in Chilton county seems to be against a stock law of any discription.

THE stars and stripes are floating over Porto Rico, which is now a territory of the United States.

THERE appears to be every reason to hope that Alabama will entirely escape yellow fever this year.

A FEW weeks more and the Legislature will meet, when we shall probably hear more of a constitutional convention.

TAKE a man who cannot read or write and show him how easy it is for him to mark his own ballot in the forthcoming election.

THE Peace Commissioners in Paris seem to be well matched. Both the American and Spanish commissioners know what they want, and both are trying for all they can get.

"SPEECH is silver, silence is golden." This makes Mr. Gaston A. Robbins a gold-bug sure enough, as his silence was profound during the session of Congress he had the honor of drawing the salary of the representative from this district.

WHAT's the matter with Clanton? Mr. Robbins disdainfully passed us by, and would not stop to let us enjoy and profit by one of those eloquent speeches for which he is famous (?), and now governor Johnston goes on to Jemison, ignoring the county seat. Mr. Robbins' visit to Jemison made votes for W. F. Aldrich, and no doubt the governor's visit will have the same happy result.

HON. Gaston A. Robbins, of Dallas, is a candidate for Congress from this district. We furnish this information to our readers, as the gentleman does not appear to have many friends in this county, and hear so little of him they may possibly imagine the only candidate before the people is W. F. Aldrich. To all intents and purposes he might as well be the only candidate, as he will get nearly all the votes.

WITH this issue we complete the sixth volume of THE BANNER, and beg to express our thanks to the people of Chilton county for their appreciation of our efforts to give them a good county paper. The next number will commence our seventh year, and as a large number of subscriptions become due at that time we hope to see or hear from our friends with a renewal of their subscription. New subscribers will also gladly be welcomed. Now is the time to subscribe!

THE question has been put to us, is the visit of governor Johnston to Jemison next Saturday to be made in behalf of Mr. Aldrich. We see no reason why it should not. The governor is naturally desirous of seeing the most representative man from this district returned to Congress, and few men are better aware than governor Johnston of the valuable assistance Mr. Aldrich has been, and is now, in developing the natural resources of this district. The governor is credited with having given the state of Alabama the best business administration known for many years, and also with having done much to induce men of capital to invest here and develop the natural resources of the state. It, therefore, stands to reason Gov. Johnston should be glad to aid Mr. Aldrich in his candidacy, and we welcome the governor to Chilton county to assist in the triumphant return of W. F. Aldrich to Congress.

THE Selma Times boasts that twenty years ago Mr. Aldrich's candidacy would not have been possible, and evidently laments that the high-handed proceedings of that period cannot be revived and Mr. Aldrich be driven from the district. The Times might find something better than the political methods of Dallas, which are notorious throughout the States. But it is the very fact that Mr. Aldrich has made it possible for the voters of this district to have their votes counted as cast that makes him the choice of the people and not of the professional politicians. The people have long since tired of the methods of twenty years ago and are glad there is no possibility of their return. That is why they have twice elected Mr. Aldrich to Congress and will do so again three weeks from next Tuesday.

How to Prevent Croup

We have two children who are subject to attacks of croup. Whenever an attack is coming on my wife gives them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it always prevents the attack. It is a household necessity in this county and no matter what else we run out of, it would not do to be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. More of it is sold here than of all other cough medicines combined.—J. M. NICKLE, of Nickle Bros., merchants, Nickleville, Pa. For sale by J. S Johnson jr.

It is not for a moment to be supposed that the unfortunare army conditions of which complaint has been made cannot be speedily remedied. Already, under the lash of the press and the force of public opinion, the situation has greatly improved. In round numbers a hundred thousand of our volunteer troops have been mustered out of the service and have gone to their homes. We must, however, for some time to come maintain what for the United States will be considered a large army. All the flood of recent criticism, even though exaggerated at points, will have been very useful if it leads to such improvements in administration as will bring our army up to something like the standard of the navy. By this time it ought to be possible for the Government to utilize the services of men who know how to lay out out camps. It ought to be possible henceforth to give all the troops proper food. There ought to be some system of accounting for the men by which the friends of a sick soldier can trace him to the particular hospital where he has been sent. It ought to be possible to transport commissary supplies without getting everything hopelessly mixed up. It is not simply for the purpose of doing better in case of some future war that we need to take our recent experience to heart, but rather for application to immediate conditions. We shall have to maintain some troops in Porto Rico, far more in Cuba, and quite possibly still more in the Philippines than in the West Indies. Meanwhile we shall have to maintain at our military posts in this country for reserve purposes much larger bodies of soldiery than we had seen at any time since the Civil War up to the present season. It behooves us by all means, therefore, to probe all abuses and to introduce all new military reforms without delay or current uses.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for October.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 19, 1898

Colonel W. J. Bryan writes from camp at Jacksonville, Fla., to W. H. Harvey, general manager of the ways and means committee of the Silver parties and enclosing a contribution, says: "The financiers can contribute large sums to support the gold standard, because the monopoly of money gives them great pecuniary profit. Surely we can appeal with confidence to the millions that suffer from a rising dollar and falling prices. Having brought freedom to Cuba, the American people can renew the struggle for the financial independence of the United States. Yours truly, William J. Bryan.

Governor Holcomb refuses to decide that either of the Nebraska regiments shall be mustered out. He suggests that enough men of both Bryan's regiment and the Third, which was sent to Manila, be allowed to return home to reduce each to 81 men. This returns Bryan's case to the War Department, and it is believed that his regiment will be among the first assigned to garrison duty in Cuba.

A ring of leading office holders at Washington, D. C., is urging comptroller of the currency, Dawes, to grant charters for national banks in the new colonies. High authorities maintain that such charters would be invalid under the existing National Bank Act, but these "patriots" (?), led by first assistant Post Master General Heath, are exerting a pressure that the present administration has not as yet shown its ability to withstand.

Nine of the national banks of Boston, Mass., have secured the necessary two-thirds vote of the stock holders to enable them to consolidate. Such a combine will cause stock already selling for 200 per cent and over to further appreciate. The banks of Boston are not alone in this nefarious scheme for self enrichment at the expense of the public.

Hon. Warner Miller, at a recent meeting of the Nicaraugua canal company of which he is president assumed the prophet's mantle and announced that work on the canal would begin soon after the convening of congress. Now for a grand steal!

One hundred tanneries are to be closed by the Leather Trust. This means that thousands of men will be thrown out of work at the beginning of winter and is a striking demonstration of the power of the plutocrats.

President McKinley's swinging round the circle in the middle West just now is a smooth scheme to allay criticism of the administration's war policy and to help Republican congressional candidates.

Governor Altgeld, who is out doing campaign work under the Democratic committees of various states, in his speeches unconditionally endorses fiat money—and his audiences cheer. So the educational work goes on.

The Democratic majority in the recent Georgia state election is placed at 60,000. The Populist vote has been very much reduced by reason of the contention that has taken place between the regular organization and the Tom Watson middle-of the roaders.

The recent conflict between striking coal-miners and the deputies and detectives employed by the coal operators at Virden, Ill., in which a score of men lost their lives, was caused by the attempt of the avaricious mine-owners to import negro ex-convicts from Alabama to take the place of the striking miners. So declares Governor Tanner, who promptly ordered the state militia to the scene of strife for the protection of life and property but not to aid the operators to run their mines with imported labor. The governor's stand is commendable.

Woman is the issue in the South Dakota campaign. Voters of the state will decide by the ballots they cast on November 8 whether full and equal suffrage shall be accorded to women, and whether the word "male" in the constitutional clause relating to "elections and the right of suffrage" shall be stricken from the statute books.

The assistant Republicans of Missouri, denominating themselves middle-of-the-road Populists, recently brought mandamus proceedings against the Secretary of State to force him to place their ticket on the official ballot, under the regular People's Party heading, but they have practically given up their attempt to steal the party name and are trying to get a place on the ballot by petition. A. R.

Advice to Consumptives

There are three great remedies that every person with weak lungs, or with consumption itself, should understand.

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A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow. Eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides. No appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at J. S. Johnson's Drug Store.

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"It seems to me," said the Spaniard, "that we should be considering plans for getting a new navy. A good navy, is the strong arm of a nation."

"I differ from you," replied the Spanish statesman. "If Spain had possessed no navy at all we might have continued the war with America indefinitely."—Truth.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton County and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Commencing at the north-east corner of Lot Number Fifteen in Block Number Seven, thence west fifty feet, thence south crossing the south line of said lot Number Thirteen fifty feet west of the south-east corner, thence south in Lot Number Fourteen Block Number Seven as far as the south line of Lot Number Ten in Block Number Seven, making corner fifty feet west from south-west corner of Lot Number Ten Block Number Seven, a strip fifty feet wide; Also one hundred and twenty eight feet off of the west end of Lot Number Ten of Block Number Seven. All according to the Plat of the Town of Thorsby, Alabama, and being and lying in Chilton County, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command, I shall expose for sale, at Public Auction, all the right, title and interest of the above named B. M. Gentry and W. Bralley in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1898

during the legal hours of sale at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama. Dated at Clanton, Alabama, this 24 day of September, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Non-Resident Notice.

The State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In Chancery, at Clanton, Alabama, Seventh District North-Eastern Chancery Division.

J. S. Johnson, Jr., Complainant, vs Issa A. Gilchrist, administrator, etc., et al, Defendant.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register, by the affidavit of A. C. Smith, Complainant's Solicitor, that the Defendants, Mrs. J. L. Barrett and Mrs. G. L. Wood, are non residents of the State of Alabama; and that Mrs. J. Barrett resides at Axtell, State of Texas, and that Mrs. G. L. Wood resides at Battle, State of Texas; and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the Defendants are both over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Banner, a newspaper published in Clanton, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Mrs. J. L. Barrett and Mrs. G. L. Wood, to answer or demur to the same, within thirty days after the 20th day of October, 1898, and failing so to do a decree pro confesso will be taken against them in said cause.

Done at office in Clanton, Alabama, this 26th day of September, 1898.

W. E. STEWART, Register.
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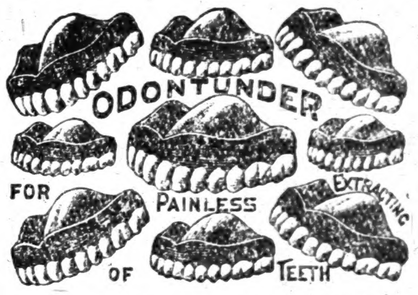

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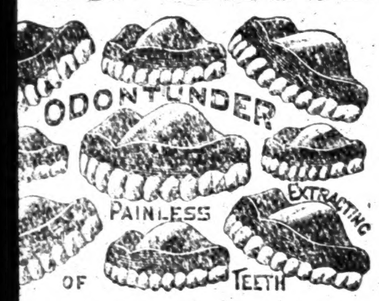

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J. S. Johnson jr.

Henry H. Matthews, [illegible] city court of Mont- [illegible] was a visitor here Satur-

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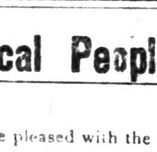

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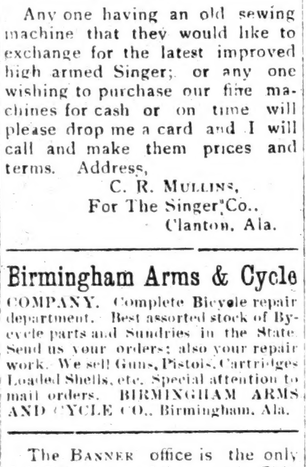

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Kincheon	Beat 6	Nov.	1	
Pletcher's Mill	" 8	"	2	
Clanton Ford	" 8	"	3	
Stanton	" 8	"	4	
Benson	" 3	"	7	
Maplesville	" 7	"	8	
Snoutts	" 7	"	9	
Dixie	" 8	"	10	
Valley Cr'k church	8	"	11	
Macedonia	" 3	"	14	
Hayes Mill	" 2	"	15	
Providence church	2	"	16	
Elijah Busby's	" 1	"	17	
Smith School house	1	"	18	
Cofer's Mill	" 2	"	21	
Jemison	" 2	"	22	
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	23	
Strasburg	" 9	"	24	
James Maddox Mill	4	"	25	
Clanton	" 4	"	28	
Cane creek	" 4	"	29	
Jesse Maddox's	" 4	"	30	
Goer's School	" 4	Dec.	1	
Coopers	" 5	"	5	
Verbena	" 5	"	6	
Mountain Creek	" 5	"	7	
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Mortgage Sale

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by J. L. Robinson and G. S. Robinson to W. L. Mullins on the 12th day of March, 1898, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton county, Alabama, on the 14th day of March, 1898 in Volume 45 of Mortgages, pages 327-8 and which said mortgage has been duly assigned and transferred, together with the debt mortgage debt, to the undersigned Cornelia Gullahorn, the said undersigned default having been made in the payment of the said mortgage debt, will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, at public auction in front of the Court House door in Clanton, in the county of Chilton and State of Alabama, between the legal hours of sale, on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1898,

all the right title and interest of the said Robinsons, Mortgagors, in and to the following property, to wit:

One left hand sawmill complete, together with carriage, head blocks, feed saws, belting, shafting, collar boxes and all fixtures belonging to said sawmill; One circular saw; One Erie City 10 x 12 25 horse power Engine, together with all pipings and connections; One Atlas 30 horse power Boiler and connections; One home made cotton press, together with ropes and pulleys complete; One 45 saw Platt Gin, complete, with feeder and condenser; One white Ox named Bob; One red speckled Ox named Jack; One red Ox named Buck; One red Ox named Joe.

The said engine is encumbered by a first mortgage, and Assignee is at this date informed that there are also prior liens on said Boiler and Gin.

This, the 13th day of October 1898.

MRS. CORNELIA GULLAHORN,
Assignee of said mortgage.
By TIPTON MULLINS, her Attorney.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

Lot number six (6) in Block number eleven (11) in the Town of Clanton, Alabama, lying on the eastern side of the South and North Alabama Railroad.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named Mathias Miller and Sarah V. Kelly in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated this 22d day of September, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19,983.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., October 4, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., November 12th, 1898, viz., Malachi C. Williams, Homestead entry No. 28,657, for the S ½ of se ¼, sec. 27, tp. 21, n of r of range 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Edmund T. Connell, William F. Mims, W. D. Goss, Philip H. Connell, all of Burwell, Ala.

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NOTICE.

I take the liberty to announce to the good people of Maplesville and vicinity that I have opened a new store in the storehouse of D. C. Savage.

My stock is complete in

Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Ladies' Ready Made Skirts, Caps and Hats.

I offer them at such low prices as was never known in this country before.

Everybody is invited to call and examine my stock and prices. You will get goods for a little money. I will mention here a few prices, as follows:

I have bundles of very heavy ducklings in large remnants from 6 to 8 pounds to the bundle; it is worth $2.00 but we sell it at 90 cts. per bundle.
Men's fine shoes from 90 cts up.
Ladies' fine shoes from 90 cts up.
Men's Pants from 65 cts up.
Suits from $3.50 up.
Shirts from 20 cts up.
Caps from 15 cts up.
Ladies' wooden Dress Skirts from $1.00 up.
Ladies' Capes in cloth and in plush from 50c up.
Counterpanes from 75 cts up.
Towels from 5 cts up.
Linen Table Cloths from 50 cts up according to size and quality.
Ladies' and Men's Hose from 5 cts up.
Brass pins one cent a paper.
Writing paper 36 sheets for 5 cts.
Envelopes 25 for 5 cts.
Suspenders from 10 cts up.
Boy's Suits and Knee Pants from 25 cts up.
Cotton Checks 4 cts per yard.
Calicoes at 4 cts per yard.
Handkerchiefs 3 for 10 cts.

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THOUGHTLESS SHOPPERS.

One Who Lost a Clerk $500 In Sales While She "Looked Around."

"Talking about cranky shoppers," said the salesman in the jewelry and silverware store, "reminds me of a customer I had last year, two or three days before Christmas. About 11:30 one morning, just when the store was packed with shoppers, a lady came in and asked to look at novelties, also silverware. She was interested in only the expensive goods, and I took pains to show her fully our best line. Several parties whom I am accustomed to serve were in the store while she was there, but I let others wait on them and devoted my time to her. I flatter myself that I am a good salesman, and, moreover, that I can tell pretty quickly the shopper who really intends to buy that day and the shopper who is only looking around. This lady, after examining everything closely, pricing, comparing, getting my ideas and occasionally referring to the proprietor's taste as he came round, taking up an hour's time in the busiest part of the day, remarked carelessly that she had a son who was then on a hunting expedition in the south. 'He expects to be an usher for a wedding in June,' she said. 'I will write him about these things I have seen, and very likely when he comes back he will look in himself.'

"'In June, madam!' I could not help exclaiming. 'Are you looking at these things now for a wedding in June and all these people waiting to get things for the day after tomorrow?'

"'Why, yes,' she said, seemingly not a whit embarrassed. 'I thought all of your prettiest things would be out of their cases now and that it was a good time to get suggestions.'

"'Suggestions for a June wedding.' I whispered to one of the men as my customer swept out to her carriage, and then the laugh was on me, because all had expected to hear of a $1,000 sale at least. I counted up and found that I had lost exactly $500 worth of sales while that thoughtless woman was in the store.

"We have people in here sometimes who do such odd things that to tell about them sounds like exaggeration," he went on. "See this brooch?" pointing to a small gold leaf with vivid glowing berries. "We sold one like it to a lady who lives—well, not 100 blocks from here, and has the reputation of being wealthy. If those berries were rubies, the brooch would be costly, but being garnets it is worth only $40. The day after the brooch was sent to the purchaser, a tall, self collected, stern looking man came in and addressed himself to me.

"'You sold this brooch to my wife, I understand,' he said, holding out the brooch.

"'I want you to take it back and refund the money.'

"'Anything wrong about it?' I asked.

"'No. But you had no right to sell such an expensive piece of jewelry to my wife without first finding out if she bought it with my consent. I do not choose that she should buy goods all about town in this fashion; when I wish her to have personal ornaments, I will get them for her. Besides, you overcharged her because she was a woman.'

"He was so in earnest and berated me so roundly that I really felt uncomfortable, although I knew it was all ridiculous. I explained that the sale was made, that the lady had paid for the article, and that the firm did not take back goods under such conditions. He got into a towering passion, argued with me to the top of his bent, although there were other customers listening, and then, when he found that it was no go and that we would not take back the brooch, he pitched the case out through the open door into the middle of the muddy street and took himself off.

"What did we do? Why, one of our boys ran out and picked up the case from under the very feet of a cab horse. We packed the brooch carefully in a new case and sent it round to the lady's address. What was it that made the man act in that way? Crankiness, pure and simple. He is one of the kind that objects to his wife's making any disposal of his money without consulting him. He is not close fisted, either. That very Christmas he bought her a superb brooch and some other things, costing six times the amount of that little gold leaf with the garnets."—New York Sun.

Tennyson's Love For Flowers.

An elaborately illustrated article, "Tennyson and His Friends at Freshwater," by W. C. Scott O'Connor, appears in the December Century. The author says of the poet:

Willingly, he took no part in the destruction of life. His sympathy with nature led him to mourn over the cutting down of trees, as if they were, like the grove in Dante's "Inferno," the abode of his personal friends, and he never would consent to his flowers at Farringford being plucked. "I can very well remember the look on his face," Miss Weld, his niece, tells me, "when he met me one day, returning from his meadows with a wheelbarrow full of fading daffodils plucked by me with the lavish hand of a child. He gazed at them very sorrowfully and in gentle words expressed his regret that so much beautiful life had been needlessly sacrificed."

FARM AND GARDEN NEWS.

ITEMS OF INTEREST ON AGRICULTURAL TOPICS.

Ground for Experiments—Feeding Sheep on Silage—Farmer's Friends and Foes—Winter Dairying—Etc., Etc.

GROUND FOR EXPERIMENTS.

The area of ground that can be used for conducting a number of experiments need not be large. An acre will give sixty-four plots each 25x25 feet square, and a comparison of different crops, under various methods of cultivation, will give more practical experience and information to those interested than can be gained by many years' cultivation without regard to system or regularity.

FEEDING SHEEP ON SILAGE.

It is reported that an Australian farmer fed 14,000 sheep on silage in a year and a half. It cost him thirty-five cents a ton, and its use in time of drought saved his 8,000 sheep, worth at lowest rates $10,000. Others have carried their sheep through such a season by feeding straw cut fine and sprinkled with molasses and water. They eat it greedily and hold their condition well.

FARMERS' FRIENDS AND FOES.

The farmer is fast learning who are his friends and who his foes. In years gone by a war of extermination was continually waged against toads, bumble bees, all kinds of snakes and hornets, but now they are let severely alone when run across in field or garden. The hornet is death to all slugs and is worth more than his weight in gold out in the orchard. We would have very little clover seed if there were no bumble bees, and toads and snakes live mostly on mice, flies and insects that eat up our crops. We now have a fine black snake in our barn and have never seen so few rats and mice about the premises. The boys don't like to go into the hay mow after dark, but the orders are that his snakeship must not be molested.—Farmers' Guide.

WINTER DAIRYING.

One of the chief difficulties in winter dairying is to secure cows that will be in fresh flow of milk in the fall. The gestation of the cow is about nine months, and to secure calves in October or November the cow must be bred during the shortest days of the year, when the weather is cold and when it is more difficult than at any other time of year to bring cows in heat. It is comparatively easy to breed cows during the late spring and summer months, and to this fact as much as anything is due the great number of calves dropped in March, April and May. It is only by feeding highly nutritive foods that cows can be induced to breed during the winter months. Flaxseed meal with some oil in it is one of the best foods for this purpose. It is exceedingly nutritious, and therefore only a very little can be given at a time. It will make the cow have a glossy coat of hair, and this is the best sign that it is putting her in fit condition for breeding.

FERTILIZING SMALL FRUITS.

While as a rule fertilizers in the shape of barnyard manures and the commercial product are supplied in the spring, both with farm crops and for orchards, it has been demonstrated that in some localities, especially in the sections south of Massachusetts and north of Maryland, late summer or early fall is the best season for the application of fertilizers. This is especially true of commercial fertilizers applied to such plants as raspberries, blackberries and currants. This fall application prevents the natural tendency of the plants to ripen and shed their leaves, and induces a vigorous fall growth of cane which enables them to winter better and come out in good shape in the spring.

Barnyard manures may be applied in the late fall or indeed at any time during the winter, even when the ground is frozen. The strength of the manure will work down into the ground and be taken up by the plants as soon as growth starts in early spring. If applied late in the spring after growth is well along, it is apt to cause an unusual growth of cane at the expense of the fruit crop.

GRAPE GROWING ON LITTLE LAND.

It is surprising how little extent of earth's surface is needed to root a grape vine. If it can grow upward and have open space enough on one or two sides to get plenty of sunshine, the area in which its roots can run is matter of comparatively little importance. We have seen thrifty and productive grape vines where there was only three feet of space between a house with its cellar wall on one side and the street sidewalk on the other. As the sidewalk was made of plank, the grape roots undoubtedly extended under it. But even with this there was scarcely a space seven by twenty-five feet on the earth's surface, and this supported for years two grape vines, each of which ran up a trellis as high as the house, and bore every year fine clusters of luscious fruit at the top.

This was probably an extreme case. But is shows plainly that many whose places are small do without grapes, when if they would economize what space they have, they might have this fruit in abundance. One thing, however, must be well understood, and that is that only the south or west sides of a building can be used for grape growing. The south side is best of all if it can be had. If planted on the east side of buildings the grapes are likely to be brought forward too fast, and the foliage will be nipped by frost in the spring. The sun shining on the west walls of a building through the afternoon accumulate heat enough to keep off frost in most cases after the vine is forward enough to be in danger from it. No matter how small the space is, a trellis should be built up a little way from the wall for the vine to run on. As in most houses occupied at night, windows will open on this trellis, the warm air from rooms will make the grapes on the upper part of such a trellis ripen several days earlier than they would away from any wall. The effect of the wall is to break the force of violent winds, which nearly always carry away much more heat than they bring. It was years ago, on a trellis on the south side of a building, that we were able to ripen the Catawba grape, which would nowhere else be ripened in the open air near that locality.—American Cultivator.

FATTENING ANIMALS JUDICIOUSLY.

It has been demonstrated time and again that animals may be fattened for market at this season of the year on good grains, and the cost of the grain be easily made good by the manure, or in the increased weight of the animal, leaving the manure as net profit. In order to do this the stock to be fattened must be well selected and judiciously fed. Young animals fatten more cheaply than older ones, and the square, "blocky" animal takes on flesh more rapidly and less expensively than the long, lanky one. Food used for fattening should be well balanced; that is, contain proper proportion of nitrogenous and non-nitrogenous foods, and the feeding should be done carefully.

If bran and corn is used, feed the bran freely at first and less of the corn. As the feeding proceeds, increase the quantity of corn and decrease the bran. Coarse fodder given should be of the best. Do not force the fattening process too fast, for an animal is able to consume only a certain amount of grain and assimilate it properly. Any addition to this amount is pure waste, for a medium-weight cow or steer, for example, will make as much gain on an average of ten pounds of meal per day as on fifteen. Get the animal fattened just right, and then market it. If kept beyond the period when experience tells you it is in proper condition for the market, the additional feed given will come from the profits, as it frequently does when an attempt is made to add a few pounds weight to a hog already tipping the scale at 600 pounds.—Atlanta Journal.

HEN HOUSES.

"I am thinking of building a new hen house for a flock of from a hundred and fifty to two hundred. What do you consider the best size and plan for such a building?" "Please give plans for substantial but economical hen house." "How would a sod house plastered and whitewashed do for poultry?" are samples of questions that come to my desk.

In answering them the section of country from which they come must be considered as a factor in the construction of the buildings.

There are two or three things that must be considered in building every hen house. They must be dry, warm and large enough for the flock to be kept. All other matters in construction and ornamentation may be left to the taste and means of the builder.

The necessary cost of the poultry house will depend very much upon the price of lumber and other materials in the locality where built. To this must be added the wages paid for labor. The latter expense will be saved by a great many who keep poultry, especially those who keep a small flock upon a farm or in a suburban village, as they will do the work themselves.

As examples of the range in cost of buildings we mention one in Massachusetts for one hundred hens, where lumber and wages are high, that cost but a few cents less than $100. Another in the same state, to accommodate 500 hens, cost $400 where the owner did most of the work himself. In Ohio houses that would accommodate fifty fowls each were built at $20 apiece where the labor was paid for as well as all material bought. "Out West" a house for 100 was built with an outlay of only $10 for material. This was the only money outlay. The "material" bought was a few rough boards, nails, glass and window sash. The work was done by the owner and the other "material" that entered into the construction of the building was poles, sods and straw.

This house may have been called "handsome" if "handsome is that handsome does," for it was warm and the occupants laid right along through the severest winter weather.

Give hens "warmth" when the mercury is playing around below zero twenty to thirty degrees, and they will talk merrily and rejoice your pocket-book with high-priced eggs, regardless of the lack of beauty and "lovely" surroundings that adorn their quarters—proper feed, of course, being given them. Beauty of outside finish and architectural symmetry will not produce eggs without warmth. Bear that in mind always.—Farm, Field and Fireside.

A Wellington Anecdote.

A tailor vainly tried to make clear his identity to the Duke of Wellington. "Why," said he, "General, don't you know me? I made yer breeches." Recognition dawned in the great Duke's eyes as he cordially grasped his interlocutor's hand, and exclaimed: "Why, Major Britches, how are you?"

BILL ARP'S WEEKLY LETTER.

TIMES THAT TRIED MEN'S SOULS AND "SOLES" ARE RECALLED.

WAR INCIDENTS AND ACCIDENTS.

How the Bartow Man Assisted a Friend to Hide Out From a Provost Guard.

Only a reminiscence. The veterans do not naturally love to recall the dark side of the civil war. They do not "nurse their wrath to keep it warm," as did Tam O'Shanter's witch. They are too busy in making a living to spare much time to memories of marches and battles and hardtack and ragged clothes. But they do indulge in little war incidents and accidents when they meet a comrade and something reminds them of something. The four-year war was full of heroism and thrilling events, but I believe the aftermath, the patching up of peace, was more provoking and discouraging and of longer continuance than the war itself.

"As iron sharpeneth iron so does a man's face sharpen the face of his friend."

It is only a reminiscence that I am going to relate. I met the old gentleman yesterday, and as we grasped hands our minds and memories went back to the troubled days of 1865 when first we met, one dark and dreary night. "Who is that?" he said cautiously as I knocked at the door. "Talk low," said I; "they are after your brother to take him back to Virginia and try him for kukluxing those scoundrels. I have brought him over here and hid him in your ginhouse loft, under the straw. Don't let anybody but your wife know where he is." It was about daybreak, and the old gentleman was in his night clothes. "Lord, help us," said he. "Are you telling me the truth? Who are you? Let me light a candle." When he brought it he unlocked the door and opened it just enough for him to see my face, and for me to see him and his double-barreled gun that was near his hand. "Who are you?" he repeated. When I whispered my name he grasped my hand eagerly, for he knew that I was his brother's counsellor and friend. Hurriedly he put on his clothes, and we went a blind path to the ginhouse, which was nearly a quarter of a mile away. Not a soul was stirring; not a dog barked. "Good Lord," said he, "has it come to this. Those villains whom my brother helped to whip and made them leave the country up in Virginia were worse than the tories of the old revolution. They robbed and plundered our people, and had negroes to help them, and we appealed in vain to the yankee officers for protection. Our wives and our daughters were in continual danger, and we had to kuklux these scoundrels or leave the country ourselves."

It was in June, 1865, while I was living in Rome, that I was aroused from sleep about midnight and learned from my Virginia friend that he was in great peril, and wanted assistance and advice. A warrant had been issued for him in Virginia and sent to the federal provost marshal at Rome, and he was to be arrested in the morning and sent back for trial. He briefly related the circumstances, and told me he had a brother living in Bartow county, about eighteen miles distant, but nobody about Rome knew him, nor was his brother implicated in the kuklux business, and he might be concealed on his brother's farm somewhere until the federal soldiers left here.

"All right," said I, "go back at once and get you a change of clothing and meet me at Norton's corner." It did not take me long to hitch my horse to the little rockaway and drive down to Broad street and take him in. We took roundance on the soldiers' quarters and were soon out of town on the road to old Cassville. The night was dark and misty, but we had a good horse, and in about three hours we were nearing the farm. When opposite the ginhouse we stopped to reconnoiter. We had not passed a man on the road, nor seen a light in anybody's house. So we felt that we were safe so far. Driving out to a secluded place we hitched the horse, and then made haste for the ginhouse. The way was clear and the place comfortable.

Leaving the brothers to arrange their plans, I drove on to Cassville and thence back to Rome in time for breakfast. There was quite a stir in the town that day, for it was soon noised around that one of our citizens was wanted and could not be found. A lieutenant in blue had a squad of Dutchmen moving stealthily around as if in search of somebody. At night they watched the house from a back alley, but saw no sign. For a month or more the inquisition was kept up. His wife and son and daughter and myself and wife exchanged significant glances when we met, but there was no sign or conversation on that subject. In course of time these soldiers were withdrawn. Civil law was restored, and one morning about sunrise my friend surprised his family by walking in to breakfast. Advices from Virginia told how the prosecutor had got into trouble and left the country for his country's good.

Strange to say, the man who informed my friend about the warrant was a negro—a negro of mixed blood—a middle man, who, in those perilous and exciting times, did the utmost to keep peace and good will between the races. He was raised by the Berriens, of Savannah, and was highstoned and well educated and of good principles. The provost marshal made a confidant of him, supposing that he was on their side and frequently took his advice where there was a conflict between the whites and the blacks. But for him I would myself have been sent a prisoner to Louisville and been punished as mayor for permitting a confederate flag to be displayed one night at a play in the city hall. Those were the times that tried men's souls and soles."

How old Father Time does mellow us down. That old flag can be displayed now at a tableau and give no offense. Now we can have Confederate reunions and can build monuments to Confederate heroes and even the north pays honor and tribute to our loyalty, and the blue and the gray fight side by side in defense of our country. Time is a good doctor, but he is slow, awful slow. We fought four years, but it took longer than that to make peace. We fought four months this time, but how long it will take to make peace no man can tell.

Two thousand years ago a Latin poet wrote about a great conqueror and said he made a solitude and called it peace. I reckon that is what the Spaniards think of us. We destroyed their navy and took all their islands and call it peace. But one thing is certain: The election is over and we will now have political peace. Of course, we have all felt excited and anxious about our state elections, but happily it is all over and nobody feels aggrieved. We have a good governor and he has a good cabinet and our members of the legislature are unusually select and so our ship will sail on smooth waters unless old Satan is doing like he did in Job's day—"going to and fro in the earth and walking up and down in it." I wonder if he is doing that all the time pretty much.—BILL ARP, in Atlanta Constitution.

STATE NORMAL COLLEGE.

Its Twelfth Year Starts Off With Largest Enrollment in Its History—Dr. Curry's Visit.

This institution, but entering its twelfth year's existence, starts off with the largest enrollment in its history—above 500 on the attendance courses, in all departments and classes. This is due in part to the facilities for scholarships per senators and representatives in the state legislature, and the new provision for fellowships to post graduates while on a course for higher training.

Dr. Curry recently visited this college and found not only professors, teachers and pupils busy with regular work, but a large force of workmen overhauling the college buildings, repairing and adding to, or upon the campus grading, fencing and beautifying, and expressed himself as highly delighted, both with the "college work" and "college improvements." He seemed pleased to look into the faces of representatives of thirty or more Alabama counties, and of students from several other states, too, and gave assurance that Peabody fund would stand by the college in its labor and fight for "free public schools" in Alabama. The college people and citizens of Troy were greatly stirred up by his three powerful addresses in behalf of "Universal Education Under Trained Teachers" everywhere.

Dr. Curry is the prince of southern educators and his visits are an educational benediction to any institution or locality. Dr. Curry presented the Troy State Normal college with a fine portrait of George Peabody, the philanthropic founder of the fund for "Southern Education," bearing his name. Miss McMillan, art director of the college (sister to Governor-elect McMillan, of Tennessee), will paint for the new auditorium to be built a life-size portrait from this gift of Dr. Curry, so highly prized by the college people.

In no other place are Dr. Curry's visits more appreciated than at Troy, and he promises to return again next spring, to the delight of all.

Dr. Curry was given a private "Tea" at President Eldridge's home, and there met students from about twenty different counties, who gave him a most hearty reception and became his "Escorts of Honor" to the train as he left for Montgomery, Wednesday night, last.—Troy Messenger.

Wheeler in Command.

Major-General John J. Coppinger left Huntsville for Washington Friday, being succeeded in command of the Fourth corps by General Joseph Wheeler.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

W. P. Oden, a prominent attorney of Sylacauga, died suddenly on a train of the Central of Georgia railroad last Friday.

For the first time in sixteen years Birmingham is without telephone service, due to a fire in the exchange Friday night, which practically burned out every phone in the city.

A small wreck occurred on the Mobile and Birmingham railroad seven miles below Selma. Ten cars and the engine were derailed. The engineer was slightly bruised. A switch had been tampered with, causing the trouble.

There will be a special session of the supreme court, beginning on the 25th inst., and continuing until November 8th, at which the court will hand down opinions in decided cases, act upon applications for rehearing and transact any other business properly coming before it.

A Deserter Shot.

H. H. Dickinson, a deserter from Company B, Third Georgia regiment, was shot at Griffin, Ga., and will probable die from the effects of the wound. He was resisting arrest by a squad sent to bring him back to camp Northen.

WRECK OF THE MOHEGAN.

Over a Hundred Lives Were Lost—Machinery of Vessel Defective.

ALMOUTH, ENG.—It is certain that over 100 lives were lost by the wrecking of the British steamer Mohegan in the vicinity of the Lizard. Rumors received here showed that forty-five survivors out of 200 persons on the Mohegan were landed at Port Houstock, Cornwall, where the bodies of five dead persons have also been received. Then came the announcement that fourteen of the crew of the wrecked steamer had been found alive on the rocks near the scene of the disaster.

One of the passengers rescued by the Port Houstock life boat says that all the passengers were dining when the catastrophe occurred, though some of the children and those who were seasick were in the bunks. Suddenly the Mohegan struck with a grating noise. At first the engineers thought this was caused by coal falling down in the bunkers, but a second shock followed and the vessel began to settle.

The survivors without exception speak in the highest terms of the devotion and coolness displayed by the officers and crew of the ill-fated steamer, and declare that all were instantly at their posts when it was known that she had struck.

The perilous position of the ship was noticed on shore and a warning rocket was sent up, but it was too late then to avoid the catastrophe, which occurred so suddenly that there was not sufficient time to get all the life-saving apparatus out of the ship. The terror of the scene was indescribable—men jumped overboard in an agony of despair, and the women passengers huddled together and refused to leave the deck.

The officers remained on the bridge to the last, and many instances of sacrifice are recorded.

Steamer Was Defective.

The Mohegan, it is now said, has been an ill-fated vessel from the start. It is added that she was only bought by the transport company when its boats had been sold to the United States government during the war. She was formerly the Cleopatra, of the Wilson & Furness-Leyland line, and was bought direct from the Hull shipyard. She never ran for the Furness line and only made one voyage out and home.

OPERATORS DETERMINED.

Will Bring the Negroes to Virden and Put them to Work.

ST. LOUIS.—The fifty-seven negro men with their fifteen women and children, who were brought to St. Louis after being driven out of Virden, are being cared for by the city temporarily. The negroes desire to be taken back to Alabama, but they have no transportation.

Mr. Mills received a telegram from the Chicago-Virden Coal company at Virden, Ill., telling him to keep the fifty-seven negro miners here, the coal company to pay their expenses. The telegram said that the negroes would be kept in St. Louis until protection for them at Virden could be had and then they would be taken there and put to work in the mines at that place.

STEEL MILL PURCHASED.

Plant at Fort Payne Bought by E. N. Cullom for $80,000.

The Alabama Steel Mills at Fort Payne were purchased Saturday by E. N. Cullom, president of the Alabama Trust & Savings Company of Birmingham. The plant was sold under an order of the chancery court, the purchase price being $80,000, paid in cash and bonds of the company. The original cost of the plant is estimated at more than a quarter of a million. The machinery is of the most modern pattern, and is practically a duplicate on a smaller scale of a plant recently put in by Andrew Carnegie at Homestead, Pa. It is thought the plant will be put in operation soon.

Will Give Impetus to American Shipping.

The war regulations relating to Porto Rico have been modified by Secretary Alger so that hereafter vessels trading between the United States and Porto Rico and vessels in the coasting trade of the island are exempted from tonnage taxes. The effect of the order should be to increase over three-fold the employment of American tonnage in the Porto Rican trade.

SIXTH AT SAN JUAN.

With Band Playing the Mississippi Put into the Harbor.

SAN JUAN, P. R.—The steamer Covadonga sailed for Spain Saturday, carrying 2,500 troops.

The Reina Maria Christina sailed Sunday for Spain with Captain-General Macias and his staff on board.

The United States transport Mississippi with 800 troops on board, arrived at daybreak Saturday morning with her band playing.

The University.

The University continues to grow in numbers. The net enrollment now reaches 190. This includes about forty law students and "co-eds" and about 150 academics. The latter are very mature in the main, coming from all sections of the state. These facts and figures indicate that the University has, as it deserves, the confidence of the people of Alabama.—Tuskaloosa Times.

Masso Will Urge Disbandment.

Sevan Bartolome Masso has arrived at Manzanillo and had a conference with Colonel Ray. Sevan Masso promised to urge the disbandment of the Cuban troops.

DR. TALMAGE.

many descendants you will have in the four thousandth year of the world's possible continuance? Do not let the grandmothers any longer think that they are retired, and sit clear back out of sight from the world, feeling that they have no relation to it. The mothers of the last century are to-day in the person of their descendants, in the Senates, the Parliaments, the palaces, the pulpits, the banking houses, the professional chairs, the prisons, the almshouses, the company of midnight brigands, the cellars, the ditches of this century. You have been thinking about the importance of having the right influence upon one nursery. You have been thinking of the importance of getting those two little feet on the right path. You have been thinking of your child's destiny for the next eighty years, if it should pass on to be an octogenarian. That is well, but my subject sweeps a thousand years, a million years, a quadrillion of years. I cannot stop at one cradle, I am looking at the cradles that reach all around the world and across all time. I am not talking of mother Eunice. I am talking of grandmother Lois.

Good or bad influence may skip one generation or two generations, but it will be sure to land in the third or fourth generation, just as the Ten Commandments, speaking of the visitation of God on families, says nothing about the second generation, but entirely skips the seconds, and speaks of the third and fourth generation: "Visiting the iniquities of the fathers upon the third and fourth generation of them that hate me." Parental influence, right and wrong, may jump over a generation, but it will come down further on as sure as you sit there and I stand here. This explains what we often see—some man or woman distinguished for benevolence when the father and mother were distinguished for penuriousness, or you see some young man or woman with a bad father and a hard mother come out gloriously for Christ, and make the Church sob and shout and sing under their exhortations. We stand in corners of the vestry and whisper over the matter, and say, "How is this, such great piety in sons and daughters of such parental worldliness and sin?" I will explain it to you if you will fetch me the old family Bible containing the full record. Let some septuagenarian look with me clear upon the page of births and marriages, and tell me who that woman was with the old fashioned name of Jemima or Betsy or Mehitabel. Ah, there she is, the old grandmother, or great-grandmother, who had enough religion to saturate a century.

There she is, the dear old soul, Grandmother Lois. In beautiful Greenwood Cemetery there is the resting place of George W. Bethune, once a minister of Brooklyn Heights, his name never spoken among intelligent Americans without suggesting two things—eloquence and evangelism. In the same tomb sleeps his grandmother, Isabella Graham, who was the chief inspiration of his ministry. You are not surprised at the poetry and pathos and pulpit power of the grandson when you read of the faith and devotion of his wonderful ancestress. When you read this letter, in which she poured out her widowed soul in longings for a son's salvation, you will not wonder that succeeding generations have been blessed:

New York, May 20, 1791.

This day my only son left me in bitter wringings of heart; he is again launched on the ocean—God's ocean. The Lord saved him from shipwreck, brought him to my home, and allowed me once more to indulge my affection over him. He has been with me but a short time, and ill have I improved it; he is gone from my sight, and my heart bursts with tumultuous grief. Lord, have mercy on the widow's son, "the only son of his mother."

I ask nothing in this world for him; I repeat my petition, Save his soul alive, give him salvation from sin. It is not danger of the seas that distresses me; it is not the hardships he must undergo; it is not the dread of never seeing him more in this world; it is because I cannot discern the fulfillment of the promise in him. I cannot discern the new birth nor its fruit but every symptom of captivity to satan, the world, and self-will. This, this is what distresses me; and in connection with this his being shut out from ordinances at a distance from Christians; shut up with those who forget God, profane His name, and break His Sabbaths; men who often live and die like beasts, yet are accountable creatures, who must answer for every moment of time and every word, thought and action. O Lord, many wonders hast thou shown me; Thy ways of dealing with me and mine have not been common ones; add this wonder to the rest. Call, convert, regenerate and establish a sailor in the faith. Lord, all things are possible with Thee; glorify Thy Son and extend His kingdom by sea and land; take the prey from the strong. I roll him over upon Thee. Many friends try to comfort me; miserable comforters are they all. Thou art the God of consolation; only confirm to me Thy precious word, on which Thou causedst me to hope in the day when Thou saidst to me, "Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve them alive." Only let this life be a spiritual life, and I put a blank in Thy hand as to all temporal things. I wait for Thy salvation. Amen.

With such a grandmother, would you not have a right to expect a George W. Bethune? And all the thousands converted through his ministry may date the saving power back to Isabella Graham.

God fill the earth and the heavens with such grandmothers; we must some day go up and thank these dear old souls. Surely God will let us go up and tell them of the results of their influence. Among our first questions in Heaven will be, "Where is grandmother?" They will point her out, for we would hardly know her, even if we had seen her on earth, so bent over with years once and there so straight, so dim of eye through the blinding of earthly tears and now her eye as clear as Heaven, so full of ashes and pains once and now so agile with celestial health, the wrinkles blooming into carnation roses, and her step like the roe on the mountains. Yes, I must see her, my grandmother on my father's side, Mary McCoy, descendant of the Scotch. When I first spoke to an audience in Glasgow, Scotland, and felt somewhat diffident, being a stranger, I began by telling them my grandmother was a Scotchwoman, and then there went up a shout of welcome that made me feel as easy as I do here. I must see her.

Make it as easy for the old folks as you can. When they are sick, get for them the best doctors. Find the place for them in the hymn book. Never be ashamed if they prefer styles of apparel which are a little antiquated. Never say anything that implies that they are in the way. Make the road for the last mile as smooth as you can. Oh, my! how you will miss her when she is gone! How much would I give to see my mother! I have so many things I would like to tell her, things that have happened in the thirty years since she went away. Morning, noon and night let us thank God for the good influences that have come down from good mothers all the way back. Timothy, don't forget your mother, Eunice, and don't forget your grandmother Lois.

Mothers, consecrate yourselves to God and you will help consecrate all the ages following. Do not dwell so much on your hardships that you miss your chance of wielding an influence that shall look down upon you from the towers of an endless future. I know Martin Luther was right when he consoled his wife over the death of their daughter by saying: "Don't take on so, wife; remember that this is a hard world for girls." Yes, I go further and say, It is a hard world for women. Ay, I go further and say, It is a hard world for men. But for all women and men who trust their bodies and souls in the hand of Christ the shining gates will soon swing open. Don't you see the sickly pallor on the sky? That is the pallor on the cold cheek of the dying night. Don't you see the brightening of the clouds? That is the flush on the warm forehead of the morning. Cheer up, you are coming within sight of the Celestial City.

The Major's Experience.

From the Detroit Free Press.

One of the staunchest supporters of the deep-water way from the Great Lakes to the ocean is Major A. C. Bishop, of 715 Third Ave., Detroit, a civil engineer of wide experience and considerable prominence in his profession. He was assistant engineer on the Hudson River Railroad in 1850 and has since conducted large engineering operations. He has been located in Detroit since 1851, and has a large acquaintance among the business men and citizens of this city.

Two years ago, for the first time, Major Bishop was in the hospital. For two months he had the best of medical attendance, but when he was discharged he was not like the Major Bishop of old. When asked regarding his health, he said: "When I had my last spell of sickness and came out of the hospital I was a sorry sight. I could not gain my strength, and could not walk over a block for several weeks.

Major Bishop.

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DISCOVERIES IN LEAP CASTLE.

Eleventh Century Staircase Found in an Early English Structure.

A Birr correspondent writes that a series of interesting "finds," just discovered in the historic Leap castle, have been shown to a number of visitors. The first and most important was an eleventh century stone spiral staircase springing from the first floor level and terminating at the summit of the great tower, 100 feet high. This relic of a remote past is in a splendid state of preservation. The finely cut stone steps are laid with mathematical accuracy and are large, like the passage itself. The O'Carrolls, princes of Ely, whose chief stronghold this castle was, were all big men—in fact, a race of giants—as the fey relics of them extant attest. Hence the reason why everything about the castle is large.

The second "find" is an entrance to the guard room cut out of the rock, and which was up to the present believed to be a mass of solid masonry. Here numerous bones, coins of the reign of Edward the Confessor and other relics were found. Human bones in large quantities, flints and spear heads were also found in the extensive range of dungeons which have been brought to light beneath the castle, these curious prison-houses being rock-hewn, and their existence having been previously unknown to the owner of the castle and lord of the soil, Jonathan C. Darby. This gentleman is the descendant of the royal house of O'Carrolls of Ely, whose family have remained in uninterrupted possession of the Leap for many centuries.

The present owner, aided by Mrs. Darby, has put into a complete state of preservation the ancient chapel, an apartment twenty-five feet square and high, which is on top of the tower, and here has been discovered a very large and fine English window, which, from its great elevation, commands a view embracing eight counties. A little below this is a remarkable room, which none of the servants will enter after nightfall. It was the state bedroom of one of the princesses of Ely, who was murdered six centuries ago by her lord, and the solid oak door retains the bloodstains of the royal victim. This part of the building is reputed to be haunted, and Mr. and Mrs. Darby, who do not believe in ghosts, admit that they cannot account for the extraordinary noises that occasionally come from the death chamber of the murdered princess, and which make it nearly impossible for them to retain their female servants in their employment. The manifestations are reputed to take the form of shrieks, which resound and reverberate through the building and set all the dogs in the kennel whining and barking.—Leeds Mercury.

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Enjoying an Earthquake.

According to the Argonaut, a lady—"an old lady," to quote the Argonaut literally—having returned to Michigan after a visit to California, was asked by one of her neighbors if she had experienced an earthquake. "Yes," said the lady, "we had one, a pretty severe one, and I rather enjoyed it. You see it was the first thing that has happened since John and I married that he didn't think I was to blame for."

Thirteen out of every 10,000 people in the United States are in prison. Seventeen out of every 10,000 are insane, the number being divided almost equally between the sexes. The tendency to insanity is greatest among the Irish. It is least among the Canadians.

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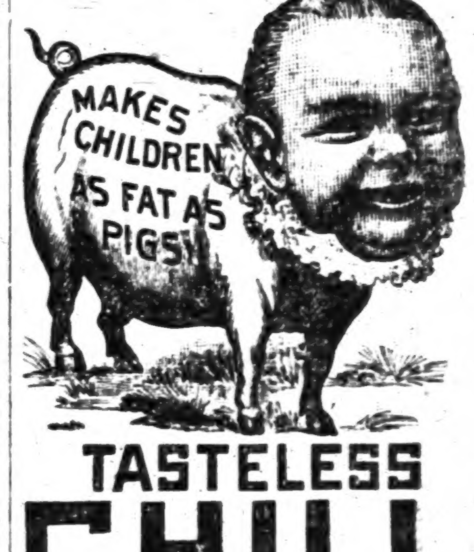

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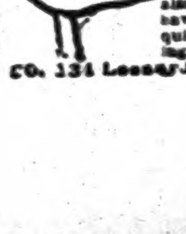

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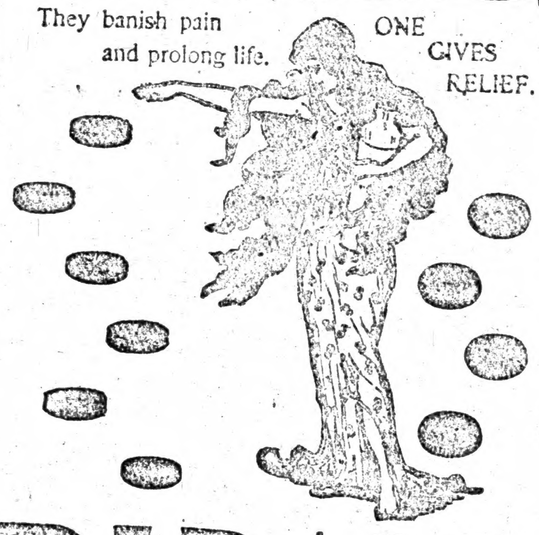

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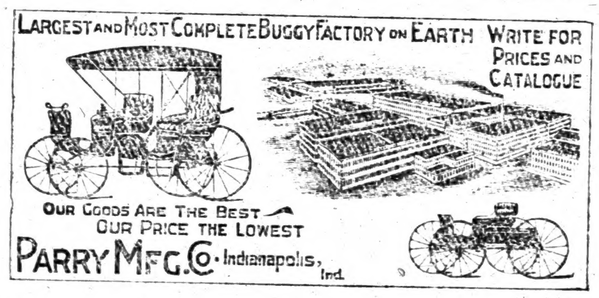

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ELECTION NOTICE.

State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

Notice is hereby given that a general election to be held at the various voting places in Chilton county, Alabama, on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1898,

for the election of a Representative in the Congress of the United States for the Fourth Congressional District of Alabama.

This the 5th day of October.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

We the undersigned, as required by law, have this day selected the following named persons to act as managers and Returning officers of election to be held in Chilton county, Alabama, on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1898, to wit:

Beat 1. Inspectors, J. N. Glasscock, Jerry Young. W. R. Robinson. Returning Officer, J. M. Robinson.

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Beat 8. Inspectors, J. Bice, T. F. Thornton, W. Moore. Returning Officer, G. Bice.

This the 5th day of October, 1898.

R. M. HONEYCUTT, Probate Judge.
J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.
A. E. VANDEVEER, Circuit Clerk.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich will address the people of Chilton county at the following time and places:

Stanton, Monday, October 31, 9:30 a.m.
Jemison, Wednesday, November 2, 10:30 a.m.
Thorsby, Wednesday, November 2, 7:30 p.m.
Clanton, Thursday, November 3, 9:30 a.m.
Coopers, Thursday, November 3, 2:30 p.m.
Verbena, Friday, November 4, 9:30 a.m.

Hon. A. P. Longshore will address the people as follows:

Maplesville, Monday, October 24, at 2 p.m.
Kingston, Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 10 a.m.
Verbena, Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 10 a.m.
Coopers, Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 3 p.m.
Jemison, Thursday, Oct. 27, at 10 a.m.
Union, Beat 1, Friday, Oct. 28, at 2 p.m.
Clanton, Saturday, Oct. 29, at 10 a.m.

Hon. John T. Morgan, United States Senator from Alabama, will address the people of Chilton county at Clanton, Saturday, November 5 at 2 p.m.

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Bessemer, Ala., Oct. 25, 1898

Editor BANNER—Will you allow me space in your valuable paper to reply to those wanting stock law, bull and boar law, road law, and school law. I will say to my dear people of Chilton county I have lived in Macon county, Ala., where they had stock law and it just means poor men and no stock, and I ask each of you never to vote for stock law. I am in favor of the road law; I know there are no public roads in Chilton, for I have lived in Jefferson county two years now and I have seen two mules pulling 22 oak ties, hauling them 7 and 8 miles. We have what is known as macadamised roads here; they are built and kept up by contract; people are taxed to pay this contractor and I have ever been in favor of working roads by taxation and convict system.

And now I will say a little about the boar and bull law. I think people have but very little to do or say when they say we want these laws. I say there is no law or statute that prohibits anyone from buying fine stock, and I think it a question uncalled for, and I will ask every reader of the Banner if I am not right. I think it would be better if every one writing about this would take his family to Sunday-school and to church and devote the same time in serving God, and call his family up round the family altar, and have family prayer and teach his children that there is a blessed Redeemer and keep them to be ready when they are called from this world of trouble. So I will close hoping to hear from someone in next issue.

Yours truly,
DOLL HILL.

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Strasburg

Farmers are gathering cotton very fast.

Miss Katy Hill has returned home from a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Robinson, at Connellsville, Ala., accompanied by her little niece, Miss Lila Mae Robinson. We welcome the charming young lady back again. Miss Kate visited many friends in Birmingham and Bessemer and reports having a nice time. Z. Y. X.

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Clanton Locals.

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Jemison.

Governor Johnston spoke at Jemison on 22d inst. to a fairly good number, yet it is surprising that the governor of the great state of Alabama called no more out. We were compelled to excuse Mr. Johnston in useing the pronoun "I" so much, considering it took that to explain all the favors he has administered to his beloved people in regard to curtailing expenses and minutely looking after things in general as a business man will, etc. We did wish to ask him one question when he said he had sugar and coffee and lightbread withheld from the convicts. What we wish to know is this: If our economical governor should possibly have a brother or son in prison would he move to have a hot cup of coffee of mornings withheld from them, to say nothing about sugar and lightbread? It seems to be possible for economy to be pushed to extremes. It would look better in the eye of God, whose wise cognisance and music would dispense a more correct equilibrium in humanity. What a precious jewel consistency is, it nourishes righteousness and grace. In regard to economy there cannot be too much weight of admiration for that, provided the scales are right etc.

Again, the governor said, "a good Populist," or Populite he called them, "was simply an over ripe Democrat." May the good Lord increase the number of over ripe Democrats. Yes, let them develop and ripen by the thousands, until purification and salvation takes the place of present conditions. All honor to the governor where it is due. We should not fail to ask some friend to teach the governor the principles and design of the initiative and referendum, as he seemed rather dull of comprehension in what we deem to be the saving grace. He alluded to the last Populist platform having engrafted the initiative and referendum. He failed to state that the great state of Illinois has engrafted these planks in their platform. We admire hearty confessions on important matters.

We are glad to note the generosity and kindness of Hon. L. H. Reynolds who met governor Johnston at the depot, and took charge of him, carrying him in a double team buggy to Thorsby in ample time for the governor to speak according to appointment. We feel certain that Mr Reynolds is one of the over ripe Democrats. On their return from the town of Thorsby the governor was escorted to the hotel for dinner. Hon. L. H. Reynolds would have happily took him to his own beautiful home but for some afflictions in his family.

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Stanton

Rev. Carnell preached at the Baptist church Thursday night.

W. J. A. Melton spent the day at Probst's mill Sunday.

Mr. S. M. Griffin went to Clanton Monday on business.

The Southern railroad has improved the depot by putting in a bow window.

The mill has not been running regularly this week on account of repairs.

We are glad to state that Master Truman MaCann is much better.

Mr. W. H. Rouse is on the sick list this week.

Messrs. Robert Lester and John Ruddick went to Birmingham Thursday to rejoin their regiment for the purpose of being mustered out of the service of Uncle Sam.

Miss May Gant is visiting friends in Blocton this week.

Mr. W. C. Dyer went to Centreville Saturday on business.

Rev. W. J. Ruddick filled his regular appointment Sunday.

Miss Emly Dyer returned home from a visit to Atlanta Thursday.

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It's cold weather down about the Turn Round now.

David Kendrick paid his brother at Elmore a flying visit Sunday.

Mrs. Williams, of Deatsville, after spending a while here with her son, M. C. Williams, returned home Sunday.

Prof. J. N. Goss took charge of a school near Edgewood last Monday.

Several attended the all-day singing at Salem Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Connell spent Sunday with J. N. Connell.

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Singing at Salem.

The citizens of East Chilton and surrounding neighborhoods met Sunday at Salem church for an all day exercise in vocal and instrumental music. At the regular time we had a sermon on music by Rev. J. H. Thomas. The discourse was an eloquent pictragal of the importance of music in religious assemblies. "Praise," says the Psalmist David, "is comely," and also he claims" oh that men would praise God for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men." How dry and ineffectual for good would be our worship without the inspiration of song, thus banning adoration to the Great Giver of every good and perfect gift. "The man," says the poet, "that hath not music in his soul is fit only for stratagems, treasons and spoils." Even the lower order of animals have been made to dance with delight at the concord of sweet sounds. We are told that the spheres in their revolutions chant heavenly music to the great Creator who dispenses blessings to all His creatures. There is nothing so indispensible to the enjoyment of the christain as to be able to sing correctly. Let the children be taught to sing and it will be not only an ornament to their lives but add much to their usefulness and happiness. These periodical gatherings to improve the youth in our communities in the art of vocal music can but redound to the spiritual uplifting of the soul and ultimately to the glory of God. If then, our meeting together for a good purpose eventuates in moral benefit to all concerned, let us persevere in our benevolent work.

At 10:30 a.m. organization was consumated. W. H. Robinson was chosen chairman and Walter Kendrick secretary. The committee men were R. F. Grant, D. S. Robinson and T. J. Bates. After which a short prayer by N. J. Jones. The singing was conducted by the following leaders N. J. Jones, Thomas Pyron, J. S. Jones, W. H. Robinson and T. L. Robinson and Misses Tempie Grant, Martha Pyron, Dora Robinson and Queenie Grant, four beautiful young ladies serving as organist. We thank the dear people of Salem for their hospitality shown to visitors.

Respectfully,
WALTER KENDRICK, Sec.

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Perhaps the Czar of Russia is just as eager for universal peace as he pretends to be, but he will probably continue to build warships and enlarge his battalions as rapidly as ever. The dream of peace will in no way retard the preparations for war.

Queen Wihelmina's proclamation upon the occasion of her accession to the throne of Holland is modest, womanly and dignified. It merely confirms the opinion hitherto expressed, namely, that Wihelmina is by all odds the nicest girl now engaged in the reigning business anywhere in the world.

The practice among nations of exacting money from a conquered foe is, in its present form, somewhat modern. In ancient times the victor despoiled the enemy he had overcome, sacked cities, and took whatever of value he could carry away. Now he respects private property, but he usually makes the conquered nation pay the whole cost of the war. In either case the practice is analogous to that of civil courts, which assess costs upon the defeated party.

The Japanese, it appears, have not a little poetry in their souls, as they give their warships such pretty names as "Daybreak," "Darkening Clouds," "Evening Mist," and "Will o' the Wisp." This is rather more sensible than the English custom of naming their small vessels after insects, while they bestow upon their huge ironclads alarmist names that may be supposed to strike terror into the hearts of their foes. It is a pity that Americans are not more partial to the fine old Indian names that abound in different parts of the country.

According to the Post-Express of Rochester, N. Y., that city is felicitating itself over a remarkable decrease in mortality during the last few years, especially among children, and is pluming itself over being the healthiest city in the state. The official figures show a decrease for the month of July in the mortality of children under five years from 175 in 1887 out of a population of 120,000 to 58 in 1898 out of a population of 180,000. The Post-Express attributes this gratifying exhibit to the liberal appropriations made by the city to maintain the standard quality of milk, and the efforts of the physicians to arrest the havoes of tuberculosis.

John E. Kehl, United States consul at Stettin, tells why the German farmer is prosperous despite the fact that he has poorer land and less land than his American brother, and no labor-saving machinery worth the mention. Co operation is the secret of his success He has co-operative credit banks, co operative dairies, co-operative steam plows, and co-operation in drainage and irrigation, in both of which he is an expert. He is also an intensive farmer, and gets out of the ground pretty much everything which it is capable. Farm laborers get thirty-five cents a day, with a small house to live in and a half-acre of land to cultivate for their own use. In harvest seasons they get fifty cents a day.

In an article written for the Lumberman by B. F. Seymour attention is called to the almost unlimited variety of uses of which the red cypress is susceptible, principally for house work, inside and outside. For natural beauty of appearance, the red cypress of Louisiana is especially notable, and is extensively used by manufacturers for all descriptions of cisterns, tanks, tubs, for brewery, creamery, and similar applications, and for durability and strength, cannot be equalled in the case of large railroad tanks. Car builders and railroad companies have long been partial to this material for siding and roofing on box freight cars. It possesses the advantage of taking and holding paint in a degree equal to white pine, being also free from pitch or gum. When used for outside work, including bevel siding, porch floors and columns, step planks, gutters, etc., it is more durable than any other wood in use.

Families Badly Mixed.

On Butler Taylor's farm bantam chickens and quails are mixed. The quail hen hatched chickens and the bantam is the proud mother of a covey of little quails. The little chickens followed the quail mother off into the copse and are as wild as real quails. The bantam's little quails deport themselves in the yard and coop the same as regulation chickens.—Carrollton (Ky.) Democrat.

In going into a store to file a kick say: "There was a mistake made," instead of "You made a mistake."—Atchison Globe.

DELAY IN CUBAN EVACUATION

Task Imposed Upon the Spaniards Beyond Their Ability.

CANNOT LEAVE IN TIME SPECIFIED.

The American Commission Has Not in Any Sense Abated the Pressure Being Brought to Bear Upon the Dons to Leave the Island.

WASHINGTON.—(Special.)—It is now certain that the complete evacuation of Cuba will be delayed beyond the period originally fixed by the administration. This will follow entirely without reference to anything that has occurred in Paris before the peace commission.

The war department has about satisfied itself that the task imposed upon Spanish authorities, namely, the removal and transportation to a great distance by sea of about 120,000 soldiers, sick and well, with their accoutrements, was beyond the ability of the Spaniards.

The magnitude of the task is shown by the fact that the great Trans-Atlantic Steamship lines crossing the Atlantic from New York, all combined, in prosperous seasons, could transport only about 50,000 persons in one year—less than one-half the number that the Spanish officials with their poor facilities were expected to transport in about ten weeks.

Delay in the evacuation of Cuba will cause a delay in the relinquishment of sovereignty by the Spaniards over the entire island, which was set for December 1.

It is not to be understood from this that the American military commission is in any sense abating the pressure it has brought to bear upon the Spanish military commissioners to secure the evacuation of the island and the relinquishment of sovereignty of Spain. On the contrary, they have redoubled their efforts to secure these objects, but are not disposed to insist upon the performance of impossible tasks, and their demands will be largely shaped by their knowledge, but the Spaniards are acting in perfectly good faith in their efforts to carry out the terms of the protocol.

FRENCH MUST LEAVE FASHODA.

Britons Hope the Egyptian Question Won't Lead to War.

LONDON.—Government circles here are apparently satisfied that the Fashoda question will not lead to war. At the same time the assertion is reiterated not to budge from the position which has been taken up, no matter what the outcome may be. It is said on good authority that the government has also determined not to brook unreasonable delay, and that in the event of France declining to evacuate Fashoda the Marchand party will be removed from that place, although it is not expected that it will be necessary to resort to such extremes.

BUBONIC PLAGUE IN VIENNA.

Physician Who Attended Victim Exhibits Symptoms of Fatal Malady.

VIENNA.—Dr. Mueller, the physician who attended Herr Barisch, the assistant in Professor Nothnagle's bacteriological establishment, who contracted the bubonic plague while assisting in cultivating the plague bacillus, and who was buried with remarkable precautions, is himself seriously ill, exhibiting every symptom of the fatal malady. There has been no improvement in condition of the two nurses who attended Herr Barisch. The symptoms of one are already pronounced hopeless.

Significant Order.

A dispatch from Portsmouth, England, says the British Admiralty has issued orders that no dock yard repairs are to be commenced upon ships belonging to the reserve squadrons, unless they can be completed within forty-eight hours.

Lillian Russell Free from Marital Ties.

Lillian Russell is again free from matrimonial ties. Signor Perugini, whose wife she has been since January 21, 1894, Friday received a decree of divorce in the chancery court in Jersey City.

Bank Bookkeeper Comes to Grief.

It has developed that Charles G. Henning, an individual bookkeeper at the Bank of Louisville, is a defaulter in a sum ranging between $8,000 and $10,000, and that he has fled from the city. Henning's downfall is said to be due to wine, women and a broken engagement with a St. Louis girl.

Damages for Lynching.

The circuit court in session at Urbana, O., has handed down a decision in the case of Ben Church against Champagne county for $5,000 damages. The suit grows out of the lynching of Click Mithell two years ago, and the verdict gives the nearest of kin $5,000.

Race Riot in Texas.

A special from Fort Worth, Tex. says: Trouble between whites and blacks over politics has culminated in a fight in which Hope Adams, independent candidate for sheriff, and leader of the independent movement against the white men's union association, was shot and killed. Adams was fired on by unknown parties concealed in the county court house.

Colonel A. K. Shepard, one of the oldest citizens of Birmingham, died Friday.

McKINLEY TALKS IN TWO STATES.

President Crosses Indiana and Ohio on His Return Trip.

CINCINNATI, O.—One continuous ovation marked the passage of President McKinley over the states of Indiana and Ohio. Defying the wind and rain of a most disagreeable October day, the citizens of these states congregated in great numbers at every station along the line, and never were they disappointed, for the president graciously appeared at every point where the crowds awaited his coming to speak a few words.

Perhaps the most imposing demonstration of the day was at Indianapolis, where the streets through which the president was driven to the state house were jammed with cheering people. Here, on the steps of the state capitol, almost within the shadow of the statue of Thomas A. Hendricks, the president delivered one of the most striking and eloquent addresses of his long western tour. In the course of it he paid grateful tribute to the memory of Hendrics, and referred also to ex-President Harrison, both of which references were received by the people with deafening applause.

At Connorsville, Ind., a 2-months-old baby was handed over the railing of the rear platform into the arms of Secretary Wilson, who presented it to the president, his youngest namesake, William McKinley.

CHINESE REBELS BEHEADED.

Ten Thousand People Witness the Decapitation.

According to the latest advices by mail from China, eight subordinate leaders of the Kwang-ski rebellion have been beheaded at Wuchow. The heads were carried in baskets through the principal streets as a warning spectacle, amidst the laughter and jeers of men, women and children. Ten thousand people witnessed the decapitation and made it a gala day. Little children copied their parents, who joked at the dying rebels a second before the ax fell. When it was all over the children played among the headless, bleeding corpses and made sport with the black, disfigured heads. Mandarins and headsmen improvised a sort of May-pole, and the heads of the rebels were placed on top in tiers, the children dancing around them. The governor advised the mandarins to make the beheading as festive as possible, so as to inspire disgust with the rebels in the hearts of the people. A banquet was afterward held.

STORM IN SOUTHERN TEXAS.

Much Damage Done to Cotton—Building Demolished—A Railroad Smash-up.

The wind and electrical storm which swept over Texas was very severe in South Texas. Damage to cotton is enormous. Damage to cotton is enormous. At Deer Park, twenty miles from Houston, the residence of C. E. Adams was demolished. At Pasadena the residence of John Stout was wrecked and the six occupants were injured. At Missouri City a number of freight cars were blown from the siding out on the main track. The California express, running forty miles an hour, dashed into the cars at full speed. George Johnson, of San Antonio, the engineer, was killed. None of the passengers were hurt.

Farmer Accidentally Killed.

Wednesday, near Nicholson, Jackson county, Georgia, an old farmer named Hunt met a tragic death. He was driving his wagon along the road and was sitting high up on two bales of cotton. The wagon struck a stump and pitched the old man off. His head and body struck a stump with great violence. His skull was crushed and several ribs were broken. Death ensued in a few hours.

Irishmen Cheer for France.

DUBLIN.—William Redmond, parnellite, member of parliament for East Clare, addressing a home rule meeting called for three cheers for Major Marchand, which were given with great heartiness. Mr. Redmond said: "The sympathies of Irishmen are with France."

American Investments in Mexico.

A syndicate with $20,000,000 capital has been formed in New York to purchase estates in various agricultural regions of Mexico, being the most extensive business of the kind ever undertaken in that country.

Dishonorably Discharged.

Private John Phelps, of the Second Missouri, was dishonorably discharged from the volunteer army for a repetition of insubordination. He was placed in front of the company and his degradation took place before a crowd. He is the son of Ex-Governor J. S. Phelps, of Springfield, Mo.

Chaplain To Be Dismissed.

Secretary Long has approved the findings of the court which tried and sentenced Chaplain J. P. McIntyre to dismissal from the naval service for criticisms he made of the conduct of Rear Admiral Sampson and Captain R. D. Evans.

Out On a Strike.

Five hundred miners employed by the Western Coal and Mining company at Jenny Lind, Ark., are out on a strike. Several days ago two drivers were discharged for permitting a mule to be accidently killed, and the miners demanded the reinstatement of the men.

Powder Explosion.

At the works of the Birmingham Powder Company, Friday, five cans of powder exploded and two men, who were shoving a small car, were badly burned.

LAWS TO GOVERN SANTIAGO

General Wood Defines Rights of Cubans Under American Rule.

PROCLAMATION IS VERY CLEARLY STATED.

Every Right of the Citizen is Protected in the Courts—Right to Worship God According to Conscience is Guaranteed to Every Individual.

SANTIAGO.—General Wood, military governor pro tem of the department of Santiago, Friday issued a proclamation in ten sections, which is a sort of declaration of independence. The first articles guarantee to the people the right of assembly for the common good and to apply to those in power by petition or remonstrance for the redress of grievances.

The second section guarantees the right to worship God according to individual conscience, provided there is no interference with any existing form of worship.

The third section directs that courts of justice shall be open to all and that no private property shall be taken by the government without compensation.

The fourth section, dealing with criminal trials, invests the accused with the right to be heard himself or by counsel, and to have compulsory process to secure the attendance of a witness in his behalf.

The fifth section says no person accused of crime shall be compelled to give evidence against himself.

The sixth section declares that no person who is once accused of the charge brought against him shall be tried again for the same offense.

The seventh section provides that all persons charged with crime shall be entitled to bail, except in cases of capital offense, and that the writ of habeas corpus may not be suspended except the commanding general of the department deems it advisable.

The eighth section says that excessive bail shall not be required, and that no excessive fine or unusual punishment shall be inflicted.

The ninth section provides that in order to secure the people against unreasonable search there shall be first established under oath a presumption of guilt.

The tenth section guarantees to all the right to write or print freely on any matter, subject to responsibility for abuse of right.

The municipal laws are to be administered in accordance with these declarations of rights, subject to modifications, which, in the judgment of the commanding general, would be beneficent, and promote the principles of enlightened civilization.

HARD FIGHTING IN TRANSVAAL.

Tribe Rebels Against the Government and Troops Are Called Out.

PRETORIA.—Serious trouble is brewing with the Magato tribe in the Zoulpansberg district, south of the Limpo river. The natives recently massacred a Lutheran missionary and his family at the town of Zoulpansberg and the Transvaal government sent an expedition to punish them. The affair has now assumed serious proportions. Chief Opefu, with 20,000 followers fully armed, with four cannon, supplied by white traders, has attacked the Laager.

The ultimatum of the commanding officer of the Transvaal troops, General Joubert, demanding an unconditional surrender, has been ignored by the tribesmen and he has summoned 3,000 burghers to re-enforce the 5,000 now in the field.

Anarchy in Philippines.

Well authenticated reports have reached Manila of a terrible state of anarchy in the southern Philippines. The Spaniards there are cooped up in the principal towns. The Americans continue capturing the rebel vessels as they arrive at Cavite. Two have been captured this week.

Want the Colored Cavalry.

The Philadelphia peace jubilee committee has telegraphed General Wheeler requesting him to allow the Tenth cavalry, colored, to be sent to Philadelphia to participate in the parade. The committee offers to pay all expenses incurred by the regiment during the trip.

No Battle at Manila.

The sensational Spanish report of a naval battle between Admiral Dewey's vessels and the insurgent navy in the Philippines is received with absolute incredulity in both the navy and war departments. If there has been any recent action, Admiral Dewey has failed to mention it, and neither General Otis nor United States Consul Wildman have regarded it as worthy of notice.

Steam has been raised on the City of Mobile at Mobile in order to try her machinery. The test proved all to be in perfect order. It will soon be plying the waters of the Alabama.

Treated by Christian Scientists.

The remains of Harold Frederic, the newspaper correspondent and writer, will be cremated at Working crematory, London. It has been learned that Mr. Frederic had been in the hands of Christian Scientists and that a doctor was only summoned to attend him a few days ago.

Bought Land in Cuba.

An American syndicate, representing Detroit capital, has purchased a large tract of land at Manzanillo, Cuba, which contains several good iron mines.

ANNEXATION IN FAVOR.

Majority of Philippine Insurgents Voted to Become a Part of the United States.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The United States transport Rio De Janeiro, which arrived here Saturday, brought advices to the Associated Press, dated Manila, September 22.

The Philippine chiefs have been in session since September 15. The first thing decided was that the Philippine republic should not countenance any policy that should be agreed upon whereby Spain would have anything further to do with the islands and would resist by force of arms any such measure. A vote was taken on the policy of annexation to the American republic and annexation was decided upon by a large majority, some seven out of eight voting in favor of it. Aguinaldo now expresses himself as personally in favor of annexation, adding that he does not think that the natives generally will support such a policy.

When interviewed by the Associated Press representative on September 11, Aguinaldo stated that his army consists of 37,000 insurgents, regularly armed and equipped with modern weapons, and that he had some 9,000 prisoners of war at this time, including the larger portion now being held in the vicinity of Manila. He stated that an army of 100,000 could easily be raised to fight for the cause of independence, adding that "the whole population is willing to fight for the cause of independence, and will oppose any European power taking possession."

When asked how it was that so many natives openly declare themselves in favor of annexation to America, he stated that the natives who profess to favor annexation are insincere.

He expressed himself as entertaining the greatest friendship for the American people, adding that he hoped there would be no trouble between the republic of the Philippines and America.

ANTI-AMERICAN CAMPAIGN

Is Being Waged by the Cubans—Abetted by Spaniards.

HAVANA.—The Cuban general, Rego, has arrived from Puerto Principe and is preaching in the Havana cafes and the insurgent camps near the city a holy war against the Americans. He has interviewed many of the leaders of the Cubans, and has urged the carrying on of war against the Americans if independence is not at once granted to Cuba. The Cuban colonel, Torriente, has also arrived at Havana from the east, and is carrying on a strong campaign against the Americans and Calixto Garcia, whom he professes to look upon as a traitor to the Cubans and as bribed by American gold.

A secret circular has been sent to the presidents of all the Cuban patriotic committees denouncing a large number of Cubans who are looked upon as traitors to the cause of Cuban independence and are charged with being attached to the Americans.

The Spanish colonel, Cervera, military governor of Mariano, advises the Cubans not to surrender their arms, and to make resistance until the independence of the island is declared. Colonel Cervera is an intimate friend of General Parrado, president of the Spanish evacuation commission.

INSURGENTS BECOME DESPERATE

A Menacing Attitude Is Assumed by the Philippinos and Trouble Is Ahead.

MANILA.—The commission of Spaniards sent here recently by General Rios, Spanish chief representative in the Philippines, and governor-general of the southern portions of the archipelago, arranged a temporary commercial convention. Accordingly, traffic was resumed, but it is now again interrupted, this time by order of General Rios. The steamer San Nicolas, which left Manila flying the American flag, was compelled to return by a Spanish gunboat, whose commander offered as a plea for his action that the crew consisted of Filippinos who might smuggle contraband articles. The San Nicolas, after reporting her experience, sailed again, followed by the United States gunboat McCulloch.

The insurgent schooner Mauriola entered Manila harbor flying the insurgent flag, which was promptly hauled down by the Americans.

The attitude of the insurgent troops has become very menacing. Their supplies are growing scarce and they are becoming desperate. Their leaders assure the troops, who have had no pay for months, that they will soon capture Manila. The Philippine newspapers insist upon absolute independence, and denounce annexation to the United States or an American protectorate with equal energy. The American authorities, naval and military, are taking precautionary measures, although no immediate battle is anticipated.

Chinese Emperor's Affliction.

The emperor of China is believed to be afflicted with an incurable kidney disease, though it is probable that he will linger for a considerable time.

Alabama's Crop Conditions.

The crop report for October shows a slight falling off in the cereal condition throughout the United States, as compared with October, 1897. The average yield of bushels per acre and average conditions of the crops of Alabama on October 1 were as follows: Oats, 16.8; rye, 11.1; corn, 95 per cent; cotton, 76 per cent; Irish potatoes, 71 per cent; tobacco, 87 per cent, sweet potatoes, 96 per cent; sorghum, 97 per cent; sugar, 99 per cent; rice, 95 per cent; apples, 67 per cent.

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SOUTHERN PROGRESS

The New Industries Reported in a Week.

Among the new industries reported to the Chattanooga man during the week ended 22, may be mentioned a basket factory in Georgia; a factory in Kentucky; a carriage in Alabama; two coal mining companies in West Virginia; a stave factory in Kentucky, four in Arkansas, Georgia, Tennessee, Virginia, and two in North Carolina; a furniture factory in North Carolina; a $100,000 specialty manufacturing company in Louisiana; handle mills in Georgia and North Carolina; timber mills in Alabama, Mississippi, West Virginia; a shingle mill in Louisiana, and a spool factory in Mississippi.

RAILROAD WRECK

Freight Train Breaks in Two—Four Killed.

A wreck on the Rock Island near Fort Worth, Tex., resulted in the death of five men. Three others die and two are seriously injured. A freight train broke in two at the foot of a steep grade. The rear portion could not be stopped, and ran into the front section, wrecking and derailing several box cars. In the wreck cars were telescoped, evidently stealing a ride. Five of the men were instantly killed and three others died. Two escaped fatal injuries.

UNFORTUNATE POSITION

Spaniards Daily Commit Acts Against Protocol.

The American commission at Havana is placed in an unfortunate position. The Spanish government, it is alleged, daily commits some act in violation of the terms of the protocol, the legality of which is doubtful, such as the removal of guns or other government property, against which all the American commission can do is to protest, which it does regularly, only to see the protests ignored.

Attacked by Bubonic Plague.

The Vienna News Free Press states that another nurse who was in attendance upon Herr Barisch, Professor Nothagles assistant in the bacteriological establishment, who died from the bubonic plague on Monday last, has been attacked by the disease.

Cablegram from Wood.

The following cablegram from General Wood, commanding at Santiago, was posted at the war department yesterday night:

Condition in province favorable. No trouble anywhere. Indications going constantly into the interior pack train and along coast by boat. So-called Cuban government in session, but nothing definite being done. Health of people and troops improving.

Stationers Burned Out.

M. F. Dunn & Bros., stationers, New Orleans, burned out Saturday. Loss, $60,000; insurance, $50,000.

Hobson Reaches Boston.

The Boston Fruit Company steamer Beverly arrived at her dock in Boston Monday morning, having on board Naval Constructor Richmond P. Hobson, who is en route to Philadelphia to participate in the peace jubilee.

Soldiers of Company M, Tallapoosa, Tennessee, at Anniston, kick on the appointment of McKinley Barton, as second lieutenant. They realize that he is from another country and not entitled to the place.

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LONDON.—Never since Great B... and France began to dispute ... Egypt, nor during the most anxio... of the Niger differences between ... countries, has the situation look... ominous as today. In spite of ... hope expressed in the sober journ... both countries that the matter ... be amicably arranged, it is a fact ... the French naval and military au... ties are making feverish prepara... for war, and though calm reigns ... British dock yards at Ports... Chatham and Devonport, it is on... calm of preparedness, and signi... orders have been arriving there ... the admiralty indicating the belief ... Great Britain and France are on ... brink of war.

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RAILROAD WRECK.

Freight Train Breaks In Two—Five ... Killed.

A wreck on the Rock Island ... Fort Worth, Tex., resulted in ... death of five men. Three others ... die and two are seriously injured. ... freight train broke in two at the ... of a steep grade. The rear por... could not be stopped, and it crash... into the front section, wrecking ... derailing several box cars. In on... the wrecked cars were ten men, ... dently stealing a ride. Five of t... were instantly killed and three are ... ing. Two escaped fatal injuries.

UNFORTUNATE POSITION.

Spaniards Daily Commit Acts Again... Protocol.

The American commission at ... vana is placed in an unfortunate p... tion. The Spanish government, ... alleged, daily commits some act in ... lation of the terms of the protocol ... the legality of which is doubtful, s... as the removal of guns of the sa... government property, against w... all the American commission is ... to do is to protest, which it does re... larly, only to see its protests ignor...

Attacked by Bubonic Plague.

The Vienna Neue Freie Pr... states that another nurse who wa... attendance upon Herr Barisch, ... fessor Nothagles' assistant in the ... terological establishment, who c... from the bubonic plague on Wed... day last, has been attacked by the ... ease.

Cablegram From Wood.

The following cablegram from G... eral Wood, commanding at Santia... was posted at the war department S... urday night:

Condition in province favora... No trouble anywhere. Indigent ... tions going constantly into interior ... pack train and along coast by sm... So-called Cuban government in ... ston, but nothing definite being d... Health of people and troops impr... ing.

Stationers Burned Out.

M. F. Dunn & Bros., station... New Orleans, burned out Saturd... Loss, $60,000; insurance, $30,000.

Hobson Reaches Boston.

The Boston Fruit Company ste... Beverly arrived at her dock at ... ton Monday morning, having on b... Naval Constructor Richmond P. ... son, who is en route to Philadel... to participate in the peace jubilee.

Soldiers of Company M, Third T... nessee, at Anniston, kick on the ... pointment of McKinley Barton, Jr., ... second lieutenant. They realize ... he is from another country and n... entitled to the place.

...ion in so busy in the last ...supplying its own market ...entered into full com... ...the other nations of the ...China trade. Japan has ...considerable home market to ...supply, and it is to this market that her energies will be devoted principally for the next decade. The Japanese, however, are well aware of the commercial opportunities of China and the advantages which will result to the nation first occupying the ground. As they are the shrewdest people of the eastern world, the readiest to adapt themselves to European customs, the most skillful workmen and the best traders, they have amply earned the title of the Yankees of the Orient.

Russia will not enter into competition in manufactures for many years to come, but in other lines her competition is to be dreaded by Americans, possibly more than all the other nations combined. Russia has vast wheat fields, the products of which she will be enabled by the new Trans-Siberian railroad, with its connections, to lay down at the doors of the Chinese as far south as Pekin, and, by means of the new American railroad, so far as Canton. By the same means she will be enabled to transport the products of her iron mines and coal mines and her oil wells, and, by exerting her power, force the Chinese to admit them at the lowest rate of import duty. Already Russian petroleum has begun to undersell American oil, and between the Russian and Sumatran oils American oil is apt to be forced out of the market entirely. Although 1897 was a bad year for import and export trade of China, the importation of oil increased 32,000,000 gallons. In 1894 the importation of American oil amounted to 51,000,000 gallons, of Russian oil to 17,000,000, and of Sumatran oil only 500,000 gallons. In 1897 the importation of American oil had fallen off to 48,000,000, while that of Russian oil had increased to 36,000,000 gallons and that of Sumatran oil to 14,000,000.

When one stops to think of the immensity of the Chinese market which still is yet untouched by European commerce, one is lost in wonderment. The most conservative estimate of the population of China is 400,000,000 souls. China proper is about 1,475 miles in length and 1,355 miles in breadth, and contains an area of 1,348,870 miles, covering a territory in which the tea plant and the cocoon are produced at one extreme and fur-bearing animals at the other. At present its agricultural resources have been only slightly developed, so far as commercial purposes are concerned, although, owing to the density of the population, it has been necessary that every available foot of territory should be highly cultivated. The mineral wealth of China, which is vast, has practically never been touched. Although, owing to the great population and the cheapness of living, manufacturing in China could be carried on at less expense than anywhere else on the globe, and the raw materials, such as cotton, silk and iron, are right at hand, manufacturing as we know it has never been undertaken in China, and the day must come when the primitive handloom must give way to the machinery driven by steam and electricity.

The density of the population and the possibility of the agricultural and mining resources of interior China not only guarantee that railroads will be extremely profitable, but offer the greatest field in the world for electric railroads, which could run from town to town and village to village, forming a system which could be spread all over China like a network. The building of such roads would keep armies of Chinamen employed for years and would furnish work for millions of American mechanics. Thousands of steam engines, freight cars and locomotives, millions of tons of rails, hundreds and thousands of miles of wire, thousands of electric motors, a million street cars and other accessories would be needed for this purpose alone. The opening up of China would soon be followed by the adoption by the Chinese of American customs, as has been the case in Japan. This alone means millions and millions of dollars' worth of trade to America.

Notes.

A colony of 3,000 Russians will settle in the Canadian Northwest.

Experiments made in Paris show that an electric wagon costs forty-seven per cent less to run than a horse wagon and thirty-two per cent less than a petroleum motor.

So far this year 75,240 acres of land have been taken up in the Swan river district of Manitoba for settlement. This district is just being opened by the extension of the Dauphin railway.

The employes of the Rankin rod mills, at Pittsburg, have been breaking records for rod production. Recently the day turn made 410 tons of finished rods in 10 hours, which broke the record of any mill in this country for the same length of time. The night turn surpassed the day turn's record by six tons, and later the day turn produced 425 tons.

The largest cargo ever carried on the lakes was taken last week by the schooner Roebling of the new iron ore fleet from the docks at Duluth. It consisted of 7,865 net tons of ore. The vessel was towed by the steamer Stevenson of the same fleet, which also towed the schooner Nasmyth, the combined cargo of the three vessels being 19,761 net tons, the largest tonnage ever drawn by one engine on the lakes.

Municipal ownership of electric light plants is one of the phases of progressive city government that have shown marked development in Maryland during the past few years. It is now being agitated in Hagerstown, where the municipal authorities have declined to renew a 10-year contract with a private electric light company, and the people are considering the feasibility of purchasing a municipal light plant.

He Can't Change the Issue.

NOT MONEY ENOUGH.

ALTGELD HITS MONEY POWER IN VITAL SPOT.

They Can't Get Over the Argument That There Is Not Enough Money to Keep the People at Work, and Thereby Stimulate Enterprise and Invention.

Do we want the civilization of the Portuguese, for they have the gold standard? The truth is that there are many things which determine the civilization of a nation, the most important of any being climate; and I apprehend that there is no danger of bringing the climate of Mexico to the United States. But these silver-standard nations, compared to their former condition of five years past, are marvelously advanced. In the last five years the exports of Mexico have increased more than 50 per cent. The number of manufactures in Japan and Mexico have more than doubled, and the railroad building in every silver-standard country has been increasing enormously, while in the gold standard countries, instead of an increase of manufactures, there has been, during these five years, a shutting down and closing of them to an extent unknown before in the history of the nation. It is true that on account of the famine in India, the shortage of crops in Europe, and the war between the United States and Spain there has, in the last eighteen months, been an upward tendency in the price of some commodities, but when conditions become normal the same low prices must again prevail. These silver-standard countries, by reason of the increase in their commerce and manufactures, are in need more and more of a greater circulating medium, and consequently it becomes pertinent to inquire whether nations having such need for increase of money can easily yield up any quantity of money they have now for the purpose of bringing it to our mints for coinage into American dollars. When we look into the monetary statistics of those countries, we are struck with the fact that they have entirely too small a circulating medium for their own use to be able to part with any of their money. Mexico has a circulating medium of but $4.71 per capita, Japan but $4.09 per capita, the Central American states but $3.78 per capita and China but $2.08 per capita, while the United States have a circulation, according to the statement of the Secretary of the Treasury, of $24 per capita, and France has a circulating medium of nearly $40 for each inhabitant. Is it possible that those silver-standard countries with a shortage of circulating medium now would be willing to part with that circulating medium in order to flood the United States with silver? Why, if Mexico should send all her silver here, it would be but a bagatelle. The total circulating medium of Mexico in 1895 was but $50,000,000, and that is only about one-fourteenth part of the demand caused by the withdrawal of the $696,000,000 of gold.

JOHN P. ALTGELD.

UNCLE IKE ON THE PEACE JUBILEE.

Yes, I noticed in your sermon on the endin' of the war,
That you think that jubilatin 'is the proper caper for
Our great nation to be cuttin'; and you say that you don't see
Why some people are opposin' the Chicago jubilee.

I suppose you meant me, Parson; Deacon Jones says I'm the one,
And I'm ready when the shoe fits to set down and put it on;
So I'll up an' tell you, Parson, jist what's ailin' Uncle Ike,
And jist what he thinks about it and and the things that he don't like.

I've been readin' in the papers what they're goin' to have to eat,
And when I took up that program I own up that I felt beat;
I've been readin' of the papers somethin' over sixty yeat,
And when all that I could master was four words I did feel queer.

But on furder down the column, writ in plain United States,
I found out jist what's the matter, and jist why the price of plates
Figgers up to fifteen dollars; it's a furrin fandango,
So the program must be furrin—plain American don't go;

And the wine from royal cellars of the European kings,
And the dresses made in Paris and the other furrin things
Shows that them that runs this country, them that boss in war and peace
Are a set of furrin barons living' here jist for to lease

Out their lands and other interests to a set of native fools
Who are glad to have the honor to be cheap and handy tools
For the buildin' up of fortunes that are mostly spent abroad;
And I somehow can't help thinkin' that we're on the downward road.

When I read that in this country sich a feast was never spread,
That the ball-togs of the women fetched from Europe for to shed
Royal glory on our nation are the finest ever seen
And will make all former frolics common, low and cheap and mean,

And then think of starvin' families of our soldiers out of jobs
And the millions of our workmen that this furrin power robs
Of their wages; then their claimin' all the credit for the war
Sounds a heap like Betsey's husband tellin' how he killed the "bar"!

Parson, I believe in eatin' and can always make a hand
At the table, but I tremble for the fate of this fair land
When our haughty furrin rulers lay Belshazzar in the shade
With their feastin', while the people see the wealth that they have made

Bein' squandered jubilatin', by a horde that loafs around
While the half of them is homeless, ownin' not a foot of ground,
And dependin' on the loafers for a beggar's chance to earn
Jist enough to keep from starvin', making that their main concern,

'Stid o' standin' up like freemen and demandin' what is theirs
And insistin' on their power to conduct their own affairs,
'Stid o' askin' furrin nations what they may and mayn't do
In what was a land of freedom 'fore we had this furrin crew.

Parson, I believe this frolic got up by this furrin crowd
Ain't to celebrate the freedom that they talked about so loud;
But to jubilate their gittin' wider fields for them to rule;
And to make the job more certain git up doin's for to fool

People into half-believin' that we ort to own the moon.
Parson, if they're in for freedom they should sing another tune;
If they're in for freein' Cubans let them up and show their hand
Givin' freedom to the toilers in our own dear, blood-bought land.

—George McA. Miller in Democratic Magazine for October.
Chicago, October 15, 1898.

Credit Money.

There are in existence $346,000,000 of credit money, called United States notes, the existence of every dollar of which is due to the fact that we have not enough circulating medium without those notes. Every dollar of those notes could be retired by the substitution of the silver dollar or the silver certificate, and thus there would be a demand which the government could create for $346,000,000 more of silver. I am free to say that if the law providing for the free coinage of silver were passed today, under President McKinley's administration, with the secretary of the treasury discriminating against silver, as he has in the past, this government could not establish the parity of the metals. But under an administration that would use the powers of the government for the purpose of establishing the parity of the metals, I have no doubt of the ability of this nation to establish that parity.

RACE WAR IN MISSISSIPPI.

The Battle Continued Several Hours, and at Least Twelve Men Killed.

WHITE OFFICERS AMBUSHED BY NEGROES.

The Fight Was the Result of an Attempt to Arrest a Negro—The Whole County Is Aroused—Race Trouble in North Carolina.

A Sunday's special from Meridian, Miss., says: The most bloody race war that has occurred in Mississippi since the days of the reconstruction period, is raging in Scott county, fifty miles west of Meridian. The war grew out of an assault on Charles D. Freeman, a white man by Bill Burke, a negro. Freeman and Burke became involved in a quarrel which ended in Burke assaulting Freeman with a hoe. A warrant was sworn out for the arrest of Burke and Constable Thompson, with fifteen men, went to the house of Burke, who live a mile from Harperville, at 9 o'clock last night to execute the writ. When Constable Thompson and his posse arrived they found Burke fortified in his little log house, with fifty or sixty negroes ambushed on the premises and the officers' demand for a surrender was answered with a volley.

Officer Sibley, one of the posse, was instantly killed and three others, including Constable Thompson, seriously wounded. The posse was thrown into confusion by the volleys, but the fire was returned and for a time a desperate battle raged in the dark. The negroes were greatly in the majority, however, and the officers retired and sent out runners for help. The sheriff responded with heavy reinforcements and the battle was renewed this morning. The fight has been kept up all day and when the last courier reached the nearest telegraph office, ten miles from the scene of the battle, at a late hour tonight, they reported that ten negroes had been killed and several wounded. Four negroes were captured and taken to Forest, where they were guarded by 200 white men to prevent their rescue by negro sympathizers. A general alarm has been sent out over Scott and the adjoining counties of Rankin, Newtown and Smith and hundreds of white men are under arms and on their way to Harperville.

Gov. A. J. McLaurin left Brandon for Harperville Sunday night.

RACE WAR IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Whites at Lumberton Telegraphing for Winchesters.

A special from Lumberton, N. C., says: At 3 o'clock Sunday morning a squad of the negroes who were dispersed at Ash Pole, Robeson county, crept up to the town and shot three whites stationed there as guards. They were Albert Floyd, Robert Inman and Wm. Bullard. Bullard is seriously wounded, the others slightly. A hundred whites with bloodhounds are now in pursuit, and four of the negroes have been caught. There is great excitement at all points in the state in telegraphic communication with Lumberton. The whites are telegraphing the principal towns in the state for Winchester rifles to be sent there immediately.

SERIOUS TROUBLE PREDICTED.

Indians Have Commenced Killing Cattle Belonging to Texans.

A special from Perry, O. T., says: Serious trouble is brewing among the Comanche, Kiowa and Apache Indians. For thirty years since the Medicine Lodge treaty, the government has fed these Indians, but that treaty expired July 1. They have commenced killing cattle belonging to Texas cattlemen, and a crisis is near. These Indians have no crops, few cattle and have had no money for months. Men who know predict great starvation among them this winter and serious trouble. There are 1,500 Comanches, 1,300 Kiowas and 600 Apaches.

Instantly Killed.

Tom Malone, a well known young man of Marshall county, Tenn, was thrown from his horse near Lewisburg and almost instantly killed. He and two other young men were speeding their horses on the pike when the accident occurred.

Commission at Anniston.

The war investigating commission, at Anniston, sat from 9 o'clock to 5:30 Monday, and examined about a dozen witnesses, including a number of officers and men of the regular troops, as well as a number of volunteer officers. The commission will leave for Huntsville Tuesday night.

"Wild Bill" Killed.

"Wild Bill" Turner, a noted character in the mountains, was shot and killed by Will Coombs. Turner kept a moonshine saloon on the State line between Kentucky and Tennessee and had made a fortune. He had killed several men. He is the sixth brother killed and is the last of the family.

Helped Build His Gallows.

Robert Lewis, who killed J. F. Haynes, foreman of a gang of men erecting a building at Atlanta, has been sentenced to hang November 10. Lewis being a workman at the new jail several months ago, helped to build the gallows on which he will be put to death.

Colonel Alston Dead.

Colonel Joseph R. Alston, First South Carolina, died Friday, at Yorkville, S. C., while waiting orders prior to mustering out.

PREPARING FOR BATTLE.

British Admiralty Hurrying Ships for War—French Active at Toulon.

LONDON.—The British Admiralty issued a number of significant orders Monday morning. The dock yards at Portsmouth, Devonport and Chatham have each received instructions to prepare six thirty-knot torpedo boat destroyers for commissioning so that they will be able to put to sea in twenty-four hours. Overtime hours have begun on the first-class cruisers Europa and Andromeda so as to hurry them for sea service. Several gunboats in the different dock yards have been ordered to postpone necessary refitting. Finally, the Cunard line and White Star line have received from the admiralty an intimation to hold their subsidized steamers in readiness for turning over to the navy officials.

Preparing at Toulon.

PARIS.—The municipal authorities of Toulon have been notified that that place will be the center of important naval and military preparations, and have been instructed to arrange for the immediate reception of four battalions of infantry, 1,500 marines and 600 artillerymen.

The naval authorities have been ordered to expedite the preparations for the outfitting of the new squadron.

The newspapers here warmly praise the exposition of the French side of the Fashoda question presented by the minister of foreign affairs, M. Delcasse, in the yellow book, on the subject issued Sunday.

Ordered to Mobilize.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The commanders of all warships of the British North American squadron have received orders to mobilize at Halifax. The Pallis, Talbot and Indefatigable will come here at once, together with two torpedo boat destroyers now at Bermuda. The torpedo boats at the dock yard are being overhauled. The crew of the flagship Renown will be sent to Lawler's Island this week for field practice. The Renown went to sea Monday for heavy gun practice.

FIRE AT OPELIKA.

One of the Most Disastrous Conflagrations in the History of the City.

Opelika was visited at 2 o'clock Monday morning by one of the most disastrous fires in the history of the city. From some unknown cause fire broke out in the large furniture store of B. Y. Cooper & Sons, and building and stock were soon a mass of flames. The two-story building adjoining, owned by F. Watkins, was badly damaged. The two-story Harwell building, west of the furniture store, caught next in a lower story, the grocery store of Goodwin & Lowe and the jewelry store of J. C. Condon. The loss is over $50,000. B. Y. Cooper & Sons suffered the greatest, having a $12,000 stock destroyed, with only $5,000 insurance. The other losses are about half covered.

Death of Colonel Pickett.

Colonel R. O. Pickett, the oldest member of the Florence bar, died Monday, in Leighton, Ala. Colonel Pickett was about 85 years old, and a unique character. He was a merchant in Florence in the thirties, but afterward read law with James Irvine and practiced at Moulton, Lawrence county, until the breaking out of the war, when he enlisted as captain in the Thirty-fifth Alabama, and was made a colonel before the war ended.

Physical Examination of First Alabama.

The work of mustering out the First Alabama goes steadily on. The surgeons began making the physical examinations of the men on Sunday, Company I being the first examined. Companies G, D and M have been completed. A great many of the men are found defective, that is a great many more than was supposed there should be. A great many of the men are entitled to pensions.

To Establish Toll Gates.

It is reported that Colbert county, Alabama, which has within the last several years expended $200,000 on turnpike roads, will instruct its representative, Hon. Wilson B. Brown, in the next legislature, to introduce a bill providing for the establishment of toll gates to protect its roads from the free use by persons of adjoining counties.

COST OF THE EVACUATION.

Spanish Authorities Estimate the Amount Needed Will Reach $16,000,000.

The Spanish authorities at Havana estimate the total cost of evacuation will be $16,000,000. Twenty-four vessels will be employed to embark troops, of which six are hospital ships. The French mail steamers Chribon and Notre Dame, which have just arrived, have been chartered by the Trans-Atlantic company as transports.

The Spaniards evacuated Biaz on October 15.

Two Men Killed.

One of the houses of the Judson Dynamite Works at Oakland, Cal., blew up Sunday. The explosion killed two men.

Ministerial Crisis.

The Madrid newspapers regard a ministerial crisis as imminent, and they urge the ministers to sink their differences in view of Spain's many difficulties.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the North Alabama conference, M. E. church, is in session at Talladega.

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MONKEYING with the ballot-box may possibly be good sport to some people, but remember there are Federal penalties attached to it.

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HON. A. P. Longshore has been meeting with intelligent audiences this week in Chilton. Our people are always glad to listen to Bro. Longshore, and despite the busy season always find time to go out and hear him speak the truth.

THERE is a rumor afloat that Judge Honeycutt is in favor of the Democratic nominee. Generally, we don't pay much attention to Dame Rumor, but in this case we would be glad to hear from Judge Honeycutt whether he is supporting the Populist or the Democratic nominee. Please let us have a direct answer, Judge.

THE Democratic party of this district have evidently seen the handwriting on the wall, and are laying their plans on the same old foundation. An address has been issued to the white voters of Dallas county urging them to come out on the 8th of November and vote for Gaston A. Robbins. This simply means that the majority for the Democratic candidate is to be, as of old, made up in Dallas, when they propose to claim that all the white men and all the colored men of Dallas have voted for the Democratic nominee.

THE election laws of the State of Alabama are far from being what they should be, and frauds in elections are much too prevalent in some parts of the State. The Federal laws, however, are not so lenient as the State laws, and it is a very serious business indeed for any man to enter into a conspiracy to defraud a citizen of his rights. In this, the Fourth Congressional District of Alabama, we are accustomed to fraud on the Democratic side, in the election of a member of Congress, but we desire to inform those who may be contemplating fraud in some counties in the Fourth District of Alabama, that anything in the nature of fraud in the forthcoming Congressional election that each and every one will render himself liable to prosecution in the Federal courts, and that the Federal law will be enforced to its fullest extent.

"Dallas is prepared to roll up the usual majority for the Democratic nominee," declares the Age-Herald. No one doubts it. Dallas, (and this means the Democratic party of Dallas) is doubtless prepared to manufacture any majority that is needed to furnish a certificate of election to its favorite son. But we are somewhat inclined to doubt if Governor Johnston will sign a certificate based upon a majority made up wholly in Dallas. This scheme has been worked so often that it is threadbare. When five white counties return a majority for W. F. Aldrich, what becomes of that stupid Democratic cry of white supremacy in this dirtrict, if it is to be over ridden by the one black county of Dallas?

WE hope every voter in the Fourth Congressional District of Alabama will read the following clipping from the Birmingham Age Herald, published in this (Thursday) morning's issue of that paper. It is a lie from beginning to end, and shows the desperate straits to which the Democratic nominee is put in this district. Read this:

"Representative Aldrich will not receive the support or vote of Probate Judge elect S. M. Adams, of Chilton. That is the story that comes from the Fourth District, and it is quite the most interesting news of to-day concerning the congressional campaign."

Isn't that nice? The Age-Herald has grace enough to characterize it is as a "story," which is the polite expression for a lie. On the authority of Judge Adams himself we say it is a lie. The whole "story" originates with the Democrats and was carefully planned for Governor Johnston to give it a good send-off at his speech at Jemison. In the course of his speech Governor Johnston turned to Judge Adams, who was in the audience, and asked him if he could support a gold-bug. To this question, of course, Judge Adams, as would every other Populist or Silver Democrat, replied he never had supported a gold-bug and never would do so. In this reply Judge Adams was eminently correct. We know he would not support a gold-bug, and we would be very sorry indeed if he could be induced to do so. But the Democrats have twisted the Governor's question to be, would he support Mr. Aldrich. Mr. Aldrich, as everyone, whether Populist, Republican or Democrat, knows is not by any means a gold bug. Every Populist knows that Mr. Aldrich's position on the money question is fully in accord with their views and is in every particular satisfactory to them. Judge Adams, in making the fight for the probate judgship, was glad to avail himself of the assistance of Mr. Aldrich, and naturally wishes to help Mr. Aldrich in return. Judge Adams, and every man who voted for Judge Adams, as well as many who for the sake of old friendship supported Mr. Honeycutt, will all cast their votes next Tuesday week for W. F. Aldrich.

THE Age-Herald gives the whole thing away when it says; "It would be a calamity if Alabama failed to send a solid Democratic delegation to the next congress." Well, it would be a calamity if Gaston A. Robbins was returned from the Fourth district of Alabama, and, as we are confident he will not be, the Age-Herald will have to put up with it.

Many a household is saddened by death because of the failure to keep on hand a safe and absolutely certain cure for croup such as One Minute Cough Cure. See that your little ones are protected against emergency. J. M. Stanfield.

THE five white counties in this district will undoubtedly give Mr. Aldrich a larger majority than ever before. Then will come the same old game, the black county of Dallas will run up a fictitious majority for the Democratic nominee. And yet some of our Democratic friends call this white supremacy.

EVERY good Populist will go to work all next week and get his neighbor to come to the polls on Tuesday week and vote for Aldrich.

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How to Prevent Croup

We have two children who are subject to attacks of croup. Whenever an attack is coming on my wife gives them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and it always prevents the attack. It is a household necessity in this county and no matter what else we run out of, it would not do to be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. More of it is sold here than of all other cough medicines combined.—J. M. NICKLE, of Nickle Bros., merchants, Nickleville, Pa. For sale by J. S Johnson jr.

YOUNG LOVE'S AWAKENING.

It Came Just In Time to Prevent the Step That Is Not Easily Retraced.

"Years ago," said a Cleveland man, "I made a long stay in an English county. I visited one of my relatives, who owned a small estate near a big manufacturing town, and, being a young fellow with plenty of time on my hands, I staid on much longer than I originally intended. I made a number of acquaintances, and among them a family named Jerrold, father, mother and daughter. They had a neat little place a few miles from where I was stopping, and I became quite well acquainted with them. So well, in fact, that I fell in love with the daughter. She was a fine, big girl, with very black hair and very red cheeks and a voice that could be heard across a ten acre field. She could ride like the wind and walk 20 miles without a murmur.

"Well, she sort of carried me away with her impetuosity. I became a frequent visitor at their home and everybody made me welcome. One day I had fairly made up my mind to pop the momentous question. Miss Laura was more fascinating than ever, despite her boisterous ways, that I never could quite forgive, and the day was one of those lovely ones in early May, when nature seems at her very best. It was just a little chilly, but the sunshine tempered the raw edge of the atmosphere delightfully. Laura and I went out for a walk. When we came back, I left her in the house and went out to look for her father. I had fully determined to ask him for her hand.

"Laura told me I would probably find him at the stables, and I started in that direction. I had left my light top coat in the hall, and as I started across the big lawn I felt chilly and turned back to get the coat. I made no noise in entering, and was just taking down the garment when I heard my name called. The speaker was Laura, and she was in the morning room, as they called it, just back of the hall. Laura's voice was so penetrating that I could not help hearing every word she said. I should not have listened, but for the life of me I couldn't help it.

"'Yes,' I heard her say, 'I've bagged him sure. He's out to the stables now, looking for you, popper, and when he gets your reluctant consent he'll see me. Now, what are you going to offer him as my wedding portion?'

"There was a murmur of words that I couldn't catch, and then Laura laughed.

"'Going to turn over the Bumblecomb calling stock, are you? Well, you are a sly old popper. Never mind, he won't know the difference. And are you sure that the letters you received are all straight?'

"There was more talk that I could not understand, and then Laura spoke again:

"'Rich daddy, eh, and nice town house and society relatives. That's all right. Anyway, it's better than genteel poverty over here. Don't you be afraid. He shan't slip away.'

"I didn't wait to hear any more, but tiptoed out. I didn't try to find her father, who I suppose was lying in wait for me on my return from the stables, but just as soon as I could decently do so I rode back to my relatives, and a day or two later started for home. Laura's daddy was a choleric old fellow who had been in the army, and I didn't know what sort of a row he'd kick up if he saw me escaping. But I got away safely with love's young dream very rudely shattered and have always thought I had a very narrow escape."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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GRAND JURY.

D I Deramus, W M Price, W F Bean, Willey Ramsy, W H Foells, P M Jones, Moses Mims, A J Willson, Lum Dyer, James Gothard, W J Gaylor, P S Prim, David Moore, Leroy Friday, M A Kilgore, J N Butts, R D Childress, D B Watts, J P Robinson, J N Hays, J C Martin.

PETIT JURY. First Week.

Henry Splawn, T B Gay, H B Rodgers, L B Brookhead, J T Hull, J C Allred, C F Atchison, J R Billingsley, B W Garner, Z S Avery, E J Mims, B L Dennis, J M Mercant, J J Trawick, Hugh Mullins, George Mims, J W Carr, N G Ward, J H Griffis, P R Deveaghn, John Moses Robinson, Lum Geeter, J R Kemp, R F Grant, J H Morgan, P D Williams, J E Dorminy jr, J W Middlebrooks, M A Watts, W E Christion, G W Fox jr, J A Miller, George Reed, O R Cooper, Judson Stroek, W S Cox.

PETIT JURY. Sec'd Week.

J M Parish jr, C R Mullins, J W Headley, C L Ingram, William Ray, James Mims, Columbus Ray, Frank Harris, J R Thomas, T P McKinney, John Ellis, Elijah Robinson, T D McGee, T W Dunigan, F M Bushey, B F Gardner, G W Knobbes, W A Kemp, N Watts, T G Williams, J G Burkhalter, A J Powell, Alford Mims, T M Driver, W R Dawson, S B McCarry, Wiley Mitchell, J J Thompson, L S Samons, H M Ferguson, Hugh Henry, G W Jones, J Bice, W D Cortney, J N Askins, J M Aldridge.

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Methods Employed by the Crafty Savage Tribesmen In Battle.

In any account of the ways the Afridis fight it is necessary to include in the description the military characteristics of the frontier natives without regard to differences of tribe.

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It is bad enough when an enemy, creeping slowly up a hillside, lodges itself in sections behind huge bowlders, and, under cover of these, pours volley after volley at the human targets, as those engaged in the task of guarding the summit become. Watching the advancement of a foe is not at any time an inspiriting occupation. It is worse to see the half naked Afridis creeping slowly and slowly from bowlder to bowlder. This is what takes place in broad daylight, but even then the cunning Afridi can circumvent nature. Take, as an illustration of this, the way in which Fort Saraghari fell. It occurred in broad daylight and within sight of the neighboring fort of Cavagnari, where the stealthy operations of the tribesmen were observed by the imperial troops. Attempts were made by means of signals to warn the defenders of the British flag of their danger, but to no avail.

Although considered impregnable, Fort Saraghari, built of square stone with two bastions at opposite angles, was fatally defective in design. It had a "dead" point underneath each bastion—that is, a point from which an enemy could be neither seen nor hit by the defenders. The result was that while the contending forces were firing against each other—the defenders in the forts and the assailants behind stone breastworks and within ten yards of each other—a few native born "engineers" among the Afridis who had crept up to the "dead" point were mining a breach in one of the bastions. Before this was made sufficiently large to admit the savage tribesmen to make their deadly rush into the fort the undermining operations were seen by the small force holding Fort Cavagnari. These signaled to their brothers in arms the danger awaiting them, but the latter were too busily employed in repelling the onslaughts of the enemy to benefit by the telescopic observations of their comrades, and so every one of the 21 Sikhs guarding Saraghari died at his post.

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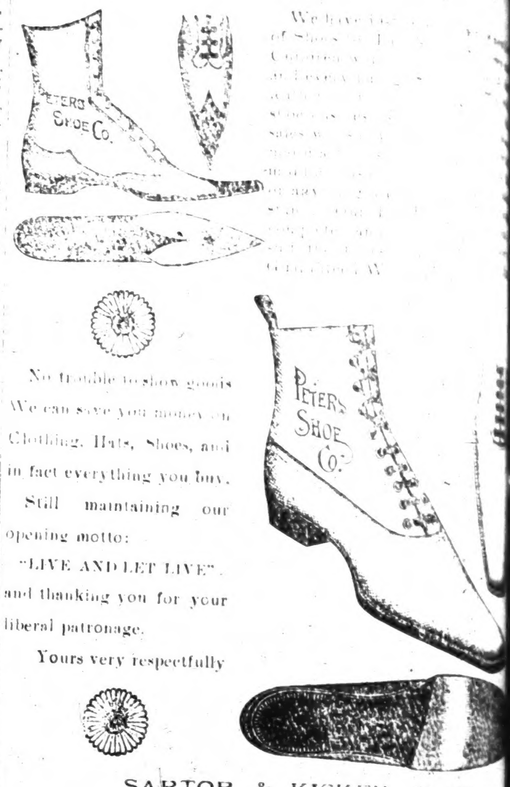

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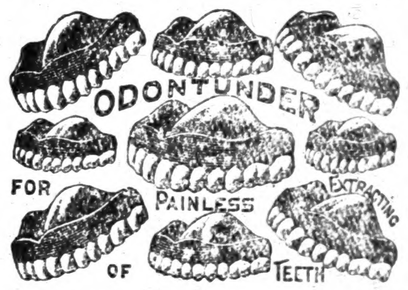

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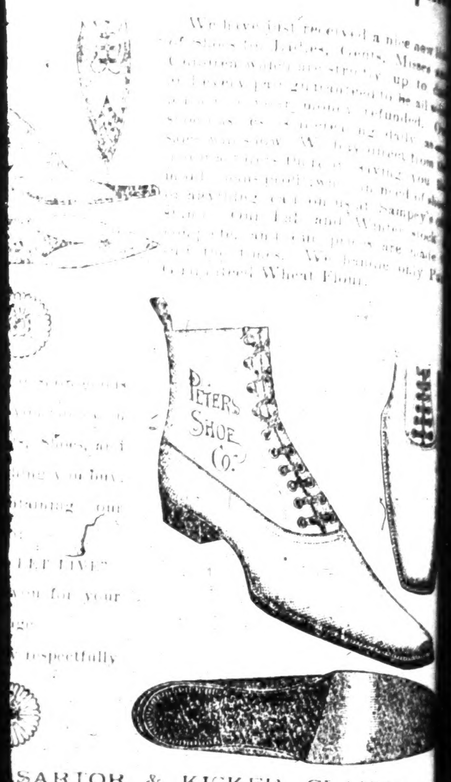

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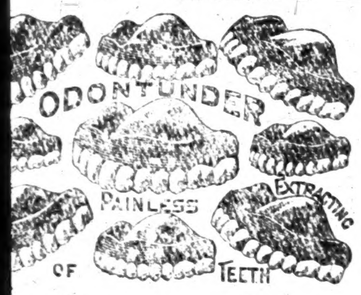

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ON [illegible] MARKET

[illegible] Habit

A. Higgins was in town [illegible] the Judge informed us [illegible] commission.

M. Gainey, of Jemison, [illegible] Monday.

WAY. A dress skirt [illegible] who comes to my [illegible] Monday morning.

H. Torno, Clanton.

L. E. Reynolds was in [illegible] morning.

Hogg, A. P. Longshore, [illegible] Clanton this [illegible] and Con. W. F. Arnold will speak [illegible] morning.

W. B. Davis went out to [illegible] on Tuesday, to perform [illegible] Rev. George [illegible] the M. E. church [illegible] Prattville.

[illegible] for De Witt's [illegible] Don't accept a [illegible] imitation. There are [illegible] cures being cured by [illegible] others combined. J.

[illegible] Chesnutt has assumed [illegible] Chesnutt's mill. We are [illegible] Mr. Chesnutt in our [illegible].

[illegible] in cross may be relieved [illegible] old-fashioned medicine [illegible] Chamberlain's Colic, [illegible] and Diarrhoea Remedy. [illegible] S. Johnson Jr.

[illegible] sorry to learn that Mr. [illegible] is quite ill at his [illegible].

[illegible] of Ladies' Capes [illegible] from 5 cents up. [illegible] Torno, Clanton.

[illegible] Stollenwerck, of Birmingham, spent Sunday with [illegible].

[illegible] will be at the [illegible] Clanton, during both [illegible] practicing his profession. [illegible] who have any [illegible] work needed after [illegible] can call on Dr. [illegible] here.

[illegible] Rasberry, of Mulberry, [illegible] Clanton on Monday.

[illegible] Mulberry, spent [illegible] town.

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[illegible] Massey will be at [illegible] the first week of court [illegible].

[illegible] Higgs, of Jumbo, [illegible] after a visit to [illegible].

[illegible] Jones returned [illegible] accompanied by [illegible] Miss Smitherman [illegible].

[illegible] have been issued [illegible] Judge to [illegible]

[illegible] and Miss An[illegible]

[illegible] Davis and Ma[illegible]

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Kincheon	Beat 6	Nov.	1
Pletcher's Mill	" 8	"	2
Clanton Ford	" 8	"	3
Stanton	" 8	"	4
Benson	" 3	"	7
Maplesville	" 7	"	8
Shoults	" 7	"	9
Dixie	" 8	"	10
Valley Cr'k church	8	"	11
Macedonia	" 3	"	14
Hayes Mill	" 2	"	15
Providence church	2	"	16
Elijah Busby's	" 1	"	17
Smith School house	1	"	18
Cofer's Mill	" 2	"	21
Jemison	" 2	"	22
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	23
Strasburg	"	"	24
James Maddox Mill	4	"	25
Clanton	" 4	"	28
Cane creek	" 4	"	29
Jesse Maddox's	" 4	"	30
Goer's School	" 4	Dec.	1
Coopers	" 5	"	5
Verbena	" 5	"	6
Mountain Creek	" 5	"	7
Burwell	" 5	"	8
Caloway's Mill	" 5	"	9
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THE BONES OF COLUMBUS.

Mystery Enshrouds the Final Resting Place of the Great Discoverer.

Mystery and secrecy surround the exhumation in Havana, Cuba, of the remains of Columbus, and this fact has given rise to grave rumors, which appear to have some foundation, as there has been no attempt at denial from any source. The removal of the remains was effected behind the closed doors of the Cathedral, which were guarded by an armed forced. Few of the authorities were present, the names of those who were to attend being handed to the Chief of Police the night before in General Blanco's own handwriting.

No official account of the ceremony or statement regarding the condition of the remains has been made public, but it has leaked out from an authoritative source that they are not in the same condition as when they were placed in the niche.

When the remains were placed in the mausoleum a small casket was enclosed, containing coins, gold and silver medals, precious stones and rolls of parchment, as was then the custom upon the occasion of a burial. It appears that this casket had been tampered with and rifled of its contents, and further rumors say that only portions of the remains are left.

Gossip and speculation are rife, the exact truth of which the authorities make no effort to affirm or contradict. A quasi-official explanation, however, is to the effect that secrecy was given to the ceremony because a cable dispatch received reported that General Toral had been murdered in Madrid the day before, and fears were entertained that disorders might occur if the public and military came together in great numbers.

Some of the more rabid Spaniards go to the length of saying that the whole ceremony was a farce, the Washington Government having objected to the removal of the remains and their Government going through the pantomime in order to make the public believe that the remains, which really are left there, were shipped to Spain.

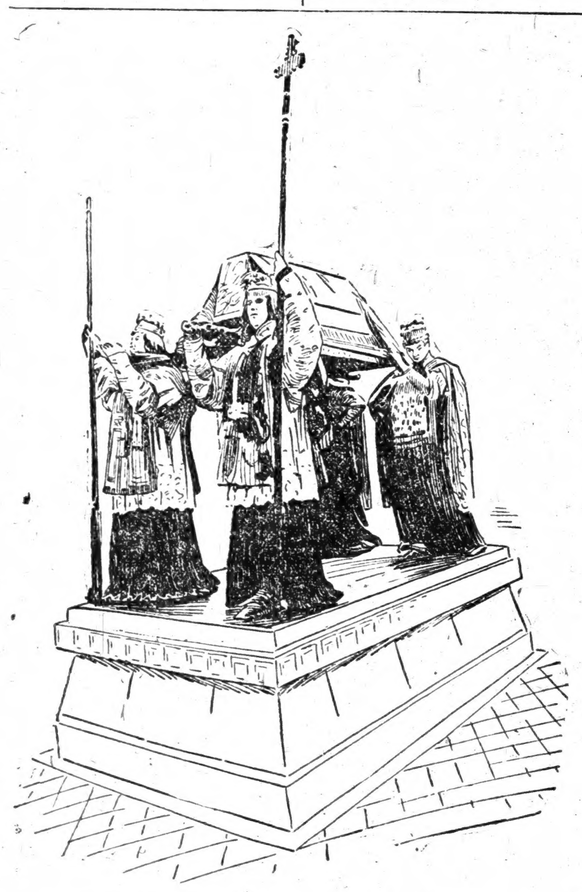
Spain's pitiful appeal to be permitted to remove the bones of Christopher Columbus from Havana to Madrid will likely be passed upon by the Paris peace commissioners, but before any discussion is reached four nations will become involved in the controversy. The four nations not only claim the right to possess the remains of the great discoverer, but they assert that they already have them and are prepared to back up the assertion with all sorts of proof. There is a quartet of Columbian graves in different parts of the world and each one is separately worshiped as the real article. One of these is in Havana, one is in Santo Domingo, one is in Genoa, Italy, and one is in Valladolid, Spain.

LEAD CHEST CONTAINING THE BONES OF COLUMBUS.

When Santo Domingo, where his body was interred after having been brought from its resting place in Seville, became a possession of France, the Spaniards removed what they supposed to be the bones of Columbus, with many of the other valuable and sacred relics of Spanish rule, to Havana, where they have since remained. As a matter of fact historians are now agreed that the bones which the Spaniards conveyed to their only remaining possessions in the Western Hemisphere were not those of the great navigator, but of his son, Diego Columbus, a former Governor-General of Santo Domingo, who was buried in the same sepulchre with his father. The certainty that the Spaniards had made a blunder in removing the body was established through a very curious circumstance.

Just before his death, Columbus, greatly aggrieved by the injustice and cruelty with which he had been treated by the people for whom he had done so much, requested that the chains in which he had been brought back a prisoner from his last voyage to the West Indies, and which he always kept in his room as a memento of Spanish gratitude, might be buried in the coffin with him. His request was scrupulously regarded by the members of his family, and without the knowledge of the Spanish officers these relics were placed in his coffin before it was finally sealed.

A Frenchman who chanced upon some autograph letters written by the explorer found among other interesting documents the navigator's will. He was struck by the strange clause relating to the shackles, and made inquiries whether or not any such things were found when the coffin was removed from the tomb in Santo Domingo. As no one remembered to have heard of any such thing, an investigation was set on foot, with the result that the bones of Columbus were found to be still peacefully reposing in the new French colony. As a matter of course, the Spaniards have derided the notion that they could by any possibility have made a mistake, but subsequent discoveries have only tended to strengthen the idea that the Spaniards had merely given one more example to the world of the carelessness and superficiality with which they carry out all their official acts.



TOMB OF COLUMBUS IN THE CATHEDRAL AT HAVANA.

VIAL CONTAINING THE ASHES OF COLUMBUS AT GENOA, ITALY.

The sepulchre which contained what passes among the Spanish inhabitants of Cuba for the bones of Columbus is extremely simple in character. The cathedral in which it is situated, however, is a very handsome structure. The bones were in a plain stone vault made of marble, placed to the right of and at the foot of the main altar. The stone vault surmounted by a bust supposed to resemble the explorer, but said to differ in every detail from his portraits. The bones of Columbus, the Spaniards say, were taken to Havana in 1795 and placed in a grave dug under the spot where the vault now stands. In 1822 the Spaniards in Cuba erected the present tomb and placed beneath the bust of Columbus the following inscription:

O, grand Columbus!
In this urn enshrined
A thousand centuries
Thy bones shall guard!
A thousand ages keep thine image fresh,
In token of our nation's gratitude.

SLAB OVER THE COLUMBUS TOMB AT HAVANA.

When the supposed bones of Columbus were removed from Santo Domingo, the ceremony was made the occasion for a display of Spanish grandeur such as had never before been seen in the Western Hemisphere.

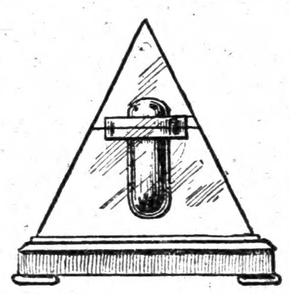
It is easy to concede that the lead chest found at San Domingo was not the one in which the bones of the Admiral were taken to San Domingo, for it is generally admitted that the name America, which appeared on the casket, was used before 1509, and the Gothic characters in the interior of the chest were not common until the seventeenth century.

The circumstance that the chest found at San Domingo is small, also confirms the suspicion that it was made to contain half a skeleton. That sent to Havana, although of the same length and depth was wider, perhaps to give more room to the hip bones and the skull, besides the other bones corresponding to those found at San Domingo.

The San Domingo chest contained some fragments of lead which bear the unmistakable signs of age. This suggests the probability that the chest was cast from an older one.

After a distinguished career in Europe and Asia, Mgr. Roccococchia, the discoverer of the remains of Columbus at San Domingo, was made Bishop at Orope, Vicar of San Domingo, and delegate to Hayti and Venezuela in 1874. The leaden chest was found on September 10, 1877. The work in the cathedral had just begun when a hidden tomb was discovered at the left of the altar. A leaden chest was found. It contained the remains of Don Pietro Colombo, the discoverer's grandson.

The chest containing the bones of Columbus was at the right of the first. When the discovery was made, besides Mgr. Cocchia, the Italian Consul; Giobatta Cambiaso, his brother, Luigi, and the authorities of San Domingo, were present. The Consul,



CRYSTAL CONTAINING THE ASHES OF COLUMBUS, AT PAVIA, ITALY.

who was a Genoese, seized a pinch of the ashes in the chest and placed them in a crystal vial. A ribbon was attached to the vial, bearing an inscription in Italian to this effect:

"Ashes of the immortal Christopher Columbus, discovered in the Cathedral of San Domingo the 10th of September, 1877. To the City of Genoa, from her affectionate sons, Giobatta and Luigi Cambiaso."

When the vial arrived at Genoa the municipality decided to preserve it in an urn of bronze. The urn was executed in 1886 by Pandiani, of Milan. It is in the style of the seventeenth century. Four sea horses sustain it at the corners, and graceful designs adorn the frame, which bears on each side the arms of Genoa. The whole is surmounted by a female figure representing Genoa, the Queen of the Mediterranean. The left hand rests upon an anchor, and with the right the figure holds aloft the wreath of victory.

Pavia received a similar honor, for at her university the discoverer of the New World completed his studies. The ashes were placed in a small pyramid of crystal, and this was deposited in a splendid receptacle.

THE REALM OF FASHION.

Ladies' Cape With Applied Yoke.

Heavy black silk poplin is used for this stylish cape, the applied yoke being of rich guipure lace over white satin and the decoration of satin ribbon ruching.

The cape is shaped on fashionable lines which slope gradually to points in front and back.

A SEASONABLE CAPE.

Darts at each shoulder with a seam in centre back cause a snug adjustment at the top, graceful fulness in rippling folds below the shoulders to a comfortable and fashionable length. The circular yoke is applied after the darts are sewed and may be cut with or without a centre seam.

The high standing collar is shaped in four sections joined to fit the neck comfortably and flare becomingly at the top.

A ruffle of net, lace or chiffon is placed inside the collar, a large bow of the same being tied over the closing in front.

The fronts are closed as far as the waist with coat hooks and eyes.

An interlining of wadding or canton flannel gives richness as well as warmth to capes of satin, silk or poplin, a silk lining of some becoming color adding elegance to its finish. Capes in this style can be worn at any age and are dressy enough for church or visiting. Velvet can be appropriately chosen with passementerie for the yoke and fur or any desired decoration may be adopted.

To make this cape for a lady of medium size will require one and five-eighths yards of material fifty-four inches wide.

The New Winter Hat.

My lady's new winter hat is shown in the large engraving. An extremely chic affair of no particular period reproduced. The knots and twists under the front brim and the high trimming at one side recall the sportive modes of 1830. But hats then were large in size, and the fashion this autumn calls for head coverings only medium in circumference, except in carriage hats, which are huge and heavy laden with plumes.

At a favorite shop where many women inspected fall hats, Madame, the milliner, said that there is no common name for this style in hats, nor, as a general thing, for any sort which is brought forth at that store.

"So far as possible," said Madame, "every hat we make is unlike every other, so we cannot give a general name which would be at the same time individual."

That hats are to be worn "off the face," as was predicted in the summer. It is only the exceptional headpiece which is fashioned for the woman without a pompadour. The roll of hair over the brow just fills in the space between brim and forehead. And many of the turbans are arranged to fit around the back hair, which should be done on the crown of the head.

TYPE OF THE WINTER HAT.

Stylish puffs are mounted on fitted sleeves, which may be omitted as here shown and the dress may be finished without the yoke to wear with or without different guimpes. The front and back are shown of cashmere having embroidered edge, while the sides are completed with an embroidered frill of cashmere.

Cashmere, veiling, challie and all other soft wool or silken fabrics will develop prettily by the mode, lace and embroidered edging and insertion, ribbon or braid being suitable trimming.

While material of this kind is not always available, the design furnishes suggestions that may be carried out daintily in similar fabrics in one or a combination of material or coloring. It is also pretty for wash dresses of thin white stuffs that are worn by little girls over slips of silk or satin all winter.

FOR ORDINARY OR PARTY WEAR.

To make this dress for a child of four years of age will require two and one-half yards of material thirty-six inches wide.

Such is the most patent fact about new autumn hats. That the largest number of them turn away from the face. Though a few with straight brims are for sale to those who cannot or will not abide these upturned effects.

A Woman Physician's Work.

Dr. Katherine Kollock, a medical inspector for the girls' high school in Philadelphia, during the last year examined more than 5000 pupils. As a result of her work it is said the standard of health among the girls has been better than that of any previous year.

Edison's Tribute to Woman.

Thomas A. Edison declares that women have more quickness and insight about machinery than men have, and he prefers to employ them in carrying out the details of his electrical inventions.

Child's French Dress.

This dainty dress of embroidered cashmere in pale blue, showed yoke and sleeves of dark blue velvet which were made adjustable so as to do for ordinary or party wear.

A short body lining supports the shirring that adjusts the fulness in front and back, the top being arranged to form frilled headings.

The sides are gathered to the lower edge of body lining, a band of the embroidered cashmere passing all around the short waist. Bands to match pass over the shoulders to foot of dress in front and back, pretty gathered bretelles standing out over the sleeves.

FASHION.

ALABAMA NEWS GLEANED

Interesting Items Gathered From Parts of Our Commonwealth.

The new prohibition law at Talladega promises to do up the tigers.

John Johnson, until recently of the railroad bridge spanning Alabama river at Selma, was stricken with paralysis Friday.

W. L. McCain shot and killed a negro named Lewis Fleming at Wetumpka. It is said the negro shot Mr. McCain hurt by falling from him.

Mr. R. H. Baker died last night after an illness of several days. He was 70 years of age, and for a number of years was a prominent merchant of Selma.

Athens is to have a carriage factory. Joseph H. Calvin is at the head of the enterprise and hopes to have the factory ready for work at the first of the year.

Duncan S. McLaughlin died last week at Powderly, aged 89 years. He was born in Jefferson county, and had eighteen days before the state was admitted to the union.

A colored girl about 18 years old, named Mary Jackson, living near Ridgewood, Tuskaloosa county, was found a few days since near the public road track shot through the head and side.

So far 318 students have matriculated at the Polytechnic institute this session. These students have registered themselves as being connected with the following churches: Methodist, 137; Baptist, 82; Presbyterian, 31; Episcopal, 37; Catholic, 10; Lutheran, 7.

The state department of agriculture is shipping out to the farmers of the counties of winter grazing oats for seed. This variety is especially adapted for furnishing winter pasture, being very hardy to be killed by the frost and afterward furnishing a stand of fine forage in the spring.

The strike among the miners at Blossburg, Jefferson county, has been declared off and work has been resumed at that point. The Sloss Iron and Steel Company has acquiesced in the demands of the men that they not be taxed for schools, but be allowed to run their own places of education.

Near Brown's Station, Dallas county, Jim Perkins shot Sam Dixon, killing him instantly. Both were negroes. An argument arose between the two as to which was the better man. Dixon started toward Perkins in a threatening manner, when the latter pulled a pistol from his pocket and fired.

Mr. F. M. Perry, the largest cotton planter and landholder in Lauderdale county, who is at present spending about $100,000 in the erection of a flouring mill and cotton gin on Cypress creek, just outside the city limits of Florence, is said now to be figuring upon the cost of an electric plant to run the same water power.

The trial of Albert Teague, who shot and killed Walter Clarke, deputy sheriff at Guntersville about three years ago, was concluded Friday, the jury returning a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree. The punishment inflicted was confinement in the penitentiary for thirty-five years.

The Hunters' Syndicate of Talladega, which has posted about 25,000 acres of land, has excited the displeasure of every non-land holder who is the owner of a cheap gun and a bird dog. Some have gone so far as to say positively that they will have no business dealings with any member of the club, and will not buy any retail dealer purchasing supplies from any member of said club.

An effort will be made by the citizens of Lawrence county to secure the old General Wheeler to secure the location at Wheeler's Station, which is the site of Wheeler's home, of two or three regiments of cavalry which are to be placed in the general's corps. The proposed location is an ideal place for an encampment, being an oak grove of 200 acres directly in front of General Wheeler's home, in which there is a spring as clear as crystal and of sufficient capacity to supply 25,000 people.

Cost of Killing a Conductor.

A jury in the circuit court at Montgomery has rendered a verdict for $5,311.24 damages against the Louisville & Nashville system of railways for the killing some three years ago, of Conductor M. Brown. The conductor was thrown from a caboose and crushed to death.

Slain for Money.

Friday morning at 3 o'clock Mack Mecon, colored, sergeant-major of the Third Alabama regiment, was found dead on Jackson street, Montgomery. He had been shot, the ball entering the left ear. He was seen a short time previous with considerable money on his person and when found his pockets had been cut out and the money was gone.

Killed by a Tree.

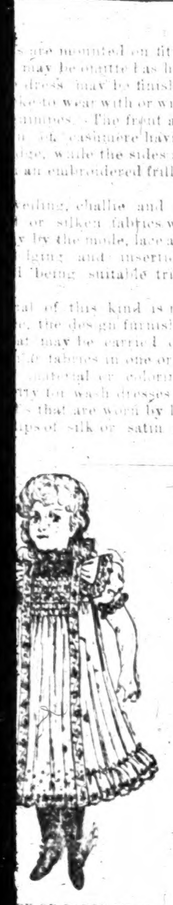
James Freshour, a farmer, was killed in the western part of Lee county on Saturday by the falling of a tree, which he was in the act of cutting down.

Electric Line to Wetumpka.

It is stated on appropriate authority that an electric line will be built from Montgomery to Wetumpka, a distance of twenty miles. The survey has been completed and the work of building the line will be commenced, it is said, within sixty days.

Big Miners' Strike.

Two thousand coal miners in the fourth and fifth pools on the Cahaba river, struck last week for the enforcement of the Chicago agreement.



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DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY

Subject: "Across the Continent"—Spiritual Thoughts Suggested While Viewing Scenes of Majesty and Grandeur Wrought by the Hand of God.

TEXT: "Streams in the desert."—Isaiah xxxv, 6. "He toucheth the hills and they smoke."—Psalms civ., 32.

My first text means irrigation. It means the waters of the Himalaya, or the Pyrenees, or the Sierra Nevadas poured through canals and aqueducts for the fertilization of the valleys. It means the process by which the last mile of American barrenness will be made an apple orchard, or an orange grove, or a wheat field, or a cotton plantation, or a vineyard—"streams in the desert." My second text means a volcano like Vesuvius or Cotopaxi, or it means the geysers of Yellowstone Park or of California. You see a hill calm and still, and for ages immovable, but the Lord out of the heavens puts His finger on the top of it, and from it rise thick and impressive vapors: "He toucheth the hills and they smoke!"

Although my journey across the continent this summer was for the eighth time, more and more am I impressed with the divine hand in its construction, and with its greatness and grandeur, and more and more am I thrilled with the fact that it is all to be irrigated, glorified and Edenized. What a change from the time when Daniel Webster on yonder Capitoline Hill said to the American Senate in regard to the centre of this continent, and to the regions on the Pacific Coast: "What do you want with this vast, worthless area, this region of savages and wild beasts, of deserts and cactus, of shifting sands and prairie dogs? To what use could we ever put these great deserts or these great mountains, impenetrable and covered with eternal snow? What can we ever hope to do with the Western coast, rock-bound, cheerless and uninviting, and not a harbor on it? I will never vote one cent from the public treasury to place the Pacific coast one inch nearer Boston than it now is." What a mistake the great statesman made when he said that! All who have crossed the continent realize that the States on the Pacific Ocean will have quite as grand opportunities as the States on the Atlantic, and all this realm from sea to sea to be the Lord's cultivated possession.

Do you know what, in some respects, is the most remarkable thing between the Atlantic and Pacific? It is the figure of a cross on a mountain in Colorado. It is called the "Mount of the Holy Cross." A horizontal crevice filled with perpetual snow, and a perpendicular crevice filled with snow, but both the horizontal line and the perpendicular line so marked, so bold, so significantly unmistakable, that all who pass in the daytime within many miles are compelled to see it. There are some figures, some contours, some mountain appearances that you gradually make out after your attention is called to them. So a man's face on the rocks in the White Mountains. So a maiden's form cut in the granite of the Adirondacks. So a city in the moving clouds. Yet you have to look under the pointing of your friend or guide for some time before you can see the similarity. But the first instant you glance at this side of the mountain in Colorado, you cry out: "A cross! A cross!" Do you say that this geological inscription just happens so? No! That cross on the Colorado mountain is not a human device, or an accident of nature, or the freak of an earthquake. The hand of God cut it there and set it up for the nation to look at. Whether set up in rock before the cross of wood was set up on the bluff back of Jerusalem, or set up at some time since that assassination, I believe the Creator meant it to suggest the most notable event in all the history of this planet, and He hung it there over the heart of this continent to indicate that the only hope for this nation is in the Cross on which our Immanuel died. The clouds were vocal at our Saviour's birth, the rocks rent at His martyrdom, why not the walls of Colorado bear the record of the Crucifixion?

I supposed in my boyhood, from its size on the map, that California was a few yards across, a ridge of land on which one must walk cautiously lest he hit his head against the Sierra Nevada on one side, or slip off into the Pacific waters on the other—California, the thin slice of land, as I supposed it to be in my boyhood. I have found to be larger than all the States of New England and all New York State and all Pennsylvania added together; and if you add them together their square miles fall far short of California. And then all those new-born States of the Union, North and South Dakota, Washington, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. Each State an empire in size.

"But," says one, "in calculating the immensity of our continental acreage you must remember that vast reaches of our public domain are uncultivated heaps of dry sand, and the 'Bad Lands' of Montana and the Great American Desert." I am glad you mentioned that. Within twenty-five years there will not be between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts a hundred miles of land not reclaimed either by farmers' plough or miners' crowbar. By irrigation, the waters of the rivers and the showers of heaven, in what are called the rainy season, will be gathered into great reservoirs, and through aqueducts let down where and when the people want them. Utah is an object lesson. Some parts of that Territory which were so barren that a spear of grass could not have been raised there in a hundred years, are now rich as Lancaster County farms of Pennsylvania, or Westchester farms of New York, or Somerset County farms of New Jersey. Experiments have proved that ten acres of ground irrigated from waters gathered in great hydrological basins will produce as much as fifty acres from the downpour of rain as seen in our regions. We have our freshets and our droughts, but in those lands which are to be scientifically irrigated there will be neither freshets nor droughts. As you take a pitcher and get it full of water, and then set it on a table and take a drink out of it when you are thirsty and never think of drinking a pitcherful all at once, so Montana, and Wyoming and Idaho will catch the rains of their rainy season and take up all the waters of their rivers in great pitchers of reservoirs, and refresh their land whenever they will.

But the most wonderful part of this American continent is the Yellowstone Park. My two visit there made upon me an impression that will last forever. Go in by the Montella route as we did this summer and save 250 miles of railroading, your stagecoach taking you through a day of scenery as captivating and sublime as the Yellowstone Park itself. After all poetry has exhausted itself concerning Yellowstone Park, and all the Morans and Bierstadts and the other enchanting artists have completed their canvas, there will be other realizations to make, and other stories of its beauty and wrath, splendor and agony, to be recited. The Yellowstone Park is the geologist's paradise. By cheapening of travel may it become the nation's playground! In some portions of it there seems to be the anarchy of the elements. Fire and water, and the vapor born of that marriage, terrific. Geyser cones or hills of crystal that have been ever five thousand years growing! In places the earth, brobbing, sobbing, groaning, quaking with aqueous paroxysm. At the expiration of every sixty-five minutes one of the geysers tossing its boiling water 185 feet in the air and then descending into a swinging rainbow. "He toucheth the hills and they smoke." Caverns of pictured walls large enough for the sepulchre of the human race. Formations of stone in shape and color of calla lily, of heliotrope, of rose, of cowslip, of sunflower and of gladiolus. Sulphur and arsenic and oxide of iron, with their delicate pencils, turning the hills into a Luxemburg, or a Vatican picture-gallery. The so-called Thanatopsis Geyser, exquisite as the Bryant poem it was named after, and Evangeline Geyser, lovely as the Longfellow heroine it commemorates.

But after you have wandered along the geyserite enchantment for days, and begin to feel that there can be nothing more of interest to see, you suddenly come upon the peroration of all majesty and grandeur, the Grand Canon. It is here that it seems to me—and I speak it with reverence—Jehovah seems to have surpassed Himself. It seems a great gulch let down into the eternities. Masonry by an omnipotent trowel. Yellow! You never saw yellow unless you saw it there. Red! You never saw red unless you saw it there. Violet! You never saw violet unless you saw it there. Triumphant banners of color. In a cathedral of basalt, Sunrise and Sunset married by the setting of rainbow ring.

Gothic arches, Corinthian capitals, and Egyptian basilicas built before human architecture was born. Huge fortifications of granite constructed before war forged its first cannon. Gibraltars and Sebastopols that never can be taken. Thrones on which no one but the King of heaven and earth ever sat. Fount of waters at which the hills are baptized, while the giant cliffs stand around as sponsors. For thousands of years before that scene was unveiled to human sight, the elements were busy, and the geysers were hewing away with their hot chisel, and glaciers were pounding with their cold hammers, and hurricanes were cleaving with their lightning strokes, and hailstones giving the finishing touches, and after all these forces of nature had done their best, in our century the curtain dropped, and the world had a new and divinely inspired revelation, the Old Testament written on papyrus, the New Testament written on parchment, and this last Testament written on the rocks.

Standing there in the Grand Canon of the Yellowstone Park for the most part we held our peace, but after awhile it flashed upon me with such power I could not help but say to my comrades: "What a hall this would be for the last Judgment!" See that mighty cascade with the rainbows at the foot of it? Those waters congealed and transfixed with the agitations of that day, what a place they would make for the shining feet of a Judge of quick and dead! And those rainbows look now like the crowns to be cast at His feet. At the bottom of this great canon is a floor on which the nations of the earth might stand, and all up and down these galleries of rock the nations of heaven might sit. And what reverberation of archangels' trumpet there would be through all these gorges and from these caverns and over all these heights. Why should not the greatest of all the days the world shall ever see close amid the grandest scenery Omnipotence ever built?

I have said these things about the magnitude of the continent, and given you a few specimens of some of its wonders, to let you know the comprehensiveness of Christ's dominion when He takes possession of this continent. Besides that, the salvation of this continent means the salvation of Asia, for we are only thirty-six miles from Asia at the northwest. Only Behring Strait separates us from Asia, and these will be spanned by a great bridge. The thirty-six miles of water between these two continents are not all deep sea, but have three islands, and there are also shoals which will allow piers of bridges, and for the most of the way the water is only about twenty fathoms deep.

The Americo-Asiatic bridge which will yet span those straits will make America, Asia, Europe and Africa one continent. So, you see, America evangelized, Asia will be evangelized. Europe taking Asia from one side and America taking it from the other side. Your children will cross that bridge. America and Asia and Europe all one, what subtraction from the pangs of seasickness! and the prophecies in Revelation will be fulfilled, "there shall be no more sea." But do I mean literally that this American continent is going to be all gospelized? I do. Christopher Columbus, when he went ashore from the Santa Maria, and his second brother Alonzo, when he went ashore from the Pinta, and his third brother Vincent, when he went ashore from the Nina, took possession of this country in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost. Satan has no more right to this country than I have to your pocket-book. To hear him talk on the roof of the temple, where he proposed to give Christ the kingdoms of this world and the glory of them, you might suppose that Satan was a great capitalist or that he was loaded up with real estate, when the old miscreant never owned an acre or an inch of ground on this planet. For that reason I protest against something I heard and saw this summer and other summers in Montana and Oregon and Wyoming and Idaho and Colorado and California. They have given devilistic names to many places in the West and Northwest.

As soon as you get in Yellowstone Park or California you have pointed out to you places cursed with such names as "The Devil's Slide," "The Devil's Kitchen," "The Devil's Thumb," "The Devil's Pulpit," "The Devil's Mush-Pot," "The Devil's Tea-Kettle," "The Devil's Sawmill," "The Devil's Machine-Shop," "The Devil's Gate," and so on. Now it is very much needed that geological surveyor or Congressional Committee or group of distinguished guests go through Montana and Wyoming and California and Colorado and give other names to these places. All these regions belong to the Lord, and to a Christian nation; and away with such Plutonic nomenclature! But how is this continent to be gospelized? The pulpit and a Christian printing-press harnessed together will be the mightiest team for the first plough. Not by the power of cold, formalistic theology; not by ecclesiastical technicalities. I am sick of them, and the world is sick of them. But it will be done by the warm-hearted, sympathetic presentation of the fact that Christ is ready to pardon all our sins, and heal all our wounds, and save us both for this world and the next. Let your religion of glaciers crack off and fall into the Gulf Stream and get melted. Take all your creeds of all denominations and drop out of them all human phraseology and put in only scriptural phraseology, and you will see how quick the people will jump after them.

On the Columbia River we saw the salmon jump clear out of the water in different places. I suppose for the purpose of getting the insects. And if when we want to fish for men and we only have the right kind of bait, they will spring out above the flood of their sins and sorrows to reach it. The Young Men's Christian Associations of America will also do part of the work. They are going to take the young men of this nation for God. These institutions seem in better favor with God and man than ever before. Business men and capitalists are awaking to the fact that they can do nothing better in the way of living beneficence or in last will and testament than to do what Mr. Marquand did for Brooklyn when he made the Young Men's Christian palace possible. These institutions will get our young men all over the land into a stampede for heaven. Thus we will all in some way help on the work, you with your ten talents, I with five, somebody else with three. It is estimated that to irrigate the arid and desert lands of America as they ought to be irrigated, it will cost about one hundred million dollars to gather the waters into reservoirs. As much contribution and effort as that would irrigate with Gospel influences all the waste places of this continent. Let us be prayer and contribution and right living all help to fill the reservoirs. You will carry a bucket, and you a cup, and even a thimbleful would help. And after a while God will send the floods of mercy so gathered, pouring down over all the land, and some of us on earth and some of us in heaven will sing with Isaiah, "In the wilderness waters have broken out, and streams in the desert," and with David, "There is a river the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God." Oh, fill up the reservoirs! America for God!

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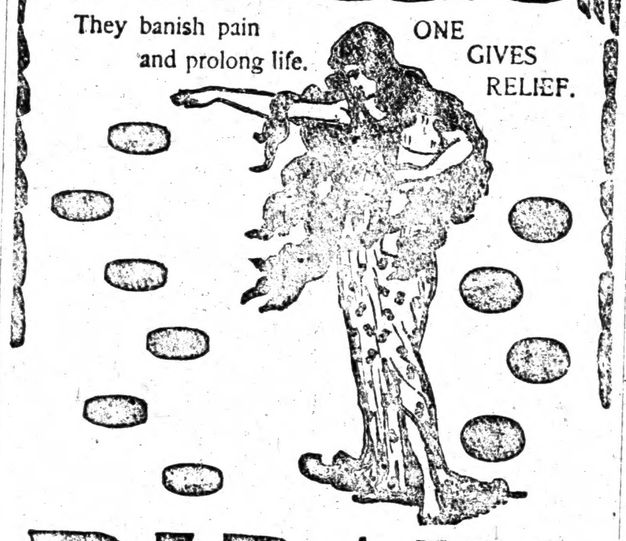

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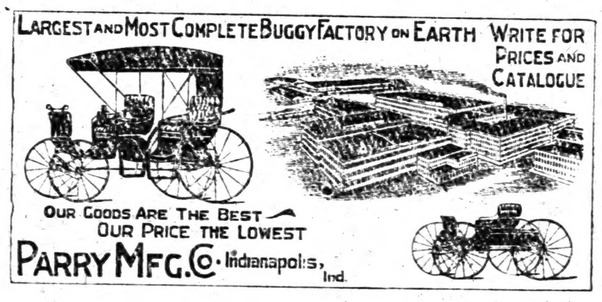

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ELECTION NOTICE.

State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

Notice is hereby given that a general election to be held at the several voting places in Chilton County, Alabama, on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1898,

for the election of a Representative to the Congress of the United States for the Fourth Congressional District of Alabama.

And the 5th day of October.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

We the undersigned, as required by law, have this day selected the following named persons to act as managers and Returning officers of election to be held in Chilton county, Alabama, on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, 1898, to wit:

Beat 1, Inspectors, J. N. Glasscock, J. Young, W. R. Robinson. Returning officer, J. M. Robinson.

Beat 2, Box 1, Inspectors, G. G. Gibbs, R. Armstrong, Hugh Henry. Returning Officer, W. A. Sims.

Beat 2, Box 2, Inspectors, I. P. Givhan, C. Shaw, J. L. Thomas. Returning officer, Geo. W. Shaw.

Beat 3, Box 1, Inspectors, B. H. Walker, Alfred Mims. Returning Officer, Calvin Jones.

Beat 3, Box 2, Inspectors, Z. J. Jones, Wm. E. J. Hayes. Returning Officer, W. [illegible].

Beat 4, Inspectors, J. E. Sims, A. C. [illegible]. Returning officer, [illegible].

Beat 5, Box 1, Inspectors, R. M. [illegible], E. G. Rollins. Returning officer, D. F. Jacks.

Beat 5, Box 2, Inspectors, Albert [illegible], John A. [illegible]. Returning Officer, T. J. Tra[illegible].

Beat 6, Box 1, Inspectors, John Milford sr., [illegible] R. Missildine. Returning officer, W. [illegible] Patterson.

Beat 6, Box 2, Inspectors, W. M. [illegible], W. D. Lawrence. Returning officer, George Foshee.

Beat 7, Box 1, Inspectors, J. H. [illegible], G. M. Moore. Returning officer, N. W. Latham.

Beat 7, Box 2, Inspectors, J. J. Parnell, I. [illegible] Clough. Returning officer, [illegible].

Beat 8, Inspectors, J Bice, T F Thornton. Returning Officer, G [illegible].

Witness our hands this 5th day of October, 1898.

[illegible], Probate Judge.
J. T. Cooley, Sheriff.
[illegible], Circuit Clerk.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

W. F. Aldrich will address the people of Clanton county at the following time and places:

Clanton, Monday, October 31,
1 p m
Jemison, Wednesday, November
1 p m
Verbena, Wednesday, November
7 p m
Clanton, Thursday, November 3,
7 p m
Jemison, Thursday, November 3.
7 p m
Verbena, Friday, November 4,
7 p m

Hon. W. C. Morgan, United States Senator from Alabama, will address the people of Chilton county at Clanton on Saturday, November

Respectfully,
W. F. GIST,
Chairman Dem. Ex. Com.

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Election Day, Nov. 8. 1898

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Editor BANNER.—The Democratic executive committee, through its chairman, F. W. Gist, has gall and effrontery to issue a circular addressed to the Populists of this district, and is mailing to well known and influential Populists this circular. Such stuff is mere rot and full of lies made out of whole cloth, and contrary to their expectations rebounds upon its authors and to the discomfiture of their weakling candidate, because true to Democratic bent, manipulators and teachings it is but a tissue of lies from beginning to end in that it charges Mr. Aldrich with having voted for the Dingley tariff bill and against the Stanley Matthew resolution for the coinage of the silver seigniorage. Mr. Gist knew when he signed and issued this circular, that Mr. Aldrich was not in congress, but that others through theft and Democratic ballot box stuffing were filling the seat in congress out of which Mr. Aldrich had been defrauded and robbed by Democrats of the Robbins stripe, and that as a matter of fact Mr. Aldrich had not been given his seat at the time congress voted on these matters. Chairman Gist was in Washington at the time and knows such to be the fact. Still true to Democratic theft and ballot-box stuffing he unblushingly attempts to palm his lying circular off on honest people. You cannot do this, Mr. Gist, for the people of this district are already surfeited with Democratic lies, ballot-box stuffing and general inefficiency.

That lying circular of Mr. Gist was intended to be a ten strike, and it was as a lying machine. The people of this district have no patience with liars and falsifiers of the public records.

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Young Man—That was not my father's motto. He began at the top and worked down.

Parson—And made a failure of it, no doubt?

Young Man—Not on your life! He made a fortune digging wells.—Chicago News.

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Smith—Well, old man, how about the $20 I lent you some time ago?

Jones—Ah, you see, that's different! I put that in my pocket.—Harlem Life.

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Maplesville.

Our town is steadily improving.

Dr. Hayes, of Lily, is building a drugstore near Mr. Lawrence, where he will locate.

Mr. Gordon, of Bessemer, a fine architect, will locate here.

Mr. Coleman has moved his family here.

Mrs. Campbell, of Texas, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. N. A. Goodwin.

Mrs. Sanderson has been the guest of Mrs. Fox.

Mrs. J. Clem has lately visited her daughter, Mrs. Hill Foshee.

Mrs. McFarlane, of Oakmulgee, has visited her brother here, P. Patterson.

Mr. Veazey, of Lily, treated us to some most excellent singing in the Methodist church the 23 ult. We would be pleased to have him with us again.

Mr. Middleton's friends of Atlanta have persuaded him to return to his old home.

Farmers are busy putting away their year's labor and have much cause for eucouragement; potato digging has been carried on extensively the past week in these diggins.

Our good people had a most successful oyster supper, the proceeds of which were given to charity.

Miss Alfa Smitherman has made her home in Clanton in the noble calling of caring for her sister's, Mrs. Wilson's motherless children. This is the third time this most estimable young lady has made her life's work caring for motherless children.

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Weogufka.

Mr. Sanford B. Clarke, of Montgomery was visiting relatives here recently.

Cupid's arrows are doing a great deal of damage in this city.

Lewis L. Evans paid Rockford a pleasure trip Friday.

Weogufka is destined in the near future to become the musical center of Coosa.

Mr. Right Grooms, who has been sick for sometime, is improving, and we trust will soon be well.

Mr. Turpen F. Teel, one of our most prominent young men, is attending the agricultural school at Sylacauga.

Mr. Walker Evans is the happy recipient of a very interesting love letter.

P. J. Baxley, one of our most popular merchants, visited Sylacauga Saturday.

Some of our farmers are very much distressed over the present price of cotton. We admit that the price of cotton is somewhat discouraging, but cotton is not the only plant that can be raised in our Sunny South. We trust that the time is not far distant when the farmers will realize this fact and begin to make what they need at home.

Mr. Simmie Kilgore, one of our most aspiring young men, says though his girl has refused to allow him to visit her any more he still has the privilege of loving her without her permission. Just as you like it boys.

I wonder what so many young men were doing at Mr. Bennetts Morris' residence last Sunday, as Miss Ara is his only marriageable daughter. One would naturally suppose that if a case of matrimony was got up someone would get left.

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Turn-Round Topics.

W. B. Manning, of Marbury, paid home-folks a visit Sunday.

Dock Pyron and John W. Pattillo went to Birmingham Sunday on the excursion.

Mr. F. M. Connell jr. and wife of Cross Roads spent a few days last week with her mother, Mrs. H. Kendrick.

T. P. McKinney, we are sorry to say, is still very low.

Little Annie Norris is now very sick.

The recent cold snap killed all cane, causing it to to sour.

E. T. and Mrs. Connell visited his brother, F. M. Connell, sr., at Cross Roads Sunday.

It is time to dig potatoes, as the vines are killed.

N. B.

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Overcome evil with good. Overcome your coughs and colds with One Minute Cough Cure. It is so good children cry for it. It cures croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and all throat and lung diseases. J. M. Stanfield.

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Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 2, 1898

Wonderful to relate, the Supreme Court has decided that the anti-trust law is constitutional. The Joint Traffic Association made a test case of the matter recently and this decision against it affects vast railroad interests. Another remarkable decision from the Supreme Court limits and defines the rights of the Pullman Palace Car Company, so that its right to purchase land and build a town, to be rented to working men, is unconstitutional and not in conformity with its charter.

It is a pleasure to note that the Reform press has at last opened its batteries on the many small alleged parties which get out tickets and adopt platforms similar to that of the Populists—thus dividing the vote and assuring the election of the Republicans.

W. O. Atkeson, a middle-of-the-roader, candidate for Circuit Judge in one of the Missouri Districts, and who was a leading shouter for Wharton Barker at the late Cincinnati convention, has withdrawn from the race and substituted the name of the Republican nominee for that position. This is but one of many instances that are daily occurring.

W. J. Bryan, who has been ordered to Savannah, Ga., enroute to Cuba with his regiment, is again reported ill with fever.

Much complaint is heard among the government employes at Washington over the heavy campaign tax demanded of them. One-fourth of this month's salary received is not an unusual demand.

Rev. F. Laverty, chairman of the People's Party Territorial Committee of Oklahoma, has resigned, giving opposition to fusion as ground for so doing. Republican papers announce that this move will insure the election of the notorious Dennis Flynn as a delegate to Congress.

The committee of the allied silver parties in Nebraska is doing good work toward securing Senator William Allen's re-election. In a recent address issued by them, his valiant work for reform is reviewed and all anti-goldbug voters are urged to support him. Senator Thurston, his Republican colleague, backed by ample means, is making a strong campaign against him.

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The work contains over 650 pages, a large number of full page half-tones, together with many rich double-page illustrations in ten colors. It is sold by subscription, and will undoubtedly prove a money maker to every intelligent salesman.

Executor's Notice.

J. P. ALLEN, Deceased. } Probate Court
Estate of } Chilton County

Letters testamentary, under the last will and testament of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned by the Hon. R. M. Honeycutt, Judge of the Probate Court of Chilton County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate will be required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or that the same will be barred.

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PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

It is now proposed in Spain that all the military schools in that country be closed. The idea is a good one. The boys would do much better at farming.

The new copyright law of Mexico makes no distinction between the rights of native and foreign authors. All that is necessary is that the work be published in Mexico. It will cost a foreign author $50 to copyright his book in that republic. A copyright holds for ten years.

The American may be a foreigner by birth, but he is a hero by naturalization, says the Denver (Col.) Times. As soon as he lives under the stars and stripes long enough to appreciate what they stand for he is ready to protect them. There is a whole lot of broken English spoken in the lines of an American regiment, but there is no break in the line of patriotism.

The scream of the locomotive is to sound in the mountain fastnesses of Madagascar. A French company has been granted the concession to build a railway which will run from Tamatave to Tananarivu, shortening the distance between the places by fifty per cent. and affording facilities for transportation of freight and passengers to the various distributing points on the south and west coasts of the huge island. Because of the chasmed country the road will be very expensive. Construction is to begin at once.

The decisive battle of Omdurman in the Soudan shows the perseverance of the English government. The advance of this expedition has consumed two years, and has been a striking example of sustained and steady effort. The caprices of the Nile had to be waited for, a railway had to be built, half-trained Egyptian troops had to be fully trained, and 25,000 men had to be moved hundreds of miles across desert wastes, and every mile of that way well guarded. It was a great undertaking, and as compared with the disastrous campaign of the Abyssinia/ shows most distinctly the difference between the Anglo-Saxon and the Latin races as soldiers.

A new phase of philanthropy has appeared in Allegheny, Pa., in a movement for the cheer of the sick in hospitals. It is proposed to establish an association for the loaning of pictures to be hung on the walls of the hospitals, the pictures to make the tour of the hospitals, and then to be returned to their owners. One of the first to respond offered sixty of the pictures from his home. In an accompanying letter he remarked that many persons spend a part of the year out of the city, and during that time the pictures would do much good in the hospitals without in the least depriving their owners of the enjoyment of them. It is a beautiful charity, akin to that of providing flowers for the hospitals, and may be widely copied if arrangements can be made for insuring the safety of the pictures while out of their owners' possession.

The New York Sun says:—The cable cars are not alone responsible for a new ailment which has lately made its appearance. A medical journal which has published an account of the new ailment attributes it chiefly to the trolley, although in both cases the active participation of the patient is necessary. According to the investigations of a physician, this new trouble consists of a fracture of one of the bones of the spine caused by striking the back of the seat in a street car. He finds that most persons rise in their seats before they have reached their destination or before the car has come to a full stop. In many cases they are thrown back on their seats when this happens or against the back of the seat, and this violent contact is likely to break one of the small bones in the spine. Luckily the result is not nearly so serious as it sounds and is much more likely to be inconvenient than dangerous. As the investigations which proved the existence of the new ailment were made in a Western town where transportation was chiefly by means of the trolleys, the same effects might not have been expected here. But the physician found that the trouble was likely to be caused by any quickly moving vehicle quite independently of what the motor power was. So persons suffering from unexplained backaches may discover that they stood up too soon while those who have so far escaped may take warning and keep their seats, in the words of the conductor, until the car stops.

CAUSE FOR THANKSGIVING.

Proclamation by the President Naming Thursday, November 24,

AS A DAY FOR REJOICING AND PRAISE.

Abundant Harvests, Increased Commerce, Better Public Credit and a Victorious War Cited as Blessings for Which to Give Thanks to God.

The president after the cabinet meeting Friday issued the following Thanksgiving proclamation:

"A Proclamation.

"By the President of the United States.

"The approaching November brings to mind the custom of our ancestors, hallowed by time and rooted in our most sacred traditions, of giving thanks to Almighty God for all the blessings He has vouchsafed to us during the past year.

"Few years in our history have afforded such cause for thanksgiving. We have been blessed by abundant harvests, our trade and commerce have been wonderfully increased, our public credit has been improved and strengthened, all sections of our common country have been brought together and knitted into closer bonds of national purpose and unity.

"The skies have been for a time darkened by the cloud of war, but as we were compelled to take up the sword in the cause of humanity, we are permitted to rejoice that the conflict has been of brief duration and the losses we have had to mourn, though grievous and important, have been so few considering the great results accomplished, as to inspire us with gratitude and praise to the Lord of Hosts. We may laud and magnify His holy name that the cessation of hostilities came so soon as to spare both sides the countless sorrows and disasters that attend protracted war.

"I therefore invite all my fellow-citizens, those at home as well as those who may be at sea or sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe Thursday, the 24th day of November, as a day of National Thanksgiving, to come together in their several places of worship, for a service of praise and thanks to Almighty God for all the blessings of the year; for the mildness of the seasons and the fruitfulness of the soil, for the continued prosperity of the people, for the devotion and valor of our countrymen, for the glory of our victory and the hope of a righteous peace, and to pray that the Divine guidance which brought us heretofore to safety and honor may be graciously continued in the years to come.

"In witness whereof, etc.

[Signed] "WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

"By the President:

"John Hay, Secretary of State."

TWO SCHOONERS LOST.

Sunk on the Coast of Cuba and Were Total Losses.

The schooner Cora Dunn went ashore on Sunday morning on the shoals close to Diana Key, Cardenas, and has proved to be a total loss. Her cargo consists of 3,500 tons of coal.

The schooner Kate, which left Key West on October 19 with a cargo of stores and medical supplies for the Cuban forces under General Jose Miquel Gomez at Sancti Spiritus, was overtaken by a storm on October 22 and struck on the San Carlos reefs, province of Pinar del Rio. Bolio and Lera and the members of the crew escaped death almost by a miracle. After swimming ashore they took refuge in a swamp, remaining buried in mud up to their waists for eight hours. They were eventually rescued. The cargo was a total loss. The Kate belonged at Key West.

May Visit Santiago.

A letter received at Washington from a member of the investigating commission now in the south conveys the information that the members think they may be able to reach the city from their present tour about November 4. It has been reported that the commission may afterwards visit Santiago and Porto Rico. This will be settled definitely after its return.

Bankruptcy Petition.

Since the bankruptcy law went into effect August 1, forty-five petitions in bankruptcy from the northern division of the northern district of Alabama, have been filed with Jere Murphy, Jr., referee. Most of the petitions come from Decatur. Florence and Tuscumbia tie for second place.

Wreck on the Central of Georgia.

A freight wreck occurred on the Central of Georgia railroad Saturday, in Talladega county. Engineer Castleberry was seriously injured, and a negro section hand, named Zan Berry, had his thigh fractured. Several cars were smashed up.

Building a New Town.

There is a new city being built in Jefferson county, near Leeds. It is a mining settlement, and will be inhabited by the employes of the Sloss Iron and Steel Company, who work the immense deposits of brown hematite ore, which has recently been opened by that company. There are now about seventy-five houses in the process of erection, which will be occupied by the operatives, and work will begin on seventy-five more in the near future.

TRAGEDY AT KNOXVILLE.

Young Lover in a Jealous Rage Shoots His Sweetheart and Then Himself.

At Knoxville, Tenn., John Kennedy, aged 15, shot and mortally wounded his sweetheart, May Peck, and after trying to kill the housekeeper of the Peck family, killed himself. Kennedy went to the home of the girl, and calling her to the door asked why she had been keeping company with another young man. She failed to give him a satisfactory answer and he shot her through the breast near the heart. She may die. The housekeeper heard the screams of her young mistress, and when she rushed to the door Kennedy turned the gun on her and fired, but without effect. He ran a block, stopped, and placing the pistol at his temple, blew his brains out. He died three hours later.

THEY HEAR HOBSON.

Naval Bureau Chiefs Desire to Know the Chances for Saving the Spanish Ships.

Naval Constructor Hobson appeared before the board of naval bureau chiefs at Washington for the purpose of explaining the condition of the Spanish vessels wrecked off the coast of Santiago, and the progress and prospects of the efforts which are making for their recovery. It is said that over $1,000,000 will be required to continue the operations and the secretary of the navy desires to know what chance there is of success before authorizing the expenditure of so large an amount of money.

ARKANSAS OUTLAWS RAMPANT.

Reign of Terror Inaugurated in Cleburne County.

Cleburne county, Ark., the famous rendezvous for moonshiners, is just now experiencing a reign of terror, and the inhabitants of that county who respect the law have appealed to the state authorities to protect their lives and property from the depredations of the outlaws. According to information received the moonshiners are destroying the property of law-abiding citizens and warning them to leave the county.

Levied on a Railroad.

At the last term of the circuit court of Dallas county, Alabama, John A. Carson, who was one of the contractors of the Atlanta & Alabama railroad, obtained judgment against the road for $3,508.34, the amount of his claim and interest, and on October 27 Sheriff J. H. Lumpkin levied on the roadbed, right of way, privileges, turnouts, in fact, everything that belonged to the road. The date of sale of the road has not been made public yet.

"Disastrous Consequences."

The annual report of the Dewes Indian commission, bringing up the work of that body in reorganizing the Indian Territory up to date, of early this week, was made public Saturday. It urges as the main call for the government aid, "fraught with disastrous consequences if delayed," the need of some provision by the national government for educational purposes in the territory.

Seven Deaths From Plague in a Bark

The French bark Duchesse Ann has arrived in port from Hong Kong flying the yellow flag. Both the federal and state quarantine launches put out to the vessel, and soon the news came back to port that there had been seven deaths on board during the voyage from the bubonic plague. The bark was ordered into quarantine.

Miners Killed by Falling Slate.

While half a dozen men were engaged in driving the slope at Sloss mines near Bessemer at an early hour Saturday morning a ton of slate fell. Taylor Littleton was instantly killed and Jesse Buchanan was so badly hurt that it is feared he will die. Both were young white men.

Confederate Reunion Will Be May 10

By order of General John B. Gordon, commanding the United Confederate Veterans, Adjutant-General Moorman has issued a general order announcing that the next reunion will be held at Charleston, S. C., upon the following dates: May 10, 11, 12 and 13, 1899.

Candler Inaugurated.

Allen D. Candler was inaugurated governor of Georgia Saturday at noon.

Colored Woman Law Instructor.

Lutie A. Lytle, Topeka's colored woman lawyer, has been appointed a member of the faculty of the law department of Central Tennessee college, Nashville. She is said to be the only female law instructor in the world. She will teach the law of the domestic relations, evidence, real property, crimes and criminal procedure. She is 24 years old.

Fire at Lexington, Tenn.

Nearly all the business portion of Lexington, Henderson county, Tennessee, burned Friday morning. The loss is between $25,000 and $35,000, about half insured.

Big Copper Mine to Be Put in Operation.

It is reported that the Ducktown Sulphur, Copper and Iron company will open up the "East Tennessee Mines" in a short time. This mine is some 700 feet deep, and is now submerged with water. It was operated from 1868 to 1879.

Dupuy Accepts.

M. Dupuy has secured the support of M. Ribot Delcasse and M. Leygues, and has officially informed President Faure, of France, that he is prepared to form a cabinet.

SPAIN GIVES UP CUBA.

Sovereignty Relinquished Without Even Terms or Conditions.

PHILIPPINES WILL BE TAKEN UP NEXT.

The United States Guarantee That Life and Property Shall Be Secure in Cuba. Mutual Understanding Reached as to Porto Rico and Guam.

PARIS.—The Spanish peace commissioners have accepted the negative view of the United States commission toward the assumption by the United States of the Cuban debt. The American commissioners have firmly, but courteously, declined to assume for the United States the entire or joint responsibility for the Spanish financial conditions.

Senor Montero Rios, the president of the Spanish commission, and his colleagues, with faithful insistence, sought another result, but they failed to attain it, and have finally abandoned the effort, and have agreed that the Cuban article of the protocol shall, without conditions, have a place in the ultimate treaty of peace. Thus Spain relinquishes sovereignty over and claim to Cuba without either terms or conditions. The one concession as to Cuba that our commissioners will make will be the guarantee of the United States that life and property shall be secure in Cuba. This responsibility the United States will assume only to such time as a stable government shall be formed and operative in Cuba. There will be no perpetual guarantee on that score.

All difficulties, if any existed, regarding Porto Rico and the selection of the Island of Guam, were also arranged by a mutual understanding, and the commissioners found themselves well-nigh touching the Philippine question, which will be taken up next.

FAVORS ANNEXATION.

But Senator Morgan Would Have Cuba Come In of Her Own Free Will.

Senator Morgan spoke in Birmingham Friday to a large audience. Regarding Cuba he said that the United States will not take the island by the ear and pull it into the union, but will hold it until the Cubans realize that their greatest security and prosperity lies in annexation to the union as a state. As to the Philippines, he said their great distance makes their situation different from Cuba or Porto Rico, but he did not believe there is a man in America who favors this country turning its back upon these people struggling for liberty and enlightenment. He thought that time would develop the Philippine question satisfactorily. He believed the demand for our silver money in the new possessions would practically force the remonetization of silver.

GOV. TANNER'S THREAT.

Would Use Gatling Guns to Prevent Importation of Labor.

"I reiterate that I will not tolerate this wholesale importation of foreigners into Illinois; and if I hear that a mob is to be brought into this state, such as was taken into Virden, I care not on what railroad it comes, nor for whom, I will meet it at the state line and shoot it to pieces with Gatling guns."

So declared Governor Tanner in a speech delivered before 1,200 auditors gathered at the Knights of Pythias hall in Madison City.

It was the concluding statement in an address largely devoted to the defense of his course in the recent mine riots at Virden.

Dispute With Peru Settled.

The award of the chief justice of Canada, to whose arbitration was submitted the claim of Victor H. McCord against the government of Peru for damages sustained by reason of imprisonment during one of the revolutionary outbreaks there, has been received at the state department. McCord is awarded $40,000. The payment of this amount will close a diplomatic controversy which has been in progress between the United States and Peru for some years.

Death of Judge Hughes.

Judge A. M. Hughes, of Columbia, Tenn., died Thursday morning at the age of 87 years. Prior to the civil war he served his state as attorney-general for four terms, and after the war was three times elected circuit judge. He also served as United States district attorney.

Steamer With Seventeen Goes Down.

The loss of the steamer L. R. Doty, on Lake Michigan, with her crew of seventeen men during the gale of Tuesday, is confirmed. Wreckage brought to Chicago has been fully identified as having come from the Doty.

Split in Klondike.

News comes by letter from Alaska that the representatives of the Bessie Cox Gold Mining company, who left Birmingham last February to seek their fortunes in the Klondike, have had a split-up about something, and have parted company.

Carders Will Strike.

The carders of the Hargraves Cotton mill, at Fall River, Mass., have decided to strike Monday if the management persists in running overtime. The spinners are already out.

ALABAMA STATE NEWS.

Happenings of General Interest Within Our Own Commonwealth.

Great Activity in Birmingham District.

The greatest activity in iron and coal industries continues in the Birmingham district. Every furnace that is in operation has a demand for every pound of iron that it can make, and consequently the furnace capacity of the district is being kept as nearly the top notch as is practicable. The Pioneer Mining and Manufacturing Company is preparing to let a contract for the construction of a railroad from its furnaces at Thomas to its new coal mines at North Birmingham, and will also build 300 houses at the mines to be occupied by the men employed there.

The state mine inspector estimates that this year's coal production will go considerably past the 6,000,000 ton mark, thus breaking the "bumper" records of last year and the year previous. Every mine in the district is working to its full capacity, and some half a dozen new ones are being opened. Since the quarantines have been lifted Walker county coal has begun again to move to the Mississippi river for shipment down that stream to New Orleans and other Louisiana points. Four and a half miles of new railroad is to be built at once in Walker county to connect the various mines of the Ivy Coal and Coke Company with the Southern railway.

Iron shipments to Europe continue active. Furnaces are sold a long time ahead, and in consequence prices continue stiff with a decided upward tendency.

Will Meet in Chattanooga Next.

The Tri-State Medical society concluded its tenth annual convention in Birmingham last week. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Dr. George A. Baxter, of Chattanooga; first vice-president, Dr. V. P. McGammon, of Nashville; second vice-president, Dr. W. B. Travis, of Covington, Ga.; third vice-president, Dr. George S. Brown, of Birmingham, Ala.; secretary, Dr. Frank Trester Smith, of Chattanooga; treasurer, Dr. Cooper Holtzclaw, of Chattanooga.

Chattanooga was selected as the next place of meeting.

Carnival Will Be Made a State Affair.

The Birmingham Carnival society has inaugurated a movement to make the next Mardi Gras celebration in that city, which occurs February 14 and 15 next, a state affair and accordingly, invitations have been sent to the commercial bodies of the various cities and towns of importance throughout the state to participate. The request is made that each have a float in the parade representing the particular town.

Fatal Fight at Oak Level.

A serious difficulty occurred at a political meeting held at Oak Level, a small place twelve miles north of Edwardsville. During the row Robert L. Baber was severely and perhaps fatally cut in the fight by some one in the crowd. Hamp Bell was severely cut on the hand and wrist, Will Cole was severely beaten and bruised, and others were seriously hurt in the fight.

By-Product Plant in Operation.

The Semet-Solvay By-Product Coke oven plant at Ensley City has ninety ovens now in blast and preparations are being made to put the second battery in operation. The demand for coal to supply the ovens will be met by the Tennessee company, who has begun to put wire rope into mine No. 6 at Pratt City to increase the output 600 tons per day.

Boy Killed in a Runaway.

Edward Houston, 15 years of age, was accidently killed near Moulton last week. Edward and a companion younger than he had gone out to the farm in a two-horse wagon to gather corn. The horses became frightened and ran away, and the boy, being unable to check them, either jumped or was thrown from the wagon and his head was crushed beneath the wheels.

Dashed to Death in a Runaway.

While Mrs. Mary Ann Roberts was driving through the town of Blocton the horse attached to her buggy became frightened at a bicycle and dashed away. The horse ran under a trestle and very close to a post, dashing Mrs. Roberts from the buggy. Her head struck the post and she was instantly killed.

Last Days of the First Alabama.

The work of examining the members of the First Alabama preparatory to mustering them out of service is going rapidly forward, and it is announced that by Monday night it is expected the entire regiment will be mustered out. The partial disability list is said to be surprisingly large, even Colonel Higdon being on it.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

An important meeting was held at New Decatur in the office of a real estate firm, the object being the location of a cotton factory in that town.

Gurley Sellers, aged 96, died at Johns, Jefferson county, last week. He was born in North Carolina, and moved to Alabama in 1826. He leaves a wife, 94 years of age.

The government now has three crews of surveyors near Athens, making a careful measurement of Elk river, testing it at every point with a view of seeing if it can be made navigable.

Steve Collins, about 28 years of age, residing near Hillsboro, attempted to commit suicide by gashing his throat with a razor, but was unsuccessful in his effort, and it is thought he will recover.

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Progress of Arbitration.

Arbitration has been tried in many and worked with a gratifying Strikes are the characteris- of the feudal age of capital and and arbitration will be charac- of the age of law. It must be to every intelligent workingman $10 is lost as often as $1 is gained the policy of strikes. Even when ently successful it amounts to little in the long run, for anything is forced against the natural laws can only be of temporary du- If there was better under- standing between labor and capital a many differences which arise between them would be settled, and the of such settlement would be of much good to both em- and employe. Capital and la- should try to be honest with each at all times. Arbitration in some is sure to follow any departure the principles of truth and jus- The disagreeing conflicts be- labor and capital must be set- and reduced to a minimum upon broad of equity and jus- to both sides to the controversy. between them must be Employer and employe should in arbitration of disputes as matter of principle. It is an advance- in civilization and progress, and labor organizations do anything the wheels of progress and sur- demand made by them, if on justice, can long be refused. often used as a synonymous there is a wide difference be- arbitration and conciliation. To is to arbitrate a cause from standing of parties interested and matters truth- To conciliate is to win one to the other. With this two terms and the uses or require- it becomes should be re- of industrial instance has there or lockout where was vested with one side on the other. While may be taken fault primarily must equally perhaps, but other. At least two necessary to a quarrel; a quarreling with subject of arbitration is receiv- at the present time than before. The old idea among was that of force. It was altogether. Right the question of a felt strong enough in a demand, without regard employers or anybody As a result of such opposition to the trade the public mind. a public print to utter one or sympathy. another the trade powerful ones like St. Crispin and the by the board. organizations the as a national alone has had having been the simple rea- its career adopted method of handling which has been more to all parties since the introduction of in harmony with good of the times in interests in all employer and em- strongest as well as organization for the upholding country, yet notwith- it has never justice to capital; it drawn into a wrangle and has always for whatever found necessary. business institution, is principle, and always approachable. about its regula- with general bus-

many labor unions example of this or- with signal success, and it is now generally conceded that labor troubles should be settled by arbitration, and it is to be hoped that employers and employes will both assist in tearing down the wall of selfishness which has so long divided their interests. Let them meet each other as man and man, and let the disposition of each be to adjust differences upon a basis of equality and fairness.

Big "Little" Industries.

It's the little things which count, so averred the amateur statistician, and especially is this true of the manufacturers, imports, exports and commercial pursuits of New York, where the trade in the insignificant trifles of personal use or articles common to the economy of the household requires an expenditure of millions and millions of dollars every year.

For instance, said he, consider the number of handkerchiefs annually sold. A prominent dealer estimates that the daily consumption of the United States is about 25,000 dozens, or 27,375,000 dozens yearly—28,500,000 single handkerchiefs. Even this estimate is regarded as entirely too low, for it allows only between four and five handkerchiefs to each person in the country. There are at least 1,000,000 lace handkerchiefs imported every year and their value is in the neighborhood of $5,000,000.

When you go to buy clothespins at the corner grocery they give you 50 for 5 cents and you are, perhaps, inclined to wonder how they can afford to sell so many for so little money. But your nickel goes to swell a total of millions which are annually spent for these articles, for wherever the wash is hung out to dry the world over it is generally secured to the line with clothespins of American manufacture. They are turned out entirely by machinery, counted by machinery into boxes containing 720 each, and the boxes are nailed up by machinery. From the time the prepared blocks of wood enter the machines until as perfected clothespins they are packed in cases, not a human hand touches them. Two grades are made, firsts and seconds. First grade pins cost but 35 cents a box.

Between 13,000,000 and 14,000,000 cigar boxes are annually used in the United States. Of this number about nine-tenths are made in New York, and the trade rivals the great clothing industry in point of capital invested and the number of people employed.

Mirrors are seldom lost and never intentionally broken; therefore, it is inexplicable that the annual sales should amount to $8,000,000; but it is true, nevertheless. There are more than 2,000 persons employed in the manufacture of looking glasses. Of that number, which is composed almost entirely of men, fully one-half are in the state or city of New York. The industry is controlled by metropolitan capital.

New York yearly exports to Europe, Africa, South America, and Australia tons of wooden meat skewers, and, while they are made principally in the west, the bulk of the trade is controlled in that city. Skewers are almost exclusively made of hickory, and, like most manufactures of wood, they are turned out by factories located in close proximity to the forests whence the wood of which they are made is taken. Skewers are made in several lengths, 4½, 5, 5½, 6, and 7 inches, and up to gigantic fellows 16 inches long. They are made entirely by machinery, like the clothespin, and sold very cheap. Completed skewers are put up in bunches, which vary in the number contained, according to their size. Billions of them are annually used, and in New York city no less than 250,000,000 are consumed every year.

Labor Notes.

Mr. R. E. Coffey of Lynchburg, Va., is said to have invented a machine to strip tobacco which will revolutionize the business.

The strides made in silk manufacturing in America during the past few years have been very great, and imports of this class of foreign made goods are gradually diminishing.

Mr. W. H. Barret, superintendent of the Kansas and Texas Coal company, is endeavoring to secure white union members at Pana, Ill., to go to Huntingdon, same state, to work. He is meeting with little success. The men say they are determined to remain at Pana and fight the operators and blacks to the bitter end. They say they expect to win the strike, but can accomplish nothing so long as the military are kept there. Capt. Craig, the military commander, says the troops will be continued at Pana indefinitely.

Prominent members of the Liberty Dawn Association of Cab Drivers of New York city say that an international organization made up of all cab, coach, delivery wagon, express wagon, truck and ash cart drivers and all street railway employes is being perfected. The new organization will be known as the Vehicle and Traffic Trades council.

America grows 70 per cent of the world's cotton crop, and year by year a larger proportion of it is manufactured in this country, and in the south, near the cotton fields, have the spindles multiplied most rapidly. Such an increase in the cotton manufactories means a greater demand in America for American cotton, the market for our goods will be enlarged and the price of raw cotton will be stimulated. Its market price will be fixed on this side of the Atlantic, rather than in Liverpool, and the grower will reap the benefit.

There are 1,759,000 volumes in the library of the British museum and more than thirty-nine miles of shelving.

A bad cigar after a good dinner is like a beautiful woman with a black eye.

BUTTING A STONE WALL.

GOLD IN OLD ROME.

AN OBJECT LESSON FROM THIRD CENTURY.

Conditions There Were Similar to Those Now Existing Here—Gold Men Would Not Surrender and the Empire Crumbled to Dust.

That the United States can and should by legislation immediately restore silver to a parity with gold at the ratio of 16 to 1 is made plain by a well-authenticated object lesson in Roman history that occurred 1,600 years ago, in which the financial facts and circumstances involved presented the same issue that is presented by the similar financial facts and circumstances that are to be dealt with in this country, and by which it is shown that silver was then and there remonetized with perfect success by the greatest of constructionists, Diocletian. Upon assuming imperial power, A. D. 284, this peasant-born military leader found the empire paralyzed and disintegrating under the benumbing and crushing effects of the single gold standard. He set things booming by simply restoring silver to the coinage at the old ratio of 12 to 1, with the same legal tender power as gold. Both Mommsen and Lenormant say that Augustus established the double standard of gold and silver, and that in the course of time, after many modifications, the single gold standard had been adopted. Our quotations about this change and about the restoration are from the Encyclopedia Britannica, Article "Numismatics," by Reginald L. Poole. It appears that "under Elagabalus the taxes were paid in gold alone.' That "this was ruinous" will not surprise any one who will consider American experience with greenbacks. The two issues of them that were receivable for government dues always kept even with gold. But those that were not good enough for Uncle Sam went down until gold was at a premium of 185 per cent in 1864. The emperors between Elagabalus and Diocletian were all unfriendly to silver, so that finally it was no longer used in the coinage. We have not space to repeat many interesting facts incident to "the depreciation of silver, which has ceased to have any real value." During Diocletian's reign and "before A. D. 293, the coinage of silver recommences with the denarius of the standard of Nero." "The denarius was the unit of reckoning." No more was heard of depreciated or worthless silver. Thus by Diocletian silver was rehabilitated to its old place with gold, there to remain yoked together until 1873. Yet what he did was but a practical application of that most profound of currency principles which long previously had been thus announced by Aristotle. "Money (nomisma) by itself is but a mere device. It has value only by law (nomos), and not by nature, so that a change of convention between those who use it is sufficient to deprive it of its value and of its power to purchase our requirements." By virtue of voluntary convention, money (nomisma) has become the medium of exchange. We call it "nomisma" because its efficiency is due not to nature but to law (nomos), and because it is in our power to regulate it. "The function of money" (nomisma), said he, "is to measure value." In all this the wisest of Greeks is in harmony with the wisest of Americans, Dr. Franklin, when he said that "gold and silver are not intrinsically of equal value with iron. Their value rests chiefly on the estimation they happen to be in among the generality of nations." Diocletian made many other great innovations and reforms in the constitution of the empire which were of such an enduring character that they gave form and direction to the affairs of state until the fall of Constantinople in 1204. De Quincy said he was "doubtless that man of iron whom the time demanded." However, after a reign of twenty-one years, he voluntarily retired to his farm in Dalmatia. To one who would have him return to power he wrote, "Were you but to come to Salona, and see the vegetables I grow in my garden with my own hands, you would no longer talk to me of empire." Diocletian at Salona cultivating his garden reminds us of the farming of some of our statesmen in retirement. Jackson at the Hermitage, Jefferson at Monticello, and Washington at Mount Vernon. Parton tells us of Jackson's sunset days that "he lived the life of a planter, carefully directing the operations of his farm." That "he still took the keenest delight in a flourishing cotton field, and loved a fine horse as much as he did when he brought Truston home from Virginia thirty years before." The same author says of Jefferson at this period of life that he "loved gardening and farming, the fields, the orchards, and his asparagus beds." Lossing remarks of Washington's closing years that "he rode upon his farms entirely unattended, opening the gates, pulling down the 'bars,' and inspecting with careful eye every agricultural operation." The late Mr. Custis has left on record a description of one of these occasions, in the latter years of his life, which he gave to a gentleman who was out in search of Washington: "You will meet, sir," said young Custis to the inquirer, "an old gentleman riding alone, in plain drab clothes, a broad-rimmed white hat, a hickory switch in his hand, and carrying an umbrella with a long staff which is attached to his saddle bow; that person, sir, is Gen. Washington."

FRANK K. RYAN.

PLENTY MONEY CREATES CIVILIZATION.

On Page 8 of "An Honest Dollar," by E. Benjamin Andrews, president of the Brown University, I find the statement made that the national debt on Sept. 1, 1865, amounted to about two and three-quarters billions of dollars, and that at that time it would have taken 18,000,000 bales of cotton (the human toil represented in 18,000,000 bales of cotton) to have paid the whole debt, and that after this debt had been reduced to a billion and a quarter—in other words, after there had been a payment of 55 per cent of the entire debt and all the interest due—it would have required 30,000,000 bales of cotton (the human toil represented in 30,000,000 bales of cotton) to have paid the balance, or 45 per cent of the original debt. If Messrs. Horr and Laughlin, both monometallists, are correct, if "human toil" is the measure of value, how can any honest man insist that there is any semblance of justice in compelling the payment of twice as much of "human toil" in the shape of cotton on a bond now as it would have taken to pay it when it was issued. In an address made by President Andrews before the Manufacturers' Club of Philadelphia, which was published on the motion of Senator Cockrell, as a document by this body, this statement is made:

"Between 1870 and 1884 the public debt decreased not far from three-quarters of a billion of dollars, say seven hundred and fifty millions. Yet if we take wheat, corn, beef, oats, coal, cotton, and iron together as a standard—and they did not make a bad standard—the debt did not decrease, but increased not less than 50 per cent. Mr. Horr's standard, then, of human toil "shows distinctly that the burdens of the people have been enormously increased by the silent and unseen operation of unjust laws which do not deserve longer to disgrace the statute books of this great republic." The era of a lessening volume of money from the coming of Christ to Columbus was one of growing ignorance, tyranny, degradation; it was a period of retrogression, notwithstanding the power of the Christian religion which had just been revealed to man. When an increasing money supply created commerce, aroused mankind, stimulated ambition, created civilization, which in time widened into a system of education and enlightenment; it showed itself to be the most powerful aid to the great cause of Christianity and more good, more advancement, was accomplished in the four centuries succeeding the discovery of the gold and silver mines in America by the Spaniards than was accomplished in all of the fifteen centuries preceding it. The constantly decreasing value of money proved a great blessing to mankind, perhaps more than compensating for the injuries which had been entailed by the opposite condition of a constantly decreasing volume of money during the first fifteen centuries of the Christian era."

JAMES K. JONES.

Silver Night Schools.

The organization of free-silver night schools is progressing rapidly. The prize offer of the Farm, Field and Fireside for the correct solution of the problems 5 and 6 has been thrown open to the general public. Leaflets containing the problems will be sent on application (enclosing stamps) to any address.

MAY BREAK NEGOTIATIONS

Spaniards Will Not Accede to Our Demand for Philippines.

WILL REFUSE TO SIGN PEACE TREATY

Civilized Nations Will Be Called Upon to "Witness the Abuse of Force" to Which They Will Be Subjected—French Comment.

PARIS.—The French papers derive their news of the work of the peace commissions from Spanish sources, and, therefore, the morning papers are interesting as indicating the atmosphere in the Spanish quarters and the trend of French views and tendencies. It must be recalled that the Spaniards have utterly accepted the refusal of the United States government to assume any of the Spanish debt, and the Cuban question has been set aside to await its place in the final treaty, provided the differences on the question of the Philippine islands shall not prevent the making of any treaty. As the whole is composed of its parts, so must the Philippine question be mutually agreed on, or none of these questions previously agreed on will find a place in the treaty.

This is all the provision or provisional understanding existent. In view of the facts then, the Paris press has initiated a tendency to confuse the situation.

The Matin says: "It is well understood that the cession of Porto Rico was tantamount to the payment of a war indemnity in cash, and entirely freed Spain from any subsequent repetition on the subject."

Referring to Monday's meeting, the Matin says: "The Spaniards said they would make their answer known on Friday. But, it is easy to foresee what it will be—a refusal, precise and formal. The Spanish plenipotentiaries have made up their minds, in the event of the United States adhering to the Philippine proposition, to decline signing the act of peace, to break off the negotiations and to call upon the civilized nations to witness the abuse of force to which they will be subjected and the violation of the provisions set forth in the Washington protocol."

BRITISH FLAGSHIP PUTS TO SEA.

The War Preparations of England and France Continue.

A Tuesday's special from Victoria, B. C., says: The Imperieuse, the flagship of the British North Pacific squadron, will follow the Amphion southward. A rush order for forty tons of provisions was placed Tuesday. The Imperieuse will sail under sealed orders not to be opened until the vessel is out of sight of land. The Amphion took on board one of the fast torpedo boats of the station, and Leander, now in dry dock, has also taken one on board. The torpedo destroyer Virado is provisioned and coaled and it is thought will accompany the flagship.

No Specific Details.

LONDON.—There is no noticable cessation in English preparations, and the officials are confident of the country's ability to meet all emergencies. There were large shipments of guns, shells, and war stores to Malta and Gibraltar Monday.

The dispatch from France announces equal activity in Toulon, Brest, Marsailles and elsewhere.

The Rome correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "France is making great preparations at Bizarta, about forty miles northwest of Tunis. Guns and ammunition arrive daily, and men are strengthening the forts, working day and night. The object is said to be to cut communication between Malta and Egypt in the event of hostilities with Great Britain."

H. T. Peebles Dead.

Henderson, T. Peebles, one of the best known merchants of Limestone county, Ala., died Sunday night in Cincinnati, aged 53 years. Mr. Peebles was an elector at both of the national conventions that nominated President Cleveland. He was a soldier in Roddy's cavalry of the Confederate service.

To Construct Electric Light Plants.

Three electric light plants will be constructed at Pratt City and Ensley, Ala. Two of them will be of considerable size, while the third will be a kind of private lighting concern, and will supply a limited number of incandescent and arc lights.

No Fever at Santiago.

General Leonard Wood, governor of the military department of Santiago, Cuba, authorizes the statement that there has not been a case of yellow fever in Santiago city during the last sixty days, and that the ordinary sickness during the same period has been 90 per cent. less than usual at this season.

Took Possession of Gibara.

A dispasch from Santiago says: 'Colonel Hood's regiment has arrived safely at Gibara, where the Americans quietly took possession of the town. The municipal officers were given the alternative of signing the oath of allegiance or of being dismissed. All of them signed the oath.

"A second transport with Spanish troops aboard lef for Spain Monday. There are now 7,500 Spaniards at Holguin who will leave there this week."

WILL KEEP THE PHILIPPINES

The Entire Archipelago Will Be Demanded by United States.

SPANISH DEBT WILL NOT BE ASSUMED.

A Definite Proposition to Be Submitted to Spaniards This Week—Believed That Spain Will Gladly Relinquish the Islands and Lessen Her Debts.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary Hay Saturday had an interview with the president presumably about matters before the Paris peace commission, but nothing is known of the contents of dispatches which may have been received from Mr. Day. It was intimated, however, that our representatives in Paris probably would be prepared to take up this week and submit to the Spanish ministers a distinct proposition on the Philippine question. It is fairly assumed, however, that this proposition may be subject to change as the negotiations progress. On the general subject of the Philippines members of the cabinet are usually reticent, and this fact is assumed by some to indicate that up to this time the administration itself has not fully determined on what it will or will not demand in this connection, beyond the fact that the entire archipelago must remain in the possession of the United States.

This determination has undoubtedly been reached, and under no circumstances will this government, through its Paris representatives, consent to a treaty which does not involve a complete surrender of Spanish sovereignty therein.

It may be further stated that this government will not assume any Spanish debt or obligation, possibly beyond the guarantee of certain municipal obligations which have been incurred in substantial municipal improvements. The debt which Spain has incurred in her efforts to put down insurrections will neither be paid, assumed nor guaranteed by the United States. This fact, it is quite certain, was distinctly stated to our commissioners before they left Washington. Whether or not this government would consent to payment of any sum of money to Spain for any part of her territory taken possession of by the United States, should any be found due upon a final settlement of the account, cannot be stated at this time, and it is believed that this particular feature of the question has never been raised in the president's conferences with the members of his cabinet.

Advices from Paris are to the effect that there is no change in the peace negotiation question, and that negotiations are in a fair way to be brought to a speedy termination.

Confirmed in Paris.

PARIS.—While the Spanish and American peace commissioners now stand on the threshold of the Philippine question, it seems probable, in the light of this hour, that the United States will take over the entire archipelago.

Some well informed persons believe that Premier Sagasta has determined to be rid of the Philippines and would direct his commission to sign a treaty by which the United States should take the islands and assume the $40,000,000 of debt.

Spaniards now in Paris declare that the Philippines are a drag and assert that Spain would lift a cry of joy to be relieved of them if the terrific debt pressure should be thus lessened.

WINNIE DAVIS' WILL.

Bequeaths Her Entire Estate to Her Mother.

A short, but matter of fact will, was admitted to probate before Judge King in the civil district court at New Orleans, Saturday. It was that of Miss Winnie Davis, "The Daughter of the Confederacy," whose recent death sent a gloom throughout the Southland. The document was prepared on February 11, 1898, when Miss Davis was about to sail for Egypt, and by its terms she gives and bequeaths to her mother, Varina Howell Jefferson Davis, everything, both real and personal property, and any returns that may come from literary work, any stocks or moneys.

Fire at Tuskegee.

Nearly the entire business portion of Tuskegee, Ala., including thirteen business houses, the telephone exchange and opera house were destroyed by fire Saturday. Loss, $60,000; insurance only $1,600.

J. T. Payne has located at Batesville, Ala., and secured the establishment of a hennery. Mr. Paine will put several incubators to work at once and devote his entire time and attention to raising chickens and other for the market.

Col. Waring Dies of Yellow Fever.

Colonel George E. Waring, Jr., died of yellow fever Saturday at his home in New York city, where he had been since he arrived from Havana on the Yucatan on Thursday last. He was 67 years of age.

Revision Granted in Dreyfus Case.

The French court of cassation has decided to grant a revision of the Dreyfus case and will institute a supplementary inquiry. The court, however, has declined to order the release of Dreyfus.

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DON'T be satisfied with going alone to the polls next Tuesday. See that your neighbors go with you, and all vote for W. F. Aldrich.

THE last report from Springfield, Ill., is that the middle-of-the-roaders have no right to a place on any ticket—state, congressional or legislative, owing to the fraudulent character of petitions presented.

THE People's candidate, W. F. Aldrich, will be returned again to Congress next Tuesday by a larger majority in the five white counties than ever before. Dalias, says the Age-Herald, will roll up the usual Democratic majority.

THE chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee has prepared a forecast of the probable result in the forth coming election. He confidently predicts that the Republicans will lose the House and that the Democrats will have a majority of 25 members in that body. The Republican committee however, is just as confident of success.

THE appointment of "Coin" Harvey as financial manager for the joint executive committees of the three free silver parties, is giving the gold Democrats and Republicans a good deal of uneasiness, as it means a probable union of these forces in the campaign of 1900 and a renewal of the political struggle on the lines of 1896.

THREE Populist tickets will appear on the official ballot in Missouai this year, as a result of the decision of the Supreme Court in the mandamus proceedings brought by the middle-of-the-roaders to compel the Secretary of State to file their ticket. The nominees of this faction were also certified by petition in compliance with the statute and the Secretary could not refuse to recognize them. Since the court has so ordered, the middle-of-the-road ticket will appear under the Populist heading with the regular People's Party nominees. The Supreme Court thus declares all three Populist tickets constitutional. The decision leaves all parties who desire to do so, free to file nominations without scarcely a limit or restriction. This practically annuls the Australian ballot law in the State. The Court, however, did not pass upon the quettion as to which faction of the People's Party had a majority of delegates to the State convention.

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The sooner a cough or cold is cured without harm to the sufferer the better. Lingering colds are dangerous, Hacking cough is distressing. One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures it. Why suffer when such a cough cure is within reach? It is pleasant to the taste. J. M. Stanfield.

SENATOR John T. Morgan, in 1894, in an interview in the city of Washington, which was extensively published in the public press, speaking of ballot-box stuffing, said:

"It is the most heinous of all crimes unless we except murder or rape, and a man who would aid in doing it would steal the bread from the altar or the sacred vessels from the communion table. A man who would reject a legal ballot, throw it out, or make a false return is not fit for human society. He would rob his mother; he would steal the savings of a begger. I would not trust him with anything."

IT is greatly to be hoped that before Senator Morgan makes his speech at Clanton he will take the trouble to read the evidence in the two last Congressional contests. We have a lively recollection that some four years ago, when the Senator made a speech at Clanton, we said he had never SEEN any election frauds perpetrated. This may very well be. But there are doubtless many things the Senator has not seen and yet knows to be true. But he may easily see the evidence taken in the case in which Mr. Robbins was concerned, and if after reading that he feels disposed to urge upon the Democrats of Chilton county to support Mr. Robbins we shall be mistaken.

THE Democratic nominee, Mr. Robbins, has already, in his despair, called upon Gov. Johnston to come to his assistance, and now seeks aid from Senator Morgan. Of course we have nothing to say against Mr. Robbins calling in any of his friends. But do they do him any good? No; they cannot. The best of workmen must have good material to work if they are to accomplish anything. In this case the material is of such inferior quality it is impossible to do any thing with it. Gov. Johnston did not make a single vote for Mr. Robbins, and with all due deference to Senator Morgan he will not be able to do any better. The fact of the matter is, Mr. Robbins, and all that he represents, is thoroughly understood by the people of Chilton who refuse to have any of it, and cannot be induced to vote for Mr. Robbins by Senator Morgan or any other speaker. We shall be glad to hear what the Senator has to tell us about his trip to Hawaii, but will be surprised if he advances any one solid reason why any man should vote for Mr. Robbins.

HON. W. F. ALDRICH has been keeping his appointments in Chilton this week and everywhere he is more firmly convinced the voters he is the man to vote for next Tuesday. This morning, at Clanton, he again went fully into his views on the money question, which his audience found entirely to their liking. He pulled to pieces the flimsy circular issued from Democratic headquarters, and showed it to be a tissue of falsehoods from beginning to end. He told of some of the steps that have been taken to secure to the people a free vote and honest count, and we are assured of a big majority in the five white counties.

Capt. A. T. Goodwyn made an exceptionally strong speech, which we wish every voter in Chilton could have heard, and begged every Populist to turn out and vote for W. F. Aldrich.

EVERY free man has the right to vote, and every free man should vote for W. F. Aldrich.

PROBATE Judge S. M. Adams duly took the oath of office this morning and was installed in the Probate office for the next six years. Circuit Clerk Deason also took the oath and possession of his office. These two gentleman are well known to everyone in the county, and the people are thoroughly satisfied they have done well in electing them to the responsible positions they occupy. We congratulate Judge Adams and Circuit Clerk Deason on their induction into office, and we congratulate the people of Chilton county on having put them there.

THEY WERE SUDS, NOT SOUP.

And the Female Investigator Didn't Get Her Name In the Paper.

There is an ambitious young woman reformer in St. Louis whom every reader of the papers knows. Not long ago she heard that the city government was about to make an inspection of the workhouse, and she made up her mind to forestall the investigation by making one on behalf of the alphabetical association of which she was a member. She had heard horrible stories to the effect that the Wandering Willies in the workhouse were sadly mistreated, starved, bastinadoed and deprived of many of the things which are essential to the advancement and welfare of mankind.

Armed with a permit from the secretary of her society and wearing the badge of a member, she swooped down upon the workhouse one morning, and, after gaining admission to the grounds, stole with stealthy steps around the basement of the building in search of the kitchen. She knew she would find the cook making sausage out of the day's killing at the adjoining dog pound or serving the dishwater as soup to the friendless inmates. It was just dinner time. She would catch the miscreants redhanded and expose them in the public prints. Her name would appear as one of the leading reformers of St. Louis, and maybe Lady Somerset would send her an autograph photograph of herself. Oh, rapture!

She stepped into a long hall unobserved and was rewarded by seeing two men, apparently waiters, marching toward her. Each carried a mighty caldron of steaming liquid.

"Soup!" hissed the reformer lurking in the shadows. "I'll see whether they are feeding dishwater to these poor prisoners and calling it 'soup,' the villains." And she waited for the coming waiters.

"Stop," she almost shrieked in her excitement, as the two soup carriers came opposite her. "Set down these caldrons. I am Mrs. Hot Stuff, second vice president of the Woman's Society For the Prevention of Dishwater Soup," and she gave her name and showed the aluminium star on her heaving bosom. The men set down their burdens in awe.

"Get me a spoon," said Mrs. Stuff, sniffing the steam from the liquid while one of the carriers disappeared into a doorway, to return in a moment with a soup spoon. "This smells to me like dishwater," said the lady, ladling up a spoonful of the stuff. The men stood grimly by while the dauntless reformer blew upon the hot liquid a breath like the south wind on the sanitary company.

Then she sipped the "soup" with a grimace. "That is not soup," she said solemnly. "You know it is not fit to drink."

"No, ma'am, it is not soup," said the first wretch.

"It is dishwater, and you know it," said the reformer.

"No, ma'am, it is not dishwater," said the second wretch humbly.

"What is it, then? Speak out. It may be that it is not your fault, and I will intercede for you if you tell me."

"You see, madam, this is wash day. After the washing is done we get the hot water from the laundry and use"— But she was gone. She didn't wait to learn that the two trusties were going to scrub the superintendent's back porch with the hot "soup," and the next morning there were no flaring headlines about workhouse abuses and the brave woman reformer.—St. Louis Republic.

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THE JUROES.

The following Jurors have been drawn for the Fall Term of Circuit Court, which convenes at Clanton, Monday, November 21, 1898.

GRAND JURY.

D I Deramus, W M Price, W H Bean, Willey Ramsy, W H Toells, P M Jones, Moses Mims, A J Willson, Lum Dyer, James Gothard, W J Gaylor, P S Prim, David Moore, Leroy Friday, M A Killgore, J N Butts, R D Childress, D B Watts, J P Robinson, J N Hays, J C Martin.

PETIT JURY. First Week.

Henry Splawn, T B Gay, H B Rodgers, L B Broadhead, J T Hull, J C Allred, C F Atchison, J R Billingsley, B W Garner, Z S Avery, E J Mims, B L Dennis, J M Merchant, J J Trawick, Hugh Mullins, George Mims, J W Carr, N G Ward, J H Grills, P R Donaughu, John Moses Robinson, Lum Gentry, J R Kemp, R T Grant, J H Morgan, P D Williams, J E Dorroney jr, J W Middlebrooks, M A Watts, W E Christien, G W Fox jr, J A Miller, George Reed, O R Cooper, Judson Strock, W S Cox.

PETIT JURY. Second Week.

J M Parish jr, C R Mullins, J W Hendley, C L Ingram, William Ray, James Mims, Columbus Ray, Frank Harris, J R Thomas, T P McKinney, John Ellis, Elijah Robinson, T D McGee, T W Dunigan, F M Bushey, B F Gardner, G W Knobles, W A Kemp, N Watts, T G Williams, J G Burkhalter, A J Powell, Alford Mims, T M Driver, W R Dawson, S B McCarry, Wiley Mitchell, J J Thompson, L S Samons, H M Furguson, Hugh Henry, G W Jones, J Bice, W D Cortney, J N Askins, J M Aldridge.

From New Zealand.

Reefton, New Zealand, Nov. 23, 1896

I am very pleased to state that since I took the agency of Chamberlain's medicines the sale has been very large, more especially of the Cough Remedy. In two years I have sold more of this particular remedy than of other makes for the previous five years. As to its efficacy, I have been informed by scores of persons of the good results they have received from it, and know its value from the use of it in my own household. It is so pleasant to take that we have to place the bottle beyond the reach of the children. E. J. SCANTLEBURY.

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IN THE LIGHT OF DEATH.

When all the wheels of life are running slow,
And all the fires of life are falling low
And flickering to an end,
Then, in death's dawning light, we seem to know
What it all means—why things must happen so,
And not as we intend.

I thought to keep my own life good and fair,
Now broken, blotched and ugly, it lies there,
Spread like a map in view.
I made the blots, the blunders, everywhere,
The bitter disappointments in full share,
The sorrows, old and new.

But, though fresh failures come with each fresh day,
Though pain persists and will not pass away
Till life itself shall cease—
Taught by this gleam of death's keen searching ray—
"No human life is whole," I've learned to say,
"But of God's whole, a piece."

Each individual life is not our own
'Tis in God's building just one little stone
Chiseled to fit one place.
Useless—not cut to shape, but left alone.
Useful, if, when its proper place is known,
It fits it, by God's grace!

For through God's temple rise in noble state
Smooth marble blocks of wondrous weight
And polished pillers tall.
But there are other stones, not smooth nor great,
Seeming despised—thrown out—yet, soon or late,
Wanted, however small.

So, if the Master Builder needs in me
A broken fragment only fit to be
A fragment, out of sight,
Still, in his house a stone—if even he has chosen me for this use, ah, then I see
All I thought wrong is right.

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November 2, 1898.

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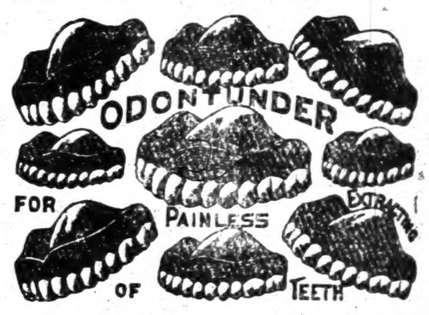

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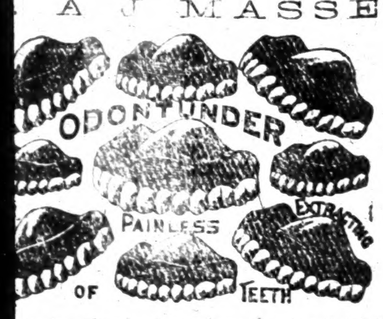

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Kincheon	Beat 6	Nov.	1
Pletcher's Mill	" 8	"	2
Clanton Ford	" 8	"	3
Stanton	" 8	"	4
Benson	" 3	"	7
Maplesville	" 7	"	8
Shoults	" 7	"	9
Dixie	" 8	"	10
Valley Cr'k church	8	"	11
Macedonia	" 3	"	14
Hayes Mill	" 2	"	15
Providence church	2	"	16
Elijah Busby's	" 1	"	17
Smith School house	1	"	18
Cofer's Mill	" 2	"	21
Jemison	" 2	"	22
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	23
Strasburg	" 9	"	24
James Maddox Mill	4	"	25
Clanton	" 4	"	28
Cane creek	" 4	"	29
Jesse Maddox's	" 4	"	30
Goer's School	" 4	Dec.	1
Coopers	" 5	"	5
Verbena	" 5	"	6
Mountain Creek	" 5	"	7
Burwell	" 5	"	8
Caloway's Mill	" 5	"	9
Providence ch	" 5	"	10

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1898,

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Notice No. 19.983.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala. October 4, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., November 12th, 1898, viz., Malachi C. Williams, Homestead entry No. 28,657, for the s ½ of ne ¼, sec. 27, tp. 21 north of range 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Edmund T. Connell, William T. Mims, W. D. Goss, Philip H. Connell, all of Burwell, Ala.

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THE WILD TRIBES OF THE PHILIPPINES.

Poisoned Arrows and Murderous Daggers Among the Weapons Used by the Native Islanders.

The native inhabitants of the Philippines can be conveniently divided into four groups: the civilized Indians, the Mohammedans, the wild Indians and the Negritos or Attas. These same divisions existed at the coming of the Spanish in 1519, though their relative numbers, location and other conditions must have changed greatly since that time.

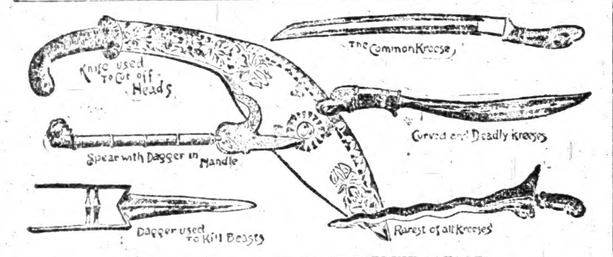
The uncivilized Indian tribes occupy much of the interior and mountainous parts of all the large islands of the group, except Cebu and Bohol, in which they have either been Christianized and merged with the civilized Indians or have been driven out. They still occupy nearly all the territory of the great islands of Mindoro and Palawan. They number, according to Spanish estimates, some three or four hundred thousand, belonging to over fifty different tribes.

PHILIPPINE ABORIGINES.

They are shut off from the sea and means of communicating with one another and the outside world by the civilized Indians about them, and probably remain in much the same condition of savagery as when first observed by the Spanish.

Like the civilized Indians, the savages are brown in color, with coarse, straight black hair and little beard. They seem to be somewhat smaller and slighter of figure than their Christian neighbors.

Their languages show close kinship to those of the civilized tribes adjacent and also as close to those of the savages of Formosa. Few of the tribes possess lands fit for the cultivation of lowland rices, and fewer still have the necessary skill and implements and plow beasts (buffaloes) for cultivating such lands. Their recourse is the common one of savages nearly the world round—they cut off small portions of the forest during the dry season, and after burning this over, they plant, at the beginning of the rainy season, upland rice, maize, sweet potatoes, etc., among the blackened logs and stumps. The supply of food thus gained is usually insufficient, and after it is eaten up they lead a miserable existence, scouring the woods for game and wild fruit and going to the sea beach wherever they can reach it for shell fish and other food. Their method of cultivation compels continual change of place.



UGLY WEAPONS USED BY PHILIPPINE SAVAGES.

Their houses are usually built after the plan of those of the civilized Indians—a basket-like structure of bamboo and palm leaves raised upon posts above the ground, but they are not so well built and are occupied but for a few years. They are not built into compact villages, but a few scattered houses are formed without streets, but near enough to be within call. Necessarily, what can be said of such a multitude of detached tribes in regard to their clothing, arms, religion, etc., must be of the most general character.

Their clothing usually consists solely of the taparabo, or breech clout, all else generally being in the nature of ornament and consisting of beads about the neck and head and arms, and anklets or leglets of boar's bristles, and frequently with bright colored pearl shells hanging upon the back or breast. The Spanish authorities do not allow the savages to enter the towns in their ordinary state of nakedness, which accounts for the unusual amount of clothing shown in the accompanying photographs. They frequently blacken the teeth, and in some cases file them to a point.

Some of the wilder tribes of North Luzon are said still to hunt the heads of their enemies with which to ornament their dwellings, like the head-hunting savages of Formosa and the Dyaks of Borneo, but the tribes in contact with the Christian Indians content themselves with hanging the skulls of monkeys, deer, wild boar and buffaloes about their doors.

The weapons used by savages in the interior of Luzon, Mindanao and the smaller Philippine Islands are perhaps more deadly than those of any other race. The quaint and curious shapes of their daggers and kreeses lend to them a distinct peculiarity not found in the weapons of other races. Small in size, skilfully carved and pointed, they can be handled with great effect, and in most instances a single trust is sufficient to do the work. Like the Indian arrow heads some of them are poisoned at the point, which means sure death once a wound is inflicted.

Perhaps the most deadly of all the Philippine weapons are the daggers carried by the chiefs. These are made of iron, mostly of a poor quality, and are about eighteen inches long. They are crooked or wavering in shape, with a rough, uneven surface. The edges are as sharp as a razor, the point almost like that of a needle, and they are carried in a case which fits the blade to perfection. The cases are made of hard wood, the handles bearing beautifully carved inscriptions, representing the name of the chief and tribe. These crooked daggers are carried exclusively by the chiefs, the right to possess them being considered a great honor.

The kreese, though, is the most important of all Filipino weapons. The more savage tribes lasso the foe and cut off his head with the kreese. Others steal up behind the foe and aiming a little below the base of the brain decapitate him with a single blow.

The Medical News publishes a letter from its special correspondent at Manila, describing the plan pursued by the Philippine natives to poison arrows and their dexterity in inflicting barbarous punishment upon their enemies with daggers. He says: It will have to be taken into consideration that most of the Philippine Islanders are savages who fight with lances and poisoned arrows. I once had the privilege of witnessing the preparation of a number of these poisoned weapons, and as nearly as I can remember the process was about as follows:

"The poison was made from the bark of two different trees, the names of which I have forgotten. One of the pieces of bark was beaten almost to a jelly, pressed and dried, then moistened and again pressed. Though the man used his bare hands in doing this, he apparently was not injured in any way by contact with the poison. The juice of the bark thus extracted looked very much like pea soup as it simmered in an earthen vessel over a slow fire. When it had reached the consistency of a syrup a quantity of pulp from the second piece of bark was scraped off and the juice of this squeezed into the syrup over the fire.

"The juice of the second piece of bark was dark brown in color, and the liquid in the vessel was darkened and changed as soon as the new ingredient was stirred into it. The mixture was then allowed to simmer for some time, until it had attained the consistency of jelly, when it was scraped out of the vessel with a chip and put on a large leaf which had been plentifully sprinkled with ashes. This preparation can be kept a long time without losing any of its strength. To poison an arrowhead a piece of this jelly-like substance about the size of a hickory nut is warmed and rubbed all over the point, which can be used repeatedly without the poison losing its virtue.

"The natives also have daggers with sharp-pointed blades about four inches wide and a foot long, which they call bararaos. They are very dexterous in the use of this weapon, and if they can lay hold of an adversary by the hair, they cut off his head with one sweep of the arm and carry it home as a trophy of the war."

NATIVES OF ABRA.

The Reigning British Beauty.

In the constellation of English beauties a new star has appeared in the person of Miss Pamela Snowden. She shines with added brightness in the exclusive set by setting off her beauty with a quaint individuality in dress and through her possession of a strangely peculiar pair of eyes, one of which is blue and the other brown. An enormous fortune, even though made "in trade," does not tend to dim the luster of her social success. Miss Snowden shows independence of the mode most especially in her headdress. Her flaxen hair is brought lightly back from her face and invariably held in place by a wreath of lilies—a Norma wreath. With it is always worn an empire gown. No jewels adorn her fair person. Her social position is most secure, as she was wise enough to have as her sponsors the powerful society leaders, the Marchioness of Granby and Mrs. Asquith. Lady Alice Montagne, daughter of the Duchess of Manchester, is one of Miss Snowden's most cherished friends, and affects her quaint style of dress.

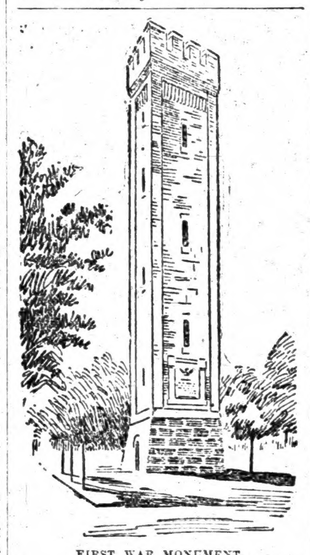
MISS PAMELA SNOWDEN.

A Clear Case of Nemesis.

Each year for seven years there has appeared in the famous agony column of the London Times an in memoriam notice of a young man who was murdered in Scotland about the year 1890. "Vengeance is mine; I will repay thee, saith the Lord," is the quotation that has always accompanied the notice. The alleged murderer was tried and acquitted of the crime, more from the lack of positive evidence than from any belief in his innocence on the part of the jury. The notice may or may not appear when the anniversary of the murder comes around again, as the alleged murderer has now been convicted of forgery and fraud and has been sentenced to a long term of penal servitude. It seems to be a pretty clear case of Nemesis.—Boston Herald.

Cincinnati's Tribute to the Sixth Infantry.

Here is the first monument to the dead of the war so far erected. It stands in the suburbs of Cincinnati, and bears a tablet to the memory of the fallen heroes of the Sixth Infantry. The tower, upon whose four sides bronze tablets have been placed, guards the entrance to Fort Thomas. It is one hundred feet high, and each bronze tablet is seven by ten feet in size.



FIRST WAR MONUMENT.

It is an unusual tribute, and one to be commended. The regulars go from post to post, and belong neither to State nor city, but the Sixth Infantry, which went to the war from Cincinnati, had been stationed for six years near that city, and was well known and much liked there. When it marched away, all Cincinnati cheered; and after it had gone, Cincinnati followed its record. The Sixth's loss in the assault of San Juan hill was greater than that of any regiment except the Sixteenth. Cincinnati lamented, but was proud of its regulars, and the memorial tablet being suggested, the money for it was promptly raised by the Chamber of Commerce.

Cubans Eaters of Rice.

Rice is a staple article of food in Cuba, where it is consumed in immense quantities; in fact, no meal is complete without it, and it is served as invariably as bread or potatoes. The rice is boiled and steamed, so that each grain will stand apart from its neighbor.

Richest Part of Britain.

Wales is the richest part of Great Britain in mineral wealth. England produces annually about $10 to each acre, Scotland a little less than $10, but the product of Wales amounts to over $20 per acre.

THE REALM OF FASHION.

An Indispensable Garment.

Hunting-red cloth makes this smart little reefer, black braid in scroll rows and scroll design with gilt military buttons adding much to its up-to-date style. This style of jacket retains its well-merited popularity, no child's wardrobe being complete without it. The stylish cape collar closing at the neck affords just the protection most necessary when a jacket is required at all. The simple shaping includes underarm gores, shoulder and centre-back seams, extra fullness being disposed in an underlying box pleat below the waist line in centre-back.

CHILD'S REEFER JACKET.

The neck is finished with a rolling collar trimmed on its free edges to match the cape collar. The two seamed sleeves are of fashionable shape, with modified fullness at the top, and the wrists are decorated to match the collars. Serge in blue, tan or cream, pique, duck crash, as well as faced cloth, are all used to make jackets in this style. The collar can be of white pique trimmed with embroidered frills and finished separately, so as to launder when necessary.

To make this jacket for a girl of six years of age one yard of material fifty-four inches wide will be required.

A Seasonable Costume.

Smooth-faced cloth in dark hunter's green is the material chosen for the stylish "May Manton" coat, shown in the large engraving, which is one of the newest this season. Large bone buttons close the fronts in double-breasted style, and machine stitching gives the correct finish. The body is closely fitted with single bust darts, under-arm and side-back gores, the seam in centre-back curving stylishly above the deep coat laps just below the waist-line. Deep skirt portions are joined in cross-hip seams to the body portion, coat pleats being formed where they join the back, a large button marking the top. These skirt portions may lap with the fronts or be cut off and finished in centre with round or square lower corners. The fronts are faced, and roll back in wide lapels that meet the rolling collar in notches. Large pocket laps are included in the hip seams and give a jaunty air to the coat. The two-seamed sleeves may be pleated, gathered or dart fitted at the top. For coats in this style, plain faced cloth in shades of blue, brown, tan, green gray and mode is mostly chosen, braid or stitch straps being appropriate decorations. A tailor finish or machine stitching is always correct and in good taste.

To make this coat for a woman of medium size will require two and one-quarter yards of material fifty-four inches wide, two and one-half yards of material forty-four inches wide if the skirt is to be pieced, three and one-half yards of material forty-four inches wide if the skirt is not pieced.

The Gored Skirt.

This skirt models our well-known seven gores gain rather than lose in favor. The five gored shape has a rather wide side breadth. The popularity of the seven piece suit is largely due to the fact that it is a medium style—neither too full nor too scant in breadths—and also to its general contour and effect as it proves alike becoming to stout as to slender figures, to women tall or short, and is an excellent model for either silk or wool material.

For Street Costumes.

Ladies' cloth will be much used in making street and calling costumes.

One of the Smart Wraps.

This handsome cape has the charm of novelty, and is one of the smartest wraps seen this season. Gray broadcloth is represented, with black silk applique embroidery, pleated inch-wide black satin ribbon adding greatly to the stylish decoration, and the lining of rich red satin gives warmth to the coloring. The hat is of gray felt, with facing of black velvet, red satin loops and rosette and jet-black wings. The close adjustment at the shoulders is secured by short darts, and the cape flares slightly at the lower edge, where it droops in back and round up to the neck in front. The circular flounce is joined to its lower edge and continues on each front, where it is arranged to fall softly in jabot effect over the closing in the centre. The seam is hidden by a band of embroidery. The neck is finished with a sectional collar that flares becomingly at the upper edge, a lace-edged circular ruffle or frill of lace placed inside giving a dainty completion.

WOMAN'S COAT OR CIRCULAR SKIRT.

For dressy wear rich silk, satin and velvet are chosen for capes in this style, but no material is more satisfactory for ordinary purposes than good broadcloth, covert, whipcord, camel's-hair or any good material made en costume. A pretty lining is a necessary accompaniment, and ribbon or velvet, plain or ruched, braid or bands of the cloth, can be used for decoration.

To make this cape for a woman of medium size will require two and three-fourths yards of fifty-four-inch material.

WOMAN'S CAPE, WITH CIRCULAR FLOUNCE.

Successful Entertaining.

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The linen must be spotless, the glass, china and silver exceptionally clean, the whole service dainty—the dining room well aired and lighted. If flowers be used for decoration, instead of the usual conventional centrepiece of ferns, a few long-stemmed roses, or other flowers of one color, with plenty of their own foliage, similarly arranged in a deep, richly colored glass vase, will be more graceful and a greater variety of flowers "packed together."

When a number of guests are to be entertained, small tables, seating four to six, are often used, and at a luncheon taught by Boston caterers on the piazza or under the trees the entertainment is given in the dining room during the day time.

After the arrangement of the table is satisfactorily completed all instructions for serving are carefully gone over with the waitress, it is the duty of the hostess to call her attention to her guests and see that they are pleasantly entertained.

Endeavor to unite only congenial people; if your friends are apt to lose no time in introducing one another. In seating your guests considerable tact may be exercised in placing a good talker beside a good listener, a person with decided views beside one who is so easy and amiable that he or she will agree with everything you may say, or luncheon is to be a success you must exercise a little judgment as to the table. Success of the entertainment depends much upon the hostess.

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Eggs.

Egg Bread.—Make a cup of crumbs soaked in a pint of milk, two eggs, two cups sour milk, a spoonful of butter, one teaspoonful of salt, one teaspoonful soda, one cup flour; soak the bread crumbs over night.

Marrow Rings on Toast.—Ask the butcher saw five inches of the bone of a marrow bone. Cut slices of bread in circles, butter each slice, put in a roasting pan and put a piece of marrow bone on the middle of each slice, sprinkle each lightly with salt, a saltspoon of salt and a scant saltspoon of cayenne. Stand in a hot oven until a light brown. Remove to a platter, slip a paper frill over the bone, and serve.

Columbus Salad.—One-half dozen hard boiled eggs. Cut a slice from the large end of each and remove the yolks and mash them fine. Remove the yolks and mash them fine. Add two or three tablespoonfuls of boned sardines, tongue or ham, add butter and season highly with mustard and pepper, and moisten with a little vinegar or mayonnaise if to be used. Fill the white cases carefully, so as to leave no space at the end, and pile water cress around.

Molded Tomatoes.—Remove the skins from small tomatoes, sprinkle with salt and invert for half an hour. Mix any vegetable salad—finely minced celery, beans, lettuce. Set in form and cover with aspic under and between, using a teaspoonful in each tomato. Add mayonnaise of cream dressing on top. When the mold has been filled, finish the top with sliced cucumbers, capers, and set in larger mold with lettuce. Almost too beautiful to demolish.

White Cocoanut Pie.—Grate the milk, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, two rounded tablespoonfuls of flour, two or three ounces grated cocoanut, yolks of four whites of eggs, small piece of butter, pinch of salt. Bake with one crust alone. Mix the starch, sugar and salt together dry and stir them into the butter and cocoanut. Let this cool to get cold. Whip the whites to a stiff froth, and mix them with the other ingredients. Flavor to taste. Bake in thin crust. Makes two small pies.

HOUSEHOLD MATTERS.

Stains on Silver.

To remove stains from silver, [illegible] usually such as are caused by [illegible] or neglect, use sulphuric acid, [illegible] rub it on with a little flannel [illegible] then rinsing the articles most [illegible] silky at once. For less ingrained stains the pulp of a lemon will [illegible] place has been used for lemon squash may be recommended. It has both [illegible] and harmless.

To clean ivory and brass in [illegible] caused by mercury with [illegible] It may be as well to [illegible] keepers in case days [illegible] proxy serving is such a considera[illegible] fact when one has to resist food [illegible] dish from which it is impossible [illegible] remove the catsup, a baking [illegible] should be half filled with hot water [illegible] drop a sheet of paper should [illegible] direct in this and the silver [illegible] and upon it, after which it will [illegible] necessary to touch the [illegible] of the [illegible] hands.

Knives, steel forks and spear are [illegible] with a fine electro plated silver dish [illegible] a wire gauze with a little wood ashes [illegible] over the silver dish [illegible] dishwashing [illegible] is unnecessary, etc., to be served in [illegible] and if they continue to be allowed to [illegible] before putting in the other materials [illegible] the dish in water is a nuisance that [illegible] soap and water will not easily remove.

When out of silver polish and soda [illegible] more is required at once, try as a substitute baking soda. Sprinkle a little [illegible] of the soda upon a damp cloth, [illegible] well the silver to be polished [illegible] then thoroughly wipe with a [illegible] chamois skin.—London Mail.

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When a number of guests are to be entertained, small tables, seating four, are often used, and in warm weather might be brought out of doors on the piazza, or under the trees where the entertainment is given in the city during the day time.

After the arrangement of the table is satisfactorily completed and the instructions for serving are minutely and carefully gone over with the waiters, it is the duty of the hostess to devote her attention to her guests and to see that they are pleasantly entertained.

Endeavor to invite only congenial people; if your friends are strangers lose no time in introducing them to one another. In seating your guests considerable tact may be exercised in placing a good talker beside a poor listener, a person without positive views beside two opposite in opinion and so on, again, if the dinner or luncheon is to be an entire success you must evince no surprise or annoyance at the table. Be cheerful in your demeanor as the keynote to success of the entertainment.—Harper's Bazar.

Recipes.

Egg Bread—Half a cup of bread crumbs soaked in a pint of milk, two cups of corn meal, one spoonful of butter, one teaspoonful of salt, one fourth teaspoonful of soda, two whites of eggs, small piece of suet. Boil the butter, pinch of salt and soda with the milk. Mix the starch and corn meal dry and stir them into the butter and cocoanut. Let this get cold. Whip the whites to a froth, and mix them with the mixture. Bake in thin crusts of puff paste. Makes two small pies.

Rabbit fur is now an important commercial article. It is known to the trade as coney, and when dyed [illegible] closely resembles the genuine article. [illegible] selection except among [illegible] and that $500,000 is [illegible] rabbit culture in England.

[illegible] of the Australian [illegible] has adopted a clause [illegible] a recognition of God in the preamble of the constitution which is preparatory for submission to the several colonies for their bond of union.

Soldiers
From the War

[illegible] the germs of malaria, fevers and [illegible] many prove contagious [illegible] If it's Sarsaparilla [illegible] to soldiers, because it [illegible] builds up the [illegible] and brings back health, [illegible] and every friend [illegible] should take

Hood's Sarsaparilla

[illegible] Medicine. $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills [illegible] 25c.

[illegible] Miles from the Earth's Surface.

The balloon used by Messrs. Spencer and Berson [illegible] for Berlin Observatory, in the [illegible] balloon ascension in London recently, was inflated with pure hydrogen, instead of gas, and reached the remarkable altitude of 27,500 feet—more than five miles from the surface of the earth. [illegible] has only once been exceeded, by Glaisher and Coxwell, who [illegible] to have gone 1,500 higher. Allowing, however, for superiority of modern recording instruments, and the extreme debility which overcame the two aeronauts at the lower level, there may be reason to question whether Coxwell and Glaisher's altitude was accurately reached.—Scientific American.

THE DUTY OF MOTHERS.

Daughters Should be Carefully Guided in Early Womanhood.

[illegible] suffering frequently results [illegible] ignorance; or more [illegible] from a mother's neglect to [illegible] her daughter!

[illegible] woman must suffer," [illegible] young women are so taught. [illegible] a mistaken and a great deal [illegible] in this. If a young [illegible] severely she needs [illegible] and her mother should see [illegible] at once.

[illegible] hesitate to take their [illegible] for examination; no mother need hesitate to [illegible] about her daughter or [illegible] to Mrs. Pinkham and secure [illegible] advice without [illegible] Mrs. Pinkham's address is [illegible] Mass.

[illegible] letter from Miss MARIE [illegible] shows what [illegible] and tells how Mrs. [illegible] was so poor that I [illegible] was tired all the [illegible] had pains in my [illegible] was also troubled [illegible] of menses. I was [illegible] and so much flesh that [illegible] become alarmed. My [illegible] believer in your [illegible] thought perhaps [illegible] me and wrote [illegible] followed the advice [illegible] E. Pinkham's [illegible] and Liver Pills as [illegible] now as well as I [illegible] flesh and have [illegible] I am completely cured of [illegible]

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[illegible] press and people of [illegible]

[illegible] Medical Dispensary,
[illegible] T. DOZIER, Prop.,
Birmingham, Ala.

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CONSUMPTION

IN THE LAST DITCH

Spain Will Make a Tremendous Effort to Secure Pecuniary Compensation for the Philippines.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Standard says: "The government has good reasons to believe that the United States intends to retain the Philippines on the ground that President McKinley must satisfy public opinion. The government believes that the American commissioners will argue the necessity for thus deviating from the spirit and text of the protocol.

"Spain, however, cannot yet believe she will be deprived of the Philippines without some pecuniary compensation in addition to a recognition of the Philippine loan of 1896. Therefore, upon the question of the Philippines the Spanish commissions will make even a stronger resistance than they have made over the Cuban debt."

MAD MAN'S DEED.

Cuts a Citizen's Throat and Wounds Two Atlanta Police Officers.

W. G. Shockly, an insane farmer of Auburn county, Georgia, cut the throat of J. D. Bishop, and wounded Police Captain John Thompson on a street car in Atlanta Friday. Robert McCoy, an ex-policeman, in effecting the capture of the demented murderer, was seriously, but not fatally stabbed. Bishop died instantly.

Shockly called at the police station during the morning and asked to be locked up as he was going insane, but was thrown out of the station. Shockly then called on Governor Atkinson and asked for protection from lynchers, and while the governor was telephoning the police, the insane man departed.

Shockly was sitting next to Bishop in the car, and without a word drew a razor, reached around and nearly severed the head from the body.

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS.

Easy and Inexpensive Treatment of Hog Cholera.

During the past two years the department of agriculture has conducted a series of experiments in the use of serum as a remedy for hogs affected by cholera or swine plague. The experiments were conducted by the chief of the bureau of animal industry, and the results were eminently satisfactory, proving that the dread disease can be successfully and inexpensively treated. The losses suffered by the farmers of the United States annually from hog cholera aggregate an enormous sum. In Iowa alone during 1896 it is estimated that hog raisers lost through the ravages of the disease $15,000,000.

CASE OF FANATICISM.

Colored Woman Dies From Practicing Doctrine of Fasting.

A case of fanaticism of the extreme type has been discovered at Los Angeles, Cal., when Nell Thompson, colored, died while being taken from the home of Mrs. Minerva Williams, who is said to call herself a representative of Christ, and who has been preaching the doctrine of fasting as a means of grace. The Thompson woman practiced this doctrine, having gone without food for eight days and sleeping in the river bottoms on a piece of matting in pursuance of what is said to be Mrs. Williams' teachings.

DISGRACEFUL MISMANAGMENT.

Out of 700 Inmates of a Havana Hospital 632 Died.

HAVANA.—The Mazorra, an asylum for the insane, which is a municipal hospital, appears to have been disgracefully managed. The records of the last fifteen months show there were 632 deaths out of 700 inmates. The directors will at once hold a meeting for the purpose of investigating the condition of the institution.

Warning Heeded by Spaniards.

Information has been received by the United States government that the Spanish officers have ceased to break up and carry away things that are regarded as immovable property in Cuba.

Second Georgia Will Remain in Service.

Senator Bacon, of Georgia, has obtained the consent of the president to the Second Georgia Volunteer regiment remaining in the United States service.

For Far-Off China.

The Indian Head cotton mills at Cordova, Ala., are preparing to make another shipment of their sheeting. This shipment will consist of ten full cars of sheeting and will go direct to China via California. These mills have booked their entire output for four years to come to brokers in China. Already many bales of sheeting made at Cordova have been sent to that far away country.

Farmers' Quarrel Ends in Murder.

Near Hamilton, Ala., Dan Holliday shot and instantly killed John McLeod, and then deliberately blew his own brains out. Both were farmers.

Death Rate Among Spanish Troops.

The Spanish steamer Montzerrat, from Havana, on October 12, via Gibara, for Cadiz, with repatriated Spanish troops on board, has arrived at the Azore islands. There were seventy-two deaths on board the vessel during the voyage.

State Treasurer Ellis, of Alabama, is busy paying pension warrants. He says that the pensioners are are constantly dying, but that the number on the rolls is constantly increasing, instead of diminishing.

A Nation of Dyspeptics.

From the Mountaineer, Walhalla, N. Dakota.

The remorse of a guilty stomach is what a large majority of the people are suffering with to-day. Dyspepsia is a characteristic American disease and it is frequently stated that "we are a nation of dyspeptics."

Improper food, hurried eating, mental worry, exhaustion—any of these produce a lack of vitality in the system, by causing the blood to lose its life-sustaining elements. The blood is the vital element in our lives and should be carefully nurtured. Restore it to its proper condition, dyspepsia will vanish and good health follow.

For example, in the county of Pembina, North Dakota, a few miles from Walhalla, resides Mr. Earnest Sulder; a man of sterling integrity, whose veracity cannot be doubted. He says:

The Doctors Disagreed.

"I became seriously ill three years ago. The doctor gave me medicine for indigestion, but I continued to become worse. I had several physicians at intervals who gave me some relief, but the disease would return with all its accustomed severity.

"I read in the newspapers articles regarding the wonderful curative powers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and finally concluded to try the pills. Five months ago I bought six boxes. The first box gave me much relief, and after using four boxes I was cured."

These pills are recognized everywhere as a specific for diseases of the blood and nerves. For paralysis, locomotor ataxia, and other diseases long supposed incurable, they have proved their efficacy in thousands of cases.

A subterranean city exists in Galacia, Austrian Poland, which contains a population of over 1,000 men, women and children, many of whom have never seen the light of day.

Beauty is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Jokai, the Hungarian novelist, is, like Tolstoi, a lover of farming, and devotes much of his time to the production of grapes and a peculiar kind of wine which he gets from them.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Rev. Edmund Dowse, of the famous old Pilgrim church at Sherborn, Mass., has just celebrated the sixtieth year of his pastorate, a term unequaled in New England, if not in the United States.

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Deaths from Disease in the Army.

An editorial writer in The Sun gives the surgeon-general's estimate of the number of deaths from disease up to the present time as about 1,500, or only about three-fifths of one per cent. in a total force of about 250,000 men. He cites a Konversations-Lexicon published in Leipsic—Brockhaus', we presume—as stating the loss of life from disease in the German army during the Franco-Prussian war to have been nearly two per cent. A French medical authority, Dr. Cheun, according to The Army and Navy Journal (also cited by The Sun's writer), gives the number of "sick and frostbitten" in the French army as 339,421. The Hispano-American war has lasted thus far about five months. The Franco-Prussian lasted about seven months. The advantages of the Germans in being thoroughly prepared, the writer thinks, go far to neutralize this disparity of duration.

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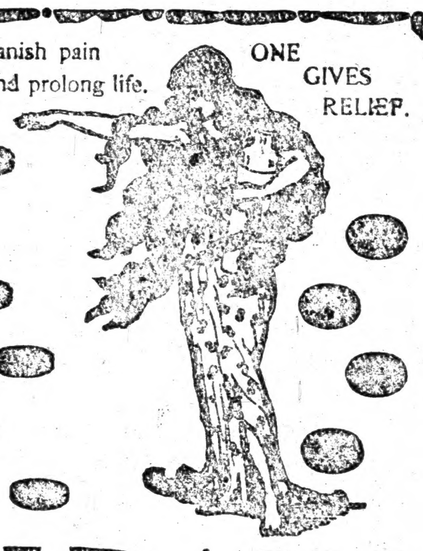

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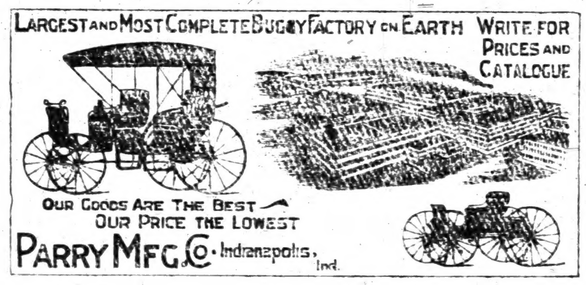

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...here are men seeking office ...e nothing but that they ...d meet with success. They ...e support of the colored man ...e carry them into the office ...ver, and when we remember ...ere is about one-fifth of the ...ulation of these United ...es entitled to vote, we can ...ge responsibility. Every ...n who casts a vote should remember that it is not only voting ...self, but for four other persons and children. Next ...n what is my responsibility? ...e vote for a man who is a ...n for a man who advocates the principles of the Democratic party. I say to you again ...ery man of this district must ...ether. The Democratic ...y is able to take any ...e of a colored man. We ...e done it and we never ...e. But we must hold the ...e to his responsibility. ...ot confine himself to politics. He gave ...e interesting information ...ut our late territorial acquisitions, Porto Rico and Hawaii, ...ut great things for the ...e of the Cuban horrors ...n terrible language, ...e stages leading up ...e American war were ...e silver question ...ion, and he said ...ions we are nearer ...e than at any ...e time your Representative will carry ...e. The time is close at ...e when the whole people are ...e for the benefit of our ... I honor Mr. ...e has done in ...e in this district, ...e reason why I should ...ded by saying ...d to say more ... and repeated ...n a time in ...e in the state, ...ssary for the ...together and ...e nominee. ...w Mr. Robbins ...e was a personal sympathy ...ways stood by ...en with us in ...which is not a ... Mr. Robbins ...es to India for Africa for his ...

...for two hours to ...ndence the ...adies to whom ...e of respect, ...closed, by the ...final appeal to ...t to turn out ...or Mr. Robbins.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q on each tablet.

Jemison, Nov. 5, 1898

EDITOR BANNER.—We have carefully noticed the articles in the Banner concerning ownership of male stock etc. We are glad to see so many in favor of freedom on this important subject. It is nice to have the opinions of the people for our Legislator to act upon. We are glad we are not to come under the ruling of a king while we remain in a republic.

This subject has created no little excitement lest our liberties be snatched away from us. This question was leading up as we think to an uncalled for stock law. Every man has a right to buy the kind of brute he chooses, and that right he must maintain. By all means let us improve our stock. It is a duty we owe to ourselves and children. In regard to regular stock law, we detest it.

Go with me, if you please, to Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. There I will show you real poor cows bristled, staked out in the midst of fine grass from knee to waist high. These cows give the hungry farmers and family half-gallon of milk, while if they could go free, as God would have them go, these same cows would give two and one half gallons of milk every day. Besides, the anxious, honest, poor people could raise a plenty beef. Cut us out of our beef and our bill of fare is incomplete. Every household likes to have a nice young beef to sell. Yes, then they could fatten on God's pasture, but for the stock law. That law is only for those already independent. Deliver us and our children from any kind of stock law. Oh, isn't it nice for a man who has hundreds of acres under fence to turn a lot of cattle in there till butchering time. Now, what about the other fellows with small farms, or no land at all, who can scarcely make buckle and tongue meet? He wants cows, hogs, sheep and grazing and culling around on free pasture. Oh for American freedom! Let all remember the Banner, it is the people's friend.

EZEKIAL P. FLETCHER.

P. S. Hurrah for Judge Adams, now in his seat.

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Late to bed and early to rise, prepaires a man for his home in the skies. But early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. J. M. Stanfield.

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A Financial Embarrassment.

A lady who had a kindly remembrance for all her domestic servants met an erstwhile washerwoman and stopped to ask her how she fared.

"Oh, mem, it's terrible finanshul distress me an the childer's in!"

"Why, what is it—are you out of employment?"

"No, mem; work's in a fair state o' stiddiness, and not a cint do I owe, but it's fashius o' trouble I've got!"

"Are you not paid promptly?"

"As promptly as the day cooms round."

"What is your financial distress, then?"

"Well, mem" (in a burst of horror), "what's killin me is, I earn $6 the week an pay $4 for me boord, an God only knows how I do it!" Short Stories.

Antique.

Says a dealer in antiquities: "I had a fat woman in here the other day. Well, sir, she was a caution, was that fat woman. She would have the antique all through her house, sir, nothing but the antique for her house decoration. Why, sir, judging by what that fat woman said and bought in this shop, I should judge she was heartbroken, sir, that she couldn't get the shades of her ancestors for her parlor windows."

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Many a household is saddened by death because of the failure to keep on hand a safe and absolutely certain cure for croup such as One Minute Cough Cure. See that your little ones are protected against emergency. J. M. Stanfield.

THE ELECTION.

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2	1	Providence	4	19
	2	Jemison	21	27
3	1	Benson	6	44
	1	Macedonia	14	5
4		Clanton	79	109
5	1	Coopers	76	25
	2	Verbena	22	44
6		Kincheon	66	20
7	1	Maplesville	69	42
	2	Shoultz	28	8
8		Dixie	44	62
9		Strasburg	65	26
		Total	546	434

Stanton

Mr. John Ruddick returned from Birmingham last week.

Robt. Lester went to Birmingham Monday.

W. C. Dyer has improved the looks of his store by putting on a new coat of paint.

We welcome the family of Mr. Whaley to our town.

Mr. Robert Cooper has moved his family to Jackson's mill.

W. J. A. Melton, of Propst's mill, was with his family Sunday.

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A cough is not like a fever. It does not have to run a certain course. Cure it quickly and effectually with One Minute Cough Cure, the best remedy for all ages and for the most severe cases. We recommend it because it's good. J. M. Stanfield.

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Gin House Burned.

On Saturday morning last the gin house and machinery belonging to Mr. Jim Smith at Macedonia was destroyed by fire. How the fire originated is a mystery, as the gin had not been in use the two previous days. Sixteen bales of cotton were destroyed and a wagon, as well as the machinery.

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A Sure Sign of Croup.

Hoarseness in a child that is subject to croup is a sure indication of the approach of the disease. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough has appeared, it will prevent the attack. Many mothers who have croupy children always keep this remedy at hand and find that it saves them much trouble and worry. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

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Preferred a Solo.

A gushing, sentimental girl and her matter of fact aunt sat on a green hillside, the aunt endeavoring to enjoy nature, while her niece discoursed of things far and near without a noticeable pause for breath.

At last she spoke of the beauties of the landscape at great length. "I love to listen to the music of that brook as it babbles on and on," she said unwisely.

"Yes," said the aunt, seizing her first opportunity, "the babbling of a brook is a pleasant sound, my dear. I think I prefer it as a solo, however, rather than with another part. I don't care so much for a babbling duet."

Then for a few delightful moments there was silence on the green hillside. —Youth's Companion.

Time Allowance.

"Waiter," said the bicyclist at the little country inn, "bring me three eggs and boil them four minutes."

Fifteen minutes elapse, and the waiter returns with one egg.

"Very sorry, sir, our eggs is out. This is the only one we had left—but we boiled it 12 minutes, sir."—Harper's Bazar.

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Constipation prevents the body from ridding itself of waste matter. De Witt's Little Early Risers will remove the trouble and cure Sick Headache, Biliousness, Inactive Liver and clear the Complection. Small, sugar coated, don't gripe or cause nausea. J. M. Stanfield.

Lily.

Quite a number of our farmers are sowing wheat this fall.

Messrs. Mims and Hubbard were kept busy here last Monday.

Prof. G. L. Speer has opened up school here with flattering prospects. We are glad to have the Prof back here again.

Miss Lizzie Jones who has been spending some time with her uncle, Mr. Edwards, of Washington county, returned home last week accompanied by her cousin, Miss Mattie Edwards, who will spend the winter here with relatives.

Messrs. J. L. Lenoir and G. E. Wright returned from Texas last week.

Rev. Mr. Hogan, of Birmingham, filled Bro. Lowery's appointment at Mulberry last Sunday.

Bro. Lowery's daughter was buried last Sunday. TNILC.

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A Long-Felt Want Supplied.

Clanton has long wished for an up-to-date livery establishment. Great are the inconviences caused by the absence of one. Citizens who wish to go somewhere, perhaps on urgent business, have to lose valuable time hunting around for a horse and buggy. Drummers anathemize a place if they cannot procure a conveyance to carry them on their way. Old men and matrons, bachelors and spinsters, desiring to visit friends in the neighborhood, sigh for a vehicle to take them, while what words can depict the dejected appearance of the gentle youth dying to take his best girl for a ride and can't get a team? But no longer shall they suffer at Clanton. Messrs. Morgan & Chandler have built a fine stable across from the depot, and have purchased brand new buggies and splendid horses which are at your command at any time. And when our friends come to town their stock can be well taken care of while they attend to their business. We congratulate Morgan & Chandler upon their enterprise and wish them unbounded success.

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THE BANNER.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

CLANTON, - ALABAMA

The German meteorologists are sometimes able to call the turn on the weather. One of them, Professor Rudolf Talk, recently predicted a thunderstorm for Berlin which came at the appointed hour, the lightning striking churches. The old school Hohenzollerns would have burned him for a wizard.

Science again and again comes to the aid of the farmer. Professor Merriam, of the Agricultural Department, is the latest benefactor in defining what he calls life and crop zones in which successful agricultural work may be assured. The farmer who has lost capital and vital spirit in vain efforts to make crops flourish in unsuitable soil will appreciate the new aid.

The first free school in the United States was opened in Boston April 13, 1635—a period of only five years after the settlement of that town. Connecticut was the first of the States to establish a common-school fund. This was done in 1795. New York followed in 1805, and Massachusetts in 1834. The Federal Government early showed interest in the public schools, a national land ordinance of 1785 dedicating one thirty-sixth part of the western territory then in possession of the Government to common schools. It is to this rich provision that the efficiency of the schools in the Western States is largely due.

Whatever may be the reliability which attaches to the figures of the celebrated English statistician, Mr. Michael G. Mulhall, there can be no controversy over the fact that they are full of practical interest. They cover almost every field of investigation and deal with almost every country on the globe. One of the latest subjects which this authority has taken up is that of illiteracy, and as the result of careful research into the matter he has recently compiled data showing the degree of illiteracy which exists among different nationalities. At the head of the list he puts Sweden and Norway, with only two per cent. of illiteracy Well at the bottom of the list he puts Russia, with eighty-five per cent. of illiteracy. In this classification the United States ranks sixth, with its illiteracy put down at thirteen per cent. Th give the entire list of countries enumerated by the statistician, the order is this: Sweden and Norway, two per cent.; Germany, four per cent.; Switzerland, five per cent.; Scotland, six per cent.; England, nine per cent.; United States, thirteen per cent.; Holland, fourteen per cent.; France, eighteen per cent.; Belgium, twenty per cent.; Ireland, twenty-six per cent.; Austria, forty-five per cent.; Italy, fifty-three per cent.; Spain, seventy-two per cent., and Russia, eighty-five per cent.

The typewriter's rapid progress in the last few years seems almost incredible in view of its extremely slow development prior to twenty years ago. The idea of devising a machine that would record words appears to have been first conceived in 1714. In that year Henry Mill, of England, patented and produced a contrivance for the purpose of printing embossed letters for the blind, and, strangely enough, it is said that his invention had several characteristics in common with our modern typewriters. Seventy years passed before the invention of another writing machine. This appeared in France. In 1829 a typewriter was patented by W. A. Burt, an American. In 1833 France was again in line with a queer-looking machine called the "ktypograph," which was designed to write music as well as words. Ten years later a resident of Worcester, Mass., contrived a typewriter, the most objectionable feature of which was its slowness of operation. Next came the invention, in 1850, of O. T. Eddy, of Baltimore, whose device was intricate and otherwise unsatisfactory. From that time until the invention of John Pratt, of Alabama, in 1866, four or five American patents were issued for similar machines, but none of then was of much practical value. Pratt's patent was closely followed by numerous others, from which the modern typewriters have been evolved. Judging from the present activity of inventors, the machine's evolution is still progressing at a lively rate.

Two Trains Run Together.

The eastbound Omaha and St. Louis train collided Saturday evening with a Union Pacific freight train at the junction, a quarter of a mile east of the Union Pacific transfer on the Iowa side. One man was killed and two seriously injured.

MARIA TERESA GOES DOWN.

The Rescued Spanish Cruiser Sinks in the Midst of a Furious Storm.

NO LIVES LOST IN THE DISASTER.

Rents in Her Hull Which Had Been Patched Gave Way and She Rapidly Filled With Water—Abandoned Near Watling Island.

The ocean tug Merritt put into Charleston Saturday morning for supplies. She reported the loss of the cruiser Maria Teresa, raised by Constructor Hobson recently, off San Salvador, Bahamas, November 1, in the midst of a furious storm.

The cruiser left Caimanera, Cuba, on the morning of October 30, in tow for New York. She had already passed Cape Maysi and started northeast around the Bahamas. A furious storm, warning of which had already been sent out, overtook her, and in her condition she was unable to brave the gale. The strain opened rents in her hull which had been patched to enable her to make the journey and she began to fill rapidly. The Merritt took off Captain Harris and the crew from the sinking ship and she soon went down. The Merritt brought the captain and 136 men, who will proceed north by rail. No lives were lost.

The survivors of the Maria Teresa lost all their clothing and personal effects and are supplied scantily. The Teresa sunk thirty miles off Watling Island at midnight Tuesday after battling with the gale six hours.

She met the storm Tuesday morning and the vessel began to strain in the high seas. Parts of the hull thought to be safe became weakened, rivets broke and the water made rapidly in the hold, and finally extinguished the fires in the engine room. The pumps would not work. The whole vessel showed signs of a collapse and the men stood stripped, awaiting orders to quit the ship. The Vulcan was towing the Teresa, while the Merritt rescued 114 of her crew, made up of volunteers from the Cincinnati, Newark and Vulcan. The ropes were then cut and the Teresa rapidly filled. The Vulcan and Leonidas deserted the Merritt, which put into Charleston with the rescued. Captain Crittenden and Captain Lasade, of the Merritt, had their arms sprained.

ILLNESS AND STARVATION

Continue Their Work of Death Among the Poor of Havana.

Illness and starvation still continue their work of death among the poor of Havana. The direst misery prevails in every direction, and the necessity for an organized system of relief was never more urgent than at present. Trade is at a standstill, owing to the uncertainty regarding the introduction of the new tariff. Employment is difficult to obtain, and the almost complete cessation of municipal work and the gradual withdrawal of the Spanish administratien preparatory to evacuation has closed many avenues of subsistence.

Added to this, the winter weather has set in with cold northern squalls and a sharp fall in the temperature, increasing the wretchedness of the miserable beings, who are houseless and homeless, and whose huddled forms nightly crowd the pavements.

STEAMER BURNED AT SEA.

Five of Twenty-Seven Persons on Board Were Drowned.

A disaster at sea, fortunately with a small loss of life, five persons in all, was made known at Vineyard, Haven, Mass., Friday by the landing of twenty-two persons, who escaped from the burning steamer Croatan, of the Clyde line, bound from New York for Wilmington, N. C., and Georgetown, S. C. The disaster occurred November 1, about eighteen miles north of Cape Charles. Of the twenty-seven persons who were on board twenty-two survived. These passengers were landed by the schooner Alice Clark, of Portland, Me., which had been in the vicinity of the Croatan at the time she was burning.

WILL GO TO CUBA.

General Carpenter's Brigade Will Sail at an Early Date.

The quartermaster's department of the army has began arrangements for the shipment of General Carpenter's brigade to the province of Puerto Principe. It is probable that Neuvitas will be selected as the place of landing, but the transports will not be able to get within ten miles of the port, and the troops and supplies must all be landed with lighters. The troops are to be in Puerto Principe on the 22d. It is intended to have the troops embark at Savannah.

Envelope Combine.

Evidence that the long threatened trust among the manufacturers of envelopes became a fact, has reached the paper stationery trade in the shape of circulars quoting an advance averaging 25 per cent in all grades of envelopes. The trust is said to control 90 per cent of the production.

The Pope Is Ill.

A special dispatch from Rome says the pope is ill, and that his physician, Dr. Lapponi, has been summoned.

THE NEWS OUR OWN STATE.

WIRE AND NAIL PLANT.

Contracts Let for a Great Industry at Birmingham.

It is stated authoritatively that the contract for the erection of the much talked of wire, rod and nail plant at Ensley City has been let by the newly formed Alabama Steel and Wire company to the Garrett-Cromwell Engineering company. The mill will have a daily output of six hundred tons and will adjoin the steel plant of the Alabama Steel and Shipbuilding company now in process of erection. The new wire company is closely identified with the steel company, and has a number of northern men behind it. It has acquired twenty acres of land upon which its plant will be built. The company has a capital stock of $2,000,000. It is expected at an early date to increase the capacity of the plant to 900 tons if the mill proves a success. The enterprise is a large one. Work will begin at once and the expectation is to have the plant ready for operation by the time the Alabama Steel and Shipbuilding company's steel mill is completed.

WILL NOT GO TO CUBA.

Troops Will Go to Southern Camps, as Originally Intended.

The order which designates the troops to occupy different portions of Cuba has raised a question as to whether the intention of the war department to have the troops go direct from their nearest camps to Cuba instead of occupying their southern winter camps selected some time ago. It can be stated that such is not the intention, and that the troops will be removed from Knoxville and Lexington and Middleton to these camps very soon. It will be nearly two months before all the troops designated for Cuba are sent to the island, so there will be quite a long time for them to remain in Georgia and South Carolina.

A Lynching in Autauga County.

News of a lynching in Autauga county reached Selma Saturday. Mrs. Stridler, wife of a merchant and justice of the peace at Jones' Switch, while preparing to retire Friday night discovered a negro under her bed. Upon her screaming for help the man sprang for the door and made his escape, leaving behind a strip of bar iron with which he intended to do his murderous work. A negro section hand, John Williams, living near by, was suspected and placed under arrest. He was tried and committed to jail. Constable Queen started to Prattsville with him, and when about a mile from Jones' Switch was met by a crowd who took the negro and swung him to a tree. The negro admitted that the iron bar and some clothing found in Mrs. Stridler's room were his property.

Boy Accidentally Killed.

Clarence Mealy and his brother, of Bessemer, went out hunting in the country near that place last Saturday. The first named, who carried the gun, thought he saw a squirrel, and cocked his gun. However, he was mistaken, as no squirrel was to be found. He forgot to let down the hammer of the gun, and a few moments later began proddling the stock of the weapon into a brush pile to frighten a rabbit. The gun fired, the entire charge passing through the boys body, killing him instantly.

Florence to Have a Camp.

Florence will get a camp of United States soldiers during the winter, having been selected over a large number of cities which were after the location. The secretary of war has stated to Florence representatives in Washington this week that he would send troops to that place as soon as possible. It is thought that not less than five regiments will spend the cold season in that city.

Still Raided.

The destruction of a small distillery near Sturdevant, in Tallapoosa county, has been reported to the office of the internal revenue collector. It was of fifty gallons capacity, capable of turning out about eight gallons of "moonshine" per day. T. M. Milner and Sam Ray were arrested.

Dr. J. B. Bass will erect a $25,000 flouring mill at Ashville. There is also good prospects for that town to get an improved ginnery and feed grinding machinery erected in the near future.

Death Rate in the Army.

Of the 250,000 soldiers who enlisted for the war with Spain in response to the call of the president. 247,000 are alive today. Less than 3,000 soldiers, all told, have died. War was declared more than six months ago, and in the whole six months fewer than 3,000 out of 250,000 have died. The world's history contains no parallel for the record of the United States in this war.

Third Illinois Sails From Ponce.

The United States transport Roumanian, with the Third Illinois on board, sailed from Ponce, Porto Rico, Friday for New York.

Was a Financial Success.

Saturday the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition association, at Omaha, began paying back 95 cents on every dollar of stock that was subscribed for its construction. After this is accomplished, enough money will remain in the treasury to more than pay the remaining 25 per cent and fulfill all obligations.

There are about 250,000 more women than men in London.

EXPLOSION IN THE CAPITOL

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DAMAGE TO THE BUILDING IS $200,000.

Millions Could Not Replace the Books—No Duplicate of Many of the Records In Existence—Library of 20,000 Volumes Practically Destroyed.

WASHINGTON.—An explosion and fire at 5:13 Sunday evening wrecked the supreme court rooms and the rooms immediately adjoining on the main floor of the capitol. The damage is enormous. The entire central eastern part of the great marble pile from the main floor to the subterranean basement practically is a mass of ruins. The force of the explosion was so heavy that the coping stones on the outer walls just east of the point where the explosion occurred were bulged out nearly two inches, windows in all that parts of the building were blown out and locked doors were forced from their hinges quite 150 feet from the scene of it. Fire followed the explosion so quickly as to seem practically simultaneous with it. The explosion shook the immense structure to its foundation and was heard several squares from the capitol. It occurred in a small room tightly enclosed by heavy stone walls in the subterranean basement immediately below the main entrance to the old capitol building. In this room was a 500-light gas meter, which was fed by a four-inch main. Very little gas is used in that part of the building, but at the time of the explosion it had not been turned off in the meter.

The meter itself was wrecked and the gas pouring from the main caught fire. The flames originating from the explosion darted up the shaft of the elevator, which had been completely destroyed by the force of the explosion, and communicated with the record room of the supreme court, the office of the marshal of the court and the supreme court library. Before the flames could be subdued the priceless documents in the record room had been almost totally destroyed, and serious damage had been done in the marshal's office and some minor rooms in the immediate vicinity. The library of the supreme court, located immediately beneath the supreme court room, was badly damaged by fire, smoke and water, water practically destroying the great collection of law reference books. The library contains about 20,000 volumes, and was used not only by the justices of the supreme court, but by members of congress and lawyers practicing before the supreme court.

Mr. Justice Harlan said that the library was very valuable. Many of the works it contained would, he thought, be difficult to replace.

The most serious damage, in the opinion of the justices of the supreme court, is to the records stored in the sub-basement. These included all the records of the supreme court from 1792 to 1832. The rooms contain records of cases and opinions rendered by the fathers of the judiciary system of the government. Apparently the documents in this room are either totally destroyed or so badly damaged by fire and water as to be useless.

The supreme court room was damaged principally by water and smoke, the fire not reaching that point.

Adjoining the court room, both the marshal's office and the senate barber shop furnished food for the flames.

While many theories are offered as to the cause of the explosion, it seems beyond doubt to have been due to escaping gas.

The busts of Chief Justice Marshall and other distinguished members of the supreme court, which were arranged on small pedestals about the supreme court chamber, were either badly damaged or wholly destroyed, and with their destruction the country has suffered an irreparable loss. Many of them have been treasured as exhibits in the supreme court chamber for half a century.

In the opinion of capitol officials and mechanics who examined the structure, the loss will probably reach $200,000 to the building. The loss on the library and records can scarcely be estimated in dollars and cents.

A million dollars could not replace them, because of many of them no duplicates are in existence.

Train Goes Through a Bridge.

A trestle gave way Saturday night on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad, near Amory, Miss., while a freight was crossing it, and eight cars loaded with fresh meat from Kansas City, were wrecked. Three bents of the trestle were knocked down. No one was hurt, so far as could be learned.

England's War Preparations.

LONDON.—The military authorities at Devonport, the site of the largest naval arsenal in Great Britain, received orders Sunday for the immediate mobilization of all the troops in the Western district.

Killed by Train.

Quite a sad accident happened at Sulligent, Ala., Saturday afternoon. Engine No. 13 of the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad, ran over and killed Sammie Noe, of Pine Springs. Young Noe was riding in a wagon, driving a pair of mules, and in attempting to cross the track in front of the train he and the mules were killed and the wagon knocked into splinters.

BRITISH WAR PREPARATIONS

Are Connected With the Philippine Question, Says Berlin Correspondent of the Daily News.

LONDON.—Despite the jubilation of the country over the favorable announcement by Lord Salisbury regarding Fashoda at the Kitchener banquet, there is serious uneasiness as to the real object of continued war preparations, which can hardly be justified even by Lord Salisbury's warning that there are still matters in dispute with France.

A dispatch from Hong Kong comments upon the usual naval and military activity there.

The Berlin correspondent of the Daily News says: "It is asserted in well informed quarters that the British war preparations are connected with the Philippine question, in which the United States government is acting in accord with England. The rumor is revived that the United States intends ceding to England some of the islands or granting coaling stations there."

FRANCE HAS YIELDED.

Will Withdraw the Marchand Mission From Fashoda in the Interest of Peace.

PARIS.—A semi-official note issued Friday says the government has resolved not to retain the Marchand mission at Fashoda, adding that this decision was arrived at by the cabinet after an exhaustive examination of the question. The government, replying to an interpellation to be asked in the chamber of deputies, will avail itself of the opportunity to explain the motives for this reason.

The chamber of deputies reopened with a crowded assembly, after its adjournment on October 25, the day of the fall of the cabinet presided over by M. Brisson.

Amid great animation the new premier, M. Dupuy, read the ministerial declaration. He began by declaring that the cabinet fully recognized the difficulties and responsibilities of the task undertaken and affirmed the supremacy of civil power as the fundamental principle of a republican state and expressed confidence in the army, which, he added, would faithfully respect the laws of the republic.

OCCUPATION OF CUBA.

Order Directing Movement at Once, But First Landing Will Not Be Made Before November 22.

Secretary Alger has issued the first order looking to the military occupation of Cuba by the United States troops. The order was issued only after very careful consideration of the reports of the military officers now in Cuba and of the Hecker board and other expert commissioners, which have been in the field. The order looks to the occupation of two points to begin with, namely, Nuevitas and Puerto Principe, but the occupation will be extended as rapidly as the Spanish evacuation proceeds. The order directs the movement to begin at once, but according to the calculations of the department it will scarcely be feasible to make the first landing before November 22.

PENSION FOR EX-CONFEDERATES.

Constitutional Amendment, Voted on Tuesday in Texas, Carries.

The constitutional amendment voted on last Tuesday in Texas authorizing the pensioning of ex-Confederate soldiers has been carried, though full returns are not in. It provides that all ex-Confederates who settled in Texas prior to 1880, are elegible to pensions, but no one shall receive more than $8 a month, and the appropriations for pensions shall not exceed $250,000.

Secretary of State Madden estimates there are 48,000 ex-Confederates in the state, a majority of whom settled in the state since 1880, and are therefore not eligible to pensions.

A majority of the ex-Confederates voted against the amendment. The negroes also voted against it.

Will Dissolve the Joint Traffic Association

The board of control of the Joint Traffic associatien has decided to dissolve the organization. This step was taken because of a recent decision by the supreme court of the United States that the efforts of the association to control rates were illegal.

Industries to Resume Operation.

Florence, Ala., capital has reorganized the mining and furnace interests at West Point, Tenn., just across the Alabama line, and will put the industries there into action at once. The new company has a capital of $50,000 and will be known as the West Point Mining company. There are 100 acres of fine brown ore, and machinery for loading fifty cars.

Railway Improvements.

The Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railway has begun the erection of a new warehouse, 308 by 60 feet, on the site of its old depot at Huntsville.

CUBANS STRIKE.

Islanders Employed in Cleaning Santiago Demand Higher Wages.

The Cubans who have been employed in cleaning and repairing the streets of Santiago have gone on a strike for higher wages, though they have been receiving $1 a day; or 50 cents and two rations—higher wages than they have ever been paid before for similar work. The Cuban laborers at the best are lazy and slipshod. They want an increase of 50 cents a day. General Wood absolutely refuses to accede to this demand.

WAR PREPARATIONS

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...the Daily News.

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...by Lieutenant Sharp regard-
...the Isle of Pines question,
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...HAS YIELDED.

...the Marchand Mission
...on the Interests of Peace.

...Paris, Nov. 22.—[Copyright, 1898, by the New York Herald Publishing Company.]—The publication of the official report of the proceedings of the Council of Ministers held at Rambouillet, October 25, the day of the cabinet crisis precipitated over

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DEMAND FLATLY REF...

Spaniards Assert Demand of S...
...ippines Is a Violation of Protoc...

CLAIM WE HAVE NO RIGHTS IN ...

Charge a Wrongful Application of ...
...lic Monies Belonging to Spain ...
...and Demand the Return of ...
...a Million Dollars.

PARIS.—The Spanish commissio...
...in the course of a two hours' sess...
...the peace conference Friday, ...
...refused to accept Monday's propos...
...by the Americans to take the ...
...Philippine group and to reimb...
...Spain for her "peculiar expendi...
...there.

This negative decision was expe...
...The Spanish commissioners had ...
...a number of positive declara...
...which filled some thirty-seven ...
...of a type-written presentment. ...
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...rights in the Philippines and ...
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...Spain in these negotiations and ...
...terms satisfactory to her. Accor...
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...Philippines should not be affected ...
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...United States had no valid ba...
...claims in the archipelago.

It was further held by Senor ...
...and his colleagues that the cap...
...tion of Manila, which occurred ...
...the signing of the protocol, and ...
...after the disposition of peace, w...
...valid.

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...move against the Americans, a...
...constituted their counter propos...
...They charged upon the United S...
...a wrongful appropriation of p...
...money belonging to Spain, by w...
...the tariff duties at Manila, and ...
...formally demand the return of ...
...money in the sum of nearly a m...
...dollars.

The Spanish presentment also ...
...the refusal of the Americans to ...
...sider the Cuban debt on the gr...
...that it was not sanctioned in the ...
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...of the Philippines regarding a c...
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...whether the Spaniards produce ...
...message said to have been sent ...
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...affirmed Spain reserved her P...
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...Americans said they wished to ...
...the Spanish statement rendered ...
...written English for more careful ...
...sideration, and an adjournment ...
...taken to Tuesday.

WILL ABANDON THE WOR...

Government to Make No Furthe...
...ompt to Raise Spanish Ships.

Secretary Long said Friday ...
...ing the government would take n...
...ther steps to raise the rest of the ...
...ish war ships destroyed by Ad...
...Schley's fleet off the coast of San...
...but that the department wou...
...ceive propositions to that end ...
...any private firm that desired to ...
...take the work. He added that th...
...termination was based upon the ...
...of the board of construction, ...
...recently held a convention on th...
...ject with Naval Constructor Ho...
...who was personally supervisi...
...wrecking operations.

Demand for Arms and Ammuni...

The demand for arms and am...
...tion in eastern North Carolina ...
...has been enormous. The stoc...
...near-by towns were soon exha...
...and large quantities have been i...
...ed this week. Every gun stor...
...hardware establishment in Richm...
...Va., has been emptied of rifles, ...
...and cartridges.

Duke of Orleans Shadowed.

The Duke of Orleans, who ...
...at Brussels, is being closely shad...
...by French government detectiv...
...the French government has ...
...warned that he is preparing fo...
...important movement.

One Hundred Deaths at Sea.

The Spanish transport steame...
...Antilla, Captain Bayona, from H...
...on October 13, via Porto Ric...
...repatriated Spanish troops on ...
...has arrived at Malaya, Spain, ...
...100 deaths among the soldiers ...
...the voyage across the Atlantic.

Explosion Killed Two.

By the explosion of a new bo...
...the Oil City boiler works, at Oi...
...Pa., shortly before noon Sat...
...two men were killed, two fat...
...jured, and a dozen more slightl...

...Y TO ACCEPT WAR.

...d States Ready to Face Any
...Hostile Development.

...TEST THROWN TO THE WORLD

...for a Great Naval Demonstration
...Be Made in Key Grooms—All Po-
...ts of Fortifications Backing Salis-
...bury's Foreign Policy.

...The British
...Royal, the
...express the
...the hostili-
...American
...force part
...cause for
...Pacific
...indicate
...to face
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...fully re-
...the future, and
...was now as later
...of both, and
...demonstration
...with these

...believed that neither of them ...
...accept the obvious challenge. ...
...should they do so, Great Britain ...
...better be more prepared than now, ...
...ially in view of the possible ar-
...ment of an American understand-
...and in view of the fact that the ...
...ers of Salisbury's government has ...
...support of all the political parties ...
...Great Britain.

CLIMATE AND CROP.

...aries for October as Furnished by ...
...United States Weather Bureau.

...ports from the cli-
...n of the weather
...of October, and
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...ports, several hun-
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...standing crops:

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...shock, suffered
...and rotting to
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...condition at the close of the ...

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...from the effects of ...

...been comparatively ...
...stacks, although ...
...south as northern ...

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...and caused un-
...last decade favor-
...for general and ...
...during this pe-
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...some cotton and ...
...often yielding be-
...average; first part ...
...favorable for ger-
...winter wheat ...
...ation for seeding ...
...though this ...
...during the ...
...than the average ...
...be sown.

Ex-Gov. R. Webster Dead.

...Webster, a member ...
...personal staff in ...
...Richmond, died ...
...week, after a sick-
...duration. He ...
...Grant when Lee ...
...formation. Presi-
...him register of ...
...Columbia, in ...
...twelve years.

...ALTY CHIEFS.

...Holt was killed ...
...by a wagon near ...

...ment has notified the ...
...at Huntsville that ...
...discharging of en-
...who enlisted in the ...
...the war are to be for-
...department until after ...
...the peace treaty.

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...ing in small collec-
...her taxes. The state ...
...vouchers for con-
...at the rate of from ...
...per day.

Steel Rail Combine.

...ment in Philadelphia ...
...has been consummated ...
...Federal Steel company, ...
...Iron company, the Penn-
...company, the Lacka-
...Steel company and ...
...pany to cover a period ...
...the maintenance and ...
...of steel ...
...the price ... be ad-
...from $18, the ... price,

LEONIDAS AT NEWPORT NEWS.

Carries in Its Hold Maria Teresa Guns and the Hobson Raft.

The collier Leonidas and the repair ship Vulcan arrived in Hampton Roads Monday. They started from Santiago with the Maria Teresa.

Officers of both vessels give substantially the same story of the foundering as that given out by Lieutenant-Commander Harris, who was in command of the Maria Teresa and the last man to leave her before she was abandoned in the terrific gale off Salvador. These officers speak in the highest terms of the brave and gallant work of the seamen during the storm, and say that officers and men acted nobly.

In the hold of the Leonidas are twenty-three of the guns of the destroyed Spanish fleet, ranging in size from five to eleven inches. Some of these are still loaded, as the charges could not be drawn. The raft upon which Lieutenant Hobson left the Merrimac after he had blown up the boat in the mouth of Santiago harbor is also in the hold, though somewhat disfigured from a shell.

DEAD IN HIS CAB.

Engineer House Ran His Locomotive Even After Death.

While the fast refrigerator train on the Chicago & Alton was speeding toward Glendale, just east of Kansas City, Mo., Monday evening, Engineer Richard A. House sat dead in his cab, his hand grasping the throttle, his glazed eyes fixed straight ahead on the track and a smile on his face.

Fireman John Verndell, who had been busy for some minutes in the tender, walked into the cab, continuing his firing, and it was not until he spoke to House that he discovered that his mate was dead. The train was stopped, the remains were carried back to the caboose and at Glendale transferred to an incoming train. The cause of his death is not known.

TO ABANDON WORK.

Government Will Make No Further Effort to Raise the Cristobal Colon.

Captain Chester's decision to abandon the work of wrecking the Colon, declares the end of that undertaking on the part of the government. It was said at the navy department the captain was directed to stop the work when in his opinion it was no longer profitable. Because his contract with the wrecking company has been ended it does not follow that there is no hope of raising some of the sunken Spanish warships. The navy department is ready to engage with thoroughly responsible wrecking concerns, providing the latter absolve the government from payment unless the ships are delivered in a United States navy yard.

GOING TO CUBA.

Fifteenth Infantry Left Huntsville Sunday Via Savannah.

The Fifteenth Infantry was detached Saturday from the Fourth army corps and given over to the command of Brigadier-General L. H. Carpenter. He issued a general order assuming command of the brigade composed of the Fifteenth Infantry, Third Georgia Infantry, and the Eighth Cavalry. General Carpenter and his aide, Lieutenant John W. Craig, Fifth Cavalry, will proceed without delay to Savannah and make arrangements for the shipment of the command to Cuba.

Rumors Rife of Riot in Paris.

The London Daily Chronicle says: We have received information from a reliable quarter of a well-organized plot in Paris, in the event of the inquiry before the court of cassation proving favorable to Dreyfus, to foment a riotous outburst in the French capital to attempt to overthrow the civil power and to assassinate the leading champions of Dreyfus.

The reports are confirmed by interviews with M. Trarieux, former minister of justice, and M. Depressioso, former editor of the Temps as well as others. The police have warned those friends of Dreyfus to change their residence temporarily, or at least to carry revolvers.

Veteran of Mexican War.

William Tigby, a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, died Sunday at his home at Madison X Roads, Ala., aged 80 years.

MORE TROUBLE AT PANA.

A Battle Between Union Men and Imported Negroes.

There was a renewal of hostilities at Pana, Ill., Sunday, between the union miners and the imported negroes from Alabama. A negro attacked James Boyle, a union miner, near the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern depot, which caused the battle. Two negroes were slightly wounded. No white miners were wounded. Major Butler sent a detachment of soldiers and a gatlin gun to the scene. No arrests have been made thus far.

More Spaniards Employed.

Agents of two mining companies at Santiago reported to General Wood Saturday morning that they had employed 400 more Gallegos miners from the Spanish army, making nearly 1,000 Spaniards who will soon be at work in the vicinity of Santiago.

Mrs. E. Lavender fell at Selma and broke her hip. She is 84 years old and it is feared she can't recover from the accident.

MOBILIZING CHINESE TROOPS

In Large Numbers in the Neighborhood Of Pekin—Dowager Empress' Rule.

PEKIN.—In spite of the formal promises of the Chinese foreign office, there is every indication of a concerted move of Chinese troops in the neighborhood of the capital.

Dowager Empress' Rule.

WASHINGTON.—Recent edicts of the dowager empress of China, copies of which have been received by Mr. Wu, the Chinese minister here, show with what a strong hand the empress is directing the affairs of the government, and overcoming some of the ultra-reform tendences of the young emperor, which cropped out just before the empress assumed the reins of office. One of the recent edicts restores the ancient departments of Pekin and the the governorships of the outlying country, which had beed abolished not many week ago by an edict of the emperor. These places were sinecures.

Another edict by the empress dowager directs that the temples be used exclusively for the religious rites and not as schools. The emperor had previously inaugurated a marked reform in directing that many of the old temples throughout the empire be turned into school houses, in order that education might be fostered. But the empress dowager, while upholding the desirability of education, does not want the ancient temples of China turned into school houses if it is possible to secure schools elsewhere. She therefore directs that the temples be used exclusively for worship, except when no school facilities are available elsewhere, or when the temples have been turned to immoral uses.

In each case the action of the empress dowager is a return to the ancient methods of the country.

NICARAGUA CANAL.

Commission Will Unanimously Report That the Project Is Feasible.

The Nicaraguan canal commission appointed by the president under an act of congress directing a complete inquiry into this project with particular reference to its practicability and cost, has about completed its work, and the present prospect is that the report will be handed to Secretary Hay in about a month.

The conclusions reached by the commission will not be announced until the report is submitted. It is known, however, that on the two salient features—practicability and cost—the commission will report first that the project of the canal joining the Atlantic and Pacific by what is commonly known as the Nicaraguan route is entirely feasible and practical, presenting no engineering problems which cannot be met; and second, that the cost can be presented with a fair degree of mathematical exactness, allowing for excavation, construction and other items. The cost will be about $125,000,000. The report will not refer to the practical questions involved, but will confine itself to the scientific engineering problems.

FIFTEEN LIVES LOST.

Crushed to Death by the Falling of a Five Story Theater.

The new five-story Wonderland theater building at Detroit, Mich., collapsed Saturday and fifteen or more lives were sacrificed. Shortly before 2 o'clock, while some thirty-five men were at work in various parts of the half finished theater, a portion of the roof fell in without a moment's warning. Nearly every one of the workmen were carried down into the theater pit. The top gallery was crushed down upon the lower gallery, carrying along a struggling company of men into the pit below, very few of whom escaped injury.

ENGINEER WAS CARELESS.

Seven Men Killed by an Accident in a Pennsylvania Mine.

Seven men were killed and three fatally injured at the Exeter collery of the Leigh Valley Coal company, at West Piston, near Wilkesbarre, Saturday. The accident was due to the alleged carelessness of Engineer David Price, who, acting in disobedience to positive orders, caused three cars to run into the top of the shaft. These cars, loaded and weighing eleven tons, fell down the 360-foot shaft and crashed with frightful force upon the carriage carrying ten men. Seven were almost instantly killed.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S FLEET

Will, Except England's, Be the Most Formidable in Eastern Waters.

Admiral Bunce telegraphed the navy department that the cruiser Buffalo, Commander Hemphill, had sailed at noon Friday for the Philippines via Suez. The gunboat Helena sailed the day previous for the same destination. With these accessions coming immediately upon the heels of Captain Barker's squadron of battleships and colliers, Admiral Dewey will have a formidable fleet, probably second in offensive power to only one European power—England—in eastern waters.

New Electric Light Plant.

Talladega will soon be lighted by electricity, unless all signs fail. Two of her most prominent young business men will put in a plant if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the city authorities.

Church Burned.

The colored Methodist church at Greenville, Ala., caught fire and was burned to the ground Saturday. Two other houses were burned also. The church at the time was used by the colored industrial school.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY

Subject: "Improvements In Heaven"—Heaven Has Improved in Numbers, Society and Knowledge—A Great Consolation to Good People.

TEXT: "And I saw a new heaven."—Rev. xxi., 1.

The stereotyped heaven does not make adequate impression upon us. We need the old story told in the new style in order to arouse our appreciation. I do not suppose that we are compelled to the old phraseology. King James's translators did not exhaust all the good and graphic words in the English dictionary. I suppose if we should take the idea of heaven, and translate it into modern phrase, we would find that its atmosphere is a combination of early June and of the Indian summer in October—a place combining the advantages of city and country, the streets standing for the one, and the twelve manner of fruits for the other; a place of musical entertainment—harpers, pipers, trumpeters, doxologies; a place of wonderful architecture—behold the temple! a place where there may be the higher forms of animal life—the beasts which were on earth beaten, lash-whipped, and galled and unthanketed, and worked to death, turned out among the white horses which the Book of Revelation describes as being in heaven; a place of stupendous literature—the books open; a place of aristocratic and democratic attractiveness—the kings standing for the one, all nations for the other; all botanical, pomological, ornithological, arboreseent, worshipful beauty and grandeur.

But my idea now is to speak chiefly of the improved heaven. People sometimes talk of heaven as though it were an old city, finished centuries ago, when I have to tell you that no city on earth, during the last fifty years, has had such changes as heaven. It is not the same place as when Job, and David, and Paul wrote of it. For hundreds and hundreds of years it has been going through peaceful revolution, and year by year, and month by month, and hour by hour, and moment by moment, it is changing, and changing for something better. Away back there was only one residence in the universe—the residence of the Almighty. Heaven had not yet been started. Immensity was the park all around about this great residence; but God's sympathetic heart after a while overflowed in other creations, and there came, all through this vast country of immensity, inhabited villages, which grew and enlarged until they joined each other, and became one great central metropolis of the universe, streeted, gated, templed, watered, inhabited. One angel went forth with a reed, we are told, and he measured heaven on one side, and then he went forth and measured heaven on the other side; and then St. John tried to take the census of that city, and he became so bewildered that he gave it up.

That brings me to the first thought of my theme—that heaven is vastly improved in numbers. Noting little under this head about the multitude of adults who have gone into glory during the last hundred, or five hundred, or thousand years, I remember there are sixteen hundred millions of people in the world, and that the vast majority of people die in infancy. How many children must have gone into heaven during the last five hundred or thousand years. If New York should gather in one generation a million population, if London should gather in one generation four million population, what a vast increase! But what a mere nothing as compared with the five hundred million, the two thousand million, the "multitude that no man can number," that have gone into that city! Of course, all this is taken for granted that every child that dies goes as straight into heaven as ever the light sped from a star; and that is one reason why heaven will always be fresh and beautiful—the great multitude of children in it. Put five hundred million children in a country, it will be a blessed and lively country.

But add to this, if you will, the great multitude of adults who have gone into glory, and how the census of heaven must run up! Many years ago a clergyman stood in a New England pulpit, and said that he believed that the vast majority of the race would finally be destroyed, and that not more than one person out of two thousand persons would be finally saved. There happened to be about two thousand people in the village where he preached. Next Sabbath two persons were heard discussing the subject, and wondering which one of the two thousand people in the village would finally reach heaven, and one thought it would be the minister, and the other thought it would be the old deacon. Now, I have not much admiration for a life-boat which will go out to a ship sinking with two thousand passengers, and get one off in safety, and let nineteen hundred and ninety-nine go to the bottom. Why, heaven must have been a village when Abel, the first soul from earth, entered it, as compared with the present population of that great city!

Again: I remark that heaven has vastly improved in knowledge. Give a man forty or fifty years to study one science, or all sciences, with all the advantages of laboratories and observatories and philosophic apparatus, he will be a marvel of information. Now, into what intelligence must heaven mount, angelhood and sainthood, not after studying for forty or fifty years, but for thousands of years—studying God and the soul and immortality and the universe! How the intelligence of that world must sweep on and on, with eyesight farther reaching than telescope, with power of calculation mightier than all human mathematics, with powers of analysis surpassing all chemical laboratory, with speed swifter than telegraphy! What must heaven learn, with all these advantages, in a month, in a year, in a century, in a millennium? The difference between the highest university on earth and the smallest class in a primary school cannot be a greater difference than heaven as it now is and heaven as it once was. Do you not suppose that when Doctor James Simpson went up from the hospitals of Edinburgh into heaven he knew more than ever the science of health; and that Joseph Henry, graduating from the Smithsonian Institution into heaven, awoke into higher realms of philosophy; and that Sir William Hamilton, lifted to loftier sphere, understood better the construction of the human intellect; and that John Milton took up higher poetry in the actual presence of things that on earth he had tried to describe? When the first saints entered heaven, they must have studied only the A B C of the full literature of wisdom with which they are now acquainted.

Again: heaven is vastly improved in its society. During your memory how many exquisite spirits have gone into it! If you should try to make a list of all the genial, loving, gracious, blessed souls that you have known, it would be a very long list—souls that have gone into glory. Now, do you not suppose they have enriched the society? Have they not improved heaven? You tell of what heaven did for them. Have they done nothing for heaven? Take all the gracious souls that have gone out of your acquaintanceship, and add to them all the gracious and beautiful souls that for five hundred or a thousand years have gone out of all the cities and all the villages, and all the countries of this earth into glory, and now the society of heaven must have been improved! Suppose Paul, the apostle, were introduced into our social circle on earth; but heaven has added all the apostles. Suppose Hannah More and Charlotte Elizabeth were introduced into your social circle on earth; but heaven has added all the blessed and the gracious and the holy women of the past ages. Suppose that Robert M'Cheyne and John Summesfield should be added to your earthly circle; but heaven has gathered up all the faithful and earnest ministry of the past. There is not a town, or a city, or a village that has so improved in society in the last hundred years as heaven has improved.

Again: I remark that heaven has greatly improved in the good-cheer of announced victories. Where heaven rejoiced over one soul, it now rejoices over a hundred or a thousand. In the olden times, when the events of human life were scattered over four or five centuries of longevity, and the world moved slowly, there were not so many stirring events to be reported in heaven; but now, I suppose, all the great events of earth are reported in heaven. If there is any truth plainly taught in this Bible it is that heaven is wrapped up in sympathy with human history, and we look at those inventions of the day—at telegraphy, at swift communication by steam, at all these modern improvements which seem to give one almost omnipresence—and we see only the secular relation; but spirits before the throne look out and see the vast and the eternal relation. While nations rise and fall, while the earth is shaking with revolution, do you not suppose there is arousing intelligence going up to the throne of God, and that the question is often asked before the throne, "What is the news from that world—that world that rebelled, but is coming back to its allegiance?" If ministering spirits, according to the Bible, are sent forth to minister to those that shall be heirs of heaven, when they come down to us to bless us, do they not take the news back? Do the ships of light that come out of the celestial harbor into the earthly harbor, laden with cargoes of blessing, go back unfreighted? Ministering spirits not only, but our loved ones leaving us, take up the tidings. Suppose you were in a far city, and had been there a good while, and you heard that some one had arrived from your native place—some one who had recently seen your family and friends—you would rush up to that man, and you would ask all about the old folks at home. And do you not suppose when your child went up to God, your glorified kindred in heaven gathered around and asked about you, to ascertain as to whether you were getting along well in the struggle of life; to find out whether you were in any especial peril, that with swift and mighty wing they might come down to intercept your perils? Oh, yes! Heaven is a greater place for news than it used to be—news sounded through the streets, news ringing from the towers, news heralded from the palace gate. Glad news! Victorious news!

Now, I say these things about the changes in heaven, about the new improvements in heaven, for three stout reasons. First, because I find that some of you are impatient to be gone. You are tired of this world, and you want to get into that good land about which you have been thinking, praying, and talking so many years. Now be patient. I could see why you would want to go to an art gallery if some of the best pictures were to be taken away this week or next week; but if some one tells you that there are other beautiful pictures to come—other Kensetts, Raphaels, and Rubens; other masterpieces to be added to the gallery—you would say, "I can afford to wait. The place is improving all the time." Now, I want you to apply the same principle in this matter of reaching heaven and leaving this world. Not one glory is to be subtracted, but many glories added. Not one angel will be gone, not one hierarch gone, not one of your glorified friends gone. By the long practicing the music will be better, the procession will be longer, the rainbow brighter, the coronation grander. Heaven, with magnificent addenda! Why will you complain when you are only waiting for something better?

Another reason why I speak in regard to the changes in heaven, and the new improvements in heaven, is because I think it will be a consolation to busy and enterprising good people. I see very well that you have not much taste for a heaven that was all done and finished centuries ago. After you have been active forty or fifty or sixty years it would be a shock to stop you suddenly and forever; but here is a progressive heaven, an ever-accumulative heaven, vast enterprise on foot there before the throne of God. Aggressive knowledge, aggressive goodness, aggressive power, aggressive grandeur. You will not have to come and sit down on the banks of the river of life in everlasting inoccupation. O busy men, I tell you of a heaven where there is something to do! That is the meaning of the passage, "They rest not day nor night," in the lazy sense of resting.

I do not think it was superstitious when, one Wednesday night, I stood by a death-bed within a few blocks of the church where I preached, and on the same street; and saw one of the aged Christians of the church going into glory. After I had prayed with her I said to her, "We have all loved you very much, and will always cherish your memory in the Christian church. You will see my son before I see him, and I wish you would give him our love." She said, "I will, I will;" and in twenty minutes she was in heaven—the last words she ever spoke. It was a swift message to the skies. If you had your choice between riding in a heavenly chariot and occupying the grandest palace in heaven, and sitting on the throne next highest to the throne of God, and not seeing your departed loved ones; and on the other hand, dwelling in the humblest place in heaven, without crown or throne, and without garland, and without sceptre, yet having your loved ones around you, you would choose the latter. I say these things because I want you to know it is a domestic heaven, and consequently it is all the time improving. Every one that goes up makes it a brighter place, and the attractions are increasing month by month and day by day; and heaven, so vastly more of a heaven; a thousand times more of a heaven, than it used to be, will be a better heaven yet. Oh, I say this to intensify your anticipation!

I enter heaven one day. It is almost empty. I enter the temples of worship, and there are no worshipers. I walk down the street, and there are no passengers. I go into the orchestra, and I find the instruments are suspended in the baronial halls of heaven, and the great organs of eternity, with multitudinous banks of keys, are closed. But I see a shining one at the gate, as though he were standing on guard, and I say, "Sentinel, what does this mean? I thought heaven was a populous city. Has there been some great plague sweeping off the population?" "Have you not heard the news?" says the sentinel. "There is a world burning; there is a great conflagration out yonder, and all heaven has gone out to look at the conflagration and take the victim out of the ruins. This is the day for which all other days are made. This is the Judgment! This morning all the chariots, and the cavalry, and the mounted infantry rumbled and galloped down the sky." After I had listened to the sentinel, I looked off over the battlements, and I saw that the fields of air were bright with a blazing world. I said, "Yes, yes, this must be the Judgment;" and while I stood there I heard the rumbling of wheels and the clattering of hoofs, and the roaring of many voices, and then I saw the coronets and plumes and banners, and I saw that all heaven was coming back again—coming to the wall, coming to the gate, and the multitude that went off in the morning was augmented by a vast multitude caught up alive from the earth, and a vast multitude of the resurrected bodies of the Christian dead, leaving the cemeteries and the abbeys and the mausoleums and the graveyards of the earth empty. Procession moving in through the gates. And then I found out that what was fiery Judgment Day on earth was Jubilee in Heaven, and I cried, "Door-keepers of heaven, shut the gates; all heaven has come in! Doorkeepers, shut the twelve gates, lest the sorrows and the woes of earth, like bandits, should some day come up and try to plunder the City!"

A shooting scrape in which John Peek, a negro, was killed occurred at a dance near Atlanta, Ga., a few nights ago. The sister of another negro had been insulted by Si Pekin, and her brother, Tom Duffie, unable to find Pekin, shot his brother-in-law.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 13.

Lesson Text: "The Assyrian Invasion." II Kings xix., 20-22, 28-37—Golden Text: Psalms xxvi., 1—Commentary on the Lesson by the Rev. D. M...

20. "Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, That which thou hast prayed to Me against Sennacherib, king of Assyria, I have heard it." In the fourteenth year of Hezekiah the king of Assyria came against Judah and greatly blasphemed the Lord both by word and by letter. Hezekiah, when he read the letter, spread it before the Lord and prayed (verses 14-19). Many times have I followed Hezekiah's example and known rest. If we ask anything according to His will He heareth us (I John v. 14), and it is His will that we tell Him everything and have regard in every detail to praising. See in verse 19 that the great desire in asking was that all the earth might know that the God of Israel was the only true God.

21. "This is the word that the Lord hath spoken concerning him: The virgin, the daughter of Zion, hath despised thee and laughed thee to scorn." The people of God in Judah, called the daughter of Zion, the daughter of Jerusalem (compare Lam. ii., 13), having God as their defender as Avenger, need fear no enemy. In their strength Moses and Joshua (book), Gideon also, and David when he went fearlessly against Goliath. When we seek only the honor and glory of God, He will not fail us.

22. "Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed, the Holy One of Israel?" As in the next verse, "By thy messengers thou hast reproached the Lord." They spake against the God of Jerusalem as against the gods of the people of the earth, the works of the hands of man, and for this cause Hezekiah, the king, and the prophet Isaiah, the son of Amoz, prayed and cried to heaven (II Chron. xxxii., 19, 22). God heard their prayer, and now we will see how He answered it.

23. "I will turn thee back by the way which thou camest." This is a part of the word of the Lord concerning Sennacherib. See also verse 28, "I know thy abode and thy going out and thy coming in and thy rage against Me." He who created all things can set bounds that none can pass. We can only go here and there or do this or that if the Lord will (Jas. iv., 15). Man does not stop to consider that all his words and even his thoughts are known to the Lord (Ps. cxxxix., 1-4), and that it is impossible to hide anything from Him. Even Adam, blinded by satan, thought he could hide from God among the trees (Gen. iii., 8). Happy are those who live as in the sight of the Lord.

29. "And this shall be a sign unto thee." By comparing this verse with Lev. xxv., 21, 22, the sign seems to have been the special blessing of God upon the Sabbath year, or, in other words, the blessing of God on His obedient people. What but the hand of God could cause land to produce a three years' crop in one year? In the R. V. margin of Prov. x., 22, we read that the blessing of the Lord maketh rich and toil addeth nothing thereto.

30. "The remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall yet again take root downward and bear fruit upward." The doctrine that it is ever the few out of the many who are really the Lord's and who glorify Him is found in all Scripture. The stories of Noah, of Lot in Sodom, of Elijah and such statements as "Few there be that find it," "An afflicted and poor people who shall trust in the Lord," indicate that which God sees to be ever true. See Math. vii., 14; Zeph. iii., 12.

31. "Out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant; the zeal of the Lord of Hosts shall do this." The zeal of the Lord of Hosts shall also bring the kingdom of peace on earth which have no end (Isa. ix., 7). All shall be accomplished in and through the Son of David, our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom it is written, "The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up" (Ps. lxix., 9; John ii., 17). It is nothing with the Lord to work with many or with few; nothing is too hard for Him (II Chron. xiv., 11; Jer. xxxii., 17).

32. "Therefore thus saith the Lord concerning the king of Assyria." Our Lord doeth according to His will in the army of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth (Dan iv., 35). His thoughts and purposes are as good as accomplished (Isa. xiv., 24; Jer. li., 29).

33. "By the way that he came, by the same shall he return and shall not come into this city, saith the Lord." This was the decision of Him who had all the hosts of heaven under His control and all power to carry out His purposes. He could say, "Hitherto shalt thou come, but no farther" (Job, xxxviii., 11). Even the great adversary must stop when God shall say so, and he shall go to the pit for a thousand years, and to the lake of fire forever.

34. "For I will defend this city to save it for mine own sake and for my servant David's sake." See also chapter xx., 6, and compare Isa. xxxi., 5; Zech. xii., 8. The "I will's" of Jehovah are a study of greatest possible benefit. They often occur in sevens and in connection with the statement "I am Jehovah." See Ex. vi., 6-8; Gen. xvii., 1-8; Ps. xci., 14-16. Because He is what He is, He will do what He says, not for Israel's sake, but for His own sake. See Ezek. xxxvi., 22; Ps. cvi., 8. We must not look for worthiness or merit in ourselves, but in Him, who alone is worthy (Ps. xxx., 1; Rev. v., 4, 5). Take all the comfort you can find in such passages as Isa. xliii., 25; I John ii., 12.

35. "And it came to pass that night that the angel of the Lord went out and smote in the camp of the Assyrians an hundred fourscore and five thousand." The work of this angel is also mentioned in Isa. xxxvii., 36, and in II Chron. xxxii., 21. When the devil is to be bound and cast into the bottomless pit, it is written that one angel will do it (Rev. xx., 1-3). Consider in each of these cases the power of an angel and then think of the millions upon millions of them mighty in strength, doing His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word (Rev. v., 11; Ps. ciii., 20). Think of the angels dis-egard of and power over soldiers and fast barred gates in the story of Peter's release in Acts xii. Think of the one who carried good tidings to Paul in the storm at sea (Acts xxvii.), remember that they are all ministering spirits sent forth to minister unto the heirs of salvation (Heb. i., 14), and let your heart say, "Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear" (Ps. xxvii., 3). If God be for me, who can be against me? I will trust and not be afraid.

36, 37. "His sons smote him with the sword." Thus he died in his own land according to the word of the Lord (verse 7), and while in the act of worshiping idols, so shall perish all the enemies of the Lord.
—Lesson Helper.

Spain Must Submit.

The London Standard says: "We can see no alternative. Spain must accept as inevitable the loss of the Philippines. No doubt the United States will assume a heavy and serious responsibility, but it augurs well for the future that the public men of America appreciate and are ready to meet it. England will watch the experiment with every wish for a favorable issue."

For the Navy's Use.

The president has issued a proclamation reserving for the use of the United States navy certain water front property in Honolulu selected by Captain Tanner recently.

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THE Age-Herald, this morning, says: "Congressman-elect Burnett's victory (Seventh District) was won in white counties." But the Age-Herald does not say a word about Mr. Robbins, so we beg to call attention to the fact that Congressman-elect Aldrich's "victory was won in white counties."

SENATOR Morgan's speech at Clanton last Saturday was not up to the usual standard. A good deal of the fire has gone out of the aged Senator, and while his talk was interesting in some particulars, it cannot be said much information or amusement was to be derived from it. Considering his age, (seventy-four) the Senator stands public life well, but it must be confessed the last few years have told upon him. He seems to have a good opinion of President McKinley, but Speaker Reed is apparently his pet abomination. All things considered, the Senator's visit was not a success.

980 VOTERS, out of a total registration of about 2700, were all who considered it worth their while to come out and vote for a congressman. This spirit of apathy and indifference where such an important election is concerned is not promising for any improvement in the laws of the land and a consequent improvement in the condition of the people. Every man should vote on one side or the other. The honest choice of a majority of the people is far preferable to the choice of a limited number. Had every voter in the five white counties of this district voted on Tuesday, it would have left no chance for the usual Dallas Democratic majority to be forthcoming.

REPRESENTATIVE Reynolds can earn for himself the undying gratitude of honest voters of all parties by introducing and getting passed by the Legislature an amendment to the Election Law making it compulsory upon the Probate Judge, Circuit Clerk and the Sheriff of each county to appoint managers of election only from lists furnished by the authorized leaders of each party. Under the present law they exercise their own sweet will in appointing managers of election, ignoring recommendations from chairmen of executive committees or from any other persons except just such as suit their immediate moods and fancies.

THE election law provides that on the morning of an election, before the opening of the polls, the managers shall appoint clerks and markers to represent the opposing candidates. It also provides that lists of names shall be furnished by the friends of opposing candidates, and the clerks and markers be selected from these lists. At Clanton on Tuesday the law was not complied with, two of the managers refusing to appoint a single marker from the two lists furnished by the Populist and Republican parties of the county. No objection was raised by the friends of Mr. Aldrich to the appointment of the gentlemen selected as the Robbins marker, but a protest was entered against the appointment of the gentleman arbitrarily imposed upon as to represent Mr. Aldrich. The protest produced the appointment of a third marker, but he was not selected from either of the lists furnished by the Populist and Republican supporters of Mr. Aldrich. We had hoped this sort of thing was of the past in Chilton county. It is more than time it was

FROM advices we have received this morning we are glad to say Mr. W. F. Aldrich has carried all five of the white counties in this district, which have given him majorities as follows:

Shelby	400
Talladega	520
Calhoun	250
Cleburne	150
Chilton	112
	1432

While the official count may vary a trifle from the above figures it is a certain fact that Mr. Aldrich has secured a good majority of the white people of the district, leaving Mr. Robbins entirely dependent upon the one black county of Dallas. At present no figures are obtainable from Dallas. This is the usual thing, however, Dallas always waits to find out what vote is necessary, before any returns are published. Judging from former elections Dallas will again find a majority for Mr. Robbins to more than balance the majority in the five white counties for Mr. Aldrich. If Gov. Johnston issues a certificate to Mr. Robbins based upon a made-up majority in Dallas, then of course a contest will once again be necessary to secure to Mr. Aldrich the seat to which he has been elected by the people.

The Nicaragua Canal and the Gulf States.

Under the existing conditions the Gulf States, like the north Atlantic States, are brought into a direct and uneven competition with Europe in practically all their foreign trade other than that of raw cotton, forest products, and mineral fertilizers. With the exception of their sales of these products, the future commercial relations of the Gulf States will be less with Europe than Mexico, South America, and Pacific countries. Their textile and iron manufactures can hardly hope to find much of a market in Europe. In the South Atlantic also their competition with Europe will be very keen. It is to the Pacific States of South America and to Asia that the people of the Southern States may turn with the best prospect of securing foreign trade. The canal is also requisite for the development of a large trade between the Mississippi Valley and the Pacific slope of the United States. The rail routes from the States of the Gulf and Mississippi Valley to the Pacific Ocean are long and are expensive for traffic because of the heavy mountain grades to be overcome. Without the isthmian waterway the South is practically excluded from the markets which her industries are best fitted to supply. —From "The Nicaragua Canal and Our Commercial Interests," by Emory R. Johnson, in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for November.

That the spy sent by the United States government to Spain during the war should have become the guest of Weyler himself, seems incredible. Yet there is nothing more true. The government selected as its agent a man of position who has lived much in Germany. It was necessary for us to have a trained intellect that would make no mistakes. His story is told in the November Cosmopolitan, and the most exciting pages of Dumas's fiction seem tame in comparison with the facts. Crossing the frontier in a first-class carriage, he was by a trifling accident brought into conversation with a young Spanish nobleman; presentry who should come along but the son of General Weyler. This acquaintance led to his receiving many attentions from Weyler when they reached Madrid, and the General actually gave up a day to a trip to the Escurial. Imagine this grim arch-enemy of ours laying himself out to please the secret agent whom the government had sent to find out the weak places of Spain. How trifling and demarcation between the position of honored guest and that of spy who, if discovered, would have been all the more quickly sent to his death! The same issue of the Cosmopolitan contains four pieces of fiction by such famous authors as Frank Stockton, Zangwill, H. G. Wells, and the lamented Harold Frederic, but none of it half so exciting in its interest as this true story.

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QUITE UP TO DATE.

An Illustration of the Artfulness of the Modern Girl.

"The artfulness of the modern girl," remarked a woman who was a girl years ago, "passeth understanding. I have, for example, a young kinswoman of 18, whose mother, knowing that my husband was out of town, invited me to her house to tea one day. The girl was so sweet to me that in the end, though I hadn't the slightest idea of doing it when I set out, I asked her to come home with me and stay the night. She assented—not too eagerly—and as we walked toward the car together—she lives on Capitol Hill—she began to talk of young Mr. So-and-so, Commander So-and-so's son, who was so anxious to meet me. No woman is too old to be proof against flattery, so I expressed an interest in Mr. So-and-so, and told her she might bring him to see me some day.

"'It would be nice if he could come over this evening, wouldn't it?' she said thoughtfully. I agreed that it would.

"'You might have sent him a note if you had known,' I said, for at my age it isn't too often that young men want to make my acquaintance.

"'I tell you what,' she said, quite as if the idea had just occurred to her; 'I'll telephone to him and see if he has any other engagement.'

"We went into the nearest drug store, and idly I followed her to the telephone box, though she called my attention to something at the other end of the store. Central gave her the desired number—the young man's brother is a physician.

"'Is this Mr. So-and-so?' she asked.

"Pause.

"'It's all right about tonight,' she said. 'Goodby.'

"That's all she said. And then, and not till then, I realized how that innocent young thing had played it on me. As I said before, the artfulness of the modern girl passeth understanding."—Washington Post.

A MOST PECULIAR CASE.

Where the Money Came From to Pay the Attorney's Bill.

"Most peculiar case I ever had," mused the attorney who is still a favorite with those requiring a strong defense in the criminal courts. "You never saw a finer looking young fellow. He had a good face and a well shaped head. He was clean and neatly dressed. He talked well and looked you squarely in the eyes. When I went to the jail at his request, I took an immediate liking to him. It had been my business to study human nature and I was satisfied from the first that he had never committed the $10,000 robbery of which he stood accused.

"He told me his story, frankly and without reservation. I was convinced more firmly than ever of his innocence. He outlined his own defense by accounting for every minute of his time on the night of the robbery and informing me just where the witnesses to substantiate his statements could be seen. I found them, and they affirmed everything he had told me. It was as clear a case as I ever saw, and I went into court with the utmost confidence. The prosecution did the best it could under the circumstances, but we swept the board and the young man was acquitted by the jury's first ballot. He was very grateful, shaking hands with the judge, the jurymen and even the prosecuting attorney.

"'Now, sir,' he began, when we had reached the office, 'what do I owe you?'

"'Only what you can afford to pay me. The saving of an innocent man is something of a reward in itself.'

"'Well, I would like to pay you more, but at present I can only afford to give you half of the $10,000. Is that fair?'"—Detroit Free Press.

Hospitality.

Lady of the House (to bore, who generally calls just as she is about to go shopping)—Won't you let me ring for a little refreshment for you?

Bore—I think I'll take a little something just before I go.

Lady of the House—Oh, then, do have it now.—London Punch.

Comparisons.

Freddy—My brother George is a head taller than your brother.

Franky—Yes, but my brother is a stomach fatter than yours. —Lustige

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GRAND JURY.

D I Desamus, W M Price, W H Bean, Willey Ramsy, W H Toells, P M Jones, Moses Mims, A J Willson, Lum Dyer, James Gothard, W J Gaylor, P S Prim, David Moore, Leroy Friday, M A Killgore, J N Butts, R D Childress, D B Watts, J P Robinson, J N Hays, J C Martin.

PETIT JURY. First Week.

Henry Splawn, T B Gay, H B Rodgers, L B Broadhead, J T Hall, J C Alred, C F Atchison, J R Billingsley, B W Garner, Z S Avery, E J Mims, B L Dennis, J M Merchant, J J Trawick, Hugh Mullins, George Mims, J W Carr, N G Ward, J H Griffis, P R Devaughn, John Moses Robinson, Lum Gentry, J R Kemp, R T Grant, J H Morgan, P D Williams, J E Dorminy jr J W Middlebrooks, M A Watts, W E Christien, G W Fox jr, J A Miller, George Reed, O R Cooper, Judson Strock, W S Cox.

PETIT JURY. Second Week.

J M Parish jr, C R Mullins, J W Headley, C L Ingram, William Ray, James Mims, Columbus Ray, Frank Harris, J R Thomas, T P McKinney, John Ellis, Elijah Robinson, T D McGee, T W Dunigan, F M Busbey, B F Gardner, G W Knobles, W A Kemp, N Watts, T G Williams, I G Burkhalter, A J Powell, Alford Mims, T M Driver, W R Dawson, S B McCarry, Wiley Mitchell, J J Thompson, L S Samons, H M Furguson, Hugh Henry, G W Jones, J Bice, W D Cortney, J N Askins, J M Aldridge.

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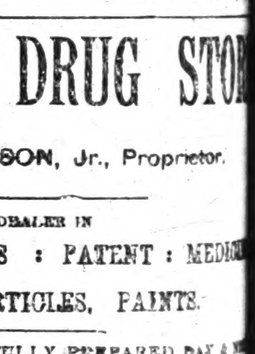

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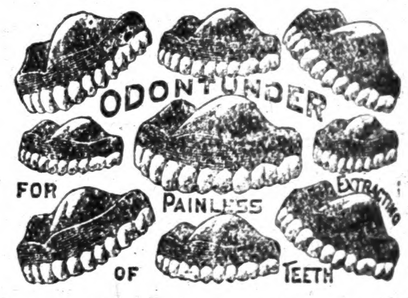

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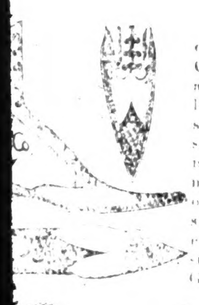

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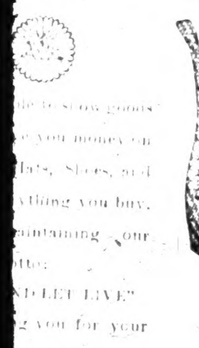

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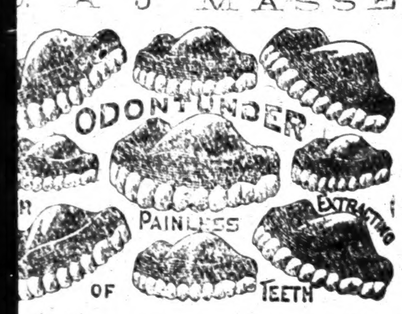

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Kincheon	Sept. 6	Nov.	1
Pletcher's Mill	" 8	"	2
Clanton Ford	" 8	"	3
Stanton	" 8	"	4
Benson	" 3	"	7
Maplesville	" 7	"	8
Shoults	" 7	"	9
Dixie	" 8	"	10
Valley Cr'k church	8	"	11
Macedonia	" 3	"	14
Hayes Mill	" 2	"	15
Providence church	2	"	16
Elijah Busby's	" 1	"	17
Smith School house	1	"	18
Cofer's Mill	" 2	"	21
Jemison	" 2	"	22
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	23
Strasburg	" 9	"	24
James Maddox Mill	4	"	25
Clanton	" 4	"	28
Cane creek	" 4	"	29
Jesse Maddox's	" 4	"	30
Goer's School	" 4	Dec.	1
Coopers	" 5	"	5
Verbena	" 5	"	6
Mountain Creek	" 5	"	7
Burwell	" 5	"	8
Caloway's Mill	" 5	"	9
Providence ch	" 5	"	10

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A one-half undivided interest in and to the following described real estate to wit: South-west fourth of south-east fourth of section one, township twenty-three, range thirteen, situated in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named George E. Skaggs, in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY DECEMBER 12 1898,

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There is no mark to tell of its original use or to stamp it as one of the curiosities of the day. One's only solace for his grievance is to imagine that the stealthy tread of moccasined feet is still echoing there and that the strange words of the redskin's tongue have left some spell upon the place.

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Final Proof notice

Notice No. 20056.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala. }
November 2, 1898. }

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., Dec. 10, 1898, viz., Arthur R. Mims, Homestead entry No. 30525, for the s ½ of n w ¼, w ½ of sw ¼, sec. 24, tp. 22 north of range 15 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: E. N. Minor, R. E. Jones, Riley Robinson, Nathan Minor, all of Clanton, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER,
Register.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 19983.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala. }
October 4, 1898. }

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., November 12th, 1898, viz., Malachi C. Williams, Homestead entry No. 28,657, for the n ½ of se ¼, sec. 27, tp. 21 north of range 16 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: Edmund T. Connell, William F. Mims, W. D. Goss, Phillip H. Connell, all of Burwell, Ala.

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

The Labor "Skate" in Politics—How He Thrives in Large Cities Around Election Time—The Recent Riots at Virden, Ill.

Pingree the Unchangeable.

The seasons come, the seasons go,
Time's ever on the wing;
The ocean's waters ebb and flow,
Yet Pingree never does a thing
But Ping.

The birds fly southward in the fall,
Returning in the spring,
But Pingree never swerves at all,
Nor does an earthly thing
But Ping.

The scented lilac and the rose
That June's first mornings bring
Go ere the wind of autumn blows,
Still Pingree never does a thing
But Ping.

Old Nature changes day by day,
Men scorn the songs they used to sing;
Time sweeps old loves and hopes away,
Yet Pingree never does a thing
But Ping.

—Detroit Free Press.

The Labor "Skate" in Politics.

From Chicago Federationist: Labor politicians—and their number in this city is legion—are very busy these days. The labor vote means a good deal to the managers of the political parties, and they are doing their level best to draw it in their direction. More than one union officer is in communication with the "right men" to see these days. The conversation between these individuals would be interesting reading matter to the plain working members of the labor organizations.

Of course the chairman of a campaign committee is "out to win," and any man overscrupulous about methods would not be intrusted with the task. The manager of a political campaign is after votes, and anyone, labor-faker or ward heeler, who can influence them is a welcome visitor at headquarters. But these buyers and sellers of the labor vote should remember that "the best laid plans of mice and men" are often knocked in the head. Judging from the pleasant reception certain "labor leaders" have at headquarters it must be a good deal easier to sell the labor vote than it will be to deliver it, for the smooth gentleman who declared he had the state federation fixed will find that the bargain he has made for the coming election will be a costly purchase. In this case the bunkoers are being bunkoed. Dickers are being made with men for whom the trades-unionists will not vote, men who are nothing more than dishonest political tricksters, and who, if given an opportunity, will betray the workingmen of this country. The coming election means a good deal to the union men of Chicago, and before they vote they should make an investigation of the candidates for themselves.

Miners Are Murdered.

From the Chicago Federationist: The expected has happened. The coal operators at Virden, Ill., last Wednesday made good their threat to import negroes to take the places of the white miners who have been trying to compel the operators to live up to a contract they made with the miners' union, and the negroes, though protected by armed "detectives," were driven from the town after a bloody battle between the contending parties. Fifteen lives were lost and many of the combatants were wounded.

It is better that this battle should be fought and that the lives should be sacrificed than that the miners should tamely submit to the demands of the overbearing despots who happen to own the coal mines at Virden. The heroism of the men who shouldered their muskets in defense of their right to unite to secure just compensation for their labor stamps them as being worthy to be called American freemen.

An attempt is being made by daily newspapers in close relations with corporations to befog the subject at issue between the contending parties by lugging in the "color" question. It is not a question of whether negroes have the right to work in this state; the question is, have employers the right to deny employes a voice in the settlement of wage disputes, the right to refuse to permit the state authorities to intervene and arbitrate the differences and then demand military assistance of the state to enforce their despotic, un-American and inhuman demands?

They certainly have not, and they cannot be taught that lesson too soon. The trades-unionists of this country are not revolutionists, they are not anarchists—and they are not fools. Under the constitution of the government of the United States they are guaranteed right which they intend shall not be taken away from them. They have the right to organize for the protection of their means of existence, and they will fight to the death in defense of that right. This fact has been attested on many occasions, notably at Homestead and Virden.

The right to live resolves into a question of might, and if the coal operators and their sympathizers want to make a test of it they may depend upon it they will be accommodated. It is to be hoped, however, that a little common sense will develop among the managers of the coal mines at Virden and Pana, and that the offer of the miners to arbitrate disputed points will be accepted.

Trade Union Federation.

A scheme for the federation of English trade unions has been drawn up by a committee of the London trades council. This committee states that the previous schemes which have been submitted may be excellent, and might possibly achieve what they aim at, but each is such a "bewildering mist of figures that they are doomed to failure." The committee lays down as the essential features of a scheme of federation:

1. That it should be understandable on the face of it by every trade unionist.

2. That it should endeavor to achieve perfection by growth.

In criticising other schemes, the committee says they "court disaster by aiming at completeness." They suggest that a federal council should be formed which should authoritatively represent and promote the general interests of labor. They do not approve of the creation of a "war chest to meet the strike emergencies," but they suggest that the subscriptions to the federation should be for working, organizing, and propaganda purposes, and that emergency calls on behalf of unions engaged in a dispute shall be met by a levy, the amount of which shall be decided upon by the federal council in accordance with the constitution of the federation.

The council, the committee suggests, shall be selected by the members of the various federated unions as grouped in the kindred trades. All federated unions are to agree to pay the levies ordered by the federal council, which shall guarantee to the members of every federated union 15s. per week in case of a strike or lockout. The subscription towards the central fund of the council is fixed at one fathing per member per week. The council is to have the power to adjudicate in case of disputes between unions. In cases of dispute with employers, the matter is to be reported to the federal council, who may, at their discretion or at the request of the union affected, direct what action shall be taken. The committee suggests that the scheme might be tried in London by the trade unions who have branches in the metropolitan area, and that if it is approved by the London trades council the opinion of the provincial trades councils shall also be sought.

Prison-Made Goods.

The courts of this country do their utmost to trammel labor organizations. The unions spend valuable time and large sums of money to secure legislation that they are assured by "the best legal talent" is constitutional, only to have it declared unconstitutional by the court of last resort. Numerous instances have occurred in Illinois. Now comes the Court of Appeals in New York and for the second time refuses to sanction the stamping of convict-made goods so that they may be distinguished from the product of free labor. Seven judges sat in the case, and three dissented from the opinion of the court. So it seems that in the eyes of the New York Court of Appeals the honest, hard-working, tax-paying laborer is deserving of no more consideration at the hands of government than the thugs, thieves and murderers in the penitentiaries. Of course as soon as the trades unionists of the country learn the decision they will exult over the fact that they live in a land where they are placed by the highest court in the state of New York in the same category as the inmates of Sing Sing!

But the object of the contemptible court can be defeated. The trades unionists have a weapon at their command that will, if properly used, leave the prison-made goods to rot where they are made. The courts have gone as far as they can go to help the contractors of convicts; they can't make the workingmen buy the stuff they are so anxious to protect. All that remains for the toilers is when they purchase goods to see to it that they have the union stamp. To drive convict-made goods out of the market it is not necessary to waste money and years of time begging politicians and legislators to pass laws only to have them kicked out of court. Use the union label as it should be used and it won't pay to manufacture the obnoxious goods. And as soon as that time comes there will be no more "prison-made goods." Ask to see the union label.—Federationist.

Blacklisting in England.

The English Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants complained some time ago to the board of trade that several of their members, who acted as spokesmen when the various grades made individual application to the railway companies for improved conditions of service, as recommended by Sir Courtenay Boyle, were afterwards dismissed or "victimized" in other ways for what they had done. The board of trade communicated with the railway companies concerned and copies of the replies have now been forwarded to the men's society. The Great Central company, whose letter is stated to be typical of the others, deny the accusation. The men referred to, they say, were "dealt with" for good and sufficient reasons apart from their connection with any society. The executive of the Amalgamated society is now pressing for an independent inquiry, which the general secretary, Mr. Bell, declares would open the eyes of a great many people, including directors, who are probably not as familiar as they might be with the actions of their subordinates.

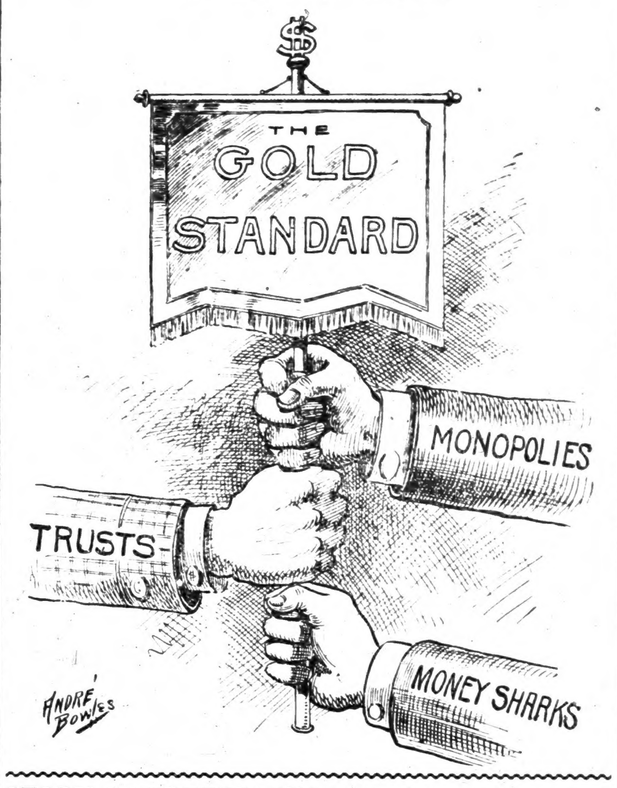
A Good Pilot.

Cling fast to the hand that is leading you, though it be in darkness, though it be in deep waters; you know whom you have believed. Yield not for a single moment to misgivings about future storms. Infinite love, joined to infinite skill, will pilot the way through every strait and temptation.—I. Alexander.

Don't sit down and wait for things to turn up. Go out and turn them up.

If you always tell the truth you will never have to fix up excuses.

NOT FOR WAGE EARNERS.



STORY OF GREENBACK

WHY THE MONEY LENDING SHARKS HATE IT.

It Saved the Union Against the Conspiracy Hatched in England—How the National Bankers Dishonored It by Replacing It with Interest Bearing Bonds.

When the civil war broke out April 12, 1861, all the specie money in circulation, both gold and silver, fled to the dark recesses of private coffers. The government was confronted with the necessity of putting down the rebellion, and the question was how to raise money to conduct the war. A vast army of men had been called to the field, all of whom had to be clothed, fed and equipped, ready for war. This required a large sum of money. The government did not have it, and the bankers and the monied men of the country asked from 18 to 36 per cent interest for theirs. The loans were refused, so it became necessary for the government to create mony by its own sovereign act. This it did by the acts of July 17 and August 5, 1861. The notes issued were called "demand notes," because they were payable on demand. They were receivable for all public dues, and the secretary of the treasury was authorized to reissue them when received; but the time in which reissues might be made was limited to the 31st day of December, 1862. These acts authorized the issue of $50,000,000. By act of Feb. 12, 1862, $10,000,000 more was issued and there were reissues amounting to $30,000. The "demand notes," by act of March 17, 1862, in addition to being receivable in payment of duties on imports, were made "lawful money," and "a legal tender in like manner, for the same purposes, and the same extent" as in the act of Feb. 25, 1862. Unlike all subsequent issues they did not contain the exception clause. They remained about at par with gold, which established the fact, had it not been for the exception clause on the greenback, that they would have been worth as much as gold. The millionaire, the banker and the bondholder each accepted them in full payment of his obligation against the government. The "demand notes" were paid in gold when presented for redemption. The principal issue of the United States paper money is commonly called "greenbacks." The total amount of such notes authorized, including the temporary issue was $450,000,000, of which there are still outstanding $346,681,016. On April 12, 1866, an act was approved to retire and cancel within six months $10,000,000, and thereafter not more than $4,000,000 in any one month. It should be remembered that the "greenback" bore no interest. It was good money, because the taxing power and the faith of the government was back of it. But greed and avarice, like Argus, never sleep. Those who had failed to lend their specie to the government during its darkest hour at exorbitant rates of interest plainly saw that if the government could issue legal-tender paper it could issue it in sufficient quantities to put down the rebellion, and there would be no demand for their gold and silver; consequently they called a bankers' convention to compass the defeat of further issues of legal-tender paper. History tells how well they succeeded. Congress, on the 25th day of February, 1862, passed a law that the greenback should be a legal tender for all debts, public and private, except duties on imports and interest on the public debt. The government thus bastardized its own issues. It put the stigma of disgrace upon it. The creator denied the creature, and the bondholder, who was not patriotic enough to aid his government in its distress, pointed his finger at it in scorn and cried "bastard." This infamous act created a demand for Shylock's gold and silver for duties on imports and the interest on the public debt must be paid in coin. The greenback was good enough for the soldier who fought that his country might live, but it was not good enough to pay interest on bonds or duties on imports. Human life was less sacred than capital. Gold was above humanity. The soldier was paid in paper, which had been purposely dishonored, for risking his life, and the bondholder in gold for risking his capital. Oh, Greed, where is thy conscience? Oh, Government, where is thy shame? Shylock's next scheme of spoliation and robbery was the passage of the national bank act. After depreciating the greenback through the exception clause this act enabled him to invest the depreciated money in government bonds at their face value, upon which bonds gold interest was paid in advance, and 90 per cent of their value returned to the purchaser in what is known as national bank notes, which could be loaned to A, B and C at excessive rates of interest. The government bonds were purchased at about 50 cents on the dollar. Not content with this advantage congress, on the 12th day of April, 1886, passed a law providing for the retirement of the greenback, which was exchanging the greenback, which bore no interest, for bonds which were untaxed and bore interest. It was a great scheme and one of the many crimes that have been perpetrated on the people. It was a damnable swindle—an outrage against labor, and a congress that was not thoroughly honeycombed by corruption, or densely ignorant, would not have permitted it.

A School House Campaign.

The Democrats are not rich, nor do they seek the patronage of corporations whose wealth is acquired by unfair means. The needs of the party must be met by small contributions. Consequently there will be no money to pay high-priced speakers or to hire large audience rooms. This explains the necessity, and hence the rapid growth of the school house compaign movement, which is spreading rapidly under the leadership of George Burr Smith and other Chicago attorneys who have formerly been country school pedagogues. The speakers need not be great orators. Instead of a set speech which requires considerable preparation, and is often dry and uninteresting, the meeting resolves itself into a class in arithmetic. A bright school boy is called upon to explain the problems by arithmetical rules. Leaflets containing the problems are now being distributed to county and township committees and will be sent to any address on application to headquarters. The list of problems are accompanied by tables of statistics, upon which the caluculations and arithmetical deductions are in all cases founded.

The answers obtained show in irrefutable terms that the depreciation of prices is caused by the demonetization of silver, and, what is most deplorable, that great distress and misery is caused in every debtor nation, amounting to outrageous injustice to a million mortgage-ridden homes and business enterprises in America. Statistics show that prices have not fallen in silver countries. The problems prove to the dullest mind, from the common rules of arithmetic, that the cause lies in the varying rate of exchange between gold and silver countries which has followed the demonetization of silver, also that the party could be restored by remonetization by even one great commercial nation, all of which is convincingly shown by the problems. May free-silver night schools be organized in every school house in the land, and victory crown the efforts of those who are spending time and money in promoting the movement.

Trusts' Millennium.

How nice it will be for you and me when all the mills are huddled together under one big trust; all the coal mines gobbled up by the railroads; all the money piled up in the banks and the price of labor and labor's products measured by a dollar so "good" that you and I will rarely ever see one! Won't that be the millennium? We are drifting that way as rapidly as the cohorts of Mammon and greed can manipulate the wires.—Cortland (Neb.) Herald.

THE REALM OF FASHION

For Cold Mornings.

For cold winter mornings nothing can exceed in comfort a pretty morning jacket of soft wool eiderdown. As here represented, pale blue was the

WOMAN'S HOUSE JACKET.

color chosen, the edges being neatly finished with a bias binding of satin in the same shade, which is machine stitched on its inside and upper edges.

The gracefully pointed collar is a picturesque feature of the garment, and is included in the neck seam with a comfortable rolling collar, that completes the neck.

The shaping is very simply accomplished by side seams, that end just below the waist line, underarm gores and shoulder seams, the fronts being closed invisibly in centre, under small decorative bows of satin ribbon.

The sleeves are two-seamed, in regular coat shape, the becoming fulness gathered at the top, and the wrists bound with satin. Although especially designed for eiderdown, any woolen fabric may be chosen to develop this neat and trim house jacket, flannel, camel's hair, ladies' cloth or cashmere being pretty when trimmed with ribbon, lace or insertion.

To make this jacket for a woman of medium size will require three and one-half yards of material twenty-seven inches wide.

A Fetching Suit.

Checked novelty wool suiting in brown and chamois shades showing a silk thread of pale blue woven in with the line of darker brown that forms the check is the material chosen for the fetching suit shown in the large engraving.

Brown ribbon velvet is used for trimming, the revers of piece velvet to match being overlaid with creamy point de Venice lace. Three handsome steal buttons decorate the front, a steel buckle being used to clasp the belt of velvet at the waist line.

Hat of brown felt faced with shirred chamois, colored satin and crushed cream roses under the brim at the left side. Handsome brown shaded tips, roll and loop of satin ribbon.

The yoke and collar are of finely tucked cream colored taffeta that comes already tucked for this purpose.

The yoke may be at both front and back or in front only, and the revers may extend in Bertha fashion on the back or be cut off at the shoulders. The closing may be in front or at centre-back, and the box plait can be omitted as shown in outline sketch. A body lining fitted by single bust darts,

FOR A MISS OF FOURTEEN.

HEAVY MATERIAL

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The sleeves are two seamed ... ...est cut, gathered at the top and ... ...pleted at the wrists by bands of ... ...vet.

The skirt comprises five gores, ...trimming of narrow and wide ... ...velvet outlines the front gores ... ...lower edge extending all around ... ...foot. The top is fitted closely ... ...below the hips it flares fashionably ... ...the lower edge.

The cape is characterized by ... ...ity, which will hold when fashioned ... ...one of the season's new fabrics ... ...plain or mixed weaves.

Velvet, silk or mousseline ... ...used for the yoke and collar, ...may be applied over some contrasting ... ...bright color.

The revers may be of the ... ...goods decorated with braid, ...jet, passementerie, insertion ... ...antique trimming and various ... ...fancy effects may be charmingly ... ...employed in this style.

Ladies' Sleeves.

A sleeve that is exceedingly ... ...for thin fabrics and one that ... ...made up in the heaviest materials ... ...here given. The sleeve cap may be ... ...used over either sleeve or dispensed ... ...with altogether, as preference dictates.

No. 1 has a full upper and ... ...portion, gathered in spaced skirts ... ...and arranged over smooth lining ...

FOR A MISS OF FOURTEEN.

...rolling collar, that comes ... ...row of shirring being covered ... ...dands of insertion or gimp. ... ...wrists are finished by frills of ... ...chiffon. If a transparent effect ... ...sired it is best for the arm ... ...make the sleeve over a close ... ...and cut it away from underneath ... ...the sleeve is finished. This ... ...firmness to the seams and retains ... ...proper shape and set of the sleeve.

No. 2 has only slight fulness ... ...top and the lining is shaped ... ...like sleeve. It is illustrated ... ...brocade, trimmed with embroidered ... ...chiffon and silk applique.

HEAVY MATERIAL SLEEVE.

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...suffered for a long time with ca... ...and a ...ing in my head. I be... ...using Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it did ... ...good. My sufferings from ... ...are over and my health is good." ... Libby, Fowlmar, Maine.

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...of the less accessible parts ...may be visited by tourists there are ... in the villages. The govern... ...has not decided to grant in ... ...a certain annual sum to the ... ...of a specific horse in each village ... ...in return to take in ... ...once guests if called upon.

...of the railway from Guayaquil ... Quito, in Ecuador, which is ... ...by American capitalists, ...at $18,000,000 for ... ...to the highest railroad ... ...with stations at an ... ...9,350 and 10,000 ... ...the sea level.

...the past five years several ... ...of Pacific coast salmon have ... ...in Lake Superior. They ... ...caught, weighing ... ...pounds, and of ex... ...a little milder than that ... ...salmon.

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...Mrs. Pinkham:—I have been ... Compound, and ... ready to sound ... its praises. It ... has done wonders for me in ... relieving me ... of a tumor.

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HOW BIG GUNS AAE MADE.

Assembling the Huge Forgings at the Washington Gun Foundry.

The guns are made of what is called forged steel. This steel is made by private firms, principally at the famous Bethlehem works in Pennsylvania, and is sent to the gun-foundry in the shape of large tubes, and in other shapes called jackets and hoops. These steel pieces, after being finished, are put together and made into guns. The jacket of a gun is about half the length of the tube, and itself is really a large tube. The inner tube, when it arrives, is put into a lathe, and has the hole bored out to nearly the size it will be when finished; then it is turned down inside for about half its length from the rear or breech end to its proper size. "Turned down" means that the metal is cut off with a steel cutter. The jacket also is bored out smoothly and the hole carefully measured. The diameter of this hole, or bore, in the jacket is a little smaller (some hundredths of an inch) than the outside of the tube after being turned down. Overhead in the shop are big cranes, which travel back and forth on tracks, and which can easily lift and carry heavy weights. The largest crane is called the 110-ton crane, but it will lift a weight even greater. Near the center of the gun-shop is a large pit in which there are furnaces. After the tube has been bored out and turned down outside, it is carried by a crane and lowered into the pit near the furnaces, so that it stands on its muzzle end, the breech end being up in the air. The jacket is also lifted and lowered into a furnace and heated. This furnace has a top, or cover, which lifts off, and which is put on after the jacket has been lowered into it. Hot air is forced into this furnace, which heats the jacket till it expands so that the size of its bore becomes greater in diameter than the size of the tube it is to inclose. When all is ready, the cover is lifted from the furnace, the crane hooks on to the jacket, lifts it out of the furnace, and swings it over the tube. The jacket is then quickly measured, and carefully lowered over the tube, which is standing on its end. A stream of cold water is then admitted into the lower end of the tube. This water rises nearly to the top of the tube, and helps to cool both tube and jacket, now fitted together. As the jacket cools it shrinks to its proper size, and so squeezes and holds the tube tight within. When both are cold, the partly made gun is lifted out of the pit, put into another lathe, and turned down outside so as to be ready to have the hoops put on. These hoops, which have been bored out to the proper size, are heated and shrunk on over the gun just as the jacket was shrunk on over the tube. The whole gun is made, or built up in this manner. After all the hoops are on, the gun is bored out again to final size, put into a rifling machine, and rifled; that is, it has grooves cut inside of the bore throughout its length. These grooves commence at the muzzle, and gradually curve till they reach the end of the bore. They are cut by what is called a rifling-bar, which is a long shaft with cutters at one end. The gun remains steady, while the bar enters into the gun at the muzzle, and turns at the same time, thus cutting what are called spiral grooves throughout the length of the bore of the gun. This rifling is done so as to give the shot or shell, when the gun is fired, a twirling or rotary motion, which prevents it from tumbling end over end, and causes it to keep pointed in the right direction. The shot or shell (projectile) is long, and has a copper band fitted on its rear end. When the gun is fired, this copper band, being softer than the steel of the gun, enters into the grooves is turned by them, and gives the projectile a spinning motion during its flight.

Slang from the Days of Old Rome.

Passing through a vacant lot the other day where some boys were having a game of ball, I heard one of them who had got a rap on the knuckles from a "foul," exclaim, "Jiminy, that hurts!" and then, after rubbing his fingers a moment, he went back to his place on the field, little dreaming that he had just uttered a solemn invocation to the old Roman demigods Castor and Pollux. For our vulgar "jiminy" is but a corruption of the Latin "gemini," twins, a name applied to Castor and Pollux, the twin sons of Jupiter and Leda. These hero gods were the patrons of games and festivals of all kinds, and the especial friends of travelers; hence, when an old Roman exclaimed, "O Gemini!" it was a devout appeal to the gods for help or protection, very much the same as when a knight of old called on his patron saint. —Miss E. F. Andrews.

A Friendly Ceremony in Old Cuba.

When an acquaintance visits a private residence, cigars are handed round on a silver salver; if the visitor be an intimate friend, one of the young girls of the family, called a "donzalia," lights a cigar and giving it a few draws to get well lighted, gracefully presents it to him. If the guitar is brought in, as usually occurs (for there is one in every house), and the visitor plays, his cigar is kept lighted by the donzalia, and at each pause in the music she politely hands it to the guest. This may occur several times in an evening, and this friendly ceremony is pleasant enough when the cigar comes from the pouting lips of a rich Spanish beauty just ripening into womanhood, but in any case it must be thankfully accepted.

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The Rock of Refuge.

In the Sandwich Islands there is a spot called the Rock of Refuge. If the criminal reaches this rock before capture, he is safe, so long as he remains there. Usually his family supply him with food until he is able to make his escape, but he is never allowed to return to his own tribe.

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Despite the fact that hundreds of persons have killed themselves because they have been ruined by the Vienna municipal lottery, the Viennese continue to regard the institution with favor. It keeps down the taxes.

RELICS OF GENERAL WASHINGTON

Articles Now Kept in the National Museum at the Capital.

One of the most interesting relics in the National Museum at Washington is the camp chest used by Washington throughout the revolution. It is a compact affair, about the size of a tourist's wicker chest for cooking of the present day, two and one-half feet long, two feet wide, one foot high, and it contains an outfit consisting of tinder-box, pepper and salt boxes, bottles, knives, forks, gridiron and plates. Every bit of the outfit save one bottle, which is broken at the shoulder, looks strong enough to stand another campaign.

Near-by are the tents used by Washington—three in number. One is a sleeping tent, twenty-eight feet long, with walls six feet high and a roof with a six-foot pitch. It is made of linen. The other two are marquee tents of smaller size, one with walls, the other a shelter tent open on the sides. That the tenting material of revolutionary days was good stuff is proved by the excellent condition of these tents, which sheltered the great commander through all his severe campaigns.

Here also is Washington's uniform, worn by him when he gave up his commission as commander-in-chief of the army, at Annapolis, in 1783. It consists of a big shadbelly coat of blue broadcloth, lined and trimmed with soft buckskin and ornamented with broad, flat brass buttons; buckskin waistcoat and breeches. The size of the garments (which are in a state of excellent preservation) testify to the big statute of the "Father of His Country," and suggest that he had an eye to a fine appearance in his dress. —Washington Post.

A Natural Foghorn.

At the Farallones the erosive agents have worked with queer capride. This rock being granite, has been acted upon by the sea at all levels, and throughout the long period when it has been rising out of the watery depths. Through a long, narrow hole, slanting, and communicating with the ocean, there comes at intervals a terrific stream of air, followed by the spasmodic heaving of the waves against the lower orifice. The government, which uses this island for lighthouse purposes, inclosed the upper end with the nozzle of a foghorn, and every few seconds there was blown an ear-splitting brawl, which was heard far out at sea, and above the din of the breaking rollers. It was allowed to roar only in foggy weather, but it was eccentric in that it would only sound at high tide. When the tide was low, although the weather might be thick, the thing was silent. For lack of its warning, a ship went ashore upon the island rocks, and then it was that the government abandoned its location on the windhole and erected a steam siren, or mechanical foghorn, which has since very faithfully performed the necessary service.—From "Our Seaboard Islands on the Pacific," by John E. Bennett, in Harper's Magazine.

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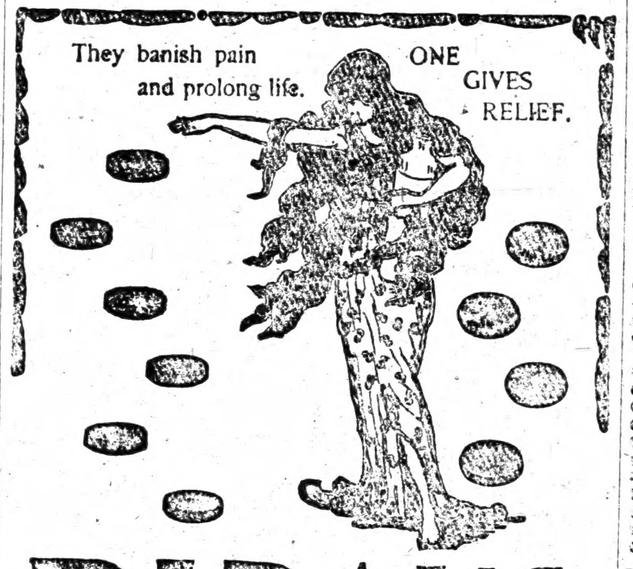

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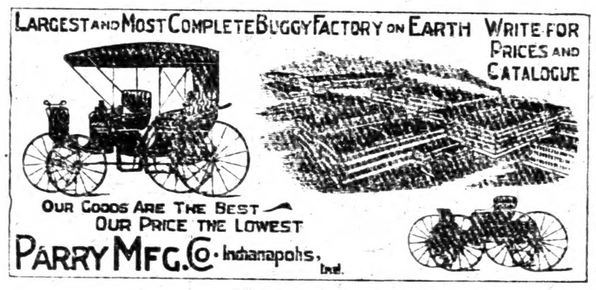

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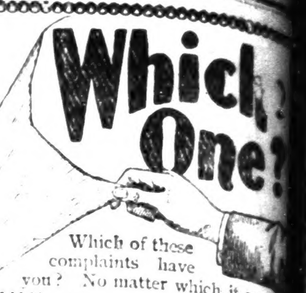

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COTTON AND COTTON PRICES

Cotton has recently been quoted New York under 5 cents per ...nd. The record is fail to show ...s low figure as ever having ...en touched before. Mr. James L. ...ains in his pamphlet on the ...roduction and Price of Cotton for ...e Hundred Years," prepared for ...e Department of agriculture in ...98, ... average quotations ... [illegible] showed the highest ... [illegible] from that year on. Once, ... price got down to 5 ...s, the bottom price for the whole ...iod which the statistics cover... ... 1895, the lowest was 5 9-16 ... or more than one cent per ...nd under 1894 at its worst, and ...west in fifty years. The 1895 ... was a heavy one of nearly ...,000 bales and more than 4,... pounds. That crop ... succeeded by two or more mod... sizes, that of 1895-96 being 4,... pounds and that of ... 1,584,000,000 pounds. ... improved and exceeded 8... at one time in 1896, but in ... suggest off under the pressure ... which as shown, proved ... larger than the one which ... quotations down. It re... however, for the yield of ... year to set up a new high... mark with 11,180,960 bales, ... 5,667,000,000 pounds. ... enormous crop of 1894-95 ... an increase of 618,000,... or close upon 13 per ... under it prices naturally ... to recover, except toward the ... of the cotton year, when there ... some doubt as to the future sup... and hopes were based on a more ... production. It has devel... that instead of a shorter crop ... forward for the current year ... is for another as heavy ... and perhaps heavier; ... prices have turned ... figure. The Finan... Chronicle reports for October ... movement of cotton has ... heavier than in the cor... month of any former ... has been exceeded but once ... similar period—November, ... Since September 1st the crop ... shows 3,638,764 bales, ... 3,358,981 bales a year ago, ... of 299,783 bales. The ... of American cotton is ... 3,374,329 bales, 839,000 ... than two years ago and ... bales in excess of the larg... corresponding date ... The quotations for mid... at New York for the ... range from 4.97 cents ... closing almost at the ... trade uncertain as ... for future values, in ... disastrous supplies press... ... For the south ... profitable cotton ... amount imports ... the prosperity of ... people, the we fare, ... and the life of ... ses into which ... enters more or ... Attention has been ... ability still open ... future, and ex... the past has met ... success. But re... come to be ... raised in this ... recognized that ... way would in... in other ... not on... but the loss of ... who, having ... the indus... shall have in... by pushing ... by letting that ... which will ap... been rejected ... is as to ... United States ... market at any ... not be to cut ... maintain the ... less than 5 cent ... by any dras... other than ... by nature, we ... the food rivals we ... pleasure. South... hardly be expected ... at 4-cent cotton, ... not been made ... cheapening cost of ... section has not ... stage of develop... agricultural lines than ... growing, and better ... the world's market at ... margin of profit than ... control—and who ... of the market?—

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Masonic Resolutions.

We, the undersigned, having been appointed a committee to draft and present for your consideration such suitable resolutions in memoriam of our deceased Brother Orman Allen Duke, beg leave to submit the following:

Brother Duke was born in Davidson county, Tennessee, January, 1843, and moved to Alabama about the year 1873, and while engaged in business in Mississippi, died on the 5th day of September, 1898, and was buried at Clanton by our Lodge on the 7th day of September 1898. Bro. Duke was made a Mason in 1877 and his petition was among the first received by Clanton Lodge. With that determination which was so characteristic of him he soon pressed his Masonic career to the door of the 32nd degree and had his life been spared none doubt but what he would have soon attained the z nith of masonic honors. Bro. Duke possessed those special qualities and rare characteristics that made him indeed "A stone fit for the builders use." He was one of the brightest stars in the masonic constellation of our State, and his admiration and love of masonry, his fidelity to our cause, and his devotion and adherence to the tenets of our order made him the recipient of many honors. He has filled with parcoable pride to himself, and credit to masonry the several stations in the Lodges from entered apprentice to 32nd degree, occupied stations in the Grand Lodge of Alabama, and was Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of Alabama from Oregon for several terms. The highest honor within the gift of this Lodge that of master was conferred upon Brother Duke. He was generous to a fault, and many a weary and despondent brother has had the bright sunlight of masonry cast across his path through his charity. Therefore, be it resolved by Clanton Lodge, 1st. That Brother Orman Allen Duke has lived the life of a true mason, and remembering that to err is human—cast around his faults the mantle of a mason's charity 2nd. That masonry has lost a devoted advocate and Clanton Lodge a consistent brother. 3rd. That to the family of our deceased Brother we extend our heartfelt sympathy, and admonish them to bear with Christian fortitude this their irreparable loss. 4th. That a page be set apart in the minutes of the Lodge to be inscribed with the name and dates of berth and death of Brother Duke, and that a copy of these resolutions under seal of the Lodge, be furnished the family of our deceased Brother.

Respectfully submitted,
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Family Resemblances.

Aunt—Whom does your new little sister most look like, your father or your mother?

Little Emma—Both. She has no teeth. That's like mommer. And she's hairless, like popper.—Toronto World.

The Papuans of the Malay coast of New Guinea are still in the most primitive state. They are wholly unacquainted with metals and make their weapons of stones, bones and wood.

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Marblesville.

Miss Mollie Gardner, of Randolph, opened up a school here; we are glad to have her with us as a...

Mr. Tipton Mullins, of Clanton, paid us a flying visit on business last week. Dr. A. S. Wooley is visiting his family in Birmingham. Mr. J. P. Hansen, one of the firm of the Vine Hill Lumber Co., has bought out Dr. A. S. Woole's store business; we are glad to have Mr. H and his accomplished family with us. Mr. J. D. Patterson has been confined to his room for several days with an abcess on his ankle. Hon. Judge Moore, of Marion, passed through here on his return from Centreville, where he has been engaged the last two weeks in his fall term of court. Mr. O. E. Latham, our hotel keeper, is a hustler. Mr. T. U. Crampton, overseer, has made quite an improvement on his road this week. Mr. U. C. Graham, one of our business young men, has gone to Tampa, Fla., where he will make his future home. His friends wishes him much success.

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On Saterday morning last the dead body of a negro baby, about one year old, was found in the swamp southeast of town. A negro, Red Wright, while out hunting, found the body and at once came and informed the Sheriff. Inquiries were set on foot and it soon developed that a young colored woman rejoicing in the name of "Mint" had disappeared, and that previous to her disappearance the baby was missing. The Sheriff got on her trail and she was captured at Wadsworth Tuesday and brought back and placed in jail. The body of the infant was decomposed and had been partly eaten by hogs. A jury was empanelled on Saturday evening and an inquest held, the verdict returned being in accordance with the evidence.

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"Look here, Bruce," said the senior decidedly, "you are a donkey. Why cannot you keep quiet instead of making your asinine remarks? I am speaking to you now as a brother"—

Loud laughter interrupted him at this point, and for the moment he wondered why.—Baltimore News.

Great Watch, Great Cow.

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Notice of Letting Poor House.

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He was receiving a dispatch from Albany, in which the sender was not overcareful in the matter of spacing his letters. Lawton took the address as follows: "Dr. A. Wing, room car agent, Central depot, New York."

The dispatch came back with the marginal report that there was no such person at the address named. The operator at Albany was called up and explanations followed, in consequence of which the address was changed to "drawing room car agent, Central depot."

A still more absurd mistake was once made in the same offices when a telegram was received for "James W. Gilespie clerk, Brooklyn nasty yard." This was afterward amended to read, "James W. Gillespie, clerk, Brooklyn navy yard."

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If Spain really wants to raise a navy she ought to send for Hobson. He is a handy man in that line.

Uncle Sam stands at the head of the league this season. He has fielded his position without an error and has made more base hits than anybody. There seems to be a hard tussle between Spain and France for tail-enders.

King Karreh, an African chief, has discovered that for the smooth veldt, or prairie, of South Africa, there is no method of transportation so delightful as that furnished by the bicycle. With spear and shield he leads the way. His followers keep up, if they can.

A report from Georgetown, British Guiana, to the Commercial Museum calls attention to the anomalous fact that while the United States send mules and horses to that country, the harness is still supplied from Glasgow. As our workmen can certainly compete with the Scotch artisans in this branch of industry there is no conceivable reason why British Guiana, which since we have acquired the Antilles is our neighbor, should not turn to this market not only for her harness but for all her industrial supplies.

The Memphis Commercial Appeal says: We are in the habit of thinking of Russia as a compact, powerful nation, able to crash any other single nation on the face of the earth. On paper she has the largest army, and it would seem that just by mere force of numbers she ought to prove irresistible. But when we consider that there are considerably more than 100 nationalities in Russia, and that more than fifty languages are spoken there, the idea of solidarity vanishes and we see the elements of weakness in an overgrown monster.

A large American manufacturing firm making a specialty of bugles and army trumpets has just received an order from the Spanish Government for 2500 such horns, to be constructed exactly like the American army bugles, to be pitched in "G," with a slide to "F." This number is regarded by army men as entirely too large for the equipment of the Spanish cavalry regiments now in existence, but it is thought possible that the Spanish army officers were so charmed by the notes from the Yankee horns that they are going to seek to make the "G" bugle the national instrument and perhaps replace the guitar with it.

With the launching of the battleship Illinois the American navy is increased by the largest and most powerful vessel in all its squadrons. The new ship is larger by 1000 tons than the victorious Oregon; when fully armed she will be a more powerful fighter than the Oregon or the Texas, and with her complete equipment in place she will present to the maritime nations a magnificent example of American genius and skill in naval construction. Here's hoping—and believing, too—that the new battleship may prove worthy of her sponsor State! May she never fire a gun without cause, nor ever cease firing until the enemy signals "Enough!"

Admiral Walker's commission reports that the Nicaragua Canal can be completed for $125,000,000. The canal is to be 170 miles long, of which about 100 is in Lake Nicaragua. The Erie Canal is 325 miles long and cost $52,000,000 only with all improvements. The Suez Canal is ninety-two miles long and cost $102,000,000. But the Nicaragua Canal, 170 miles long, would save 10,000 miles in the route from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It would have saved that to the Oregon on her trip to join the fleet, it would save that to her now on her trip with the Iowa to Manila. It is an important question whether it would not save its cost in a short time by shortening thus the route for ships. We may see the day when it will be supremely important to concentrate our battleships on one sea coast and there will be no time in which to send them 10,000 miles around the Horn, observes the New York Commercial Advertiser.

Three Persons Cremated.

By the burning of a lare livery barn at Ferry, Mich., Saturday, Mrs. Taylor, wife of its owner, her daughter, and an old man, lost their lives. Mr. Taylor escaped, but was frightfully burned.

NEGOTIATIONS MAY FAIL.

Spanish Government Will Stand by Her Commissioners

IN REGARD TO THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Aspect is Growing Serious, and Hostilities May be Renewed at Any Time—Cabinet Members' Anxiety.

PARIS.—The Spaniards declare that their refusal to sign a treaty based on any Philippine terms thus far suggested by the United States is irrevocable. They say that they do not and cannot view the taking of the Philippines as anything else than a wanton ravishment of their possessions unless it is accompanied by a financial consideration of appreciable size.

The turn of events in the peace conference depends upon the purpose or the willingness of the American commissioners to extend them finaficial terms. Spanish sovereignty in the Philippines is now clung to by the Spaniards chiefly as a means to obtain financial relief if possible. It is also purely a matter of money now, if the amount be large enough to absolve the Spanish government from possible charges by their creditors that the collateral has been given away. Persons near to Spain's heaviest creditors believe that should the Americans assume the Philippine debt or pay Spain its face amount in cash the Spaniards would sign.

If they have not already done so, the Spanish commissioners will ultimately advise the Americans that they must not permit any controversy as to the binding character of the mortgage, resting upon the revenues of the Philippines to pay the so-called Cuban debt. Tenacious adherence to this claim would set up on the Spanish side an ultimatum under which no treaty would be signed which did not stipulate that the Philippine revenues should pay the Philippine debt. In such event the Americans would probably claim that the Philippine debt of $40,000,000 amounts to $20,000,000 in gold, of which $11,000,000 has been employed in fighting the United States, leaving less than $10,000,000 chargeable in gold to the Philippines. The United States would doubtless maintain that even the reduced amount was used in fighting the Philipinos, and object to the Spanish conclusion that it is a fair charge against the Americans.

WASHINGTON.—There is evident anxiety in official circles over the prospect of Spain's commissions withdrawing from the peace negotiations. The cabinet has taken a sombre view of the situation, and some of the members do not hesitate to say that they fear a rupture. This is the first time that the administration has been willing to admit such a denouement. The situation is very grave, for as soon as one of the parties concerned withdraws the countries are at once on a war footing again. One member of the cabinet said that there were grave fear of open hostilities being begun again, though it seemed incredible that Spain would enter upon such a suicidal policy.

The government has renewed and strengthened its determination that the Spanish evacuation of Cuba and the American occupation shall not be deferred beyond January 1 next. This conclusion has been communicated to the Spanish government within the last few days, in answer to an urgent request that the date of evacuation be put off because of the large number of Spanish troops remaining on the island, who, it it was represented, could not be moved before January 1. Not being a subject which could be treated by the commission at Paris or at Havana, the request of the Spanish government has been forwarded to Washington through the French embassy, which received also as forwarded by cables the refusal of the government to put off the date of assuming control.

The Daily London Graphic says: "The Spanish Transatlantic fleet has been ordered to be prepared for a renewal of hostilities and the forts in the Canary islands are being rapidly manned."

Fell From a Train Near Cherokee.

The body of an unknown white man was found near Cherokee, Ala., where he had fallen from a train and been killed. It is thought he was a member of the force of Clark's circus. The dead man was left behind and was endeavoring to catch up with the circus when killed.

An Incendiary Soldier.

Private Slaver, of the Sixty-ninth New York, set fire to the provost guard-house and county court house at Huntsville, Ala., at an early hour Tuesday, but the flames were extinguished by the department. Slaver was arrested.

Killed His Father-in-Law.

Friday evening of last week, at Glasgow, Ky., about 7 o'clock, Robert Brown walked into Louis McClelland's house, in Neil chapel neighborhood, and commenced firing, killing McClelland and wounding his daughter Bertha, who, it is thought will die before morning. An old family feud was the cause of the shooting. Brown, who is McClelland's son-in-law, made his escape. Officers and friends of McClelland are in hot pursuit.

NEW SOUTHERN INDUSTRIES.

Many Important Industries Are Starting Throughout the South.

Among the special reports of new industries made by the Chattanooga, Tenn., Tradesman during the week ended November 12, 1898, the more important are a new by-product plant in the Birmingham district; a $10,000 brick works in Louisiana, recently burned, to be rebuilt; car works and repair shops in Tennessee; a new cotton mill in each of the Carolinas; electric light plants in Alabama, Louisiana and Texas; flouring mills in North Carolina and Virginia; the development of gold mines in Georgia and North Carolina; a handle factory in West Virginia; a hemp factory in Kentucky; a $100,000 hydro-carbon lighting and heating company in Arkansas; an ice factory in Kentucky; five lumber companies: in Alabama a $10,000 investment, in Arkansas $50,000; in Georgia $20,000, in Kentucky $75,000, in Texas $25,000; a large stave factory in Arkansas, owned by a Michigan company; a $250,000 steamboat company, organized by Mississippians; talc mines in North Carolina; telephone companies in Alabama and Kentucky, and tobacco factories in Kentucky and Tennessee.

Received His Sentence.

In the United States court at Birmingham, Ala., Tuesday, William Robert, alias Bob Taylor, who turned state's evidence against his companions in crime, charged with the murder of W. A. Thompson, a government witness, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the United States penitentiary at Raleigh, N. C., and fined $100 and costs.

The murder of Thompson occurred on March 14 last, near his home in Talladega county, Alabama. As he was passing a lonely spot in the mountains he was fired upon by a party of moonshiners who lay in wait for him. He made a desperate struggle for his life. His body was discovered two days afterwards.

Wife Killed and Husband Crippled.

An unfortunate accident, in which Mrs. Dock Holt was instantly killed and her husband severely hurt, occurred a few miles from Stevenson, Ala., the other day. Mr. and Mrs. Holt had gone to a store near by, both riding the same mule. They started home, and while riding under a big tree a large limb became loosened and fell, striking the unfortunate woman on the head, producing instant death. The fall of the limb, which struck her husband as well threw both riders to the ground, where friends found them several hours later, the woman dead and the man badly hurt, having his leg crushed. Mr. Holt had only one leg, the other having been amputated years ago.

Had an Exciting Time With Moonshiners

Deputy Revenue Collector W. C. Haulin returned to Birmingham, Ala., Monday, from Franklin county, near the line of Alabama and Mississippi, where, with Deputy Marshals C. M. Tompkins, J. M. Ezell, and two other men, he had an exciting time and destroyed two large illicit distilling outfits. The stills were located in the neighborhood known as "Freedom's Hill," and is said to be abounding with illicit distillers and highwaymen. The officers destroyed two 75-gallon copper stills and had a lively chase after two men, during which Deputy Tompkins fell down and had his shoulder dislocated. The men escaped.

May Mean More War.

Major-General Merriam is quoted as saying: "It would not surprise me to see that the negotiations between the United States and Spain have been broken off. If the work of the commission proves fruitless, it means a renewal of the war. If Spain refuses to accede to our demands it will show that she has secured substantial hope of assistance or European intervention. Should Germany take a hand in this matter England will follow suit, then I look for France to put her finger in the pie."

James Richardson Dead.

James Richardson, the largest cotton planter in the world, died suddenly Tuesday night of heart disease, near his residence, at Benoit, Miss.

Legislature Convenes.

The general assembly of Alabama met in biennial session Tuesday, at noon.

Soldiers Have Lively Time.

Huntsville, Ala., experienced a lively time with the soldiers camped there Tuesday. Seventy-five provost guards were on duty, and more than 100 arrests were made.

Adelina Patti to Marry.

Mme Adelina Patti Nicolini announces her betrothal to Von Corderstren, a Swedish nobleman. The marriage will take place next February.

Death of an Alabama Journalist.

S. I. Jones, formerly editor of the Tuskaloosa American, has died at Rocky Ford, Col., where he went in search of health.

Twenty Persons Drowned.

The ice on the river Suchona, at Velictustug, Russia, gave way Tuesday while a number of people and vehicles were crossing the stream. Twenty persons were drowned.

Supposed to Be Lost.

The British ship Laurel Bank, Captain H. K. Lindsay, bound from Shanghai for Portland, Ore., is out seventy-five days and she has been given up for lost.

AMERICANS ARE ARRAIGNED.

Philippinos Present a Claim to President McKinley.

CLAIM THAT BLOODSHED MAY RESULT

Unless the Americans' Dealings With the Togales are Tempered by Justice and Fairness—Spaniards Shown More Regard.

HONG KONG.—The Filipino junta, representatives of Aguinaldo and the Filipino government have drawn up what they designate as an appeal to President McKinley and the American people, but what is in reality rather in the nature of an arraignment of American actions in the Philippines. John Barrett, former United States minister to Siam, has been asked by the junta to present the memorial to the United States government.

The memorial says: "We, the Hong Kong representatives of our countrymen, appeal to the great and good judgment of President McKinley and to the spirit of fairness of the American people as it is shown in the regard for the petitions of the weak and oppressed.

"While the fate of the islands is still undecided, and we are doing all in our power to prevent a conflict between the Americans and Filipinos—awaiting patiently the conclusion of the Paris conference—we implore the intervention of the president, supported by the will of the people, to end the slights shown our leaders, soldiers and people by some of the American military and naval officers, although we do not wish to wrong Admiral Dewey or General Otis."

The memorial avers that "false reports are spread broadcast alleging that the Filipinos are responsible for all the friction;" points out "that the tension is greater every day, and any moment a shot may be fired by an irresponsible American or Filipino soldier, leading to great bloodshed," and beseeches the United States to "help the junta control our people by directing American officials at Manila to temper their relations with justice and fairness."

"From the commencement of hostilities, the Filipinos acceded to all the American requirements, but after bottling up the Spaniards in Manila, the Filipinos were completely ignored when the Americans arrived and thus deprived of the fruits of victory. Now, after months of campaigning, the Filipino troops have been ordered beyond the suburbs, where they have no quarters and where supplies are difficult to obtain. All our launches have been seized because of foolish rumors that we would attack the Americans. The Spaniards of late, the enemies of the Americans, have been shown every consideration, while the Filipinos, their friends and allies, are often treated as enemies."

After emphasizing the junta's "absolute confidence in President McKinley and the people of the great republic," stating that "our protests are not prompted by animosity, but are directed against conditions existing at Manila and not against the American government, acknowledging our gratitude to American arms," and expressing a hope "that the islands are not to be returned to Spain," the memorial concludes thus:

"We wait the arbitrament of the peace commission with even greater interest than the Americans, because it concerns our land, our happiness and our freedom. In the meantime we shall pray for peace and a perfect understanding with the Americans."

Well-Known Prelate Dies.

William Hickley Gross, archbishop of Oregon, Roman Catholic church, died at St. Joseph's hospital, Baltimore, Md., Monday, of heart disease. Archbishop Gross was in attendance upon a celebration at St. Charles college, Ellicott City, Md., and was taken sick on November 6th, since which time he has been confined in his bed in St. Joseph's hospital. It was thought that his condition was improving and that he would recover, but a sudden change for the worse resulted in his death.

Archbishop Gross was well known throughout Georgia, having been bishop of the Savannah diocese a number of years ago.

Needs No Outside Aid.

The Weisenger Tobacco Company of Louisville, Ky., has declined to become a part of the Continental Tobacco combination. It is said the company has had offers from several parties to run its factory on an independent basis, but it is well known that the company needs no outside aid.

Chinese Deported.

The miners employed in the vicinity of Silverton, B. C., have rounded up all the Chinese laborers in the various camps and shipped them out of the district. The Mongolians are expected to return to China by the next steamer.

Have Enlarged Their Trains.

On account of the increased traffic, the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad have been compelled to enlarge their day passenger trains by adding an express car and a first-class coach.

Carrier Held Up.

The mail driver between Albertville and Dawson was held up Monday evening by highwaymen. The mail sack was taken and ripped open and all registered matter stolen.

SHOT TO DEATH.

Mysterious Murder of Stephen Carter, a Lake Park, Ga.

In Echols county, five miles from Lake Park, Ga., Stephen Carter, a prosperous, widely known and highly respected farmer, was shot to death Friday night while standing upon his own threshhold. Two loads of buck shot and two pistol balls, all in the head, accomplished Carter's instant death. Carter and his 12 year-old son came to Lake Park Friday, where he sold three bales of cotton, receiving pay in a draft, which he carried home with him.

Carter had been home but a short time when he went to the front door to get a drink of water. His wife had retired, and there was no one about the place. He opened the door and stepped out upon the front porch, where it was the custom to keep a bucket of fresh water. Just as he emerged from the door the shots were fired in rapid succession, two from a shotgun and two from a pistol. With the reports he fell back in his doorway stone dead, the blood flowing in torrents from his lacerated head and face. Mrs. Carter sprang from her bed, and was almost instantly joined by her son, who came from his bedroom. With the dinner horn they quickly aroused near-by neighbors.

His tragic death recalls another that happened in the same section two or three years ago when the first husband of Mrs. Carter was shot down in his house as mysteriously as was the tragedy of last night.

The man's name was Frank Colson, and he, too, was a prosperous farmer. For some years he and his wife were separated, the wife living with her son-in-law. One night Colson went out of his house for something, and was shot down on his porch. Some time afterwards Mrs. Colson was married to Carter.

Row Among Soldiers.

Private Jackson, Troop N, was instantly killed and Corporal Garrett, Troop H, mortally wounded Saturday night, at Huntsville, Ala., by "Horse" Douglas, a negro tough of that city. Both men belonged to the Tenth cavalry. No one saw the killing. Douglas was seen with the two soldiers at 10 o'clock in the tough part of the city. Three pistol shots were heard soon after, and in the early morning Jackson was found dead and Garrett mortally wounded, with a bullet in his head. Douglas' pistol had three empty shells. He is in jail, but denies the crime. Some rumor has been circulated all during the day that the Tenth cavalry would lynch the prisoner, but the sheriff fears no such violence.

Death of a Brilliant Officer.

Adjutant-General Corbin received a message Friday last from General Wade, chairman of the Cuban evacuation commission at Havana, reporting the death from yellow fever of Lieutenant-Colonel Charles W. Williams, colonel. Williams was the youngest officer in his grade. He was a native of Kentucky, and was appointed to the military academy from that state. He was graduated July 1, 1871, and after four year's service as second lieutenant in the Eighteenth infantry was appointed to the quartermaster's department with the rank of captain. In Havana he held the rank of colonel. Mrs. Williams and family are now in Washington. She is a daughter of General John B. Gordon, of Georgia.

Death of a Prominent Jurist.

Judge Martin V. Montgomery, one of the best known members of the Michigan bar, died in Lansing at his residence Saturday night. He was a prominent figure in the Cleveland administration, and in 1885 was appointed United States commissioner of patents. He afterwards served on the supreme court bench of the District of Columbia.

Protection Against Colonies.

Henry T. Oxnard president of the American Beet Sugar Association, has made a statement showing that a concerted action is being planned by the beet sugar and tobacco producers of the United States regarding the colonial policy of the United States. They will ask President McKinley and congress to establish protective rates against the importation of goods from the Philippines and elsewhere, so that home producers will at least have the advantage of being on a par with the cheap labor and climatic conditions of the newly acquired territory.

Good Railroad Record for Alabama.

The railroad commission of Alabama has made its report to the governor, showing the business of the railroads in this state for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898: Gross earnings, $10,441,486.57; operating expenses, $11,180,000; passengers carried, 2,780,959; freight carried, 17,501,64 tons; 36 passengers were injured by accident, none of which proved fatal; 1,500 employes were injured, resulting in the death of 37; miles of new road constructed, 251; $590,563.62 was paid by the roads for taxes, the new roads not being liable for assessment.

Survey of Elk River.

Assistant Engineer Hall, of Chattanooga, was in Florence, Ala., Saturday, having just recently completed the survey of Elk river from Fayetteville, Tenn., to the mouth of the river, where it empties into the Tennessee above Shoal creek, fifteen miles above that city. He reports a fall of 133 feet in the ninety-five miles surveyed. Small boats with a very light draft frequently go up Elk river for a distance of a few miles when the river is high.

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The Dismantled Cruiser Lies on a Coral Reef.

BRITISH NAVY CLAIMS THE VESSEL

American Consul Has Entered Protest—Vessel Rests in an Easy Position, But it is Feared Has Been Badly Damaged.

Wreckers who have arrived at Nassau, N. P., brought with them stories from a stranded vessel off Cat Island, which establishes beyond a doubt that she is the Infanta Maria Teresa. As the vessel is looked upon as being a derelict, the wreckers claim the right to seize the stores which can be saved. They report that the water is up between her decks; that she has a list to the starboard, which side is damaged, and that she is dismasted. The vessel lies between reefs on a smooth bottom and has her anchor out.

The British admiralty authorities are going to take possession of the Maria Teresa as a derelict. The American consul has protested against this course, claiming everything less the salvage.

Opinions differ as to the chance of saving the cruiser. Although she has been aground since Thursday, the Maria Teresa rests in an easy position and the weather is moderate.

The officials at the navy department are interested in the news from Nassau identifying clearly the steamship lying off Cat Island as the Maria Teresa. The legal status of the vessel has been considered cursorily, and it is the opinion of the department the title of the United States to her is unimpaired; notwithstanding the fact that it was necessary to abandon her for the time. There may be a question involved as to the payment of salvage to the Bahama fishermen, but that depends in a large measure on what they have done. If they have simply been looting the vessel, then not only are they not entitled to salvage, but the goods stolen may be recovered. On the other hand, if it was the fishermen who anchored the ship in smooth water, and if they made any endeavor to bring her in, probably they would have a good claim for salvage. The vessel, however, is not subject to detention on this account, international law exempting national vessels from seizure on any score in time of peace. In such case the salvor might, after allowing the vessel to proceed, present their claim to the government of the United States through the diplomatic representatives of the British government.

From the account received it is feared that the damage to the vessel sustained through the storm and the probable pounding on the coral reefs surrounding Cat Island, added to the wounds received by the ship in action when she was sunk originally are sufficient to render her entirely valueless. Nothing but an expert's examination can determine this point, but as the Merritt experts are already on their way to Cat Island, the question will soon be decided. The navy department has decided that a court of inquiry shall be held to determine whether the abandonment of the Teresa at sea was justifiable, and if not, who was responsible. The report that the water in the hull was level between decks, taken in connection with the fact that the vessel was rolling her spoonsons under when abandoned, is believed to make out a very favorable case for the people aboard the Teresa, unless it should be shown that this great volume of water was admitted through injury sustained on the coral reefs at Cat Island after the vessel was abandoned.

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A decision has been rendered by the Michigan supreme court, which in effect, declares a boycott as unlawful and an unwarrantable menace, intimidation and coercion.

WAR OF RACES IN THE CAROLINAS.

Pitched Battle Between White and Negroes.

WILMINGTON'S NEW COUNCIL

...South Carolina the Result of an Election ... Has a Bloody Termination—Troops Scouring the Country.

...WASHINGTON, N. C.—A riot broke ... of last week ... the death of at... ... and three white ... ...ers and light ... ...ed to being ... hostilities, but ... fearless. White ... ...the city of negro ...

...In the hands of a new ... In the after... ...noon the board of aldermen resigned ...ce by vote. As each alderman vacated, the remainder elected a successor named by the citizens' committee, until the entire board was changed legally. They resigned in response to public sentiment. The mayor and chief of police have also resigned, and the new board elected their successors, according to law. Ex-Representative Waddell was elected mayor and E. G. Parmlee, chief of police. The first act of the new government was to swear in 250 special policemen, chosen from the most reputable white citizens. They are vested with all the authority, and will take possession of the city. The white citizens will remain on guard throughout the town to prevent possible attempts at incendiarism. The new government will devote its attention to restraining the feeling among the whites, as well as to keeping down lawlessness among the negroes.

The trouble commenced at 8:30 in the morning, when an armed body of citizens, numbering about 100, and led by ex-Representative Waddell, chairman of a committee of twenty-five, appointed for the purpose, proceeded to the publishing house of a negro newspaper, the Record, to wreck it. The editor of this paper had published an article, defamatory of white women, and a mass meeting of citizens ordered his expulsion from the city within twenty-four hours and the removal of his press. Fifteen leading negroes were called in by the committee of twenty-five last night and ordered to notify the chairman this morning whether they would agree to the removal of the press. They were informed that if no answer was received the press would be demolished. No answer was received by the chairman this morning, and, after waiting an hour, the citizens proceeded in a body and demolished the fixtures of the printing office.

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The incident of the day was the killing of Essex Harrison. Down the road came a squad of mounted cavalrymen with Harrison marching ahead with guns and rifles drawn on him. Fifteen men lined up on the roadside. The negro was put out in the road and told to go toward the pile of dead negroes. He started; there was a ring of rifles and Harrison pitched forward dead. Harrison, it is alleged, was a member of the crowd that killed Etheridge.

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John R. Tolbert, collector of the port at Charleston, and Joe Tolbert have left the county and gone to Columbia. Reed Tolbert has gone to Greenville. Ezra Tolbert is quartered with friends. His son was shot and this, with the plea that he is a non-partisan, has nine children and a wife alone has saved him from death. A committee waited on J. W. Tolbert, assistant postmaster at McCormick, and asked him to get out of that town. He left. Several in the mob wanted to burn Tolbert's property, but better advice prevailed.

Fully 300 men scoured the country around Phoenix, where the first trouble occurred, hoping to find the bands of negroes said to be congregated in the neighborhood. The Tolberts are of good family, made fine southern soldiers and have been republicans since the war.

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POLITICAL PRISONERS

Being Transported From the African Penal Settlement to Havana.

The Spanish steamer Isla De Panay, from Cadiz, arrived at San Juan de Porto Rico, Friday last with 292 Cuban political prisoners on board bound for Havana. The prisoners left the African penal settlement of Ceuta on October 28, and left Cadiz on the 30th. They have served sentences from two to three years' imprisonment, and were given emigrant accommodations on the Isle De Panay. On board that vessel they were constantly kept under the guard of Spanish soldiers. The prisoners are badly off in the way of clothing, none having been supplied by the government. But there were few sick among them. The Isla De Panay is due to arrive at Havana on November 15.

The Spanish government is paying the transportation charges, but the prisoners complain of the presence of the guard of soldiers, declaring they are now free men. They admit, however, that they have not been ill-treated on board the steamer.

The Porto Rican papers have been notified by the authorities of the decision of the authorities at Washington to accord them second-class matter rates, and they are greatly pleased.

KILLED WHILE FIGHTING FIRE.

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...Bert E. Page was in... ...and John McCormack ... ...s, the latter colored, ... injured by a falling ... they were fighting fire in ... occupied by the medical ... departments of the Uni... ...Tennessee. The loss was ... insured. The fire was ... destructive and exceedingly ... by reason of the fact ... were in the building a ... of barrels of alcohol in ... ...s, accumulated for dis... ...preserved.

Insurgents Besiege Iloilo.

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A MERRIMAC HERO.

Osculatory Girls Greet Him—Presented With a Sword.

A special from Stuart, Ia., says: "Osborn Deignan, one of the men of Merrimac fame, arrived here, was met by 500 people, who escorted him home. Eighteen or twenty club girls surrounded him at the depot and attempted to kiss him, but he pushed all back, saying there were handsomer men in the crowd than he. The municipal authorities presented Deignan with a sword and Governor Shaw and other prominent Iowans made speeches. Deignan ran away from his home here years ago."

The steamship Monarch cleared last Friday from New Orleans for Liverpool with the largest general cargo ever carried from that port, embracing 20,630 bales of cotton, 28,000 bushels of corn, 19,000 staves. Weight of cargo, 18,303,000 pounds; value, $...2,000.

At Galveston, Tex., Major Edwin D. Easley, a prominent citizen, shot and killed in his office Wm. B. Blythe, a reporter on the Tribune.

FAVOR A NEW CONSTITUTION.

Committee Has Outlined Plan of Action and Will Be Aggressive.

One of the most vital questions to come before the present Alabama assembly which met Tuesday, is that of calling a constitutional convention. The committee which was appointed by the State Commercial and Industrial Association some time ago to take the matter in hand, met in Montgomery Saturday and outlined a plan of action. The committee decided that the time is ripe for an aggressive campaign for a new constitution, and resolutions were adopted advising that the work be pushed forward, taking negro suffrage as the main issue and giving the people a guarantee that the general provision of the present constitution on the subject of taxation shall be preserved and the limitations in their essential features remain unchanged. It was the opinion of all that a reform of the suffrage is the paramount issue, and the wisdom of the convention will insure protection on all secondary issues.

GLASS WORKS RESUME

And Nearly Ten Thousand Persons Secure Employment.

Window glass factories of Pittsburg, Pa., with a capacity of about 1,100 pots started work Monday and nearly 10,000 men and boys are earning their first money in over half a year. Of the total number about 1,900 pots controlled by the American Glass Company, only 500 were operated before the agreement was reached Monday.

An Alexandria, Ind., dispatch says: "After five months' idleness work has been resumed at the United, DePauw and Alexandria window glass factories. One thousand men will be given employment.

American Citizen Unlawfully Held.

A dispatch from Nogales, Arizona, says that on Sunday last James Temple, a conductor on the New Mexico & Arizona railroad, was attacked by some Mexicans and in defending himself, shot one of them at Juan Arvalis fatally. This occurred about 2,000 feet north of the international boundary line. Later he returned to his hotel, which is south of the line and was arrested by Mexican officers on a charge of murder, the law of the state of Sonora providing for the trial of any person charged with crime against a Mexican citizen, though the crime may have been committed in a foreign country. Friends of Temple engaged an attorney, but the Mexican authorities refused to allow the prisoner to be seen. United States Consul J. F. Darnall then appealed to the state department at Washington. Secretary Hay demanded the immediate release of Temple.

Proposed Meat Inspection.

The Hamburger Nachrichten, of Hamburg, Germany, referring to the projected meat inspection bill says: "The Americans ought to be glad that Germany forces them gradually to adopt her own methods of meat inspection. Hitherto American inspection has been untrustworthy. So far as the threat of American isolation is concerned, America may be able to improve the presence of poisons in German wines, woolens, toys and chemicals, as Germany proves the presence of trichinea in American pork.

Quarantine Raised.

The state of Texas has raised the yellow fever quarantine, and the quarantine inspectors and guards have been withdrawn. All existing quarantines in the south against the fever, as far as it extends to disinfection and detention, have been raised though the usual regular inspection at the ports, will be continued all the year round.

Will Do Garrison Duty.

The Eighth Cavalry sailed at 5 o'clock Sunday morning from Savannah for Puerto Principe, Cuba. The regiment will be the American Garrison at Puerte Principe and Neuvitas. Arrangements have been made by the Spanish authorities to send back to Spain the Spanish troops, numbering 9,500 men, upon the arrival of the American garrison.

Stills Destroyed.

Three moonshine stills, with a total capacity of 140 gallons, have been destroyed the past few days in Alabama Two arrests were made.

Emperor William in Syria.

A dispatch from Baalbek, Syria, says Emperor William and Empress Auguste Victoria encamped in the ruins of the temple of Baal, and Emperor William unveiled a marble slab bearing a commemorative inscription in Turkish and German, in front of the temple of Venus. All the ruins were magnificently illuminated.

Express Train Held Up.

The Great Northern through train was held up and robbed at Pelican river bridge, near Fergus Falls, Minn., Thursday night. There were eight robbers in the gang, all well armed. It is thought that they secured considerable money.

RETURNS FROM NEVADA.

Shows That Republican Governor Has Been Elected.

Latest returns show that McMillan, republican, has been elected governor of Nevada. Careful compilation of the next legislature shows that it stands for United States Senator Stewart on joint ballot. Against Stewart, 25; for Stewart, 15; doubtful, 4, with one county having one assemblyman, still to hear from.

REFUSE TO OBEY ORDERS.

Spanish Troops Refuse to Fire on Mutinous Police Force.

SPAIN MUST CEDE THE PHILIPPINES.

Military Have Control of Havana and Business Resuming Its Normal Condition—Other Pertinent News.

HAVANA, CUBA.—The Orden Publico force, cavalry and infantry regiments, was disbanded last Friday after a part payment of arrears. The Orden Publico organization has ceased to exist. The trouble leading to the disbandment of the force began with the protest of the third company on Thursday morning before the palace. At that time General Solano, chief of staff of General Blanco, addressed the men and led them back to their places, where the men gave cheers for Spain and General Blanco. General Arolas, military Governor of Havana, ordered more than 4,000 troops quartered in the outskirts of Havana to march into the city, where they arrived at nightfall.

At the head of a portion of these troops General Arolas marched toward the Orden Publico quarters, where the protesting third company was drawn up in the street under arms. The regulars refused to charge or fire upon their brother soldiers when ordered to do so, in the hope of intimidating the men, who were finally persuaded to retire to their quarters. Minor uprisings occurred during the night among other regiments. Barring these incidents the military have maintained thorough control of the city. The sum total of the casualties Thursday night was a lieutenant-colonel on General Arolas's staff wounded in the hand and another wounded seriously.

The city has again resumed its normal tranquility, although the regulars are still quartered in the principal streets and parks of the city as a precautionary movement.

Spain Must Cede the Philippines.

The cabinet at Washington held a special session Saturday night last, at which instructions of a positive character, bearing on the Philippine question, were drafted for dispatch to the American commissioners in Paris. These instructions were the outcome of the conference held earlier in the day and instructs the American representatives to admit of no further discussion as to the right to consider the disposition of the islands, and state that on that point the instructions already sent must stand, the only matters for discussion from the American view being the manner of giving over the islands.

COTTON ON VESSEL BURNED.

Fire Discovered on the British Steamship Mic Mac.

Just as the last bale of cotton of the cargo of the British steamship Mic Mac was being put in place Friday afternoon, at Brunswick, Ga., fire was discovered in the afterhold. The department was at once called out and several streams of water turned into the closely packed cotton. The fire had evidently been smoldering for several days. The flames were extinguished after two hours' hard work on the part of the local firemen and the steamer's crew. It is estimated that 150 bales were consumed, the total loss reaching about $4,500. The Mic Mac was consigned to A. F. Churchill. The loss is covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is believed to have been purely accidental.

Surgeon Kernachan's Good Luck.

Dr. W. J. Kernachan, of Florence, Ala., late of the First Alabama Volunteers has been appointed to the position of brigade surgeon in the regular army. The appointment is the result of Dr. Kernachan's admirable work while the First was in camp and the recommendation of General Wheeler that he be retained in the army service. Dr. Kernachan is recovering from a spell of illness at his home in Florence, but as soon as he is well enough he will report for duty to General Wheeler at Huntsville.

Presents for the Soldiers.

The 17th of the present month will be the last date upon which the folks at home may send Christmas presents to the soldiers at Manila through government agency. The quartermaster's department has chartered a steamer, which will leave San Francisco on that date, and this will be the last steamer to reach Manila before Christmas. Persons wishing to forward goods to friends in the army at Manila must cause the same to be delivered free of charge to the depot quartermaster at San Francisco, properly directed.

Preparing Winter Quarters.

Chattanooga contractors have put several hundred men to work building the mess halls and assembly rooms for the regiments that are to spend the winter at Huntsville, Ala. Two buildings are being erected for each company, or twenty-four for a full regiment.

Will Have a New Court House.

The corner stone of the new court house, to be erected at Decatur, Ga., will be laid on Thanksgiving day. It will cost $50,000.

STRIKERS WHIP THE FIGHT.

Coal Company Agrees to Pay the State Scale at Once.

The differences between the Chicago-Virden Coal company at Virden and Auburn, Ill., and the striking miners, have been settled, and the shafts will soon be in operation. The company agreed to pay the state scale of 40 cents per ton, but did not want to tear down the stockade. Finally the company accepted the offer of the miners that they would take it down and charge the company nothing for the labor.

General Reese, of Springfield, has notified Sheriff Davenport that the remaining troops guarding the Chicago Virden Coal Company's shafts at Virden should be removed. Since the difference between the coal company and the miners have been settled, troops are no longer needed. The grand jury adjourned. General pressure is being brought to bear by influential persons that nothing shall result from its investigations. A prominent member of the jury admitted that such was the case. He had quantly declared that it was the intention of the grand jury not to be affected by any outside pressure.

IS CAPT. DREYFUS ALIVE?

French Government Declines to Allow Officer's Wife to Visit Him.

Madame Dreyfus appeared at the office of the colonial minister in Paris, Friday, for permission to send her husband some warm clothing for his return home. Her sequest was refused on the ground that the government would do whatever was necessary. At the same time the authorities read to her a letter from her husband to the effect that having for five months addressed appeals for a revision to General De Boisdeffre without getting any reply, and being wearied and exhausted by his useless appeals, he would write no more to his family or to anybody. He described himself as ill and dying and "bequeathed to the generosity of my country the care of rehabilitating my memory."

Madame Dreyfus then asked permission to telegraph her husband the decision of the court of cassation. This request was also refused. Then, through a friend, she appealed to President Faure, but with no better results. Her consul will bring the matter before the court of cassation.

PROUD OF HIS DEED.

Luccheni Convicted of Assassinating the Austrian Empress.

At Geneva, Switzerland, the Italian anarchist, Luigi Luccheni, was convicted of killing Empress Elizabeth, of Austria, on September 10th last, in that city, and has been sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for life, the full penalty allowed by the Swiss law.

Luccheni admitted that he came to Geneva in order to kill the Duke of Orleans, but he arrived too late. The prisoner then remarked that in spite of this the Duke of Orleans would be killed within a year. The prisoner also said that if he had possessed fifty francs on the morning of the assassination, instead of killing the empress of Austria, he would have started for Italy, with the intention of killing King Humbert.

SLAUGHTER AT PANA IMMINENT

Negro Miners and the Whites Are Almost Certain to Clash.

At Pana, Ill., William Lynch, who was employed by the Pana Coal Company up to the time of the strike, has been shot at by negroes and run into the house. Then they shot through the house of a widow, Mrs. McIntrye, who was taking care of her sick daughter.

The negroes in the Flat Hall district came running out and began to shoot in all directions. They kept shooting until the militia arrived on the scene. When the shooting began many women and children ran to Captain Butler, of company B, for protection. As far as known no person was struck by the bullets. Things are in such a state that it is dangerous for any one to go out in the mining district at night.

The citizens say if something is not done before long there will be an outbreak and every negro and operator will be killed.

The McGregor stave factory at Florence, Ala., will increase its capacity to 5,000,000 staves per year. Sixty men are employed in the factory.

Preferred Death Rather Than Manila.

Lieutenant Herman G. Dressel committed suicide in Baltimore, Md., by shooting himself in the head. From papers found on his body it was surmised that he killed himself because he had been ordered to Manila to join the United States steamship Zafiro.

Disastrous Fire in the Klondike.

Returning Klondikers to Skaguay, Alaska, bring news of a destructive fire at Dawson City. The fire was the result of a row between two women in a saloon, one of whom threw a lighted lamp at her rival. The loss aggregates $500,000. Forty log houses were destroyed.

Gadsden to Have Electric Cars.

Electric cars will soon be a reality in Gadsden. The Alabama Light and Power Company has been granted permission to construct, maintain and operate a light and power plant. The plant will be equipped with the very latest machinery, and will cost $25,000.

The miners of Pratt City, Ala., have nominated delegates to a state convention to be held at Birmingham on the third Monday in December.

WAR ADVENTURES OF A BOY.

Ran Away from Home, Was Wounded in Cuba, and Made Money.

A few days ago Mrs. Dawson, wife of the army hospital steward at Fort Porter, Buffalo, N. Y., was made happy by the receipt of a postal card bearing the brief message: "I will be home in a few days. Don't worry." It was signed just plain "Willie." The card was mailed at New York, and was the first Mrs. Dawson had received from her son in weeks.

Willie is sixteen years old. Until he reached home he was looked upon as only an ordinary boy. Today he struts around the military reservation, the pride of his parents and the envy of his brothers and sisters as well as of the other boys in the neighborhood. He is a veteran traveller and a wealthy boy. Besides, he also already possesses a bank account with $200 cash, which he earned and dressed in new clothes. Besides he was wounded by the Spaniards, escaped from yellow fever and was bitten by a tarantula.

When the Thirteenth Regiment left Fort Porter for the South at the beginning of the war it went by a special train. Among other boys and men going on the train was "Bud," bag gage" was Will Dawson and his older brother, both of whom had run away from home without a word. They managed to exist until the train reached Tampa, after which it was smooth sailing for them, as the soldiers of the regiment found them and saw to it that they had enough to eat. But it was not for this kind of life that Willie left home. He looked the ground over and tried to find something which the soldiers in the big camp wanted and he could supply. In that hot climate he decided it was something cold, and borrowing a quarter from one of his friends, a private in Company C, he started a lemonade stand. The first night he repaid the money he borrowed and a few days later started two more stands, establishing his brother and another boy in the business. When the orders came for the regiment to move to Cuba, Will made up his mind that Cuba was the country for him. At this point his brother went back on him, and the two boys separated, the older one coming home. Will secured a job as a cabinboy on the transport Orizaba, receiving for his services $25 a month and his board. He made himself popular and was allowed to continue the lemonade business. Business prospered, and in a short time he had accumulated more money than he had ever seen before.

On the arrival of the transport off Santiago Will went ashore. When the troops moved he followed, and he was present at the battle of San Juan, and when it was over the surgeons had to remove from his foot a Mauser bullet which he proudly wears as a charm on his watch chain. He saw the destruction of Cervera's squadron and collected souvenirs which he brought home with him. It was while in Cuba that he had his experience with yellow fever and the tarantula, neither of which seemed to do him much injury.

When the transport sailed for Porto Rico Will decided to cast his lot with it rather than with the regiment, and went along. At all times the boy kept business uppermost in his head and tried in every way to increase his wealth. In Porto Rico he made some additions to his wardrobe, paying prices several times more than the goods were worth. From that island the transport went to Montauk, and after staying there for some time Will had a longing for home. New York Sun.

An Elevating Effect.

The regenerating influence of a silk hat is well known. It calls inevitably for a frock coat and an umbrella, which are badges of respectability, and not only lead their possessor to associate with others similarly equipped, but impel him to avoid disreputable folk, who hold such attire in derision. Again, the ownership of a silk hat, a frock coat and an umbrella, all at one and the same time, insensibly promotes habits of neatness and precision, and, in brief, a thorough reformation is eventually effected, from the ground up. All this, as before observed, is well known; but a New Orleans gentleman has discovered that an elevator is an almost equally potent moral agent. "For years," he said, "I never thought of going to bed before 1 o'clock, and the habit of idling away the early night became almost a second nature. Naturally, it led to my squandering a great deal of money and threw me into anything but desirable company. Not long ago I rented a room in a building that has an elevator that stops at 10 P. M. sharp. If I am late I have several flights of very steep stairs to climb, and I gradually found myself dropping around on time. Now I hardly ever miss the elevator. The result is that I get up earlier, do more and better work, and have drifted away from about all of my old nighthawk companions. Nothing like the elevator to renovate one's morals, my boy. It's very uplifting."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Chestnut Flour.

Chestnuts dried and ground into flour are made into bread and used for food by the mountain peasantry of France. The poor people during the fall and winter often make two meals a day from chestnuts, which in good seasons sells as low as one cent a pound retail.

About 1,300,000 pounds of pickles and sauces are exported yearly from England to other countries.

TO DEATH.

...of Stephen Carter, a ...Creek Co.

MARIA TERESA STRANDED.

The Dismantled Cruiser Lies on a Coral Reef.

BRITISH NAVY CLAIMS THE VESSEL.

American Consul Has Entered Protest—Vessel Rests in an Easy Position, But it is Feared Has Been Badly Damaged.

Wreckers who have arrived at Nassau, N. P., brought with them stories from a stranded vessel off Cat Island, which establishes beyond a doubt that she is the Infanta Maria Teresa. As the vessel is looked upon as being a derelict, the wreckers claim the right to scour the stores which can be saved. They report that the water is up between her decks; that she has a list to the starboard, which side is dismasted, and that she is dismasted. The vessel lies between reefs on a sandy bottom and has her anchor out.

The British admiralty authorities are going to take possession of the Maria Teresa as a derelict. The American consul has protested against this course, claiming everything belongs to the salvage.

Opinions differ as to the chance of saving the cruiser. Although she has been aground since Thursday, the Maria Teresa rests in an easy position and the weather is moderate.

The officials at the navy department are interested in the news from Nassau identifying cleverly the steamship lying off Cat Island as the Maria Teresa. The legal status of the vessel has been considered cursorily, and in the opinion of the department the title of the United States to her is unimpaired; notwithstanding the fact that it was necessary to abandon her for the time. There may be a question involved as to the payment of salvage to the Bahama fishermen, but that depends in a large measure on what they have done. If they have simply been looting the vessel, then not only are they not entitled to salvage, but the goods stolen may be recovered. On the other hand, if it was the fishermen who anchored the ship in smooth water, and if they made any endeavor to bring her in, probably they would have a good claim for salvage. The vessel, however, is not subject to detention on this account, international law exempting national vessels from seizure on any score in time of peace. In such case the salvor might, after allowing the vessel to proceed, present their claim to the government of the United States through the diplomatic representatives of the British government.

From the account received it is feared that the damage to the vessel sustained through the storm and the probable pounding on the coral reefs of Cat Island, added to the wounds received by the ship in action while she was sunk originally are sufficient to render her entirely valueless. Nothing but an expert's examination can decide the point, but as the Marconi experts are already on their way to Cat Island, the question will soon be decided. The navy department has decided that a court of inquiry shall be held to determine whether the abandonment of the Teresa at sea was justifiable, and if not, who was to consure. The report that the water in the hull was up between decks, taken in connection with the fact that the vessel was rolling, neither specimens under which abandonment is believed to make out a very favorable case for the people aboard the Teresa, unless it should be shown that the steamer's hold was not filled with water when she was abandoned, but that she was kept afloat by the buoyancy sustained by the coral reefs at Cat Island after the vessel was aboard.

Later.—The tug Potomac, from Nassau, which has been visiting the stranded vessel since Infanta Maria Teresa went on Cat Island, has arrived here in order to obtain a permit to work on the ship. She will return to Cat Island.

The officials report to the navy department on the finding of the Maria Teresa, was contained in a cable gram, received from Commander Graves, of the wrecking tug Potomac, which had been ordered to Cat Island from Santiago.

Kaiser Will Not Land.

A dispatch to the London Observer from Berlin says the German imperial party will not land at any Spanish port. Owing to Spain's interpretation of the visit as a manifestation of sympathy with Spain in her present difficulty she will have to forego the pleasure of a formal visit from the kaiser.

Want to Dr ak the Combine.

There will be a ...at Frankfort, Ky., on the first Monday in December, ... state convention of Kentucky growers of tobacco, at which the initial steps will be taken to dissolve the trust or combine formed to control the plug tobacco trade.

Received Its Allowance.

The University of Alabama has received from the war department a supplemental appropriation, etc., allowance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899.

Blow to Boycotts.

A decision has been rendered by the Michigan supreme court, which in effect, declares a boycott as unlawful and an unwarrantable menace, intimidation and coercion.

WAR OF RACES IN THE CAROLINAS.

Pitched Battle Between White Men and Negroes.

WILMINGTON'S NEW COUNCIL

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POLITICAL PRISONERS

Being Transported From the African Penal Settlement to Havana.

The Spanish steamer Isla De Panay, from Cadiz, arrived at San Juan de Porto Rico, Friday last with 292 Cuban political prisoners on board bound for Havana. The prisoners left the African penal settlement of Ceuta on October 28, and left Cadizon the 30th. They have served sentences from two to three years' imprisonment, and were given emigrant accommodations on the Isle De Panay. On board that vessel they were constantly kept under the guard of Spanish soldiers. The prisoners are badly off in the way of clothing, none having been supplied by the government. But there were a few sick among them. The Isla De Panay is due to arrive at Havana on November 15.

The Spanish government is paying the transportation charges, but the prisoners complain of the presence of the guard of soldiers, declaring they are now free men. They admit, however, that they have not been ill-treated on board the steamer.

The Porto Rican papers have been notified by the authorities of the decision of the authorities at Washington to accord them second-class matter rates, and they are greatly pleased.

FAVOR A NEW CONSTITUTION.

Committee Has Outlined Plan of Action and Will Be Aggressive.

One of the most vital questions to come before the present Alabama assembly which met Tuesday, is that of calling a constitutional convention. The committee which was appointed by the State Commercial and Industrial Association some time ago to take the matter in hand, met in Montgomery Saturday and outlined a plan of action. The committee decided that the time is ripe for an aggressive campaign for a new constitution, and resolutions were adopted advising that the work be pushed forward, taking negro suffrage as the main issue and giving the people a guarantee that the general provision of the present constitution on the subject of taxation shall be preserved and the limitations in their essential features remain unchanged. It was the opinion of all that a reform of the suffrage is the paramount issue, and the wisdom of the convention will insure protection on all secondary issues.

GLASS WORKS RESUME

And Nearly Ten Thousand Persons Secure Employment.

Window glass factories of Pittsburg, Pa., with a capacity of about 1,100 pots started work Monday and nearly 10,000 men and boys are earning their first money in over half a year. Of the total number about 1,900 pots controlled by the American Glass Company, only 500 were operated before the agreement was reached Monday.

An Alexandria, Ind., dispatch says: "After five months' idleness work has been resumed at the United, DePauw and Alexandria window glass factories. One thousand men will be given employment.

American Citizen Unlawfully Held.

A dispatch from Nogales, Arizona, says that on Sunday last James Temple, a conductor on the New Mexico & Arizona railroad, was attacked by some Mexicans and in defending himself, shot one of them at Juan Arvalle fatally. This occurred about 2,000 feet north of the international boundary line. Later he returned to his hotel, which is south of the line and was arrested by Mexican officers on a charge of murder, the law of the state of Sonora providing for the trial of any person charged with crime against a Mexican citizen, though the crime may have been committed in a foreign country. Friends of Temple engaged an attorney, but the Mexican authorities refused to allow the prisoner to be seen. United States Consul J. F. Darnall then appealed to the state department at Washington. Secretary Hay demanded the immediate release of Temple.

Proposed Meat Inspection.

The Hamburger Nachrichten, of Hamburg, Germany, referring to the projected meat inspection bill says: "The Americans ought to be glad that Germany forces them gradually to adopt her own methods of meat inspection. Hitherto American inspection has been untrustworthy. So far as the threat of American isolation is concerned, America may be able to improve the presence of poisons in German wines, woolens, toys and chemicals, as Germany proves the presence of trichnica in American pork.

Quarantine Raised.

The state of Texas has raised the yellow fever quarantine, and the quarantine inspectors and guards have been withdrawn. All existing quarantines in the south against the fever, as far as it extends to disinfection and detention, have been raised though the usual regular inspection at the ports, will be continued all the year round.

Will Do Garrison Duty.

The Eighth Cavalry sailed at 5 o'clock Sunday morning from Savannah for Puerto Principe, Cuba. The regiment will be the American Garrison at Puerto Principe and Nenvitas. Arrangements have been made by the Spanish authorities to send back to Spain the Spanish troops, numbering 9,500 men, upon the arrival of the American garrison.

Stills Destroyed.

Three moonshine stills, with a total capacity of 140 gallons, have been destroyed the past few days in Alabama. Two arrests were made.

Emperor William in Syria.

A dispatch from Baalbek, Syria, says Emperor William and Empress Auguste Victoria encamped in the ruins of the temple of Baal, and Emperor William unveiled a marble slab bearing a commemorative inscription in Turkish and German, in front of the temple of Venus. All the ruins were magnificently illuminated.

Express Train Held Up.

The Great Northern through train was held up and robbed at Pelican river bridge, near Fergus Falls, Minn., Thursday night. There were eight robbers in the gang, all well armed. It is thought that they secured considerable money.

RETURNS FROM NEVADA.

Shows That Republican Governor Has Been Elected.

Latest returns show that McMillan, republican, has been elected governor of Nevada. Careful compilation of the next legislature shows that it stands for United States Senator Stewart on joint ballot. Against Stewart, 25: for Stewart, 15; doubtful, 4, with one county having one assemblyman, still to hear from.

REFUSE TO OBEY ORDERS.

Spanish Troops Refuse to Fire on Mutinous Police Force.

SPAIN MUST CEDE THE PHILIPPINES.

Military Have Control of Havana and Business Resuming Its Normal Condition—Other Pertinent News.

HAVANA, CUBA.—The Orden Publico force, cavalry and infantry regiments, was disbanded last Friday after a part payment of arrears. The Orden Publico organization has ceased to exist. The trouble leading to the disbandment of the force began with the protest of the third company on Thursday morning before the palace. At that time General Solano, chief of staff of General Blanco, addressed the men and led them back to their places, where the men gave cheers for Spain and General Blanco. General Arolas, military Governor of Havana, ordered more than 4,000 troops quartered in the outskirts of Havana to march into the city, where they arrived at nightfall.

At the head of a portion of these troops General Arolas marched toward the Orden Publico quarters, where the protesting third company was drawn up in the street under arms. The regulars refused to charge or fire upon their brother soldiers when ordered to do so, in the hope of intimidating the men, who were finally persuaded to retire to their quarters. Minor uprisings occurred during the night among other regiments. Barring these incidents the military have maintained thorough control of the city. The sum total of the casualties Thursday night was a lieutenant-colonel on General Arolas's staff wounded in the hand and another wounded seriously.

The city has again resumed its normal tranquility, although the regulars are still quartered in the principal streets and parks of the city as a precautionary movement.

Spain Must Cede the Philippines.

The cabinet at Washington held a special session Saturday night last, at which instructions of a positive character, bearing on the Philippine question, were drafted for dispatch to the American commissioners in Paris. These instructions were the outcome of the conference held earlier in the day and instructs the American representatives to admit of no further discussion as to the right to consider the disposition of the islands, and state that on that point the instructions already sent must stand, the only matters for discussion from the American view being the manner of giving over the islands.

COTTON ON VESSEL BURNED.

Fire Discovered on the British Steamship Mic Mac.

Just as the last bale of cotton of the cargo of the British steamship Mic Mac was being put in place Friday afternoon, at Brunswick, Ga., fire was discovered in the afterhold. The department was at once called out and several streams of water turned into the closely packed cotton. The fire had evidently been smoldering for several days. The flames were extinguished after two hours' hard work on the part of the local firemen and the steamer's crew. It is estimated that 150 bales were consumed, the total loss reaching about $4,500. The Mic Mac was consigned to A. F. Churchill. The loss is covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is believed to have been purely accidental.

Surgeon Kernachan's Good Luck.

Dr. W. J. Kernachan, of Florence, Ala., late of the First Alabama Volunteers has been appointed to the position of brigade surgeon in the regular army. The appointment is the result of Dr. Kernachan's admirable work while the First was in camp and the recommendation of General Wheeler that he be retained in the army service. Dr. Kernachan is recovering from a spell of illness at his home in Florence, but as soon as he is well enough he will report for duty to General Wheeler at Huntsville.

Presents for the Soldiers.

The 17th of the present month will be the last date upon which the folks at home may send Christmas presents to the soldiers at Manila through government agency. The quartermaster's department has chartered a steamer, which will leave San Francisco on that date, and this will be the last steamer to reach Manila before Christmas. Persons wishing to forward goods to friends in the army at Manila must cause the same to be delivered free of charge to the depot quartermaster at San Francisco, properly directed.

Preparing Winter Quarters.

Chattanooga contractors have put several hundred men to work building the mess halls and assembly rooms for the regiments that are to spend the winter at Huntsville, Ala. Two buildings are being erected for each company, or twenty-four for a full regiment.

Will Have a New Court House.

The corner stone of the new court house, to be erected at Decatur, Ga., will be laid on Thanksgiving day. It will cost $50,000.

STRIKERS WHIP THE FIGHT.

Coal Company Agrees to Pay the State Scale at Once.

The differences between the Chicago-Virden Coal company at Virden and Auburn, Ill., and the striking miners, have been settled, and the shafts will soon be in operation. The company agreed to pay the state scale of 40 cents per ton, but did not want to tear down the stockade. Finally the company accepted the offer of the miners that they would take it down and charge the company nothing for the labor.

General Reese, of Springfield, has notified Sheriff Davenport that the remaining troops guarding the Chicago Virden Coal Company's shafts at Virden should be removed. Since the difference between the coal company and the miners have been settled, troops are no longer needed. The grand jury adjourned. General pressure is being brought to bear by influential persons that nothing shall result from its investigations. A prominent member of the jury admitted that such was the case. He said quantly declared that it was the intention of the grand jury not to be affected by any outside pressure.

IS CAPT. DREYFUS ALIVE?

French Government Declines to Allow Officer's Wife to Visit Him.

Madame Dreyfus appeared at the office of the colonial minister in Paris, Friday, for permission to send her husband some warm clothing for his return home. Her sequest was refused on the ground that the government would do whatever was necessary. At the same time the authorities read to her a letter from her husband to the effect that having for five months addressed appeals for a revision to General De Boisdeffre without getting any reply, and being wearied and exhausted by his useless appeals, he would write no more to his family or to anybody. He described himself as ill and dying and "bequeathed to the generosity of my country the care of rehabilitating my memory."

Madame Dreyfus then asked permission to telegraph her husband the decision of the court of cassation. This request was also refused. Then, through a friend, she appealed to President Faure, but with no better results. Her consul will bring the matter before the court of cassation.

PROUD OF HIS DEED.

Luccheni Convicted of Assassinating the Austrian Empress.

At Geneva, Switzerland, the Italian anarchist, Luigi Luccheni, was convicted of killing Empress Elizabeth, of Austria, on September 10th last, in that city, and has been sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for life, the full penalty allowed by the Swiss law.

Luccheni admitted that he came to Geneva in order to kill the Duke of Orleans, but he arrived too late. The prisoner then remarked that in spite of this the Duke of Orleans would be killed within a year. The prisoner also said that if he had possessed fifty francs on the morning of the assassination, instead of killing the empress of Austria, he would have started for Italy, with the intention of killing King Humbert.

SLAUGHTER AT PANA IMMINENT

Negro Miners and the Whites Are Almost Certain to Clash.

At Pana, Ill., William Lynch, who was employed by the Pana Coal Company up to the time of the strike, has been shot at by negroes and run into the house. Then they shot through the house of a widow, Mrs. McIntyre, who was taking care of her sick daughter.

The negroes in the Flat Hall district came running out and began to shoot in all directions. They kept shooting until the militia arrived on the scene. When the shooting began many women and children ran to Captain Butler, of company B, for protection. As far as known no person was struck by the bullets. Things are in such a state that it is dangerous for any one to go out in the mining district at night.

The citizens say if something is not done before long there will be an outbreak and every negro and operator will be killed.

The McGregor stave factory at Florence, Ala., will increase its capacity to 5,000,000 staves per year. Sixty men are employed in the factory.

Preferred Death Rather Than Manila.

Lieutenant Herman G. Dressel committed suicide in Baltimore, Md., by shooting himself in the head. From papers found on his body it was surmised that he killed himself because he had been ordered to Manila to join the United States steamship Zafiro.

Disastrous Fire in the Klondike.

Returning Klondikers to Skaguay, Alaska, bring news of a destructive fire at Dawson City. The fire was the result of a row between two women in a saloon, one of whom threw a lighted lamp at her rival. The loss aggregates $500,000. Forty log houses were destroyed.

Gadsden to Have Electric Cars.

Electric cars will soon be a reality in Gadsden. The Alabama Light and Power Company has been granted permission to construct, maintain and operate a light and power plant. The plant will be equipped with the very latest machinery, and will cost $25,000.

The miners of Pratt City, Ala., have nominated delegates to a state convention to be held at Birmingham on the third Monday in December.

WAR ADVENTURES OF A BOY.

Ran Away from Home, Was Wounded in Cuba, and Made Money.

A few days ago Mrs. Dawson, wife of the army [illegible] Fort Porter, Buffalo, N. Y., was made happy by the receipt of a postal card bearing the [illegible] will be home in a few days. [illegible] It was signed just plain "Will." The card was mailed at New York, and was the first Mrs. Dawson had received from her son [illegible]

Will is seven years old. Until he reached home he was [illegible] Impressed only in [illegible] by the [illegible] the pride of [illegible] of his bright [illegible] as well as of the [illegible] [illegible] Porter. He was a favorite [illegible] and a general favorite. He also [illegible] $200 [illegible] new clothes. [illegible] wounded by the Spaniards [illegible] from a slow fever and was [illegible] by a tar[illegible]

When the Rough Riders left Fort Porter for the South [illegible] a ...ning of the way [illegible] by a special train. Among other boys and men going on this train as "chief bag-gager" was Will Dawson and his older brother, both of whom [illegible] run away from home without a [illegible] They managed to exist until the train reached Tampa, after which it was smooth sailing for them, as the soldiers of the regiment found them and saw to it that they had enough to eat. But it was not for this kind of life that Willie left home. He looked the ground over and tried to find something which the soldiers in the big camp wanted and he could supply. In that hot climate he decided it was something cold, and borrowing a quarter from one of his friends, a private in Company C, he started a lemonade stand. The first night he repaid the money he borrowed and a few days later started two more stands, establishing his brother and another boy in the business. When the orders came for the regiment to move to Cuba, Will made up his mind that Cuba was the country for him. At this point his brother went back on him, and the two boys separated, the older one coming home. Will secured a job as a cabinboy on the transport Orizaba, receiving for his services $25 a month and his board. He made himself popular and was allowed to continue the lemonade business. Business prospered, and in a short time he had accumulated more money than he had ever seen before.

On the arrival of the transport off Santiago Will went ashore. When the troops moved he followed, and he was present at the battle of San Juan, and when it was over the surgeons had to remove from his foot a Mauser bullet which he proudly wears as a charm on his watch chain. He saw the destruction of Cervera's squadron and collected souvenirs which he brought home with him. It was while in Cuba that he had his experience with yellow fever and the tarantula, neither of which seemed to do him much injury.

When the transport sailed for Porto Rico Will decided to cast his lot with it rather than with the regiment, and went along. At all times the boy kept business uppermost in his head and tried in every way to increase his wealth. In Porto Rico he made some additions to his wardrobe, paying prices several times more than the goods were worth. From that island the transport went to Montauk, and after staying there for some time Will had a longing for home. New York Sun.

An Elevating Effect.

The regenerating influence of a silk hat is well known. It calls inevitably for a frock coat and an umbrella, which are badges of respectability, and not only lend their possessor to associate with others similarly equipped, but impel him to avoid disreputable folk, who hold sight of him in derision. Again, the ownership of a silk hat, a frock coat and an umbrella, all at one and the same time, insensibly promotes habits of premeditated prudence, and, in brief, a thorough reformation is eventually effected, from the ground up. All this as before observed, is well known, but a New Orleans gentleman has discovered that an elevator is an almost equally potent moral agency. "For years," he said, "I never thought of going to bed before 1 o'clock, and the habit of idling away the early night became almost a second nature. Naturally, it led to my squandering a great deal of money and threw me into anything but desirable company. Not long ago I rented a room in a building that has an elevator that stops at 10 P. M. sharp. If I am late I have several flights of very steep stairs to climb, and I gradually found myself dropping around on time. Now I hardly ever miss the elevator. The result is that I get up earlier, do more and better work, and have drifted away from about all of my old nighthawk companions. Nothing like the elevator to renovate one's morals, my boy. It's very uplifting."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Chestnut Flour.

Chestnuts dried and ground into flour are made into bread and used for food by the mountain peasantry of France. The poor people during the fall and winter often make two meals a day from chestnuts, which in good seasons sells as low as one cent a pound retail.

About 1,300,000 pounds of pickles and sauces are exported yearly from England to other countries.

SHOOTING FIRE.

...Killed By a Falling Roof.

...Burt E. Page was in... ...and John McCormack ... Rivers, the latter colored. ... injured by a falling ... They were fighting fire in ... occupied by the medical ... departments of the Uni... Tennessee. The loss was ... insured. The fire was ... destructive and exceedingly ... by reason of the fact ... were in the building a ... of barrels of alcohol in ... accumulated for dis... preserved.

...ns Besiege Iloilo.

...have been received at the ...London of the Philippine ...company saying that the ...have taken the island of ... the Philippine group, ... a narrow channel from ... Cebu, and that they are ... capital of the island ... the second largest port ... Islands.

...quarantine in Alabama ...removed for the winter.

A MERRIMAC HERO.

Osculatory Girls Greet Him—Presented With a Sword.

A special from Stuart, Ia., says: "Osborn Deignan, one of the men of Merrimac fame, arrived here, was met by 500 people, who escorted him home. Eighteen or twenty club girls surrounded him at the depot and attempted to kiss him, but he pushed all back, saying there were handsomer men in the crowd than he. The municipal authorities presented Deignan with a sword and Governor Shaw and other prominent Iowans made speeches. Deignan ran away from his home here years ago."

The steamship Monarch cleared last Friday from New Orleans for Liverpool with the largest general cargo ever carried from that port, embracing 20,630 bales of cotton, 28,000 bushels of corn, 19,000 staves. Weight of cargo, 18,303,000 pounds; value, $572,000.

At Galveston, Tex., Major Edwin D. Easley, a prominent citizen, shot and killed in his office Wm. B. Blythe, a reporter on the Tribune.

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THE official count of the vote of Chilton County took place at the Court House Saturday, and was exactly the same as published in last week's BANNER.

JUDGE ADAMS has started off in the right direction. THE BANNER is pleased to note that one of the first official acts he performed was to stop a useless waste of the people's money, which should never have been commenced. The U. S. revenue law, which compels private parties to place stamps upon various documents, expressly exempts State and County warrants from such taxation, and why the people of Chilton County should have had their money thrown away in this foolish manner for the last six months is one of those mysteries which ordinary minds cannot fathom. Uncle Sam would have made both ends meet without this uncalled for taxation upon the people of Chilton. Perhaps Judge Honeycutt can explain this reckless expenditure.

THE result of the recent election, while not expected, proves a source of surprise in many sections of the country and will be a subject of discussion for many days yet. It is evident from the returns that the war with Spain did not furnish much of an issue between the two great political parties. The Dingley Tariff law did not prove the drawing card that might have been anticipated, in the East, especially. Neither did the outcry of the gold bugs against the dangers from the free coinage of silver have any appreciable effect. While one or two of the silver states have swung back into the Republican column by a scratch, these looses are more than counterbalanced by the return of states like Kentucky and Virginia to the Democratic or silver column. At the time this is written, the Chairman of the Democratic, as well as the Republican committees, are claiming a majority of the House, but the indications are slightly in favor of the Republicans. Whatever the result it must be apparent even to the gold standard advocates that the contest over the currency question is not settled and will not be until settled right.

IT must be apparent to all, since the recent election, that the People's Party seems hopelessly divided. The intense partisanship of the faction known as the middle-of-the roaders and their rule or ruin policy, has resulted in the defeat of many silver candidates and the election of goldbugs in several western states. This policy, however, if it has not already destroyed the organization, if continued must certainly do so, before the beginning of another campaign. The Republican papers ran riot with large headlines the day after election, telling of Republican victory in Nebraska. Jubilation over such a rebuke to Bryanism and the resulting defeat of Senator Allen was cut short by later returns showing victory for the Fusionists. Throughout the New England and Eastern States the Populist vote was so slight that almost no mention is made of it in the election returns. In many cases it was absorbed by the Socialist Labor or Prohibition parties. A remarkably large "stay at home" vote is reported all over the country. Both Republican and Democratic leaders conceal heavy losses. Thus a spirit of mild defence or disappointment is expressed, as no corresponding gains were made by any other party.

DALLAS came up as usual with an old time majority for Robbins of 2045. This will necessitate another contest by Mr. Aldrich (providing the Governor issues a certificate to Robbins). Mr. Robbins will be able to spend a few weeks in Washington and then come home for good.

THE TARTARIAN LAMB.

A Strange Plant That Closely Resembles a Little Lamb.

Among the strange stories to be found in the narratives of early travelers few are stranger than that of the vegetable lamb of Tartary. This story, as believed by the reading public and even by the naturalists of two centuries ago, is so marvelous and so obviously absurd that we wonder how the most credulous could have believed it to be true.

The story is that, in an elevated and cultivated salt plain of great extent west of the river Volga, there may be found a creature half animal, half plant, to which the natives give the name of barometz, meaning "little lamb." To obtain it the Tartars sow in the ground a seed like that of a melon, from which, in due time, rises the strange plant, having the figure of a lamb, with the feet, the hoofs, the ears and the whole head, except the horns, of that animal, distinctly formed.

It grows on a stalk about three feet in height, being, according to one version, rooted to the ground by its four feet, while another account raises the whole lamb, feet and all, from the ground on a single stem, on which it is able to turn, and also to bow itself downward to the herbs on which it feeds. It lives as long as there is grass or herbage around it, but when it has consumed all within its reach it dies and withers away. Its skin is covered with a very white down, as fine as silk, and is greatly prized by the Tartars, who pull it off and wear it as a cover for the head.

Inside it is composed of flesh and bones, and when wounded it gives out a liquid resembling blood. Wolves are said to be the only animals that will eat it, and they are very fond of it.

Specimens of this remarkable production were looked upon as the rarest treasures in the collections of the curious in days gone by. Two different specimens have been described in the "Philosophical Transactions" and a third has its portrait given in an engraving in Darwin's "Flower Garden" and its history told in the florid verse of that work.

The "lamb" is a natural production, greatly helped in the development of the particulars in which it most resembles that creature by the ingenuity of the natives. The body is a portion of the creeping stem of a species of fern which generally grows as erect as a tree. This stem is densely covered with beautiful, jointed, silky hairs of a rich golden color.

On the surface next to the ground a few roots are given off, while the leaves—or fronds, as they are called in ferns—spring from the upper surface. The fronds reach a height of 12 or 14 feet, and have a long, bare stalk before the leaf is spread out. The Tartar takes a suitable part of this creeping stem for a body, deprives it of the roots and of all the leaf stalks except four, which are intended to be the legs, two short ones for the ears and a stump for the tail, and then, turning it upside down, trims the stem, and so produces this marvel of the early explorers. The fern, known to botanists as the Cibotium barometz, is a native of eastern Asia. It has been introduced into our conservatories, where it flourishes, producing, after a few years' growth, good specimens of the "lamb."

The silky hairs of this fern form a favorite remedy among the Chinese for checking the flow of blood by applying them to a wound in the same way as tetter cobwebs are used by some people in this country. The more fibrous and elastic hairs of several species of the same group natives of the Sandwich Islands, are largely exported from these islands to California and Australia for stuffing cushions and for similar purposes.—Philadelphia Times.

SAMOA, Stevenson's island home and grave, is the only country in the world where its rulers and chief justices vie with each other in the honorable work of the laundry. There is no false pride about a chief of Samoa, who will discuss high politics with you one moment and the next make a tender for your washing. What is more, when he has executed the washing to your satisfaction he will ask you to give him a testimonial to that effect, with which to beat succeeding washers.—New York Journal.

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WRECKED THE VESSEL.

A Possible Danger of Steam Jets as Fire Extinguishers.

For many years steam jets have been considered excellent means for extinguishing fires in inclosed spaces, and examples of their good services have been abundant. The theory of their action of course is, like that of the several kinds of fire extinguishing powders which have been proposed at different times, that the steam in the one case and the stifling fumes from the powders in the other displace the air in any particular space under consideration, and with it the oxygen as well, by which alone combustion can be sustained.

In at least one instance, however, the position was taken that if the steam jets did not extinguish a fire promptly they soon became a source of danger, and as such were held accountable for the loss about a year ago of a cargo steamer carrying several hundred tons of coal and as many more of miscellaneous chemicals and old rope. Fire broke out in one of the holds, which were fitted with steam jet fixtures, and the jets were at once turned on. On the day following it was proposed to try a hose in addition to the jets, and one of the upper deck hatches was therefore taken off.

The almost immediate result was a violent explosion, killing one of the officers and seriously injuring another. All the other hatches were blown off at the same time, and the ship began to leak, so that she soon had to be abandoned. One explanation advanced was that the steam from the jets, passing over the incandescent cargo, formed water gas, which, with suitable air admixture, became explosive, with the result noted. The theory is not a comforting one, but whether it portrays a possible condition of things yet remains to be demonstrated.—Cassier's Magazine.

EASY FOR MORPHY.

A Story of the Great Chess Master and a Celebrated Painting.

On reading the notes on Paul Morphy's visit to Philadelphia I am reminded of an incident in connection with his visit to Richmond about the same time, which was related to me some years ago by the Rev. Mr. H. of that city. I do not remember ever to have seen it in print. Mr. Morphy was Mr. H.'s guest while in the city, and on his arrival was first ushered into the library, and his attention was at once attracted upon painting over the mantel, which was a fine copy of a celebrated painting representing a game of chess between a young man and the devil, the stake being the young man's soul.

The artist had most graphically depicted the point in the game where it was apparently the young man's move, and he seemed just to realize the loss that he had lost the game, the agony of despair being shown in every line of his features and attitude, while the devil from the opposite side of the table gloated over him with fiendish delight. The position of the game appeared utterly hopeless for the young man, and Mr. H. said he had often set it up and studied it with his chess friends, and all agreed the young man's game was certainly lost.

Mr. Morphy walked up to the picture and studied it for several minutes, when finally, turning to Mr. H., he said:

"I can win the game for the young man."

Mr. H. was of course astonished and said, "Is it possible?"

Mr. Morphy replied, "Get out the men and board and let us look at it."

The position was set up, and in a few rapid moves he demonstrated a complete win for the young man, and the devil was checkmated.—Robert Munford in American Chess Magazine.

Moody and the Sinless Man.

Some time ago a man who claimed perfection went to Evangelist Moody and commiserated him on his low level of Christian experience. Mr. Moody in a kind manner asked his caller if he never sinned nor did any wrong.

"No; I have not sinned for years; neither have I done anything that was wrong," was the prompt reply.

"Well, I'm glad to know it," said Mr. Moody, "but before I am convinced I would like to ask your wife."—Ladies' Home Journal.

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THE JURORS.

The following Jurors have been drawn for the Fall Term of Circuit Court, which convenes at Clanton, Monday, November 21, 1898.

GRAND JURY.

D I Deramus, W M Price, W H Bean, Willey Ramsy, W H Toells, P M Jones, Moses Mims, A J Wilson, Lum Dyer, James Gilliland, W J Gaylor, P S Prim, David Moore, Leroy Friday, M A Kilgore, J N Butts, R D Childress, D B Watts, J P Robinson, J N Davis, J C Martin.

PETIT JURY. First Week.

Henry Spivey, W B Gay, H P Rodgers, L B Brookshire, J Cook, J C Allred, C F Abercrombie, R Billingsley, B W Garner, W S Avera, E J Mims, B L Downs, J W Strickland, J L Brewer, Hugh Nichols, George Mims, J W Cox, N W Sims, J H Grills, P B Davis, John Moses Robinson, Lum Gregory, J B Kemp, B F Grant, J H Morgan, D D Williams, J E Deramus jr, J W Middlebrooks, M A Watts, W P Christien, G W Fox jr, J A Miller, George Reed, O R Cooper, Judson Strock, W S Cox.

PETIT JURY. Second Week.

J M Parish jr, C R Mullens, J W Headley, C L Ingram, William Ray, James Mims, Columbus Ray, Frank Harris, J R Thomas, T P McKinney, John Ellis, Elijah Robinson, T D McGee, T W Dunigan, F M Bushey, B F Gardner, G W Knobles, W A Kemp, N Watts, T G Williams, J G Burkhalter, A J Powell, Alford Mims, T M Driver, W R Dawson, S B McCarry, Wiley Mitchell, J J Thompson, L S Samons, H M Furgason, Hugh Henry, G W Jones, J Bice, W D Cortney, J N Askins, J M Aldridge.

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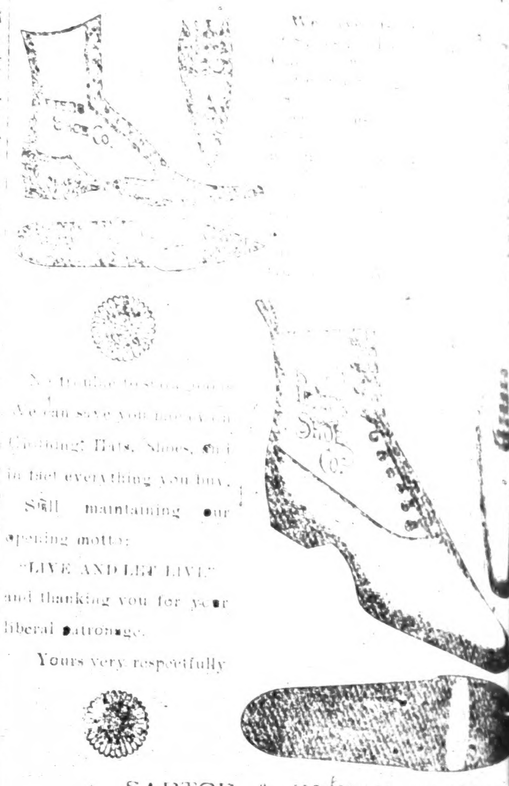

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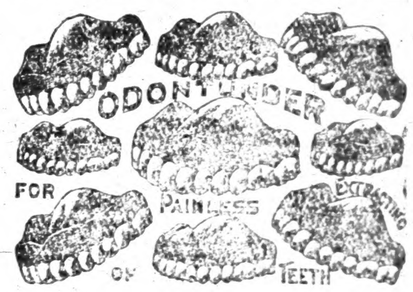

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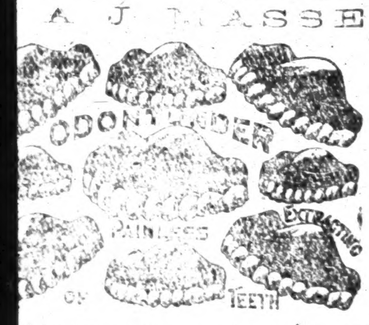

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Benson	" 3	"	7
Maplesville	" 7	"	8
Shoults	" 7	"	9
Dixie	" 8	"	10
Valley Cr'k church	8	"	11
Macedonia	" 3	"	14
Hayes Mill	" 2	"	15
Providence church	2	"	16
Elijah Busby's	" 1	"	17
Smith School house	1	"	18
Cofer's Mill	" 2	"	21
Jemison	" 2	"	22
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	23
Strasburg	" 9	"	24
James Maddox Mill	4	"	25
Clanton	" 4	"	28
Cane creek	" 4	"	29
Jesse Maddox's	" 4	"	30
Goer's School	" 4	Dec.	1
Coopers	" 5	"	5
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Mountain Creek	" 5	"	7
Burwell	" 5	"	8
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BILL ANTHONY.

after the explosion and the excitement was intense Bill Anthony stepped into his captain's cabin, saluted and said, "Sir, I have to inform you that the ship is blown up and is sinking!" This was in February.

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The other day Sergeant Bill Anthony wrote a letter to Rev. Mr. Smith in which he said: "I thank God every hour of my life for his goodness to me. He preserved me in all the perils of war, from the fire of the enemy and from disease, that I might enjoy the blessings that are now mine."

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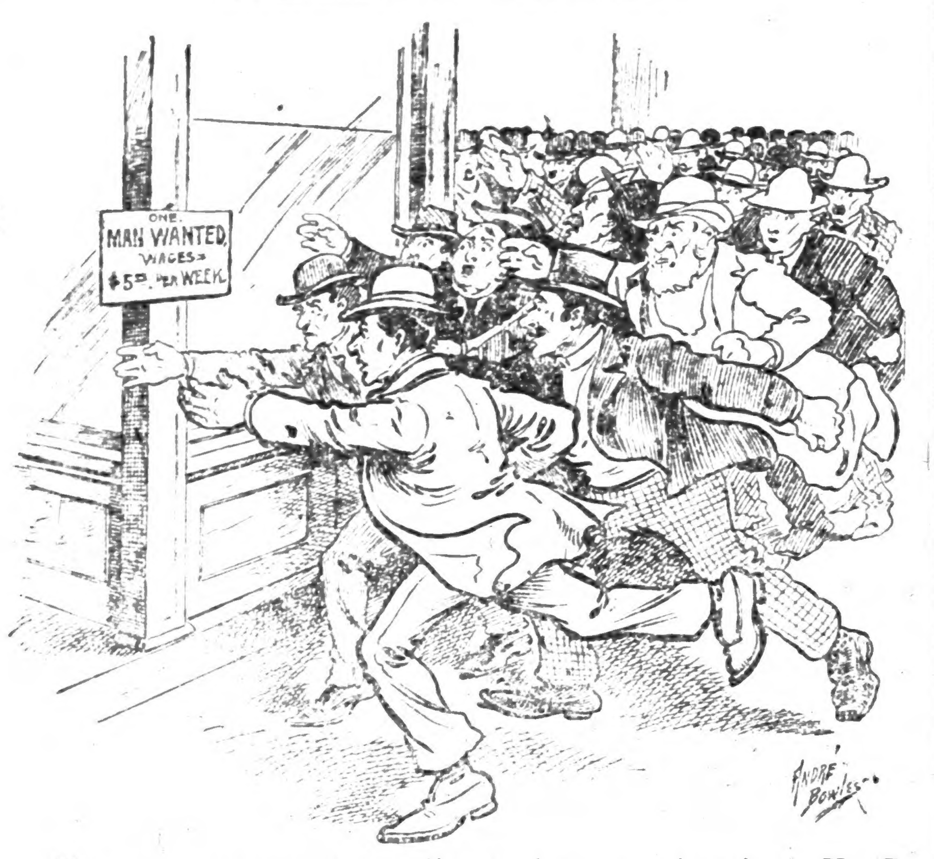

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A. J. WARNER.

Law of Gresham.

"The Gresham law is that bad money drives out good money, but that good money cannot drive out bad money."

The Gresham law—that "bad money will expel good"—was named after Sir Thomas Gresham, an English merchant who died some three hundred years ago. Of late there has been considerable said about the Gresham law, and as it is not generally understood by the public, I shall offer a few observations explanatory of it. W. Stanley Jevons in his work "Money and the Mechanism of Exchange," says:

"Though the public generally do not discriminate between coins and coins, provided there is an apparent similarity, a small class of money-changers, bullion-dealers, bankers, or goldsmiths make it their business to be acquainted with such differences and know how to derive a profit from them. These are the people who frequently uncoin money, either by melting it, or by exporting it to countries where it is sooner or later melted. Some coins are sunk in the sea or lost, and some are carried abroad by emigrants and travelers who do not look closely to the metallic value of the money. But by far the greatest part of the standard coinage is removed from circulation by people who know that they shall gain by choosing for this purpose the new heavy coins just recently issued from the mint. Hence arises the practice, extensively carried on in the present day in England, of picking and culling, or, as another technical expression is, garbling the coinage, devoting the good, new coins to the melting pot and passing the old, worn coins into circulation again on every suitable opportunity." It will be seen that the Gresham law applies to monies of one kind of metal. There is what is called an extension of Gresham's law that applies to all money. But it was a principle recognized for years before Sir Thomas Gresham was born. It simply means this: that where there are two forms of legal tender money, the one that can be obtained the easiest, if it will perform the same functions as the other, will come into general use, and the dearer money will go out of circulation. To make the Gresham law applicable to the financial question, it is necessary to assume that silver is bad money which is not a fact. If both metals were coined by the government at the legal ratio and given equal opportunities before the law, silver would be as dear as gold. For eighty years in the history of this country gold and silver were practically on a parity at the ratio established by law. During all those years there was no talk of the "cheaper" money driving out the "dearer." The standard was self-adjusting. If either metal went up in price, payment was made in the cheaper which tended to establish the parity. The Gresham law is true but not applicable. It is natural to keep the coins containing the most pure metal, because they are worth more to their possessor. This is true especially if they are going to the melting pot to be converted into jewelry or leaf. The worse money a man can pass upon his neighbor, the greater the profit to himself. The Gresham law is understood by its author, applied to one metal, some of the coins of which were debased by abrasion or clipping and thereby reduced in value. But it has no application to two different metals, one of which has been purposely forced down in price when they are again to be placed on a legal parity by wholesome legislation. It is unfair and unjust to speak of silver as "the cheaper money" compared to gold as long as it is discriminated against. It cannot be regarded as the cheaper metal until an honest effort is made to restore it to its former rank. When this is done, it will be time enough to apply the principle of the Gresham law to our condition.

DAVID PIERCE.

Diamond Standard.

Changing from bimetallic to the single gold standard has affected the "business interests" of the country in the same manner that changing from the single gold to the diamond standard would have, but in a lesser degree. "By taking a one-carat diamond (four grains) as worth fifteen pounds we find it is, weight for weight, 460 times as valuable as gold," according to Jevons. Now suppose congress should pass a law, as it did Feb. 12, 1873, discarding the gold dollar, as it did the silver dollar, and adopting the carat diamond as the standard of value in its place. What would be the effect on the price of gold and diamonds? Gold would go down in price and diamonds rise, because the principal demand would be taken from one and a new demand created for the other. How would it affect labor and debts? Injuriously, because it would require the workingman to work 460 times as long to earn the diamond as it did to earn the dollar. If he owed a dollar, when the change was made, and he afterward paid it, it would be equivalent to paying 460 dollars. If a man were worth $1,000 when the change was made, he would be worth $460,000 after it was made. The demonetization of silver—cutting off over one-half of the money of the world—has had the same effect. Instead of multiplying labor and debts by 460, each should be doubled. The value of money has increased about 100 per cent. This proposition is so plain that it is almost self-evident.

Cat Doctor for Surgeon.

Why should objection be made to the appointment by McKinley of a dog and cat doctor as surgeon in chief of an army corps? Is he not a man who is able to preserve the lives and health of ordinary things like human soldiers? Should not a plain soldier feel honored to die, even under the medical care of one whose life has been spent in caring for aristocratic poodle dogs? Alger probably had in mind the care given to soldiers by this aristocratic poodle and cat doctor when he said that all that ailed our soldiers was that they had been petted too much. If the Popocrats don't stop their growling the soldiers will be turned over to the tender mercies of common doctors.—Atlantic (Ia.) Democrat.

FARMER PROSPERITY

IS COMPARATIVELY SPEAKING VERY SLIM.

A Kansas Farmer Analyzes the Alleged Prosperity as Proven by the Republican Campaign Statistics and Shows Up the Sham.

Last year a Kansas farmer did some dissecting of Republican statistics in a manner that will bear reproducing now. He said:

Some very good people are losing their heads on the prosperity question. This applies to the gold standard people generally and to a few Kansas Republican politicians and newspaper writers in particular. The former class jump about like boys when a circus is announced because, they say, prosperity is here sure, here to stay, and the business of the Populist and mugwump is at an end; while the latter class fly to the house-tops and cry, Kansas! see Kansas! with her enormous crops and high prices, for people out of debt, and her farmers reveling in wealth, 99 per cent of them with big bank accounts and picnics the order of the day. Kansas leads the world, they say, and in this glorious year 1897, with a 54 per cent tariff on foreign goods and a Republican administration to direct the expenditures of expected revenues, Kansas is beating even her own splendid record. And as for the Kansas farmer, these untamed and untamable politicians declare him to be unqualifiedly prosperous.

Let us look this subject full in the face and see it as it really is. The Topeka Capital contains an interesting article prepared by Hon. P. I. Bonebrake, a careful and painstaking man, once auditor of the state and now president of the Central National bank in Topeka. Mr. Bonebrake reviews the material history of Kansas and then shows her present resources in a "recapitulation of one year's productions," referring to the year 1896 as to all products except wheat, as to which he takes the present estimated crop of 1897, valued at 60 cents a bushel on the farm. Here is the showing:

Live stock products	$53,769,191
Corn products	44,388,526
Wheat products	30,000,000
Sundry agricultural products	20,514,040
Cow products	4,972,445
Helpful hen products	3,608,815
Coal products	3,590,141
Salt products	1,225,000
Minerals	8,401,801
Manufacturing products	55,906,751
Total	$216,017,015

Of these items, of course, coal, salt, minerals and manufacturing products cannot be credited to the farmers. Taking the six items of agricultural productions, and the year's output amounts to $157,253,320. To these items, however, must be added garden, orchard, vineyard and other unenumerated products, which Mr. Bonebrake thinks "make up half the living of the farmer and his family." Say we put the value of these items at $10,000,000, which is very liberal. That gives us a total of $167,253,320 as the aggregate or gross value of what was produced in one year by 166,000 farmers, an average of $1,007.55. This is the average value of the whole crop, including everything produced on the farm.

Now, what would be a fair average daily income for an average farmer that he might keep up the farm, repair and purchase tools, implements and machinery, pay hired help, taxes, and other usual and necessary demands, besides maintaining his family of say five persons? Would $5 a day be unreasonable? You say no. Then we put it at that. Omitting Sundays, we have 313 days in the year, which, at $5 a day, amounts to $1,565, or $557.45 more than he gets according to Mr. Bonebrake's showing.

Instead of $5 a day, the actual return shows only $3.21 a day. And this is the wonderful prosperity of Kansas farmers that is going into history.

TEN GOOD REASONS.

A few years after the British government had purchased and operated the telegraph system in that country, the earl of Montrose sent to the house of lords a report, from which the following is a brief extract:

1. It is the government's business to transmit intelligence; and that business includes the use of the telegraph and all other appropriate means of transmission.

2. If rates remained the same, an increase of profit instead of a loss was to be expected by reason of the economies that would result from a united telegraph in combination with the postal service. The people could keep the rates up and realize a large profit, or put rates down, thereby increasing the usefulness of the telegraph and taking their profit in the form of more and better service for the same money. They did the latter, and, as a matter of fact, they have saved at the lowest estimate $150,000,000 in twenty-five years. The telegraphing they have done would have cost them at least $150,000,000 more than it has cost, including expenses of operation, extensions, repairs, interest on the capital, water purchase and all.

3. It stands to reason that a servant appointed and paid by itself, and whose avowed interest and effort are to line his own pocket with the utmost possible "giltiness" consistent with his personal safety, will not conduct your telegraph or any other business of yours as well as you can do it yourself or have it done by your own agent. As a matter of fact, the public telegraph service turned out to be vastly superior to the private telegraph service according to the universal verdict of the English people.

4. It was reasonable to expect that the government rates would be lower, because the government would work at cost and would moreover secure an absolute economy relatively to private corporations in the conduct of the telegraph. In fact, the rates dropped at once one-third to two-thirds, average one-half, and afterward the ordinary inland rate was again reduced almost one-half.

5. The use of the telegraph doubled the first year.

6. The government service has adopted new inventions and shown a progressive spirit in respect to employes as well as the service of the public.

7. There has been no complaint of violation of secrecy.

8. Nor the least suspicion of partisan use.

9. The government can be sued and is sued. Claims against the government are tried judicially, the same as other claims.

10. Interference with private interests to accomplish a private good is not arbitrary and unjust; it is the very essence of justice and good government. The private interests of gamblers, saloonkeepers, opium sellers, ship owners, house builders, power makers, bone grinders, grain elevator men, etc., private interests both good and bad, are interfered with for the sake of public welfare. Telegraph interests form no exception. The companies had already received large returns on their investment, and would receive full compensation for their capital when the public took their plant—more than full compensation, as it turned out.

High and Low Interest.

The farmers in the Missouri valley when they borrowed money, between the years 1854 and 1872, on a farm mortgage paid invariably as much as 12 to 18 per cent interest and sometimes as much as 40 per cent per annum. But in this issue of the Conservative money to loan at 6 per cent per annum on farm mortgages is advertised and anxious to be employed. —Morton's Conservative.

Yes, and from 1854 to 1872 the farmer paid that rate of interest, made money, paid off his mortgage, bought more land and got rich. When the farmers got cheap interest he also had cheap produce to sell and the produce was so much cheaper than the interest that the poor fellow went broke, his mortgage was foreclosed and he and his family were turned out to grass. Twenty thousand mortgages have been foreclosed in Nebraska since the era of so-called cheap interest and hardly a single foreclosure was ever made in the state before 1873. We know many business men in the state that paid 24 per cent interest and still made a great deal of money and when the interest reached 6 per cent those same men became bankrupt. The reason for this is that in the first period everything else was high, business was brisk and profits were secure, but as interest went down the price of commodities went down also, people were doing business on a constantly falling market, the merchants' margins were all gone before they could sell their goods and of course they went broke. If Mr. Morton can show nothing in favor of the gold standard in Nebraska except 20,000 foreclosed mortgages and 10,000 broken merchants, he and his Conservative had better quit business and go goose hunting with Grover the infamous.—Nonconformist.

Rich and Poor Plutocrats.

A distinction which needs to be frequently made and constantly insisted upon is that between millionaires and plutocrats. The millionaire is not necessarily a plutocrat. Look, for example, upon the life history of Peter Cooper. And we are not sure that the plutocrat is necessarily a millionaire, for many of the most sinister and conscienceless defenders of all powers and oppressions of corrupt wealth are cheap fellows, dependents, parasites and paupers.

The plutocrat is a man who holds that wealth, instead of manhood, should govern a land. He is a man who, having wealth, uses it to secure power over the lives and fortunes of his fellows; the man who buys elections and the officers elected; the man who coerces, by his control of sources of employment or the sources of credit, working men and debtors to do his political bidding. The Rockefellers and Pierpont Morgan are typical plutocrats. —New York Journal.

Class Distinctions.

How is it that the "lower classes" so called are always composed of the poor, and the "upper classes" so called are the rich? Are there no low characters among the rich and no higher characters among the poor? Dividing society into strata of upper and lower according to the wealth they possess is the mark of moral degeneration in a nation.—Columbus Post.

Embarrassing to the Trusts.

The fight between the sugar trust and the Arbuckles reduced the price of sugar one week to $4\frac{7}{8}$ cents a pound. This record will be embarrassing when the trusts get together and want to prove that the limitation of competition is solely for the benefit of the dear public.

Fallacious Goldbug Speakers.

The Republican gold-bug speakers have yet to learn that the advocacy of sound money demands sound arguments.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY.

Subject: "The Wrestlers"—The Time is Coming When the Last Mighty Evil of the World Will Be Grappled by Righteousness and Thrown.

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In wrestling, the opponents would bow in apparent suavity, advance face to face, put down both feet solidly, take each other by the arms, and push each other backward and forward until the work began in real earnest, and there were contortions and strangulations and violent strokes of the foot of one contestant against the foot of the other, tripping him up, or with struggle that threatened apoplexy or death, the defeated fell, and the shouts of the spectators greeted the victor. I guess Paul had seen some such contest, and it reminded him of the struggle of the soul with temptation, and the struggle of truth with error, and the struggle of heavenly forces against apollyonic powers, and he dictates my text to an amanuensis, for all his letters, save the one to Philemon, seem to have been dictated, and as the amanuensis goes on with his work I hear the groan and laugh and shout of earthly and celestial belligerents: "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

I notice that as these wrestlers advanced to throw each other they bowed one to the other. It was a civility, not only in Grecian and Roman games, but in later days, in all the wrestling bouts at Clerkenwell, England, and in the famous wrestling match during the reign of Henry III., in St. Giles' Field, between men of Westminster and people of London. However rough a twist and hard a pull each wrestler contemplated giving his opponent, they approached each other with politeness and suavity. The genuflexions, the affability, the courtesy in no wise hindered the decisiveness of the contest. Well, Paul, I see what you mean. In this awful struggle between right and wrong, we must not forget to be gentlemen and ladies. Affability never hinders, but always helps. You are powerless as soon as you get mad. Do not call rum-sellers murderers. Do not call infidels tools. Do not call higher critics reprobates. Do not call all card-players and theatre-goers children of the devil. Do not say that the dance breaks through into hell. Do not deal in vituperation and billingsgates and contempt and adjectives dynamitic. The other side can beat us at that. Their dictionaries have more objurgation and brimstone.

We are in the strength of God to throw flat on its back every abomination that curses the earth, but let us approach our mighty antagonist with suavity. Hercules, a son of Jupiter and Alcmene, will by a precursor of smiles be helped, rather than damaged for the performance of his "twelve labors." Let us be as wisely strategic in religious circles as attorneys in court-rooms, who are complimentary to each other in the opening remarks, before they come into legal struggle such as that which left Rufus Choate or David Paul Brown triumphant or defeated. People who get into a rage in reformatory work accomplish nothing but the depletion of their own nervous system. There is such a thing as having a gun so hot at the touch-hole that it explodes, killing the one that sets it off. There are some reformatory meetings to which I always decline to go and take part, because they are apt to become demonstrations of bad temper. I never like to hear a man swear, even though he swear on the right side. The very Paul who in my text employed in illustration the wrestling match, behaved on a memorable occasion as we ought to behave. The translators of the Bible made an unintentional mistake when they represented Paul as insulting the people of Athens by speaking of "the unknown god whom ye ignorantly worship." Instead of charging them with ignorance, the original indicates he complimented them by suggesting that they were very religious; but as they confessed that there were some things they did not understand about God, he proposed to say some things concerning Him, beginning where they had left off. The same Paul who said in one place, "Be courteous," and who had noticed the bow preceding the wrestling match, here exercises suavities before he proceeds practically to throw down the rocky side of the Acropolis the whole Parthenon of idolatries, Minerva and Jupiter smashed up with the rest of them. In this holy war polished rifles will do more execution than blunderbusses. Let our wrestlers bow as they go into the struggle which will leave all perdition under and all heaven on top.

Remember also that these wrestlers went through severe and continuous course of preparation for their work. They were put upon such diet as would best develop their muscle. As Paul says, "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things." The wrestlers were put under complete discipline—bathing, gymnastics, struggle in sport with each other to develop strength and give quickness to dodge of head and trip of foot; stooping to lift each other off the ground; suddenly rushing forward; suddenly pulling backward; putting the left foot behind the other's right foot, and getting his opponent off his balance; hard training for days and weeks and months, so that when they met it was giant clutching giant. And, my friends, if we do not want ourselves to be thrown in this wrestle with the sin and error of the world, we had better get ready by Christian discipline, by holy self-denial, by constant practice, by submitting to divine supervisal and direction. Do not begrudge the time and the money for that young man who is in preparation for the ministry, spending two years in grammar school, and four years in college, and three years in theological seminary. I know that nine years are a big slice to take off of a man's active life, but if you realized the height and strength of the archangels of evil in our time with which that young man is going to wrestle, you would not think nine years of preparation were too much. An uneducated ministry was excusable in other days, but not in this time, loaded with schools and colleges. A man who wrote me the other day a letter asking advice, as he felt called to preach the Gospel, began the word "God" with a small "g." That kind of a man is not called to preach the Gospel. Illiterate men,

...V DR. TALMAGE.

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...Wrestlers.—The Time is
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...preaching the Gospel, quote for
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...Open thy mouth wide and I
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...Many years ago Doctor Newman
...Sunderland, on the platform of
...Young's tabernacle at Salt Lake
...gained the victory by encountering
...both skilful wrestlers for God.
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...out of the window. Get ready
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...to the earth
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...ling, to which Paul refers in
...was the third throw which
...contest. A wrestler might be
...and thrown twice, but the
...might recover himself, and,
...second twist or turn or curve
...the day. Well, that is broad,
...mistakable Gospel. Some who
...through ear or eye, by voice
...pulpit, have been thrown in
...with evil habit.

Are you have been thrown
...that does not mean, oh! worse
...you are thrown forever. I have
...its for saying how many times
...sin and be forgiven, or how
...may fall and yet rise again
...authority for saying that as a
...hundred and ninety times, or
...died and ninety times get up
...declares that God will forgive
...times seven; and if you will
...rule of multiplication you
...seventy times seven is four
...ninety. Blessed be God for
...of high hope and thrilling
...and magnificent rescue! A
...sheep brought home on Sab
...der, and the prodigals who
...work of putting husks into
...brought home to jewelry and
...and hilarity that made the

But notice that my text says
...wrestlers on the other side
...struggles for the world's re
...all the forces of demonology
..."We wrestle not against flesh
...but against principalities, a
...against the rulers of the
...world, against spiritual wicked
...places.

Then I can well believe th
...ness will accept the challenge
...mighty wrestlers will grap
...the galleries of earth and
...down from one side, and
...sions of perdition look
...other side. The prize is
...for it is not a chapel
...but the rescue of a
...record put on the brow by
...God. "Be thou faithful unto
...will give thee a crown."
...earth, heaven and hell—both
...while waiting for the result
...see when, with one mighty
...arms unsheiled with Omnipot
...hurls the last evil, the
...and then on its face, and
...fall down, with a crash
...with which Sampson hurled
...pillars when he got hold of

And That suggests a
...that if all the realms of
...on the other side, all the
...ology are on our side, a
...Angel of the New Covenant
...now talking over the present
...and final glorious triumph
...the alabaster pillars and
...aves, and along the broad
...avenues of the great Capitol
...verse, and amid the
...with rainbows like the
...throne." Yes, all heaven
...and the "high places"
...spoken of in my text are
...the high places of heaven
...are enough reserve forces
...forces should be overpowered
...of foefall back, to sweep
...ing at daybreak and take
...and before the city could
...for noon. And the Cabinet
...of August Cabinet in Heaven
...age of three—God the Father
...and the Holy Ghost
...the King's Palace
...they are going to
...and joy invite us, as
...our share of the work,
...them, and celebrate the
...is more sure to come than
...rise.

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...the nervous mem-
...the head, passages. It is caused
...of colds or malignant
...Catarrh is cured
...by the medicines from
...all parts of the system, thus
...and builds up the system.

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...ness averages 20,000,000 weeks
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...done by the whole popula-
...tween 15 and 65 years of age.

...years ago H. A. W. Tabor
...is worth about $10,000,000,
...said to sleep in nightshirts
...50 each. Now, it is said, he
...to selling testimonials to
...medicine man in order to get
...in the papers.

...ry's Burglers collection.

...are the pleasure of knowing
...Dewey quite well," said Mr.
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...call to mind is an aversion
...persons hand shaking, and I
...him complain rather say-
...cranks who persist in squeez-
...hand upon introduction. The
...rule is a stamp collector, but
...true. He is a lepidopterist,
...or of butterflies, and has
...thousands of magnificent
...during his voyage. He has
...ly the finest private collec-
...utterflies in the United States,
...are; for $5,000 or $8,000
...tion of its value."

...on Arco Valley, who has
...ome years first secretary of
...embassy in England, has
...ointed minister to Brazil, and
...ed to Rio soon.

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...life's watch the hour of exist-
...ence because it means a time of

...woman entering free from
...pain does not seem to have

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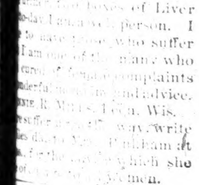

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...WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.
...Sold by druggists. Use
...CTS.
...SUMPTION

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COLUMBUS, GA., Aug. 24, 1877.

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DEWEY'S RABBIT FOOT.

He Sent it to T. H. Beam, of New Brunswick, N. J.

T. H. Beam, of New Brunswick, N. J., recently sent to Admiral Dewey a coat-of-arms of the United States, made of bits of postage stamps used during the World's Fair. He asked the admiral to send him the shoes he wore May 1. In reply he received the following letter:

"Flagship Olympia, Manila, Philippine Islands, Sept. 20, 1898.—T. Handy Beam, New Brunswick, N. J.—Dear Sir: I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your note of Aug 10, and also of the coat-of-arms of the United States so ingeniously made by you of postage stamps. I am greatly obliged to you for the great trouble you have taken to give me pleasure, and thank you heartily. I am sorry I cannot send you what you request, for I have a great many pairs of shoes, and never wear the same pair two days in succession, and consequently have not the slightest idea which pair I wore on May 1. I send you a souvenir, however, of that memorable day. It is a rabbit's foot, which I have had for some time, and which brought me luck. May it bring you as much. Very sincerely,

"GEORGE DEWEY."

An Arizona Hair Cut.

"Doesn't it disturb you when they have a shooting scrape next door?" asked the tenderfoot who was undergoing an Arizona hair cut. "Dis turb nothin'," answered the barber. "It gener'lly makes it easier."

At this juncture the shooting began at Red Mike's saloon next door. The tenderfoot's hair rose on end, and the barber trimmed it as expeditiously as if he were shearing a hedgehog.

ADDRESS TO ALABAMA FARMERS.

Commissioner Culver Delivers Wholesome Advice to Planters.

Hon. I. F. Culver, state commissioner of agriculture, has issued the following address to the farmers of the state:

"The time has come when it is an actual necessity for the farmers of Alabama to about face and change their mode of farming. Low price cotton, for a time at least, is here to stay. Texas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma will in the near future gather from five to six million bales of cotton. The older states, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Alabama will have to abandon the all cotton systems and go at something else, for we cannot compete with the rich lands of the west and raise cotton at 3 and 4 cents per pound. Then what shall we do? Turn our attention to the raising of stock, and thereby the building up and improving of our worn out lands; more stock means more manure and the improvement of our soils. We should not plant any land in cotton that will not make from one-half to one and one-half bales per acre, enabling us to raise from fifteen to twenty-five bales to the plow. What kind of stock should we raise? First, plenty of hogs for a bountiful supply of meat. Second, mules and horses for our own use. Third and most important, beef cattle. Now is the time, as nearly all of the scrubs have been shipped from the state to the west to be fattened and returned to us again as Kansas City beef, for us to go to work to improve our breeds of cattle by shipping thoroughbreds of the Red Poll, Poll Augus, Short Horn and other pure breeds, to cross on our best natives. With proper care and management we can raise stock at two years old to weigh from 800 to 1,000 pounds, worth from $25 to $40 per head. I know of one farmer, living near Livingston, who has purchased a Red Poll to improve his stock for raising beef cattle that will at eighteen months old weigh 900 pounds.

"With Bermuda grass for summer and Johnson grass for the winter, cotton seed meal and hulls for fattening, we can put two-year-old steers on the market that will bring us from $25 to $40, then we can make some money, and at the same time build up our worn lands.

"To begin this work we must cooperate by coming together and discussing the best plan and mode of operation, as to the best breeds and how to import them. By co-operation we can ship one carload of calves as an experiment. I think it better to purchase calves for several reasons; they are cheaper, and there will be risk in getting them acclimated.

"Dr. G. A. Curry, our veterinarian at Auburn, will co-operate with us by giving his valuable aid and experience. I am of the opinion that we can interest the railroads so as to get the first carload free of freight charges.

"To test the matter I will call a meeting of all parties interested in the improvement of the breeds of cattle to meet in Montgomery, at the capitol, on the 3d day of December. An address will be made by Dr. Curry, of Auburn, and others, on improvement of cattle breeding in the state."

New Railroad to Be Built.

Much interest is centering in the proposed building of the Florence & Gulf railroad, a line from Florence to Mobile, connecting the Tennessee river and the gulf. The road is fostered by the state, which several years ago made the survey at an expense of $9,000, and appointed the promoters. The line will cross the river at Florence. The proposed line will tap the Warrior coal fields at Tuscaloosa, goes through the long leaf yellow pine regions of the southern portion of Alabama, and connects the Tennessee with the Gulf, thus making an air line to Mobile and giving connection by water with Mexico and Central America. It is the intention of the money'd men behind the scheme to make the line an air route to Chicago.

Highwayman at Birmingham.

Footpads are operating in a daring way in Birmingham. Thursday night last week E. M. Wallace while on his way home from the theater was held up by two white men and relieved of his valuables. Daniel Wheeler, an electrician, was also stopped an hour later and robbed of his watch and money. Louis Brann was grabbed by the highwayman, but succeeded in disengaging himself, and the would-be robbers took to their heels.

Telephone Line Completed.

The new telephone line between Opelika and Lafayette, Ala., was completed Friday afternoon, thus completing the network of wires that run from Opelika in every direction, except to Birmingham.

Alabama Car Service Report.

The report of the Alabama Car Service association for the month of October shows up most excellently. The total number of cars handled was 27,681, which is 2,801 more than were handled during the same month of last year. This increase shows how active the freight shipments are this season.

Cotton pickers are scarce around Gadsden, and many farmers are unable to get their fleecy staple picked, and are compelled to see it rot in the fields. It is impossible to get pickers at 50 cents a hundred.

Fully one-third of the farmers of Etowah county have signified their intention of putting an increased acreage in wheat and oats this fall. Some eight or ten wheat drills have been sold in this county, and the farmers are fast quitting the all cotton crop.

A CHAMPION SNEEZER.

This Kentucky Man Could Break Up a Campmeeting.

"Did you ever know a man who could sneeze loud enough to break up a campmeeting, to stop the taking of testimony in court, and cause a bellowing cow to stop in disgust and wonder what the noise was that was drowning its thunderous voice?" said an old fisherman last night.

On being informed that his sneezer was entitled to the cake and all the accessories necessary to conduct an up-to-date bakery, the gentleman consented to tell more of his sneezing friend. He said:

"While fishing in a mountain town in Eastern Kentucky last fall I went to the village nearby one rainy morning to attend circuit court. The judge was delivering an impressive charge to the grand jury, and every ear was listening to catch each word, when the stillness of the court was broken by an unearthly ker-chew, ker-chew, ker-chew, etc., etc., etc. The judge was thunderstruck and instantly every eye was turned toward the rear of the room, where a little, unobtrusive-looking old farmer sat sneezing as if his head were coming off. The judge ordered the sheriff to bring the intruder before the bench. The offender came forward, and the judge had a fine entered against the innocent cause of the disturbance.

"Two of the sneezer's friends were called, who testified to the man's good character and high standing, but said they could hear him sneeze three miles any day in the year. One said that the sneezer once broke up a campmeeting with a sneezing spell, and that he saw an enraged bovine stop a thunderous bellowing fit to look in wonder at the human who could make more noise than a mad bull. But the old fellow couldn't help it, and the fine was remitted."—Louisville Post.

A Postmistress Aged 93 Years.

The death has just taken place of the oldest postmistress in the United Kingdom. The venerable lady was Mrs. Brown, postmistress of Auchmithie, the Musselcraig of Sir Walter Scott's Antiqurdy, a quiet little village in Forfarshire. She died at the age of 93 years, and as it was her wish that she should be allowed to act as mistress of the postoffice as long as she lived, her desire was respected by the postal "powers that be," and thus the veteran dame performed all the duties till a comparatively few days ago. Soon after the introduction of the penny post Mrs. Brown was appointed the first postmistress at Auchmithie. She was the widow of the village schoolmaster. Her memory went back to the reception of the news of Waterloo, the death of King George, and the coronation of the Queen.

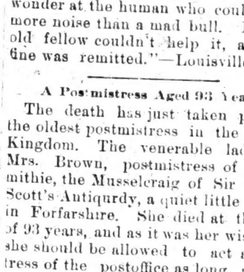
Japanese Tampering With Nature.

The Japanese are ruthless in their tampering with nature. If they decide that they want a bird or an animal of a certain shape or color they set about manufacturing the article, so to sp ak, by the exercise of exceedingly clever ingenuity and untiring patience. Here, for example, is how the white sparrows are produced. They select a pair of grayish birds and keep them in a white cage in a white room, where they are attended by a person dressed in white. The mental effect on a series of generations of birds results in completely white birds.

Hardships of Army Life.

From the Press, Muncie, Ind.

One of the first to offer their services for the country in the Civil War was A. R. Sefton, of Milroy, Rush Co., Ind. He made a good record. The life of every soldier is a hard one, and Mr. Sefton's case was no exception. "We were in Tennessee, penned in on all sides. Our rations were very scarce," said he, "and we had begun to go on quarter allowance, and as the rain was not enough to replenish the wells or streams, our canteens went empty. We were hurried on, and the only way to quench our thirst was to go down on our hands and knees and drink from the hoof tracks made by the horses.



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"Some of us were taken sick from the effects of this. I was laid up several weeks in a field hospital from fever. From that time I was always afflicted more or less.

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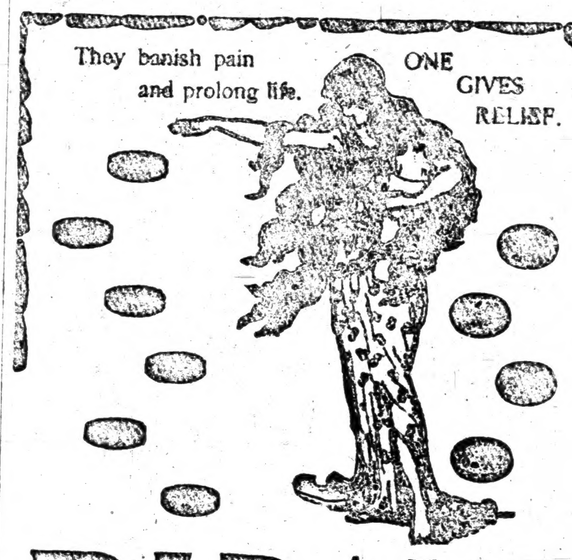

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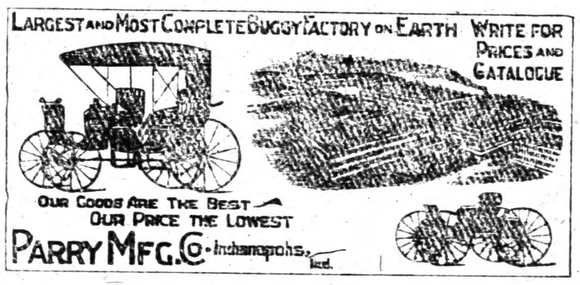

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CIRCUIT COURT.

No Court Next Week.

NOTICE TO JURORS AND WITNESSES.

State of Alabama, } Circuit
Chilton County, } Court.

Notice is hereby given to witnesses and petit jurors summoned to appear at the Circuit Court of Chilton county on Monday, November 28th, 1898, not to appear and there will be no second week of the Fall Term, 1898, of said Court. L. B. DEASON, Clerk.

The Circuit Court convened for the Fall Term at Clanton last Monday, Judge N. D. Denson, presided, this being his first court here since his re-election. He made an unusually lengthy and clear charge to the grand jury, who then retired to their labors.

The petit juries were empanelled and the court proceeded to business. A number of cases of no particular public interest were disposed of, and some were continued. Up to this (Thursday) morning only two cases have gone to the jury, viz.: Merrett vs. Ehrman, in which a verdict was rendered for the plaintiff and damages assessed. The other case was Vandegrift vs. Atchison, and a verdict was given in favor of the defendant.

The civil and criminal dockets were both very light, and it was decided that the whole business of the court would easily be disposed of in a week, and the second week was not held. On the criminal docket there is one capital charge, ... the negro woman, ... Mint, for murder of her infant; this case was set for Friday, ...th inst.

REPORT OF GRAND JURY.

To Hon. N. D. Denson, Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit:

We, the grand jury empaneled by your Honor for the fall term, 1898, of the Circuit Court of Chilton County, beg leave to submit our final report.

We have examined the books and records of the various county offices ... we could in the limited time we were in session, and as far as we could ascertain they are correctly kept.

We find the county buildings in good order and well kept. We would suggest that the court house be put in better repair, and that the jail be cleaned as early as possible.

We examined the bonds of the officers of our County, and find sufficient.

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... charged our duty, and

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[We are willing to publish our subscribers views at any time, but it must be distinctly understood we do not hold ourselves responsible for these opinions.—EDITOR.]

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Kincheon, Nov. 18, 1898.

Editor BANNER—After a few weeks thinking and reading, I have concluded to write one more little piece for the BANNER, provided it does not find its way to the waste basket instead of the press.

I have read several pieces in the BANNER concerning stock law, schools and other things which have caused one to study our condition as a people. I have found that we have plenty of school houses but more mortgaged farms; plenty philanthropists but more absconded bankers; plenty poor houses but more paupers than they can hold; plenty food but no money to buy it with; plenty factories but few of them in operation; plenty tariff but no revenues; plenty poor people here all ready, but that we invite more to cross the ocean to compete at lower wages with our own ill-paid laborers; plenty laws to punish men for snatching a loaf of bread to save their loved ones from starving but no laws that will reach the rich man who steals a railroad or wrecks a bank; plenty of bond issues for the benefit of English money sharks but only one bond issue placed before the people of the United States; plenty silver but no business sense to put it in circulation; plenty taxes but very little value left in the property that is taxed; plenty trusts to kill competition but no patriots in power to kill trusts; plenty schemes to make the rich richer but no endeavors to keep the poor from becoming poorer; plenty cuts in wages but no cuts of beef on the working man's table; plenty Bradley Martins but no more Peter Coopers; plenty talk in the pulpit about rendering unto Ceasar the things which are Ceasar's but little talk of the poor which ye have always with you; plenty ostentation but little charity; plenty money for foreign theatrical stars but no recognition of our own great actors; plenty political jobs but few jobs for humble industrious people; plenty cannon to train on strikers, citizens of our own country, but no courage to train these cannon on the enimies of the nation; plenty cream but its all in the cocoanut, and the rich own all the cocoanuts; plenty sin, sorrow, suffering, suicide, murder and ppverty, and little virtue, joy, peace, health, honor and comfort.

And all this because we have a government of the rich for the rich and by the rich, instead of what it started out to be, a fight be, and finally must be—a government of the people, for the people, and by the people.

Now, Mr. Editor, these are not gleanings of Populist papers—not one of them are taken from a Populist paper—but all are taken from good old-fashioned "in gold we trust" journals. But I have read these papers with an open mind, and not with an intellect clouded with prejudice. In these papers, not in the editorials, but in the local news columns, any man with commonsense can see what I have stated above, and now I ask all the readers of the BANNER not to confine themselves to reading Populist papers alone, but read them all, and digest them a right, and if you don't come to the same conclusion that I have, I will give it up that it is my clouded mind that leads me estray on this subject.

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Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 18, 1898

Editor BANNER. Please say to the people of Chilton county to send me petitions for what they want. I have no way of knowing what local legislation is needed unless the people ask for it. My only business here is to represent the will of the people of Chilton, and help look after the interests of the State. I hope when this session is over that our public school laws will be so improved that every child in Alabama will have a good school in reach of him. I am willing to be taxed for public education.

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Clanton, Ala., Nov. 23, 1898.

Editor BANNER. A number of people have asked me the price of recording land deeds, and I take this method in answering those who wish to know. The law fixes the price of recording land deeds, and all other conveyances to be recorded in the Probate office, and land deeds are 15 cents a hundred words and I am not allowed to charge more, and as the fee is placed on record with the conveyance and the law imposes a penalty for charging more than the fee fixed by the law, no one need have any fear about paying more than the regular price. Respectfully,

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Miss Bamma Martin visited friends at Jackson's mill last week.

Mrs. Melton, of Selma, visited friends here last week.

Mr. John Cooper returned from Ganadarque Wednesday.

The young people had an oyster supper last Wednesday night at the residence of Mr. Tom Parnell at Dixie; all enjoyed it finely.

The school building will be completed at Dixie this week. School will begin Monday.

Mr. W. C. Dyer made a flying trip to Montevallo Saturday.

Mr. R. H. Nelson went to Prattville Wednesday.

Miss Gertrude Orsburn returned from a visit to Selma Wednesday.

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Sour Stomach Cure.

A long time I was a great sufferer from Liver and Stomach troubles. I had a dull pain in my left side under my heart. At times my side became swollen and the pain acute. My stomach was always sour and I would vomit every time I eat. My bowels were very irregular, causing me pain and distress. I tried many things without any benefit. I read of your medicine and concluded to try it, and am glad that I did. I felt better after the first dose. I continued to take Ramon's Liver Pills & Tonic Pellets until I was entirely cured.—D. W. Penland, Otto, Macon co., N. C. For sale by J. M. Stanfield.

Athletics at Harvard.

Although Harvard has no regular compulsory or elective courses in physical training the Harvard Summer School of Physical Training stands at the head as a school for the training of physical instructors. During the past summer there were 8 special lecturers, 12 special instructors and 10 assistant instructors. Practical exercises were given, covering a wide range of subjects included under free movements, dancing calisthenics, light and heavy gymnastics, track and field athletics, Swedish gymnastics, boxing, fencing, swimming, wrestling, general developing exercises and gymnastic games.

Adali's Appetite.

Adali, the wrestler, recently ate a dinner at a New York hotel, and this is what he devoured: Six portions of turkey, six lamb chops, six soft boiled eggs, three portions of potatoes, two large pies and two plates of ice cream. He washed this down with several cups of coffee and a large glass of beer.

NOTICE

The firm of Mooney & Wooley is hereby dissolved by mutual agreement, and all bills payable by the firm are subject to the firm.

(Signed) MOONEY & WOOLEY.

NOV. 10, 1898.

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Notice of Letting Poor House.

The Commissioners of Chilton County will meet at the County Poor House near Jemison on Tuesday, December 20, 1898, when proposals for taking care of the paupers of Chilton County and superintending the Pauper Farm for the year 1899 will be received and a contract made with the lowest and best bidder.

S. M. ADAMS,
Judge of Probate.

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Many a household is saddened by death because of the failure to keep on hand a safe and absolutely certain cure for croup such as One Minute Cough Cure. See that your little ones are protected against emergency. J. M. Stanfield.

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FITTS-HUBBARD.

On Sunday evening last at Macedonia church, Mr. F. J. Fitts and Miss Mary Hubbard, one of the charming daughters of our esteemed Tax Collector T. J. Hubbard, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. S. M. Adams performing the ceremony. The young couple were well mated, and the future looks bright and promising for them. The best wishes of The Banner and a large circle of friends are freely offered to them.

HONEYCUTT-HESTER.

A union of hearts was consummated on Sunday evening at the residence of Mrs. Hester at Clanton, when Mr. H. I. Honeycutt and Miss Julia Hester were made man and wife, Rev. J. G. Lowery officiating. Everyone knows Henry Honeycutt and his always pleasant manner has won him a large number of friends who heartily wish him and his bride a long life replete with happiness and prosperity.

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HON. L. H. REYNOLDS has introduced the following bills in the House:

To divide the county of Chilton into four commissioners' district and fix the term of office of the commissioners of said county. County and county boundaries.

To establish a separate school district, to be known as the Collins Chapel School district, in Chilton county. Judiciary.

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Commissioner Evans of the pension office notified Secretary Alger Friday that Jesse T. Gates, Second United States artillery, who had lost part of his upper lip in the West Indian campaign, has been awarded the first pension on account of the Spanish war. The president and secretary of war each took an interest in this case. Gates called on them in person soon after the close of the campaign and convinced them of the merits of his claim. Gates will receive $17 per month, and this being inadequate, a private pension bill increasing the pension will probably be introduced in congress. Claims on account of the Spanish war are now rapidly coming in. The total on file up to date is 1,947 for war service and 178 for naval service, exclusive of the claims of the battleship Maine victims.

AMERICANS MOBBED AT PEKIN.

Bishop Cranston and Family Attacked by Chinese Mob.

Bishop Earl Cranston, of the Methodist Episcopal church and family, and Rev. Dr. Lowry, missionary, were mobbed at Pekin, China, September 30. The attack was made with mud, sticks and stones by a mob gathered to celebrate the first feast day since the empress had taken the power from the emperor. The families were going to and from the railway station in chairs and carts, and were attacked by the half-frenzied Chinamen. Dr. Lowry made a brave resistance, and succeeded in getting the women and children to a place of safety, though he suffered a broken rib. The same indignities were offered to all other foreigners. Representations have been made to the Chinese government by the American minister at Pekin.

RAISING SPANISH GUNBOATS.

Dewey Has Contracted With a Hong Kong Firm to Put Three in Repair.

The United States navy will soon possess more than a sprinkling of foreign-built vessels. Admiral Dewey has informed the navy department that he has contracted with a Hong Kong firm of wreckers to raise three of the Spanish war vessels, sunk in the battle of Manila last May day. The cost of raising the ships and putting them in repair will be $500,000. The vessels to be raised are gunboats of large type, and in the opinion of Chief Constructor Hichborn, they will be the very best kind of craft for the protection of the United States' interests among the Philippines and along the Asiatic coast. They are the sister ships Isla de Cuba and Isla de Luzon, and the Don Juan de Austria.

Train Wrought Fearful Havoc.

During a dense fog a Pennsylvania train ran upon a gang of workmen on the Hackensack Meadows, near Jersey City. Eleven men were killed and six injured. The train which run down the workmen was a local from Milltown to Jersey City due in Jersey City at 8:20 a. m. The fog delayed the train and Engineer John Van Ostrand was endeavoring to make up time. His train was running at a high rate of speed, he believing there was nothing to obstruct a quick run to Jersey City. The first he knew that his train had run into the men was when his engine jarred. There were twenty men in the gang, and only three escaped injury.

Terrible Fratricide.

A terrible fratricide occurred last Friday in the mountains of Polk county, Tenn., near the North Carolina line. A number of young men became engaged in a drunken row and two brothers, Garrett and Gedding Hadden, took sides one against the other. Garrett shot his brother, killing him instantly, and fled at once into the mountains.

Will Do Police Service in Havana.

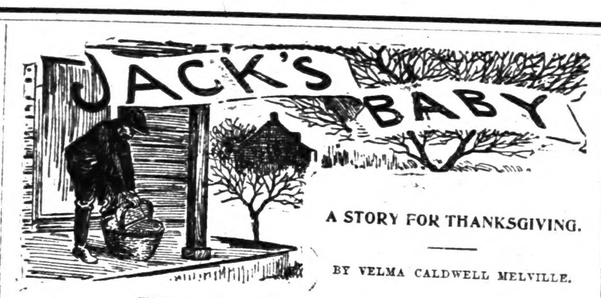
Fourteen well-known Texans, under the lead of Lieut. Gates, of Dallas county, recently members of the First Texas Volunteers, left Friday for Cuba to do police service for the government. There will be twenty-two mounted men stationed between Matanzas and Havana, of which fifteen Texas men will be a part. Each man will be paid $43.50 a month by the government, furnished a horse, board and rations.

Death of a Johnstown Hero.

Joseph Lafrance, a hero at the Johnstown, Pa., flood, dropped dead Friday, while at work, of heart disease, which dated back to the day of the great flood, when he ran at a rapid speed from the Gautier mill warning the people along the way of the coming water and thereby saving many lives. He was a native of Montreal, Canada, and was born in 1847.

John W. Keeley, the inventor of the Keeley motor, died Friday at his home in Philadelphia from pneumonia.

The suggestion that the new America's cup defender be built for crossing the Atlantic that she may take part in races for various international trophies in European waters would be a national expansion policy to which no American could object.



A STORY FOR THANKSGIVING.

BY VELMA CALDWELL MELVILLE.

VER in the village the Kingsleys were called by their neighbors "peculiar" and we are not disposed to contradict them.

There was the father, mother and three sons, the latter all women-haters, or at least woman-shunners, for even when boys at the district school, not one of them would play with or in any way notice a girl. As a family, they were industrious, economical and well-to-do. Work, work, work was the order of the day, and save, save, save, was the key-note of their lives. If there was one among them more of a hustler than the others it was the eldest son, Jack, and if one more than another of the sons was averse to society, it was Jack.

It was on Thanksgiving morning that our story opens, but we doubt if any of the Kingsleys had given a thought to the day. In their busy, unsentimental existence there had been no account made of the days that come like pleasant mile stones along the way. There was no Thanksgiving cheer, or Christmas gifts; New Year meant nothing to them but a change of date, and Easter was only Sunday, the day of rest at the farmhouse.

If any one could be said to rise first in a family where all were up betimes, it was this same Jack, whose heavy footfall ofttimes wakened the house. On this Thanksgiving morning he was out even earlier than usual, for it was corn-husking time and in one way and another they had been hindered this particular fall. Stumbling out into the cold, early light, he was surprised to run against a great willow basket.

"What the nation's this?" he growled.

Now we would not have you understand that Jack was a particularly ill-natured man; but it is usually true that in families where the little refinements and courtesies are omitted, the boys—and sometimes the girls—grow up surly and irritable in manner, even when, in reality, there is no anger in their hearts.

With the half-formed thought in mind that some neighbor had left it after the family had retired, he lifted the lid.

"Jupiter!" was the one word that escaped his lips, and then he simply stared. But it was not Jupiter or any other celestial body that lay there so snugly in the basket, but a very beautiful terrestrial body—in other words, a beautiful babe smiled up into his face.

"Jupiter!" he said again, and let fall the lid, only to lift it again immediately. It would have been a study for an artist—the old brown farmhouse amid the leafless trees for a background, the flurry of snow sifted over the porch, the great willow basket, from which smiled the lovely infant, and the uncouth figure in high boots, overalls, short brown coat and slouch hat bending above it.

How long he might have remained in this pose is uncertain, but the little one's efforts to free her arms aroused him. Once more letting fall the lid he lifted the basket into the kitchen just as his mother emerged from her room.

"What on airth you got?" she questioned.

"Somebody's young 'un left on the door-step."

Mrs. Kingsley wonderingly undid the rich wrappings until the little arms, unpinioned, were held pleadingly up. What woman could refrain

JACK WAS MARCHING ABOUT.

from lifting the little creature out and pressing it to her breast? Even Mrs. Kingsley could not, though she made sure first that Jack's back was turned. Soon the remainder of the family were on the scene, surprised and wondering over "Jack's baby," as it was called from the first.

There was nothing by which she could be identified, save a square white card bearing the one word "Fay."

At breakfast Mrs. Kingsley remarked complainingly:

"Now there'll be a trip clean to John Sweet's."

"John Sweet's?" queried Jack, absent-mindedly, as he watched his mother feeding milk to the little stranger.

"Yes, he's the poor commissioner, ain't he?"

"What of that?"

"'What of that;' did I ever! Why, you can't git this young one into the poorhouse without seeing him about it."

A wave of color swept across Jack's sun-burned, unshaved face, but he only replied that he guessed they could board her until Sunday, leastways no one could be spared from the husking now.

"'Nd how d'ye s'pose I'm to do my work 'nd care fer a baby all that time? Here it's only Thursday."

"She don't seem troublesome yit."

"No, of course she'll be good while I'm minding her all the time, but wait till I put her by."

Before Jack had been at work two hours he made an excuse to go to the house. His mother happened to be out of doors when he entered the kitchen, but there sat the lovely child in her basket, gleefully pulling the strands of a skein of scarlet yarn. The moment she caught sight of him she gave a happy, gurgling laugh, dropped the yarn and held out her arms; but he pretended not to see. When next he glanced in her direction, the baby's lip was trembling and tears were welling up into the great dark eyes.

He made a step toward her, then paused, looking from his dirty hands and dusty clothes to the dainty garments she wore.

"I ain't fit," he muttered, but then that look!

Once more the smile came like a burst of sunshine through the clouds and the dimpled hands reached out alluringly.

"Goo goo!" she said, but he thought she meant good, and—well, when his mother entered the room she was simply dumbfounded at the sight that met her gaze.

Jack, who had never even touched a baby before, was marching about, the child on his shoulder, one hand fastened in his rather unkept hair, the other patting his cheek.

"Goo, goo!" she cried louder and louder.

"Jack Kingsley, are you crazy?" she cried. With a shame-faced expression, he turned toward the basket, but paused half way and turned defiantly.

"No, I ain't crazy, but I'm goin' to keep her."

"Goin' to keep her? Mercy on us, you must be out en yer head."

"I tell you I ain't, but I'd be 'shamed to put a purty little critter like her in the poorhouse. Hain't we got enough, I'd like ter know, to feed one sech kid?"

"But who'll take care of her?"

The poor fellow looked perplexed, but Fay, at this moment, nestled her head against his neck, cooing contentedly, "Da, da, da, da!"

"I will, if there's nobody else," he answered defiantly; "leastways I can hire a girl."

"A girl!" Mrs. Kingsley fairly shrieked, for in all her life she had never hired help in the house one day.

And then she poured forth a tirade of abuse that, could little Fay have understood, would have burned into her very soul! Happily she could not understand, but Jack did, after a fashion at least, but the effect was exactly contrary to what his mother desired and his answer showed her her mistake.

"It may all be as you think," he said slowly; "we don't know anything about it, but I do know this innercent babe ain't to blame 'nd I'll be blamed if I don't stand for her 'nd fight the hull world, if need be. I ain't fit fer much! the Kingsleys ain't like other people nohow, 'nd if this here kid ain't respectable it can't make no great odds to us; we ain't s'ciety folks but all these fine fixens she's got on shows she don't b'long to no poor trash round here. There's a mystery about it that I hope we won't never understand."

After this uncommonly long speech, Jack Kingsley put the child in the basket and went out, his mother never saying a word. We are inclined to think she was a little alarmed for his mental condition, though. When she recovered from the shock a little, she remembered a few other times in his life when Jack had unexpectedly flung out in a similar fashion in defense of an abused animal, and once in the case of a sick tramp. She blamed herself severely for not using more strategy at the outset; now the battle was hopelessly lost. Well, he might hire somebody to care for it; she would not and in five minutes after she had settled this point she was holding the object of controversy in her arms and feeding it most tenderly. Then for the first time she remembered that this was Thanksgiving Day. Thanksgiving! And sitting and rocking, her mind traveled back to a time when the day meant much to her; to a time when life was not so narrow, so sordid, when she went to church and enjoyed human companionship. Then she remembered the first Thanksgiving on this farm, when Jack was a sturdy boy of five and the others younger; how she had made a little feast almost out of nothing, but, despite the homesickness and loneliness, they had been far happier than in the years since when love of gain had "eaten them up," spiritually and mentally. With a start she heard the clock strike eleven. The baby was sleeping; could she manage to get up a Thanksgiving feast in an hour? She had intended to have boiled potatoes, fried salt pork, bread, coffee and sorghum molasses.

Ben, her youngest son, was at the barn for something and, yielding to the impulse of the moment, she called to him from the doorway: "Run me down a chicken, Ben, if you men folks can get along till one o'clock without yer dinners."

"Aye, aye!" said Ben heartily, but when he came in with the chicken he looked so inquiring that his mother said: "I plum forgot 'twas Thanksgiving," just as if they ever observed it either inwardly or outwardly. Ben said nothing, but shying a glance at the sleeping babe went out softly, but was whistling gaily when he reached the corn sheds. "Can't have dinner till the horn blows; reckon that'll be about one o'clock."

"What's up?" asked Tom.

The Kingsleys were not humorous, but an idea did occasionally strike Ben and now he answered severely:

"You can't expect mother to take care of a youngun and have meals square up to time."

"Hang the youngun!" was Tom's ungracious reply. "Say, Jack, you better go over to Sweet's this afternoon."

"If you've any business at Sweet's go yourself; I have't any."

Even Mr. Kingsley, who was not at all observing, opened his eyes when he entered the big kitchen, from which most savory odors had already greeted him.

Never had the old room looked so inviting before, and no wonder! A toothsome feast on a table spread with the white cloth and best dishes—only used for company—and a baby form in the old high chair so long relegated to the garret. He smiled and laid his rough hand on the little head covered with golden red curls.

"Whoop-ee!" said Tom, looking approvingly about. "So all this comes of having a girl in the family!"

Jack glanced at his mother and then did what no Kingsley was ever known to do before without being asked—filled the water pails.

Ben looked down at himself; then there was another departure. He put on a clean "wamus" and washed and combed with unusual care. Everyone had a smile or a pat for the bright, fearless babe who, they tacitly understood, was in some way responsible for the good cheer.

When ready to sit down, Jack quietly lifted the high chair to a place besides his own. He meant to take care of her, evidently. And so the new life at the Kingsleys began. Not all in a day did the changes come, but the truth of the words: "And a little child shall lead them," was never more thoroughly verified than in this instance. By another Thanksgiving time a royal feast was spread and the minister and his family invited to partake. The house was brightened; each member of the family dressed, talked and acted more like "other people;" they even sent wood and vegetables to several poor families, and remembered that they themselves had cause to give thanks for many blessings, not least among them Jack's baby.

A SONG OF THANKSGIVING.

Thanksgiving for the men who braved
The yet scarce furrowed sea,
Rather than cringe, with soul enslaved,
To kingly tyranny;
Who sought upon this virgin sod
"Freedom to worship God!"

Thanksgiving for the men who met
The stormy brunt of war,
Who yielded life without regret
Lest wrong be conqueror;
For those who fought and lived to see
Triumphant liberty!

SUPPLANTS THE EAGLE FOR ONE DAY ONLY.

Thanksgiving that the olden scars
By time are hid and healed;
That now our flag's close-clustering stars
Shine on no gory field,
But year by year a rich increase
Springs from the arts of peace!

Thanksgiving for a past that gleams
With light so fair to see;
Thanksgiving for the glorious dreams
Of triumphs yet to be;
Thanksgiving, all, with one accord,
Unto our father's Lord!

—Clinton Scollard, in Harper's Weekly.

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CUSTOMS OF THE FEAST.

Traditions Should Be Observed in Serving the Thanksgiving Dinner.

"Under the circumstances it is advisable that the conventional, every-day order of your table should be set aside for the Thanksgiving feast," writes Ella Morris Kretschmar in the Woman's Home Companion. "In days when servants were rare and untrained, things were not served from the sideboard and side-tables. Besides, how could you picture a board that groans with its wealth of cheer without the good things in evidence?

"The turkey, of course, is placed before the host, also the meat pie; the vegetables, in covered dishes, before the hostess. The cranberries, celery (in low crystal dishes on a napkin), that time-honored abomination, the sour pickles, jellies, etc., may be placed here and there along the board effectively. Sweet pickles may be added; also dishes of fruits and nuts—the two latter to be eaten, of course, with the desert. Hot-house flowers would be an incongruous feature, yet the dainty, tasteful colonial dame doubtless found some decorations for her table. The bright berry-clusters from the box-elder tree would be very effective; also autumn leaves or beautiful dried grasses, or a tiny sheaf of wheat, oats or rye. Something will furnish a proper centerpiece; if nothing better, a high dish or silver basket of handsome apples will answer. All of the above may be on the table when the guests assemble, the soup already served at each place. When the soup-plates have been removed the main course begins, which, when removed, gives place to all the remaining items of the menu.

MENU.

Clam or Oyster Soup.
Roast Turkey, Giblet Gravy.
Chicken Pie. Boiled Ham.
Cranberry Sauce. Celery.
Mashed Potatoes.
Turnips. Squash. Boiled Onions.
Sweet and Sour Pickles.
Plum Jelly.
Mince Pie. Pumpkin Pie. Pound-cake.
Preserves with Cream.
Apples. Nuts. Raisins.
Coffee.

Turkey Tid-Bits.

It is a wise turkey that knows when to diet.

A turkey on your own table is worth two in your neighbor's coop.

Beauty unadorned—A well-dressed turkey.

At Thanksgiving time the key to the situation is turkey.

The hand that carves the turkey is the one that rules the roast.

Never look a gift turkey in the gizzard.

Degrees of comparison in the life of a turkey—Positive, gobble; comparative, gobbler; superlative, gobble it.

The turkey is a great success as the national bird because it paints itself red simply by gobbling.

Don't ask too long a blessing at the Thanksgiving dinner. Remember that the turkey is not a bird of pray.

Thanksgiving Turkey.

Oh, the turkey's waxing fatter
Than he waxed a moon ago,
And he ripens for the platter
In the dreamy afterglow.
While the piglet
Skips a jiglet
In the bosom of his sty,
Is the turkey
Quite as murky
As the chilly, purple sky;
For he knows that he will very
Soon be going on the plate,
With the sauce of the cranberry,
And the stuffing all elate.

Oh, the turkey's full of sorrow,
From his watties to his tail;
When he dreams about the morrow,
Every feature's snowy pale.
Oh, 'tis shaky
As the flaky
Pie that lures us on to kill;
And his talons
Show that gallons
Of good stuff would not unchill
All the thoughts that thrill his wishbone,
When he dreams the carving knife
Soon will pierce him like a fishbone,
And wind up his happy life.

Oh, the turkey now is glowing,
And we watch him in our joy,
For we know we soon are going
With his drumsticks for to toy.
In our rapture,
We will capture
All the dark meat and the white,
And the giblets
Of his niblets
Will suffuse us with delight;
And we'll say in language regal,
As our lines we all up gird,
That the turkey beats the eagle
As old Freedom's mighty bird!

—R. K. Munkittrick.

The Turkey's Age.

Miss Antiquate—"This a young turkey! I don't believe you, sir."

Butcher—"It is a young turkey, mum."

Miss Antiquate—"Young! Young as compared with what?"

Butcher—"The pyramids, er yer own sweet self, mum."

An Inexorable Fate.

He who reads, and runs away,
Lives to be eaten "some other day."

The Turkey.

For weeks and weeks the ripened corn
He's gobbled by the peck;
Now on some sad November morn,
He gets it in the neck.

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Declares the Filippinos Are United and Insist on Independence.

PROTEST AGAINST MERRITT'S STATEMENT

Report That Christina Will Resign the Dynasty and That Don Carlos Will Be Proclaimed King, Who Will Abdicate in Favor of His Son.

LONDON.—There is much agitation among the Filippino representatives in Europe over the Philippine situation. Agoncillo, the representative of Aguinaldo, who was in Paris watching the proceedings of the peace commissions, started for Washington Saturday. It is learned that on Wednesday last he called a meeting of the Filippinos in Paris and London to meet him in Paris, when a committee was formed with the object of doing everything possible to induce France to recognize the so called Philippine republic. A telegram was sent to Aguinaldo asking for instructions, and the following reply is said to have been received:

"Insist upon absolute independence. Otherwise we fight to the death. We are all united, and the government is progressing smoothly. All the independent tribes of the mountains are submitting to Aguinaldo, and the chiefs are bringing in presents of gold."

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AMERICAN ULTIMATUM PRESENTED.

Commission Fixes a Time Limit of One Week.

NEGOTIATIONS NOT BROKEN OFF BY SPAIN.

Agreed to Pay $20,000,000 for the Philippines—Adjournment Taken Until Wednesday in Order That Communication With Madrid May Be Had.

The afternoon papers, taking the Associated Press Monday printed a dispatch from Paris to the effect that Señor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish peace commission, had broken off negotiations. The Associated Press, it is to have been imposed upon. Subsequent investigation proved the story to be baseless, although it had been cabled broadcast over the land and had created something of a sensation among government officials and diplomats. Monday night the Associated Press sent to its morning papers this dispatch and the explanation which follows:

"Please kill the Paris bulletin appearing in day report which says: 'The president of the Spanish peace commission, Senor Montero Rios, has refused to continue the negotiations.' The Paris bulletin sent out shortly after noon on Monday announcing that Senor Montero Rios had refused to continue the peace negotiations was sent from Paris by the correspondent of the Associated Press. It was not sent with his knowledge or by his agent. The message was received over the wires of the French Telegraphic Cables Company, and it was upon inquiry that the cable sheet was found in at the Paris office was indorsed in the name of the Paris correspondent of the Associated Press. The cable company was imposed upon."

Washington.—The Spanish and American peace commissioners met in joint session at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. The Americans declared the United States must have the entire Philippine archipelago, and for a treaty session of the Philippines the Americans tendered to Spain $20,000,000.

They further declared it is the purpose of the United States to maintain control of the Philippine Islands as an "open door" to the world's commerce.

Finally the terms named the United States proposes a mutual relinquishment of all claims for indemnity, national or personal, subsequent to the outbreak of the Cuban insurrection.

November 28 is fixed as the date on which the American peace commission will make a definite response to today's propositions and all other subjects in dispute.

It is also declared that the United States desires to treat on the religious affairs of the Caroline Islands as they were upon between the United States and Spain in 1886, and also the question of one of the Caroline Islands for an American naval station, cable landing rights at other points in the Spanish possessions, and the question of certain Spanish-American claims for indemnity.

The commissioners refuse to arbitrate any of the peace protocol, the future disposition and sovereignty of the Philippine Islands.

The meeting was then adjourned until Wednesday.

The memorandum of the American commission embodying the above propositions is long, and was not read in full. The vital portions, however, were communicated verbally to the Spanish commissioners in practically these terms:

"The fact was cited that the proposal presented by the American commissioners in behalf of their government for the cession of the Philippine Islands to the United States having been rejected by the Spanish commissioners and the counter proposal of the latter for the withdrawal of the American forces from the islands and the payment of an indemnity by the United States to Spain having been rejected by the American commissioners, the latter, deeming it essential that the present negotiations, already greatly protracted, should be brought to an early and definite conclusion, now beg to present a new proposition embodying the concessions which, for the sake of peace, their government under the circumstances be willing to tender.

"The government of the United States is unable to modify the proposal heretofore made for the cession of the entire archipelago of the Philippines, but the American commissioners are authorized to offer to Spain, in case the cession would be agreed to, the sum of $20,000,000 to be paid in accordance with the terms to be fixed in the treaty of peace.

"It being the policy of the United States to maintain in the Philippines an open door to the the world's commerce, the American commissioners are prepared to insert in the treaty now in contemplation a stipulation in effect, that for a term of years, Spanish ships and merchandise shall be admitted into the Philippine ports on the same terms as American ships and merchandise."

The other stipulations were practically as given in the beginning of this dispatch.

McKinley's Significant Action.

The committee in charge of the Atlanta Peace Jubilee, for which December 14 and 15 have been set, has received a telegram from the president requesting them to change the name of the celebration from peace jubilee to a demonstration over "our victorious arms." The telegram gives as the reason for the change the "uncertain outcome of the Paris conference and the exigencies which may arise."

The executive committee of the celebration held a special meeting on receipt of the president's telegram and decided to designate the demonstration as "the Atlanta jubilee." The dates will remain as at first announced.

English Press Opinions.

LONDON.—The morning papers concede the generosity of the offer of the United States peace commissioners and express the opinion that Spain would be foolish to reject them. The express universal gratification at the announcement of "an open door" policy in the Philippines.

The Daily Mail calls the offer of $20,000,000 indemnity, "a surprising act of generosity."

The Daily News says: "The United States have now become an Asiatic power, and Lord Salisbury clearly had reason to predict that the expansion of the United States would give Great Britain a valuable ally in the China seas."

CORDIAL WELCOME

...the American Squadron if It ... Portsmouth, England.

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WANTS A FORCE BILL.

A St. Louis Club Urges Federal Action in Dealing With Race Troubles.

The Forum club of St. Louis, at a meeting Sunday compiled an address to President McKinley relative to the recent shooting of negroes in North and South Carolina. The document points out that such outrages are condoned and excused by the local authorities, who are either unable or unwilling to prevent them.

"We do not invoke war in our behalf. We believe that there can be placed in the hands of the president by the Fourteenth amendment of the constitution full power to correct these evils, and we respectfully urge that you recommend to congress such legislation.

GEN. GARCIA IN NEW YORK.

Given an Enthusiastic Reception by the Cubans of the Metropolis.

Gen. Calixto Garcia and the other Cuban commissioners from the Cuban military assembly at Santa Cruz del Sur, who are en route to Washington for the purpose of laying before President McKinley a resolution recently adopted by the assembly as to the future of the island of Cuba, arrived in New York Monday, on the Ward Line steamer Segurancia. General Garcia and the commissioners were given an enthusiastic welcome by the members of the local branch of Cubans and many prominent Cubans. He will go to Washington in a day or two to see the president.

Senator Quay Is Indicted.

The grand jury at Philadelphia, Monday, presented to the county court true bills of indictments against United States Senator M. S. Quay, his son, Richard R. Quay, and ex-State Treasurer Benjamin J. Haywood, charged with conspiracy to unlawfully use public moneys deposited in the People's National bank of that city, for the purchase and sale of stocks and for other purposes not authorized by law. John S. Hopkins, former cashier of the People's bank, now dead, is named as a party of the conspiracy.

HE FEELS IT COMING.

The Republican press may say what it will to the contrary, the fact remains that the Silver Sentiment is stronger than ever. Had it not been for this sentiment the Republicans would have made a clean sweep November 8th on account of a successful war. Astute men in politics feel that a Silver cyclone will come within the next two years. The plutocrat, with his ill-gotten gains, may put on all the false bravery that he can but inwardly he knows that he is soon to be struck by the only kind of legislation (Free Silver) that can drive him from his position.

DEMOCRACY'S GAINS.

GOV. ALTGELD SUMS UP THE RECENT ELECTION.

Viewed as a Whole, the Republicans Are Welcome to All the Comfort They Can Extract from the Present Situation—The Battle of 1900.

When viewed as a whole, the 1898 election was favorable to the Democrats. While the Democrats in Congress and out of Congress forced the administration into the war, they knew that it would give it a tremendous political advantage, for they knew the war must be successful, and a successful war always strengthens the party in power. The Republicans should have received much larger majorities than two years ago. Instead of that they have lost forty Congressmen and a large number of others had their majorities almost wiped out. One more such a Republican victory will destroy that party and forever end the hypocrisy and false pretense now reigning in Washington. The Democrats have not lost a single state that they carried two years ago, but, on the contrary, have elected a governor in Minnesota, which is equal to a miracle. That element of the Democratic party which has favored the abandonment of all principle and has urged harmony for the sake of spoils has had a chance to try its scheme and has utterly failed. In Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and one or two other states where they had refused to indorse the national platform they have suffered humiliating defeat, although in some of these states the conditions favored Democratic victory. I understand that nearly every Democratic Congressman elected in these states was successful because he told his constituents, if elected, he would support the national platform. That fraudulent side-show called the gold Democracy will now pass out of existence and the Democratic party from the Atlantic to the Pacific will line up on higher ground. It will assume the aggressive, and not only fight for the mighty principles enunciated in 1896, but it will make itself the champion of struggling humanity. It will pull this country out of the pool of corruption into which the Republicans have dragged it, and it will lead our people toward a higher civilization. Tuesday's election will make Mr. Bryan more formidable than he ever was, because it is going to bring to the front the great principles which he has advocated.

John P. Altgeld

All About the Seigniorage.

Webster defines seigniorage as "a charge or toll deducted from bullion brought to a mint to be coined." But the word as used in the United States means the profit arising from the coinage of bullion. By act of July 14, 1890, the secretary of the treasury was directed to purchase each month 4,500,000 ounces of fine silver at the market price and to pay for the same with treasury notes. The difference between the cost price of the silver so purchased, and its coinage value at the rate of $1.2929 an ounce is the seigniorage or profit to the government. There is no seigniorage from the coinage of gold bullion because the value of the bullion and the coins made from it are of equal value. It will thus be seen that the amount of seigniorage depends upon the price paid for the bullion. An ounce of fine silver contains 480 grains. The dollar contains 371.25 grains of pure silver. If an ounce of fine silver can be purchased for seventy cents, the seigniorage, therefore, arising from its coinage is about $0.5929. This would make the actual worth of the silver dollar $0.5414. This explains why some people talk of a fifty-cent dollar. By act of November 1, 1893, the purchase of silver bullion, under act of July 14, 1890, was repealed. The total amount of silver bullion purchased under the said act was 131,838,-199.46 fine ounces at a cost of $118,903,-909.23. When coined at the rate of $1.2929 an ounce it will be worth $170,-457,470, and the profit or seigniorage to the government will be $51,553,-560.77. Under free coinage of silver, as under free coinage of gold, there would be no profit or seigniorage, because the face value of the coins and their bullion value would be the same. During the administration of Grover Cleveland congress passed a law authorizing the coinage of the seigniorage, but it was vetoed by the president. He preferred Wall street to the people.

Suspension of the Coinage of the Silver Dollar.

President Jefferson suspended the coinage of the silver dollar because they were purchased for export. None were coined at the United States mint from 1805 to 1836 because their bullion value was greater than their face value. The order of suspension was written by James Madison, secretary of state, and is as follows, viz.:

Department of State, May 1, 1806.

Sir:—In consequence of a representation from the director of the Bank of the United States that considerable purchases have been made of dollars coined at the mint for the purpose of exporting them, and as it is probable further purchases and exportations will be made the president directs that all the silver to be coined at the mint shall be of small denominations, so that the value of the largest pieces shall not exceed half a dollar.

I am, etc.,
JAMES MADISON.

ROBERT PATTERSON, Esq.,
Director of the Mint.

Do Not Like It

Of all the contemptible gold-bug lies that have been started lately the meanest is the etatement that the appointment of W. H. Harvey to collect funds for the Democratic educational campaign fund of 1900 had caused trouble in the ways and means committee, and that he had been asked to resign. There was no truth whatever in the story and there was not the slightest excuse for its publication. It was promptly denied and indignantly denounced by Mr. Harvey and by National Chairman Jones. The work of the committee is progressing very satisfactorily and with perfect harmony. Contributions should be sent to the Union Trust Company, Chicago, and requests for any information regarding the movement should be addressed to the general manager of the ways and means committee, Mr. W. H. Harvey, Unity building, Chicago.—Indianapolis Sentinel.

Depression in Wool.

Is it not a little strange to have the wool exchange closing on account of "depression in the wool business" during a McKinley administration and under a Dingley tariff? Can it be possible that this is the result of free silver agitation?—Freeport (Ill.) Bulletin.

She—You know it is a woman's privilege to change her mind. He—I know it is; but when a man changes his he has to pay damages.

THEY CANNOT DODGE.

REPUBLICANS MUST SHOULDER THE RESPONSIBILITY.

Since They Control All Branches of the Government the Goldbugs Cannot Claim That Anybody Else Is Responsible for Hard Times.

Had the allied free-silver forces controlled the next congress all of the plutocratic daily papers would have discovered that wheat, cotton and other farm products were never so low in price, that wages are tending downward and that business conditions are bad. This state of things they would repeat in every form that they could twist language into was owing to the fear capital had of silver sentiment as shown in the control of congress by the free-silver men.

Now, the goldbugs have everything they could ask for. They have both houses of congress to pass their laws, a president to sign them and a supreme court to construe them.

Times must be hard while the gold standard is adhered to. The people will not stand hard times without registering a protest at the ballot box, and the Republicans cannot shift the responsibility.

Senator Hanna, in expending a large fund in doubtful congressional districts this year, made it impossible for his party to re-elect McKinley in 1900.

In the assurance of complete political success in the near future the allied silver forces should push the work of education and organization within the next two years. Every man who suffers from the gold standard policy should be told just why he suffers, and within a year the people will be glad enough to study the financial question.

A PALACE AND ITS USES.

A press dispatch thus described Sherry's new hotel for plutocrats, recently opened in New York:

"Sherry's great new palace on Fifth avenue was thrown open for private view Saturday. Rome in its most regally magnificent days never saw anything like it. Neither has New York. The new hotel, designed especially for the functions of society, has eleven stories, and takes up 125 feet on the avenue and 225 feet on the side street. Right off the street are the offices and the restaurant, a room of baronial proportions, opulently finished in oak, with gold trimmings, after the manner of Louis Quantorze. The cafe is carpeted in red and hung with green draperies. The main cafe, another huge room, is done in green. To the side, without any street front, is the palm garden, a lofty room roofed with glass and trimmed with white marble and greened iron. These are all public rooms. Up stairs are three ball rooms. The main one, forty feet high, is on the third floor. It is an immense place, done in cream and gold, with a delicately frescoed ceiling. Attached to the room is a regal suit of reception rooms and coat rooms. Down another flight and you walk into another ball room, just as perfectly appointed and just as richly decorated. And yet it is absolutely apart from the other. Go to the front and there is a third ball room. The first ball will be given December 2. The cost of the hotel was $3,500,000."

It may interest you, too, to know something about those who will enjoy all this magnificence. Please note that this great hotel has been "designed especially for the functions of society."

The first ball will be given December 2, says the Topeka Advocate, and it has been decided that the printers of New York shall give it. They have had more time to prepare than most other classes, for the introduction of the typesetting machines has made them a leisurely class for some time. The large number of unemployed printers in New York city makes it doubly certain that the opening ball will be worthy of the palace beholding it.

The sweatshop cigarmakers were formerly compelled to work from 6 in the morning until 9 and 11 at night, but fortunately the machines have displaced them, and they are preparing to celebrate their freedom with fitting festivities. Inasmuch as two persons working together making sweatshop cigars used to be able to make a total of $7 to $11 a week they have ample means to draw on. Music for the cigarmakers and their friends to dance to will be furnished by Oscar Hammerstein and other inventors of cigar manufacturing machines.

The section men of the principal railroads of New York are planning a ball for the holidays that they intend shall eclipse anything of the sort ever seen in New York city. They will run special trains from all over the state. Later on the magnificent hotel will be thrown open throughout to many miners of Pennsylvania, who, with their families, will make a visit to New York the special celebration of the return of prosperity.

This hearty reception of the new Sherry's by the "plain people" of the vicinity of New York is extremely gratifying. It was not so many years ago that the great palace would have been given over entirely to those whom we were once accustomed to call "the rich"—rich because they were possessed of considerable money. Secretly as the time of the war for Cuba was it impossible for the producers of this country to reap anything from the erection of a palace like Sherry's other than the mere pittance of wages for the few employed in the building. But now the toil and the reward are both theirs—a true prosperity has come, and they have good reason for rejoicing.

Ex-Senator Ingalls on the Gold Standard.

In the House of Representatives, in January last, in a speech upon the deficiency appropriation for the fiscal year, Hon. William L. Greene of Nebraska, in a telling arraignment of the operation of the gold standard, quoted a speech of Senator Ingalls, which the speaker quoted from the Congressional Record of the Forty-fifth Congress, vol. 7, page 1052, as follows:

If we are to have a monometallic standard, I believe silver to be immeasurably preferable to gold. It is less subject to fluctuation; its production is more steady, its cost more uniform.

No enduring fabric of national prosperity can be builded on gold. Gold is the money of monarchs; kings covet it; the exchanges of nations are effected by it. Its tendency is to accumulate in vast masses in the commercial centers and to move from kingdom to kingdom in such volumes as to unsettle values and disturb the finances of the world. It is the instrument of gamblers and speculators, and the idol of the miser and the thief. Being the object of so much adoration, it becomes haughty and sensitive and shrinks at the approach of danger, and whenever it is most needed it always disappears. At the slightest alarm it begins to look for a refuge. It goes from the nation at war to the nation at peace. War makes it a fugitive. No people in a great emergency ever found a faithful ally in gold. It is the most cowardly and treacherous of all metals. It makes no treaty that it does not break.

It has no friend whom it does not sooner or later betray. Armies and navies are not maintained by gold. In times of panic and calamity, shipwreck and disaster, it becomes the chief agent and minister of ruin. No nation ever fought a great war by the aid of gold. On the contrary, in the crisis of greatest peril it becomes an enemy more potent than the foe in the field; but when the battle is won and peace has been secured, gold reappears and claims the fruits of victory. In our own civil war it is doubtful if the gold of New York and London did not work us greater injury than the powder and lead and iron of the rebels. It was the most invincible enemy of the public credit. Gold paid no soldier or sailor. It refused the national obligations. It was worth most when our fortunes were lowest. Every defeat gave it increased value. It was in open alliance with our enemies the world over, and all of its energies were evoked for our destruction. But as usual, when danger has been averted and the victory secured, gold swaggers to the front and asserts the supremacy. But silver is the money of the people. It is the money of wages and retail. Its tendency is toward diffusion and dissemination. It enters into the minute concerns of traffic and is exchanged day by day for daily bread.

It penetrates the remotest channels of commerce, and its abundance, bulk, and small subdivision prevent its deportation in sufficient amounts to disturb or unsettle values. If it retires at the approach of danger, or from the presence of an inferior currency, it still remains at home ready to respond to the first summons for its return. During a late visit to a remote portion of Arkansas I was surprised by the amount of old silver in circulation, including Mexican and pillar dollars and American halves and quarters coined half a century ago. Seeking an explanation, I was told by the merchants that upon the withdrawal and retirement of the fractional paper currency these old coins immediately appeared in sufficient quantities to supply all needs of trade, conclusively showing that when silver vanished at the beginning of the legal-tender-paper period it had been carefully hoarded among the people and had promptly returned to circulation when its presence was required. I have no doubt that two hundred and fifty millions of silver would be thus readily absorbed among the people of the United States, forming a vast, permanent, stable accumulation which would be an enduring basis of prosperity, less liable than any other currency to the mutations and vicissitudes of financial panics and disasters.

Farmers' Compensation.

The last census report places the value of the agricultural products of the United States for the census year at $2,460,107,454, and the number engaged in agricultural pursuits at 8,565,-926. This would give the average per capita product of those engaged in this industry at $286.02. The value of investment, land improvements, live stock and implements is given at $15,-982,267,689.

Interest on this amount at 5 per cent and an allowance of 10 per cent on machinery, repairs, etc., and deducting the amount from the product, $1,611,569,324, shows the earnings of 8,565,324 of the workers in this industry, or an average wage per capita of $188. Computations of the statistician of the department shows this amount to be too high. This is the remuneration received by the men who work the longest hours and upon whose industry rests the whole fabric of our system of business and commerce. Wonder how many bank clerks would like such a salary?—Cleveland Recorder.

The respect due to old age is always dealt out of a ladle to the wealthy grandfather.

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THANKSGIVING DAY. Let us all be thankful for the benefits a kind Providence has favored us with the past year.

Dr. W. E. STEWART has been reappointed Register in Chancery. The genial doctor has made a good official in the past, and his friends are glad to see him retained in the same office in which he has given such general satisfaction.

IN answer to numerous enquiries concerning the recent Congressional election, we beg to say we are satisfied Mr. Aldrich will contest, if Mr. Robbins is given a certiacate. There is not a white man in the five white counties in this district who is satisfied with a made-up majority in Dallas. Mr. Aldrich has a good majority in the five white counties, and this majority ought not to suffer disfranchisement at the hands of the ballot-box manipulators of the black-belt county of Dallas.

IT appears some few of our people have got the idea that the fees for recording deeds and conveyances are so high that it is economy to refrain from having them recorded. This is a mistake both ways. In the first place the many advantages of having a deed officially on record is obvious. Deeds sometimes get lost, stolen or destroyed, and when there is no official record of them it leaves a way wide open for disputes and litigation. Again, the official records show the various transfers, so that it is always easy to prove a title. When no record is made it leaves a gap in the title which may result in endless annoyance and expense. The fees for recording are regulated by law, and are so moderate there is no excuse for running any risks by not having every deed properly recorded when a transfer is made.

CLANTON gets to be quite metropolitan, and among other things will soon need an opera house For the first time in the history of the town a travelling company, Richardson Brothers, has given three consecutive performances. It speaks well for their entertainment that they had good audiences on each of the three nights. It would be a good idea for the young people of Clanton to get up some amateur performances for the winter nights There are good musicians amongst them, and no doubt there is considerable histrionic talent and ability if only it is developed. Why not organize a local company and give us some amusement these long nights?

REPRESENTATINE L. H. Reynolds again requests the people of Chilton to let him know of any legislation they may require. It certainly will not be the fault of our Representative if our people go short of legislation. If any improvement in local conditions can be effected by the passage of an act in the General Assembly, by all means make Mr. Reynolds acquainted with what you want. Prepare a petition to the General Assembly, forward it to Mr. Reynolds, and you can depend upon his pushing it for all it is worth On the other hand, if you hear of any legislation adverse to your interests, then embody your objections in a petition and send it to our Representative, who will fight your battles for you. We congratulate Mr. Reynolds upon the efforts he is making to represent all the people, and wish him success in his undertakings.

CIRCUIT COURT.

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thanking your Honor for the charge given us. and our Solicitor for the kind manner in which he has given us counsel, we now beg to de discharged.

Respectfully submitted,
D. I. DERAMUS,
Foreman.

After the grand jury had presented their report on Wednesday evening, Judge Denson congratulated them and Chilton county upon the absence of crime and the satisfactory condition of the county generally. Only six true bills were returned.

The local bar was fully represented, and the following visiting attorneys were in attendance: Felix Blackburn, S. W. John, Birmingham; Charley Jones, Montgomery; F. L. Pettus, Selma; J. H. Savage, — Blackwell, Anniston; Walter Carey, Montevallo; W. W. Lavender, Centreville; W. R. Oliver, Calera; D. K. Middleton, Hayneville.

The newspapers of the State can afford to turn their attention away from politics for the next few weeks and give advice to the legislature. The members always understand and appreciate the wisdom of newspapers. But while newspapers have been giving good advice to the legislators, legislators have never appreciated the fact that editors have to eat and wear clothes, and occasionally have wives and children to feed, and clothe and be shod. This has been the mistake of the legislators for about twenty-five years, having at every session been engaged in the effort to reduce the legal printing fees of newspapers while increasing the fees of every other character. If an editor could live without eating, could go shoeless and clothless, and his children didn't cry for bread when they got hungry and could go barefooted all winter as in the summer, the newspapers would hardly have made a kick. But it is a fact that they have to eat and drink and wear clothes, and their children have to eat and wear clothes, just like other people's children, and they are crying out to the legislature to call a halt, if it does not make full restitution of the wrongs of the past. —Montgomery Journal.

A Sure Sign of Croup.

Hoarseness in a child that is subject to croup is a sure indication of the approach of the disease. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough has appeared, it will prevent the attack. Many mothers who have croupy children always keep this remedy at hand and find that it saves them much trouble and worry. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant to take. For sale by J S. Johnson jr.

Much interest has been excited in America by the telegraphic accounts of Hooley's apparently wholesale purchase of British noblemen for use as decoy ducks to his various stock schemes; and his connection with the highest political officials of the Empire. Theron C. Crawford, who has been in England for the Cosmopolitan, takes up the subject in the November issue of that magazine, and under the title of "Hooley and His Guinea Pigs," gives a connected story of the derivation of Hooley and his rise to the control of millions through unlimited check and the opportune willingness of distinguished British aristocrats to lend their names for a financial consideration to any sort of a shady transaction.

The Rights of an M. P.

Members of parliament are exempt during a session from service on juries, their duties to parliament being held to supersede that obligation of the citizen, but they are required during a session to attend as witnesses in any case in order that the administration of justice may not be hindered.—Good Words.

How to Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver be inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach be disordered, you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys be affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys. Purifies the blood cures pimples, blotches and boils and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at all Drug Stores

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 23, 1898

Recent reports from "Equality Colony," established last year, in Skaget county, Washington, near Puget Sound, indicate a very satisfactory condition of affairs. This colony was the first of a series of colonies, projected by the "brotherhood of the co-operative commonwealth." It is being operated on advanced socialistic lines and the result is watched with great interest. The colony has over 600 acres of land, clear of all incumbrance, the deed of which, is held in trust for the brotherhood by a board of trustees. The latest addition to the colony is a saw mill, having a capacity of 20,000 to 30,000 feet per day; Many other lines of trade and industry are in operation while others are assured in the near future. With the proper amount of selfishness eliminated from human nature, the day of co operative commonwealths and even the millennium will be ushered in. It is doubtful, however, whether we are ready for them yet.

"The Wall street market grows more buoyant" was a favorite headline in republican newspapers, for many days after the election. It may not have occured to the penny a-liners of the plutocratic press, that there is a very wide gulf between the bondholders of wall-street and plow-holders of the prairies, but such is a fact and whatever is "fun," for the former is "death" to the latter class. Wall street stocks may have advanced, but there has been no shrinkage in the farmer's mortgage or increase in the price of his products, as a result of the election.

One of the results in the recent election in Idaho, was the election of a great many women, especially to the position of superintendent of schools. Two women were elected to the state legislature and the state superintendent of public instruction is a woman. It is to be hoped that this protends a purification of politics in Idaho.

Gen. Grosvenor, of Ohio, contradicts the statement that Thos. Brackett Reed will have a race for the speakership of the next House. He says the "Czar of all the Republicans" will have no opposition, but that he will be nominated unanimously and elected enthusiasticly.

An effort is being made in the southeastern states to unite the Tobacco dealers, growers and users, in a fight against the plug tobacco trust. A general boycott is to be instituted against all the companies in the continental combine.

—The Treasury bureau of statistics has issued a statement announcing the prosperous condition of the farmers because exports of bread stuffs last year largely exceeded those of the previous year. If the smart statisticians at Washington would only keep in mind that the farmers had to dispose of their crops early and at a reduced rate, as a rule, to pay interest on the mortgage while the great milling trust and transportation companies reaped the profit, they would be given credit for a grains of common sense.

—The Republican leaders announce for the nineteen hundredth time that the late election settles the silver question. Strange that these wiseacres can't keep it settled for a while and not let it keep blobbing up periodically to disturb the "confidence" of the people in "sound money."

—The regular annual convention of the Farmers' National Congress will convene at Fort Worth, Texas, December 6, and remain in session two days. Agricultural colleges, experiment stations, National and State, are each entitled to representation, and the meeting promises to be well attended.

—That the Grange is still in existence will be news to many. It is a fact, nevertheless. The national organization of that body recently met at Concord, New Hampshire. The master, in his address, made the following recommendations: That the order continue their effort to have enacted the postal savings bank law, the national pure food amendment to the anti trust law, prevent gambling in margins and futures and to prevent the owners, lessees and managers of public warehouses from buying grain on their own account and storing the same in warehouses controlled by them; prevent the mixing of lower with higher grade grain for the election of United States Senators and for the appropriation of $1,000,000 per year to further extend the free delivery of mail in the rural districts.

—The revised returns from South Dakota confirm the election of Lee fusionist, for governor, by a majority of 412. The balance of the State ticket and legislature is Republican.

—The annual convention of the Knight of Labor, in session at Chicago last week, passed resolutions of censure against the courts who, with a few exceptions, were characterized as hirelings of labor's oppressors. Grand Master Hicks, in his annual report, strongly opposed the anti-expansion policy of President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor. He said we had nothing to fear from the importation of cheap labor. That we should educate that class to the American standard.

—The Republican majority in Kansas on the State ticket was 15,739 at last report. The Populists made gains in the cities and lost heavily in the country. Indifference is what defeated the silverites of Kansas and they have no one to blame for it but themselves. A. R.

THE JUROFS.

The following Jurors have been drawn for the Fall Term of Circuit Court, which convenes at Clanton, Monday, November 21, 1898.

PETIT JURY. Second Week

J M Parish jr, C R Mullins, J W Headley, C L Ingram, William Ray, James Mims, Columbus Ray, Frank Harris, J R Thomas, T P McKinney, John Ellis, Elijah Robinson, T D McGee, T W Dunigan, F M Pusbey, B F Gardner, G W Knobles, W A Kemp, N Watts, T G Williams, J G Burkhalter, A J Powell, Alford Mims, T M Driver, W R Dawson, S B McCarry, Wiley Mitchell, J J Thompson, L S Samons, H M Furguson, Hugh Henry, G W Jones, J Bice, W D Cortney, J N Askins, J M Aldridge.

From New Zealand.

Reefton, New Zealand, Nov. 23, 1896

I am very pleased to state that since I took the agency of Chamberlain's medicines the sale has been very large, more especially of the Cough Remedy. In two years I have sold more of this particular remedy than of other makes for the previous five years. As to its efficacy, I have been informed by scores of persons of the good results they have received from it, and know its value from the use of it in my own household. It is so pleasant to take that we have to place the bottle beyond the reach of the children. E. J. SCANTLEBURY. For sale by J. S. Johnson jr.

THE CUMBERLAND.

At anchor in Hampton Roads we lay
On board of the Cumberland, sloop-of-war,
And at times from the fortress across the bay
The alarum of drums swept past
Or a bugle blast
From the camp on the shore.

Then far away to the south up rose
A little feather of snow white smoke,
And we knew that the iron ship of our foes
Was steadily steering its course
To try the force
Of our ribs of oak.

Down upon us heavily runs,
Silent and sullen, the floating fort:
Then comes a puff of smoke from her guns
And leaps the terrible death,
With fiery breath,
From each open port.

We are not idle, but send her straight
Defiance back in a full broadside!
As hail rebounds from a roof of slate
Rebounds our heavier hail
From each iron scale
Of the monster's hide.

"Strike your flag!" the rebel cries
In his arrogant old plantation strain.
"Never!" our gallant Morris replies.
"It is better to sink than to yield!"
And the whole air pealed
With the cheers of our men.

Then like a kraken huge and black
She crushed our ribs in her iron grasp.
Down went the Cumberland all a wrack,
With a sudden shudder of death
And the cannon's breath
For her dying gasp.

Next morn, as the sun rose over the bay,
Still floated our flag at the mainmast head.
Lord, how beautiful was thy day!
Every waft of the air
Was a whisper of prayer
Or a dirge for the dead.

Ho, brave hearts that went down in the seas!
Ye are at peace in the troubled stream.
Ho, brave land, with hearts like these,
Thy flag, that is rent in twain,
Shall be one again
And without a seam!

—Longfellow.

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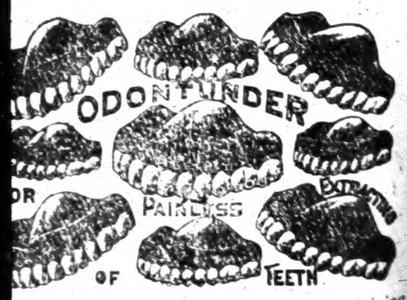

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[illegible] cents.

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[illegible] . 1.95
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[illegible] a good [illegible] fine [illegible] House. [illegible] until the [illegible] the best ris[illegible] practices.

[illegible] Mayfield, of Hayne[illegible] is visiting his parents here [illegible].

[illegible] Mayfield, of Montgomery, [illegible] Sunday in town.

[illegible] W. L. Kemp, of Waugh, [illegible] town Sunday.

[illegible] H. Gandy, of Dixie, was [illegible] Monday.

[illegible] you ask for De Witt's [illegible]Haz-Lo Salve don't accept a [illegible] substitution). There are [illegible] cases of Piles being cured by [illegible] than all others combined. J. [illegible] Stanfield.

[illegible] Dr. Watson, of Firman, [illegible] and Mrs. W. Y. Quisenberry, [illegible] Montgomery, returned to their [illegible] homes Saturday, after a [illegible] to their brother, Mr. T. A. [illegible].

[illegible] B. O. Glover, of Maples[illegible] was amongst our visitors [illegible] day.

[illegible] three consecutive nights the [illegible] Bros. Brothers gave their [illegible] show at the Court House, [illegible], and delighted their au[illegible] with the variety and bril[illegible] of their entertainment. The [illegible] was much above the [illegible], in the same remark ap[illegible] to their equine performance. [illegible] and dialogues were ex[illegible] well rendered, and the [illegible] was kept in a laughing [illegible] from start to finish. We [illegible] to see Richardson Brothers' [illegible] again.

[illegible] cough or cold is [illegible] without harm to the sufferer [illegible] better. Lingering colds are [illegible]. Hacking cough is dis[illegible]. One Minute Cough Cure [illegible] cures it. Why suffer when [illegible] cough cure is within reach? [illegible] pleasant to the taste. J. M. [illegible].

[illegible] account of sickness in the [illegible] of Dr. G. W. Shackelford [illegible] was prevented from filling his [illegible] at this Court. How[illegible], he will make us a visit in [illegible], and will announce later [illegible] Banner the date.

[illegible] at Pelham on Tuesday [illegible] of over the trains some[illegible] the following day. Supt. [illegible] J. F. Aldridge, who was [illegible] attending to the cleaning of the [illegible] package, was struck by a rope [illegible] painfully injured. Mr. Aldridge [illegible] brought to his home here Wed[illegible]day morning, and we are glad [illegible] is doing well.

Postmaster T. B. Pounds is able [illegible] out and is on the high road to [illegible]covery.

Mr. J. W. Stanfield is improv[illegible].

Late to bed and early to rise [illegible] makes a man for his home in [illegible]. But early to bed and a [illegible] Riser, the girl that [illegible] Bellinger and better and [illegible]. M. Stanfield.

Messrs. [illegible] Oates and Fayette [illegible] last Friday for the In[illegible] Territory, where they propose [illegible] a future home.

Marriage licenses have been issued [illegible] the Probate Judge to [illegible] persons.

[illegible] Fitts and Miss Mary [illegible]; Mr. N. H. Rider and [illegible] Cunningham; Mr. W. [illegible] and Miss Sarah Francis [illegible]; Mr. H. L. Honeycutt and [illegible] Hester; Mr. W. T. [illegible] Miss M. J. Brown.

[illegible] Jasper Owens and [illegible].

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WE will attend at the following times and places for the purpose of Assessing the State and County Taxes of Chilton county for the year 1899, and collecting the taxes for the year 1898:

Kinchcon	Beat 6		Nov.	1
Pletcher's Mill	"	8	"	2
Clanton Ford	"	8	"	3
Stanton	"	8	"	4
Benson	"	3	"	7
Maplesville	"	7	"	8
Shoults	"	7	"	9
Dixie	"	8	"	10
Valley Cr'k church		8	"	11
Macedonia	"	3	"	14
Hayes Mill	"	2	"	15
Providence church		2	"	16
Elijah Busby's	"	1	"	17
Smith School house		1	"	18
Cofer's Mill	"	2	"	21
Jemison	"	2	"	22
Mineral Springs	"	1	"	23
Strasburg	"	9	"	24
James Maddox Mill		4	"	25
Clanton	"	4	"	28
Cane creek	"	4	"	29
Jesse Maddox's	"	4	"	30
Goer's School	"	4	Dec.	1
Coopers	"	5	"	5
Verbena	"	5	"	6
Mountain Creek	"	5	"	7
Burwell	"	5	"	8
Calowsy's Mill	"	5	"	9
Providence ch	"	5	"	10

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Sher ff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against George E. Skaggs, out of the goods, chattels, and and tenements of the said George E. Skaggs, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

A one-half undivided interest in and to the following described real estate to wit: South-west fourth of south-east fourth of section one, township twenty-three, range thirteen, situated in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named George E. Skaggs, in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1898,

during the legal hours of sale at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1898.

J. F. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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THE SPORTING WORLD.

A new helmet for football players has been placed upon the market, and is pronounced complete by experts. Hitherto players have had their ears protected by leather muffs padded with felt, held in place by leather straps which have fitted over the top of the head. While it was impossible to injure the ears or temples, the head could be kicked, and in some instances last year men were severely hurt in this way. The new helmet, however, completely pro-

NEW HELMET FOR FOOTBALL PLAYERS.

tects the head and ears. The crown of it is made of tough sole leather, filled with air holes and lined with soft felt. It has stout earlaps of leather, with holes in them so that the wearer can hear the signals, and a strong elastic band, which buckles under the chin and keeps the new headgear firmly in place. It is believed that the helmet will be generally worn by members of all the big teams this year. Another new fangled device is a pneumatic leg guard called by football players a "cholly horse." It is made of canvas covered rubber and is inflated like a football, its shape being oblong and flat, possibly a half inch thick. It is placed inside the trousers on the front of the thigh, and is intended to prevent sprains.—New York Sun.

Bicycle Legislation.

The anti-bicycle legislator is ingenious in his devices to harass and annoy wheelmen. He not only wants to discriminate against them by imposing fines for failure to "keep to the right," but proposes to levy a special tax upon every wheel. A special tax can properly be levied only upon the theory that the article or person taxed enjoys peculiar privileges denied to others or that such article or person is a special burden and expense upon the public. Neither of these things is true as to either the wheelman or his wheel. The bicycle has no greater road rights than any other vehicle. It causes far less wear upon the public streets and roads than any other vehicle. Bicycles do not wear and injure the streets as much as carriages and heavy wagons. Why shall the owner of a wheel be singled out for this special tax? The injustice of the proposition is apparent to every fair mind.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Final Proof notice

Notice No. 26056.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., November 2, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., Dec. 10, 1898, viz: Arthur R. Mims, Homestead entry No. 30525, for the s ½ of s w ¼, w ½ of s w ¼, sec. 24, tp. 22 north of range 15 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: E. N. Minor, R. E. Jones, Riley Robinson, Nathan Minor, all of Clanton, Ala.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA.—Both houses of the general assembly met in joint session at noon, Wednesday, to receive the message of Governor Johnston. It is as follows:

Since your last session material progress has been made in the development of the resources of our state; many miles of railroad have been constructed, tens of thousands of spindles added to our cotton manufactories, one of the largest steel mills in the United States is under construction, and a large amount of money is finding profitable employment in our varied industries.

The fertility of our soil, the salubrity of our climate and the splendid mineral and timber resources of our state, are attracting more and more attention, and drawing to our borders many industrious and worthy citizens of other states. Peace and good order prevail, and the reproach of mob violence is passing away at the demand of an enlightened public sentiment, that stands for the orderly administration of justice as the only security to every citizen in his personal and property rights. But little general legislation, in my judgment, is needed, and I trust that our statute books shall not be encumbered with many local laws.

The Finances.

I congratulate you heartily on the improved condition of your finances. The credit of the state was never higher; your bonds are commanding now a premium of about 10 per cent against 2 per cent two years ago. Money was borrowed a year ago for a short temporary loan at 4 per cent, the lowest rate ever attained by the state; claims against the treasury are being promptly met and the teachers of the public schools received their pay when due this fall for the first time in many years.

The treasurer's report shows that at the close of business, September 30, 1898, a deficit of $241,755.90; but $85,680.13 of this was due the penitentiary fund, and can and should be covered into the state treasury, leaving the actual deficit that day at $156,075.77, a net gain of about $225,000 during the past two years, although during this time the interest charge on our public debt increased about $75,000 per annum. But for this increase of interest under the debt settlement act, there would be no deficit whatever now.

The reports of the auditor and the state tax commissioner show that up to October 1, 1898, the money actually paid into the state treasury under the operation of the tax commission law amounted to $131,704.44, the actual cost of its collection being $6,293.97. Almost as much has probably been paid into the various county treasuries.

The decline in the valuation of real and personal property has been arrested, and the tendency is now upward. In three years we have made a net gain in valuation of nearly $15,000,000, while some of our sister states have been suffering a steady shrinkage and confront increasing deficits.

I earnestly invite your attention to the inequality of taxation existing between the various counties. Owing to the arbitrary action of a number of commissioners' courts, or their failure to observe the plain mandates of the law, the valuation of property ranges in different counties from 33 per cent to 100 per cent of its fair cash market value. Such inequality should not be tolerated, and legislation should be had to correct it. I am inclined to agree with my predecessor that the establishment of a state board of equalization is the best remedy.

Reduction of Expenses.

With cotton at less than 5 cents a pound, I am sure that the honorable members of the general assembly agree with me that rigid economy should prevail in the administration of the people's affairs and that every unnecessary expense should be eliminated.

I advise that the appropriation of $15,000 per annum for expenses of temporary loans be reduced to $1,000, that the contingent fund of the governor be reduced from $6,000 to $5,500, and of the superintendent of education from $1,000 to $100, and that the salaries of clerks to state officers and the state commissions be reduced.

I suggest also that no solicitor be permitted to draw any money from the treasury in excess of the fees actually paid in from his circuit.

I trust that you will remember that your highest duty is to see that not a dollar of the peoples' money is uselessly expended. The reduction named will not prevent hundreds of competent men from seeking with avidity the places to be filled. I think the salaries of the auditor and of members of the convict board should be increased.

I invite your careful attention to the very great expense heretofore incurred by the general assemblies for clerical assistance, doorkeepers and other incidents. At the last session the total expense for this purpose was $11,383.50. This sum would have commanded the services of fifty skilled clerks at $100 per month for the entire session. I know it is only necessary to call your attention to this to prevent any unnessary expense at this session.

Education.

I am glad to say that there is a very general and growing interest manifested in the state in behalf of education, and that substantial progress is being made. The most important legislation needed at your hands is in regard to public schools. We may boast of our splendid resources, surpassing those of all other states in variety and abundance; of the glorious record of men in war and in peace, and of the purity and loveliness of our daughters, of the fertility of our soil and the salubrity of our climate, but the glory of a state proceeds from the intelligence and virtue of its people. Every dollar given to the cause of education becomes invested capital that cannot be lost or destroyed, but will continue to pay dividends from one generation to another. Uniform examinations for licenses to teach should be had. County superintendents should be competent and efficient, the poll tax should apply to every voter, and its collection should be placed in the hands of the school authorities. We have in Alabama approximately 350,000 men of the voting age. If all were required to pay the poll tax of $1.50, devoted by our constitution to the common schools, it would more than double our present appropriation from that source. The report of the auditor shows that for the past two years the sum actually received from polls averaged about $150,000. Certainly efficient legislation and administration, and the extension of the poll age, will more than double the receipts from that source.

All sums, over and above those needed for the economical administration of our government, the preservation of peace and good order, and the maintenance of the public credit, should be devoted to the cause of education.

Our present appropriations for the common schools are: General appropriation, $350,000; poll tax, $150,000; sixteenth section fund, $145,000.

I am strongly inclined to think it wiser policy after this fiscal year to supersede our general appropriation of $350,000 by legislative provision devoting one-third of all the money received into the treasury from the tax on real and personal property to the cause of education. This would make an increase of nearly $100,000 in the appropriation and at the same time assure the friends of education that, as our values increase, as property is more fairly assessed, and as those escaping and evading are compelled to contribute their share, one dollar in every three that may be thus added to our income will go to our schools, and the progress of the schools at least keep pace with the growth and development of our state. If these recommendations are adopted, our appropriations for common schools, instead of aggregating some $645,000, ought to show a total of $880,000, a gain of nearly $250,000 annually.

The Agricultural and Mechanical college continues to do good work, our State university is making gratifying progress, and the Girls' Industrial school has been marvelous in its growth. The Normal schools, both white and colored, and the District Agricultural schools, with one or two exceptions, are doing better work, and are better managed and taught than at any previous time.

It is interesting to know that nearly one-half of all the receipts of our treasury are annually disbursed for education and benevolent purposes, and these disbursements are annually growing. The expenditures for the year 1897-98 have been $1,018,086.98, or nearly $200,000 more than two years ago.

Solicitors.

I invite your consideration to the method of electing solicitors. Our constitution places the election of judges in the hands of the people, and it is a gratifying fact that the decisions of our highest court commands universal respect and ranks among the ablest and most learned in the entire Union; our judiciary is without reproach. If the people can be trusted to elect judges, I fail to see why they cannot be trusted to elect solicitors.

The Military.

The report of the adjutant-general shows the number, equipment and efficiency of our organized state troops, and the services they have rendered the state. Whenever called into service to maintain the laws and protect prisoners from mob violence, they have responded with alacrity, performed every duty with uncomplaining fidelity, and in every instance their conduct has been admirable. Nearly all our troops promptly volunteered their services when war was declared against Spain, were anxious to go to the front, and, had an opportunity presented itself, I am sure their conduct upon the field of battle would have sustained the glorious record of their fathers. Wherever stationed they have won commendation for their good conduct and soldierly bearing, and I am sure were not surpassed by the troops of any other state in the Union. One regiment yet remains in the service, composed of colored citizens, efficiently officered by white men, and this regiment will give a good account of itself wherever and whenever called.

Amending Constitution.

The fact that our constitution needs some revision is conceded by almost every intelligent and patriotic citizen. There are many who would like to see some parts revised and yet have grave apprehensions as to the work of a convention having no restrictions upon its powers. Our state is now enjoying a political repose, most grateful, after years of bitter division and strife, and if possible we should wisely avoid any issue that would disturb this condition. Looking at the result on the amendment submitted at the last election it may be well for you to consider whether such revision as may be necessary cannot be had with more certainty and less expense, apprehension and discord than by a general convention. I submit to your patriotic consideration the selection of the wisest course to pursue, but I must insist that we shall be recreant to our duty if we temporize with conditions that are pregnant with evil.

Roads.

Except education no more important subject can engage your careful consideration than the improvement of our public roads. The tendency of our people to leave the rural districts and gather in the towns and cities is alarming to thoughtful men all over the country. Unless arrested fruitful fields will be abandoned, population congested in the cities and towns and the very spirit of independence be impaired. It is hardly surprising that the citizens who are denied church, school and social privileges by the miserable condition of their roads, should seek these elsewhere. Some wise and efficient plan should be adopted permitting counties to levy special taxes or to borrow money, that permanent betterments of our roads may be accomplished in place of the shiftless pretense of work now done.

Citizens might be allowed to contribute labor instead of paying money, but the main thing is to have the roads and grades established by competent persons, and the work so done that it will be of lasting value.

Examinations.

The examination of the accounts of officials handling the public revenues has not only brought money into the state and county treasuries largely beyond the expense, but has been most productive in informing officials of their duties, securing uniformity of administration, and making all officials more careful and accurate in their dealings with the state. I advise the passage of an act that will remove any doubt whatever that official copies of these sworn reports shall be received by all courts as prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein, and permitting all officials receiving the state's money to be sued at the capital. I recommend that authority be given the governor to appoint special or temporary examiners. I have had many requests to have the books of county officials examined, but the pressure of the work necessary to be done for the state has prevented me from complying with these requets. The counties should pay their fair share of all the expense of this work.

The Public Health.

Our people have enjoyed good health. An epidemic of smallpox has prevailed in some parts of the state and during the year 1897 we had some yellow fever in a few localities. The death rate, from both causes, has been quite insignificant, so little as to be scarcely perceptible in our mortality statistics. This year a rigid quarantine by the state under our own laws and administered br our own officials, and at comparatively small expense, has kept out any yellow fever infection although we were more or less in contact with the disease along the western border of the state, and had no assistance whatever from any foreign source. Our health organization is admirable, entirely removed from political influence and under control of those most capable of dealing with such matters.

There should be a revision of our quarantine laws so as to make them more efficient, increase the penalties for violation and prevent improper restrictions upon trade and travel by local communities.

Primary Law.

I earnestly urge the passage of a primary election law under which each voter can express his choice and have it honestly declared and each candidate secure fair and impartial treatment. When nominations are practically equivalent to an election the real contest takes place over them, and the necessity of guarding them from fraud, trades, bribery or other corrupt practices becomes more imperative. A man who sells his vote, and the purchaser, and all who engage in any fraudulent conduct should not only be severely punished but be forever disfranchised. Party primaries under our form of government are the sources of administration, and if these sources are polluted, the poison will flow down the stream, spreading corruption and disaster.

Pensions.

I beg to call your attention to the auditor's report showing the constantly growing number of pensions. I am satisfied that no proper care is had to prevent these rolls from being encumbered with unworthy persons, and when it is considered that every improper claimant reduces the amount coming to those whose gallant conduct and needy condition appeal most strongly to our consideration, it shows the necessity for an efficient revision of this law. It seems to me that when an applicant, after careful examination, has been found worthy to be enrolled, that the expense of further application and examination should be dispensed with.

The Geological Survey.

The Geological Survey has continued its valuable work. The state geologist will shortly issue a map of the Warrior coal fields, based upon the latest and best information concerning this great storehouse of wealth, and will also publish reports on the valuable clay resources and on the flora of the state. These will add much to our knowledge regarding these resources of our state, and be of general interest to all the people. The survey has given much attention to our gold deposits, and I trust we shall soon see good results. It has also made valuable observations, and investigations regarding the water powers and supplies of the state.

Railroads.

The state has made gratifying progress in the construction of railroads. Within the past two years nearly 300 miles, the largest of any state, I believe, in the union, certainly in the south, have been completed; thirty additional miles are now under construction, and information in my possession gives assurance that next year considerable and valuable construction will be done.

Miscellaneous.

Several surety companies have made deposits and are doing business in the state under recent legislation and have proven useful. I think they should be prohibited from removing any suit from the state to federal courts, and legislation should be had making all sureties going on bonds of public officials liable for the entire default of the official, whether existing at the time the bond is given or precedent thereto. Controversies as to liability as between different sets of sureties should be adjusted by the sureties and not the obligee of the bond.

I am inclined to recommend that provision be made that no bill, other than those general in their operation, shall be reported to either house from any committee unless an amount at least sufficient to cover the expense of printing and publishing shall be paid into the treasury. I recommend that the fees paid for commissions be raised to $2.50, and that no official be authorized to act until a commission has been issued him.

I regret greatly the sudden and untimely death of Hon. B. L. Dean, a member of the house from Tallapoosa county, and a citizen of the highest character and standing, whose counsel will be greatly missed. I trust that the Father of all mercies will preserve you all in good health, and so direct your deliberations in the consideration of every measure that the wisest conclusions shall be reached, and I beg to assure you of my earnest and hearty co-operation in every effort to better the condition of our state and to give to our people just, fair and equal laws.

NEW STAR IN MUSICAL WORLD

Lorenzo Perosi, the rising star in the Italian firmament of music, has already done sufficiently well to fix him in his seat of fame forever. Perosi is musical director of the famed Cathedral of St. Mark in Venice, and his compositions have made him the ideal of Italy, especially of the Venetian public. He has written a trilogy of oratories called the "Sacred Trilogy." They are "The Passion of Christ," "The Transfiguration of Jesus Christ" and "The Resurrection of Lazarus." Each oratorio is in two parts, so arranged that the parts may be sung separately. Recordi, the great musical publisher of Italy, has purchased these compositions and has commissioned the composer to write a fourth, to be entitled "The Holy Sepulchre." Perosi's first teacher was his father, Guiseppe Perosi, a choirmaster in Tortona, Piedmont, where Lorenzo was born. He was afterward sent by the patronage of a wealthy Milanese to the conservatory at Milan. He also studied and traveled in Germany. He filled various posts as director in churches until he received his commission at St. Mark's. Although he is but 27 years old, and did so much good work as a musician, he found time to study theology for the priesthood and was ordained in 1893. He has written, besides his grand composition, no less than twelve masses. It is said his recent work has shown the influence of Bach strongly, but does not follow any master.

LORENZO PEROSI.

Gadsden to Have Electric Cars.

Electric cars will soon be a reality in Gadsden. The Alabama Light and Power Company has been granted permission to construct, maintain and operate a light and power plant. The plant will be equipped with the very latest machinery, and will cost $25,000.

The miners of Pratt City, Ala., have nominated delegates to a state convention to be held at Birmingham on the third Monday in December.

BEG DEWEY'S PROTECTION

Insurgents Threaten Wholesale Massacre at Iloilo, Island of Panay.

CRITICAL SITUATION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Americans Can Do Nothing Under the Rules of War—Verbal Representations Have Been Made to Aguinaldo. Friendly Course Urged.

WASHINGTON.—News of a mixed character came to the navy department Friday from Admiral Dewey touching the situation in the Philippines. The admiral sent two of his warships, the Charleston and Concord, some time ago to the southward from Manila to ascertain whether there was any truth in reports that the insurgents had extended their activities in that direction. He cabled as follows:

"Manila.—Secretary Navy, Washington: Charleston and Concord arrived Friday from Iloilo. Glass reports that the entirety of Panay is in possession of insurgents except Iloilo, which is defended by 800 Spanish troops. All foreign citizens there beg for American protection. The Island of Negros has declared independence and desires American protectorate.

"Dewey."

Glass is the commander of the Charleston. So far nothing has been done by the administration toward curbing the insurgents in their operations, save verbal representations from the American commanders to Aguinaldo, in which it has been pointed out to him that it would be good policy, in view of the probability of the annexation of the islands by the United States to pursue a course that would not be obnoxious to the United States. But the situation is now realized to be critical. So far as the Spaniards are concerned, perhaps they can be left to take care of themselves, but the foreign residents at Iloilo are differently regarded.

The difficulty in the situation is that with the best intention to intervene to protect the Europeans and other foreigners, and to save the city of Iloilo, the second in importance in the Philippine group from looting, the United States forces appear to be estopped under the rules of war from moving from their posities. Such is the construction placed upon the clause in the protocol relating to a supension of hostilities.

BRITISH SHIP LOST.

The Atlanta Goes Down Off the Coast of Oregon—Twenty-seven Lives Lost.

The British ship Atlanta was lost off the coast of Oregon Friday. The vessel left Tacoma, Wash., last Saturday with $65,000 worth of wheat for Delagoa Bay, South Africa. She was in command of Captain Charles McBride, of Moorneck, Scotland. The ship had twenty-seven men, the only names of those on record here being those of the captain and those who joined the vessel at Tacoma as seamen, all of whom were lost but three.

The Atlanta was of only 1,639 tons register. She was built in 1885, owned by N. Hill, of Scotland, and was worth probably $50,000. She was fleet and was built for a troop or passenger vessel, to ply between Great Britain and the British colonies.

LIVE WIRE'S WORK.

A Lodge Initiation May Cost the Candidate His Life.

Dr. William H. Sensabangh, a dentist of Port Byron, a small town just east of Moline, Ill., is in a serious condition as a result of pranks played upon him while being initiated in a fraternal insurance lodge in that village. During the initiatory ceremonies he was blindfolded and given several slight shocks from a live wire. The bandage over his eyes having become loosened he sought to outwit those who were having fun at his expense by locating the wire and attempting to avoid it. One of the initiating team seeing the candidate was about to evade the wire gave him a little shove, which unfortunately proved sufficient to throw him off his balance, and he fell hands down upon the battery itself, receiving a shock which rendered him unconscious.

Missionary Murdered.

A dispatch to the London Daily Telegraph from Shanghai says that Rev. Mr. Fleming, a missionary and a native evangelist, were murdered in the recent attack by the rebels in the town of Kwi Fu, in the upper Yang Tse Kiang valley, when the Catholic mission there was burned.

Seventh Cavalry to Go to Cuba.

The Seventh Cavalry will leave Camp Forse, Huntsville, as soon as transports to carry it to Cuba can reach Savannah. The regiment has received orders to hold itself in readiness to move and packing of the regimental property was begun Friday.

Horrible Death of a Miller.

W. W. Campbell, miller at Kingston (Ga.) flouring mills, met a horrible death Saturday. While passing around a belt which turned the rocks his clothes were caught and carried him round and round, breaking both legs and crushing into pulp his arms and breaking his skull.

The Hale county convicts are to be worked at Pratt Mines, the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad company having contracted for them at $8 a month a head for three years.

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Contemplated by the Constitutional Convention of 1898.

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THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

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CONSUMPTION

LAWLESS ELEMENT AT WORK.

Bandits Holding Full Sway in Porto Rico.

WASHINGTON.—The cabinet session Friday was devoted to a leading extent to consideration of complaints that have reached the war department alleging that a state of practical anarchy prevails in Porto Rico. These complaints asserted that the lawless element in Porto Rico are committing depredations of the gravest character, and that the seriousness of the situation is increased by reason of the fact that United States troops stationed in the island are likely to have been guilty of gross misconduct.

The most serious allegations are against brigand and lawless elements in the smaller towns away from the coast. It is said that, taking advantage of the unsettled state of the country due to the transfer of the government from Spain to the United States, bands of men have organized for robbery and rapine, burning houses and plantations and levying tribute upon the people wherever possible. In one case it is said that they made a raid on a small town of about 15,000 inhabitants fifteen miles from the nearest troops, and burned and destroyed property to a considerable value.

General Brooke, at San Juan, has been instructed to use the full strength of the military forces at his command for the suppression of the rioting and the restoration of peace and order in the land.

RESCUED AT SEA.

Shipwrecked Mariners at Sea in an Open Boat Two Days.

The British steamer Beconic, which arrived at New York Friday, brought into port eighteen shipwrecked marines, who were taken from the Dutch bark Johanna, which was found in a sinking condition. The Beconic sighted the Johanna flying signals of distress on November 11. On November 9 the Johanna encountered a terrible gale which set in from the northwest, accompanied by enormous seas. The bulwarks and main hatches, and mainmasts were broken and stove in. Captain Mears ordered out the boats and intended to steer for Bermuda. The first boat was dashed to pieces against the side of the vessel. The second boat was successfully launched with the entire crew. The wind in the meantime had increased, the fury of the terrible seas. The small boat had been damaged in the effort to launch it from the wreck, and constant bailing was required to keep it afloat. Under these circumstances eighteen unfortunate seamen spent two days in the vicinity of the Johanna, determined to return to the derelict when the weather subsided. Finally on November 11 the wind and sea went down, and the men clambered on board of the wreck and set distress signals.

ULTIMATUM TO SPANIARDS.

Is Being Prepared With Great Care by the American Commissioners.

PARIS.—The American peace commissioners are engaged in formulating the terms of an important communication to be made to the Spanish commissioners this week.

While the Americans fully appreciate the necessity of making progress, they are also under the necessity of taking great acre in the preparation of what may possibly be the conclusive record of these negotiations. The Spanish commissioners consumed a week in the preparation of the last memorandum, but the Americans will not require so long a time to complete the work in hand, and any delay will ultimately prove to have been advantageous.

Pana in State of Terror.

A Friday's special from Pana, Ill., says: The town has been kept in a state of terror all the afternoon by numerous encounters between negroes and striking miners. Both are heavily armed and use their ammunition freely. Sheriff Sid Watts, who was returning from the Springside mine, where he had been on duty, was shot from ambush. The bullet took effect in his right arm, which had to be amputated. A number of residences have been pierced by bullets, and those who are able to do so have sent their families to the country. The principal streets are patrolled by soldiers. Captain Butler had a long conversation by telephone with Governor Tanner and it is said more troops will be sent here immediately.

OPPOSE ANNEXATION.

Movement at Boston for a Mighty Protest Against the President's Course.

The organizers of the movement against the annexation of the Philippines met in Boston, Mass., Saturday. A constitution was adopted, officers elected, and an address was issued to the people of the United States, urging prompt co-operation in getting signatures to a protest against the annexation of the Philippines. Edward Atkinson presided. Andrew Carnegie sent a check for $1,000 for the use of the movement. Funds have already been subscribed liberally.

Captain-General Blanco received from Paris Sunday a cable authorizing him to draw on Paris for $2,00,0000 gold to be applied in the payment of Spanish troops in Cuba. This amount is in addition to the draft for $250,000 by the Madrid government on London which was sold in Havana last week.

The Spanish authorities are making strenuous efforts to complete the evacuation by the end of the year.

Perry, Ia., sustained a fire loss Sunday night aggregating $250,000. A large portion of the business part of the town is a total loss.

Electrically Charged Body.

Benjamin Berdell, a wandering clock repairer, is death on flies. Three years ago, when at Rahway, N. J., during a storm he was picking cherries, when the tree was struck by lightning. Berdell received a severe shock. It transformed him into an electric man. Anyone who shakes hands with him now receives a severe shock. By pressing the blades of a knife between his thumb and finger during a storm he charges the metal so thoroughly that heavy weights can be lifted. When flies alight upon him they drop dead. When he is in a dark room sparks flash from his flesh and his eyes shine like incandescent lamps. Whenever a storm approaches Berdell becomes highly charged with electricity and it is dangerous to touch him. He says that he feels no inconvenience except that he will not go near a moving locomotive for fear of being drawn against it and killed.—New York Press.

The Reason Why.

A good story is told of an English naval officer, whose ship was stationed off the coast of Ceylon, and who went off for a day's shooting along the coast, accompanied by a native attendant well acquainted with the country. Coming to a particularly inviting river, the officer resolved to have a bath, and asked the native to show him a place where there were no alligators. The native took him to a pool close to the estuary. The officer thoroughly enjoyed his dip, and, while drying himself, he asked his guide why there was never any alligators in that pool. "Because, sar," promptly replied the Cingalese, "they plenty 'fraid of shark."

A Milwaukee judge recently granted a divorce, with the provision that the wife pay the husband alimony.

Creeping Consumption

Do not think for a single moment that consumption will ever strike you a sudden blow. It does not come that way.

It creeps its way along.

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Largest Battleship in the World.

The ram battleship Formidable was launched Friday at Portsmouth, England. She is said to be the largest warship in the world, being of 15,000 tons displacement. She is 400 feet long, has 75 feet beam, and draws 26 feet, 9 inches of water. She cost over £1,000,000 and is estimated to steam eighteen knots.

Ex-Governor Peck, of Wisconsin, went by Anniston to see the boys of the Fourth Wisconsin regiment encamped there.

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Howard Conkling, candidate for congress in the Twelfth New York district, is a nephew of the late Senator Roscoe Conkling.

Carlists Have Obtained a Loan.

The London Daily Mail's correspondent at Biarritz says: "The Carlists declare that they have obtained a loan, but not from England. Proof that the situation is serious is seen in the general alarm, and the strict censorship in Navarre.

An Actress Dies Suddenly.

Ethel Marlowe, a cousin of Julia Marlowe, died at the Knickerbocker theater, New York, during a performance of "The Christian." She was 24 years old.

Eating Snails.

The stories about Frenchmen eating snails are believed by many people to have no foundation in fact, but snails are eaten, and to a very considerable extent, in France. Nearly 100,000 pounds weight of snails are sold daily in the Paris markets to be eaten by dwellers in that city. They are carefully reared for the purpose in extensive snail gardens in the provinces, and fed on aromatic herbs to give them a fine flavor. One such garden in Dijon is said to bring in to its proprietor several thousand francs a year.

Many Swiss cantons also contain large snail gardens, where they are reared with great pains. They are not only regarded as a great delicacy, but are considered very nutritious. Hygienists state that they contain seventeen per cent of nitrogenous matter, and that they are equal to oysters in nutritive properties.

Snails are also extensively used as an article of food in Austria, Spain, Italy and Egypt, and the countries on the African side of the Mediterranean. Indeed, the habit of eating snails as food has existed in various parts of Europe for many centuries.

Protection for Railway.

On the new Russian military railway from Europe to Andijan, on the borders of the Chinese empire, a tree-like shrub called the sasaoul had to be planted all along the line through the desert to prevent the rails being covered by sand. For further protection a ribbon of wild oats runs along both sides of the railway.

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Sir John Follower Dead.

Sir John Follower, who was engineer-in-chief of the Fourth brigade in the Zulu war, and who was created a baronet in 1880, died in London Monday. He was born in 1817.

Dewey Favors Retention.

Presiden Brown of Norwich University, Montpelier, Vt., has received a personal letter from Admiral Dewey, under date of October 3, in which the admiral says: "I trust the entire archipelago will be retained by the United States. Any other arrangement will lead to no end of trouble."

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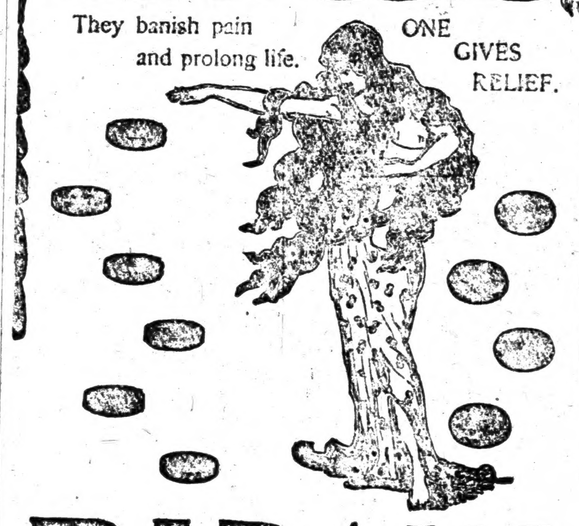

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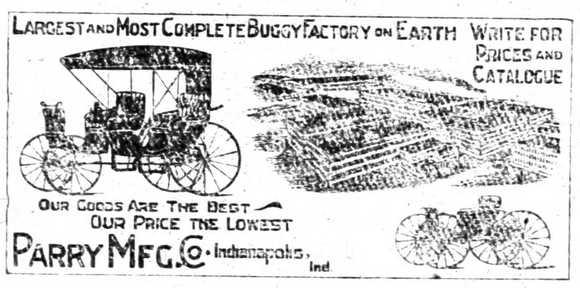

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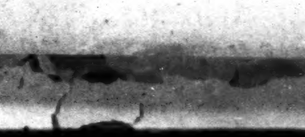

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CIRCUIT COURT.

Court adjourned last Friday evening, the whole buiness being transacted within five days. There was not much to interest the public in any of the cases, whether civil or criminal, on the docket, and the few there were, were soon disposed of.

Ned Goodwin, colored, charged with assault with weapon was found guilty and fined $1.00

Harry White, grand larceny, case prossed.

Henry Dupree, carrying concealed weapons nolle prossed.

Sam Burrows, burglary, acquitted.

Mint Duke, charged with murder in the first degree, was found guilty of murder in the second degree, and was sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary.

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

Spain's Only Prize Ship Open Air Spring Horse Show—A New Electrical Grill.

[Special Correspondence.]

Spain captured one American vessel during the war—the bark Saranac. She arrived in New York the other day from Iloilo with a cargo of sugar.

The vessel was seized by the Spanish authorities at that port on April 26, a few days after the declaration of war. The Saranac arrived at Iloilo from Newcastle, N. S. W., with a cargo of coal consigned to British merchants at that port. The Saranac flew the stars and stripes on entering the harbor and was boarded promptly by the Spanish authorities.

When he entered the harbor, Captain Bailey had no idea that there was war between the United States and Spain, and his surprise was extreme. The captain and crew were treated in the most uncivil manner.

As the ship was not anchored properly and drifted, the captain appealed to the officers to anchor her securely. He was told to "shut up his mouth." At another time when he spoke to the authorities of his treatment he was told to shut up. This angered the captain and he answered back. The officer in charge of the gunboats threatened to run a broadside into the bark. The captain, however, had the last word when he yelled over the side of the ship: "You'll have to get my mouth before you can shut it!"

The guard placed on board did much damage to the vessel, cutting away her spars, sails and rigging, damaging the woodwork and tearing up sections of the deck. The Saranac was held for 30 days and then released.

A Spring Horse Show.

Plans for a novel spring horse show, another expression of New York's desire to get out of doors more than it has been able to within recent years, despite the beauties of the spring weather as it appear easy enough to accomplish. With the fairs and tournaments which society is able to enjoy in the autumn during the fall the necessity for out-of-door sports is less urgent then. In the open air games this may be played until late in the season. But there are none of these chances. Horse shows can never be made distinctly popular events, and they are the only ones that can be held out of doors in the spring. The details selected for the new show seem readily accessible, and might gain in attractiveness if held in the spring, when there is less rivalry and the chance to see horses after a winter of inactivity would be appreciated. From a spectacular point of view the show would doubtless be equally advantageous. In the Madison Square Garden fall fashions are for the first time revealed, and the effect of that sight has long been recognized as a factor in the success of the horse show. A spring exhibit of the same character would certainly possess at least the same charm to the public and have the additional merit of being new.

A New Electrical Grill.

There was an electrical beefsteak broiler in a down town restaurant the other day. Professor G. B. Cary, a well known scientist with a gastronomical bent, had invented an electrical grill and brought it to the place to be tested. Several experts in electricity were bidden to be present. These included editors of electrical publications, electrical engineers and ordinary consumers of electricity. The wire and similar circuits. Two metal plates were put between the broiling surfaces, and the guests were told that eight minutes for the steaks and 18 minutes for the chickens, unless the health of the inventor should fail. The new device did its work so far as the cooking was concerned, but the meats appeared as if they had been baked instead of broiled and the tempting brown exterior lacked by coal or gas heat.

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Editor Banner.—Please allow me space to say a few words in regard to our school at this town. We have a very young but excellent school. Last Friday closed the first term of the second annual session very successfully. The students were thoroughly examined in the studies they had previously gone over, and mane a very good per centage. The faculty consists of a board of well educated and competent teachers who spare no pains in doing all they can to advance their pupils.

Briarfield is a small but picturesque town, being noted for its beautiful natural scenery, fine water and hospitable inhabitants. There are four churches here, so that anyone can visit the church of his choice. Board can be obtained anywhere for seven dollars per month. Everything makes this a very desirable place to live in and a good place for a school.

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Jemison.

Wednesday morning, 23 inst., about 3 o'clock, the residence occupied by Mr. Powell, opposite the depot, was discovered to be on fire, and in a short space of time the dwelling house was destroyed. The fire spread to the adjoining storehouse, which was partially occupied by Dr. McNeil with a stock of drugs, and this also succumbed to the devouring element. Another storehouse, recently occupied by Mr. C. W. Reynolds, was involved in the conflagration and was totally destroyed. The amount of damage done was not ascertained, and whether any insurance was carried we have been unable to find out.

Our representative, Mr. L. H. Reynolds, became the happy father of a bouncing boy, recently and is as proud as the people's representative can well be.

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Mrs. D. Lodge and Miss Lottie Lodge visited Clanton last week.

Miss Eloise Markee is visiting her uncle, Mr. W. H. Wells, near Clanton. We miss this bright spirited young lady, and wish her speedy return.

Mr. Ed Lodge has secured a position at Mountain Creek; we wish for this energetic young man all the success possible.

Mrs. Alice Foshee accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. Hester, are visiting at Billingsley.

Miss Effie Carter, of Billingsley, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Thompson.

Rev. Mr. Dennis filled his last appointment here last Sunday.

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Marlesville.

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Rev. R. Williams takes this opportunity of thanking friends Mrs. Steel, Mrs. Houston and Mr. Damsky for presents made his family.

Mrs. Campbell, Miss Minnie Fosnee and Mr. Zeke Martin have returned to Texas. We are always sorry when our friend Zeke leaves, and glad when he returns.

On the 13, at the home of G. Fox by Rev. R. Williams, Mr. Hix, of Mulberry, was married to Miss Fancher, of Brittian.

After a trip to Birmingham we are glad to have Dr. Wooley with us again, may his shadow never grow less.

The Methodist church feels under obligations to the good church workers for the comfortable carpeting.

Miss Alfa Smitherman has been visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Alcer, of Demopolis, has been on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Garner.

Mr. Will Gandy, of Oakmulgee, has been to see his kinsman, Buck Bowline.

We are glad to state that Mr. Adam's children are convalescing.

Mr. Heaton, of Coosa co., has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Black.

Mrs. George Fox has lately been on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Coleman, at this place.

Messrs. Tom Driskell and J. Lassiter, of Plantersville, enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with T. W. Dubose.

John Estler, of Selma, spent several pleasant days with friends here.

A young woman came from Tuskaloosa on the train with a beautiful male infant about five or six weeks old that the made several efforts to desert. Failing in this she took the train next morning for Centreville with the infant.

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Stinton

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Mr. William Martin and family are visiting relatives here.

Several persons of this place attended circuit court at Clanton last week.

Mr. J. B. Gullaborn is visiting relatives in Clanton.

We regret that Major McCarthy is on the sick list but trust he will soon recover.

Mrs. Smith, of Randolph, visited her father, Major McCarthy last week.

M. R. Q. Prier, of Perry, was a visitor to our town Sunday.

Mr. McKee, of Selma, was a pleasant visitor here Sunday.

Mr. Frank Martin made a business trip to Selma last week.

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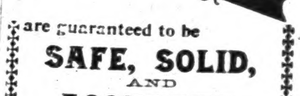

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At Nedunkeni, in the northern province of Ceylon, the abnormal rainfall of 31.72 inches in twenty-four hours was experienced. Nedunkeni, eleven miles down the southern road to Mullaittivu, and 122 feet above sea level, is a small village a little to the east of the dividing ridge of north Central Ceylon.

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"Not many years ago the backs of mirrors were coated with mercury, now sheets of pure silver are used instead. The old looking glass reflected 60 or 65 per cent. of the light that fell upon it, the modern mirror reflects nearly 95 per cent. The mercury looking glass was very liable to rub off; heat and cold also affected it; the quick silver would crack or melt and thus the beauty of the glass would be spoilt. None of these dangers threaten the silvered mirror. Besides mirrors, those engaged in this line of business cut a great deal of beveled glass for doors and windows. In fine buildings this is largely taking the place of stained glass."—Washington Star.

The Western Pistol.

One of the big frontier six-shooters used by the Rough Riders at the charge of San Juan Hill attracts a good deal of attention in the window of an up-town store. It is a type of weapon almost peculiar to the West—single action, 45-calibre, with a barrel eight inches long and a wooden handle. The real cowboy and veteran miner will carry nothing else. Both despise a double-action, self-cocking pistol, and in the "cow country" it is a common thing for ranchmen to take out the triggers of their six shooters and fire them by manipulating the hammer with the thumb. To see an expert do this is to witness a pretty piece of juggling. Another oddity of frontier revolver etiquette is the way the weapon is carried. Many cowboys swing it in a holster on the right hip with the handle pointing outward. It is drawn with a curious circular sweep and comes up cocked and ready for business. More than one "tenderfoot" has bored a hole through himself in attempting to acquire this particular bit of legerdemain.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

American Gold Good Enough.

The effect of the war with Spain is felt in unexpected ways. The other week when the Italian bark New York, laden with stocks, cleared for Sicily at Bangor, Me., the agent spent half a day in going from bank to bank trying to obtain English sovereigns enough to supply the wants of the captain. Having failed to get as many as he desired he went to the captain and began to make an apology, but was cut short by the skipper who said:

"Me no want da Eenglish gold. Da American gold iss good enough, iss much good enough for me. Da war make da American gold much as good as da Eenglish gold."

The agent at once converted the captain's order into United States eagles and half eagles and the captain sailed away happy. Until this season no ship master of any foreign vessel that went to Bangor would accept anything but English money.—New York Sun.

Will Be Put Into Commission.

Complete arrangements have been made to put the cruiser Chicago in commission at New York on the 1st proximo. The Chicago has been out of commission for nearly three years, during which time she has undergone almost a complete transformation.

MARINES LANDED IN CHINA.

Captain Wildes of Cruiser Berlin Sends Detachment Ashore.

REQUEST OF THE CHINESE IS UNHEEDED.

If One of the Powers Attempts a Coup Uncle Sam Will Be in the Game.

No Rioting is Yet Reported.

Will Protect Legation.

WASHINGTON.—The United States navy has landed marines in China. A dispatch was received at the navy department Saturday stating that the captain of the Boston had landed his marine guard at Tien Tsin.

It seems that the marines were landed not because of any information of riots or attacks upon American missionaries, but solely to act as a guard for the United States legation at Pekin.

The Boston was dispatched to the mouth of the Pell Ho river several weeks ago at the instance of the United States minister to provide a guard, as the other powers had adopted the same method, and he did not care to be exceptional, without one. The steamer worked her way up the river to her present position. It is believed at the navy department that marines will be sent forward from that point in launches or small river boats.

Capt. Frank Wildes, the commander of the Boston, who reported the landing to the navy department by cable, did not state how many men were in the guard, but the force is not believed to exceed two dozen men.

The presence of these foreign guards is not welcome to the Chinese government. When the landing was first proposed its representative sought to dissuade the United States government from inflicting this humiliation upon it.

The effect was to cause a suspension of the execution of the purpose, but as has been already stated, most of the European legations have provided themselves with guards, and the Chinese having become reconciled to their presence, no longer object in our case.

Advices that reached the state department do not indicate any immediate outbreak in China. But the reactionary policy of the Empress Dowager has caused a very uneasy feeling, and may afford one or more of the European powers, who have been active in eastern affairs, a pretext for making a coup with results affecting the interests of the United States.

6,000 WORKERS OUT.

Cotton Mill Strikers at Augusta Are Beginning to Yield.

The strike among cotton operatives at Augusta, Ga., now affects 6,000 workers. The new scale which the owners seek to enforce and to which the strikers object is based, so the owners say, on the rate of wages paid in South Carolina and North Carolina. This the strikers deny by claiming that the conditions there and in the Carolinas are different. The mill owners are firm in their determination to enforce the cut and declare the old scale will not be paid again. The strikers are beginning to yield. They recognize their situation and know that they have no weapon to fight with. If this is successful it is believed similar reductions will be made in cotton mills in other parts of the south.

OWES OVER A MILLION.

Failure Involving Cattle Interests of the Southwest.

ABILENE, KAN.—A failure involving cattle interests throughout the southwest was precipitated at Abilene, Kan., Friday when an attachment suit for $40,000 was filed against Grant C. Gillet, of Woodbine, by the Gillespie Commission company, of Kansas City. Gillet controls thousands of cattle on the southwestern ranges and his liabilities are believed to be over a million.

Earthquake Shock.

A very perceptible earthquake shock was felt at Roanoke, Va., Friday afternoon, lasting about thirty seconds. No serious damage was done. Reports from various parts of southwest Virginia show the tremor to have been very general throughout that region.

A LONG CONFERENCE.

President McKinley and Costa Rica's Chief Executive Closed.

WASHINGTON.—President McKinley had an extended conference with President Iglesias, of Costa Rica Saturday. President Iglesias was accompanied to the White House by Minister Calvo, of Costa Rica, and several of his staff. They were the only ones present at the conference, which lasted two hours, a much longer time than President McKinley usually devotes to a single visitor and was evidently more of a business meeting than a social one.

Shoemaker Will Be Expelled.

The committee appointed by the North Alabama Conference in session at Huntsville, to conduct the trial of Rev. J. W. Shoemaker, who is under indictment by the United States court, reported and recommended that the defendant be expelled.

Near Selma Frank Binford and his son started hunting. They were fixing the powder pouch when it got to near the fire. There was an explosion and both were badly burned about the face.

THE NEWS IN OUR OWN STATE.

ALDRICH WILL CONTEST.

He Will Put Up His Plea As to Dallas County.

Congressman W. F. Aldrich, republican, will contest the seat of Hon. Gaston A. Robbins, democrat, in the Fifty-fifth congress. In an interview Mr. Aldrich said: "I shall contest the election in the Fourth district. Frauds in Dallas county will be the basis. I went to Dallas with a majority of 816. In that county I only received 392 votes, while Robbins is given 2,438. I shall undertake to prove that less votes were counted for me than I received, and that more votes were counted for Robbins than were cast for him. And then I didn't have proper representation at the polls."

Fatal Stabbing Affray.

Robert and Taylor Russell, brothers and prominent and wealthy farmers of Limestone county, became involved in a difficulty at the supper table over the eldest brother's slapping the little child of Robert Russell. From words they came to blows, when Taylor Russell got out his dirk and stabbed his brother several times under the shoulder blade, penetrating and slashing the left lung almost in two. Taylor Russell also received a wound from which he cannot recover.

Large Mortgage Filed.

Perhaps the largest mortgage ever filed in the probate office was recorded at Tuscumbia last week. It was executed by the Northern Alabama railroad, whose line extends from Sheffield to Jasper, to the Knickerbocker Trust company of New York, and attached to the instrument was $849.50 worth of revenue stamps. The mortgage was for $3,000,000, to satisfy the payment of that amount of bonds issued by the Northern Alabama railroad, which mature in 1926.

Body in a Well.

A horrible murder occurred in Uniontown last week. The covering of an old well was found disturbed. Investigation developed the body of Ed Flanagan in a pool of blood on the dry bottom of the well. Further search developed an ax clotted with blood lying near by and a wheelbarrow on which the body was rolled to within a short distance of the well. A man named Wyly was seen the night before with blood stain on his clothes and is now under surveillance.

Miners to Perfect a State Organization.

W. R. Fairley, president of the United Mine Workers of America, district No. 20, Saturday issued a call for a state miners' convention, to be held in Birmingham December 12. The purpose of the convention is to elect officers and to discuss the question of legislation needed for the benefit of miners and mining in Alabama.

New Factories at Ensley City.

It is authoritatively stated that Ensley City, where a $1,000,000 steel plant and a $2,000,000 steel nail, wire and rod mill already are building, has also secured a hoop-iron factory, and a cotton-tie factory also will be located there. Over 200 houses are now being built at the new town.

Result of an Accident.

The coroner's jury in the case of C. M. Lighter, the railroad man who was found dead in his room in Birmingham, with bruises on his face and body, has decided that Lighter's death was an accident, having been caused by him falling on the stairway while he was going to his room in a drunken state.

Man Found Dead.

G. W. Sutler, aged about 35, who has been employed at the cotton mills, Alabama City, for a brief period, was found dead last Friday near the track of the Attalla & Gadsden dummy line. No marks of violence were discovered on his body, but two empty whisky bottles lying near pointed to the cause of death.

Addition to Gin Works.

The contract for building the addition to the Daniel Pratt Gin company's already extensive works at Prattville has been let to a firm in Knoxville, Tenn., and which is to complete the work by the first day of April, 1899. This will make the works about one-fourth larger than they now are.

Troops Leave Huntsville.

The Fifteenth infantry departed from Huntsville for Savannah Friday night. The regiment was composed of 1,340 men, all told, 221 animals, two pack trains and forty cars of equipment. Seven trains were required to haul the command. The remaining six troops of the Eighth cavalry will follow the Fifteenth.

Shipments to Havana.

The Laurel, Miss., lumber mills of Eastman, Gardiner & Co., have begun shipping lumber to Havana for the United State military barracks there. This is part of the 20,000,000 feet order placed by the government.

At Birmingham Will Dorse, a rolling mill man, had his neck broken by being struck with a billiard cue by another rolling mill man named Will Reno in a saloon on Eighteenth street. The men quarreled over a game of billiards.

To Honor the President.

Arrangements are being made by the town authorities of Tuskegee to give President McKinley a royal welcome, when he visits the normal school for colored next month.

WANT PART OF PHILIPPINES

German Press Charge Americans With Excessive Greed.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL NOT INTERFERE

Without Joint Action by the Powers Quite Antagonistic Towards Control of the Archipelago by the United States.

BERLIN.—The German press this week has busied itself a great deal about the Philippine question and the peace negotiations in Paris, and nearly all the comment has been uncomplimentary to the United States, which is charged with "excessive greed and political indecency in formulating new demands," President McKinley being also accused of "inconsistency" and "lack of backbone," in notwithstanding "the increasing demands of the imperialist party."

A number of the German newspapers have now adopted a strain indicating a desire to obtain a portion of the Spanish Asiatic possessions for Germany.

The Kreuz Zeitung, which has much influence at court and in army circles, says:

"Germany is materially interested in the outcome of the peace negotiations, more particularly with respect to the Sulu archipelago, where Germany and Great Britain possess the same kind of commercial privileges, granted to them by Spain in 1887, in which Bremen and Hamburg are largely interested.

"American annexation of this group, besides being a matter of stratgetic importance, would mean, in view of America's prohibitive tariff policy, the destruction of both the German and British trade there. In short, an understanding with Great Britain for joint action and intervention is absolutely indispensible. The theory of 'an American sea' cannot be accepted by any of the European nations. Mr. Kasson has, therefore, been indulging in day-dreams."

The Deutsch Zeitung, organ of the pan-German party, says:

"It is particularly painful that with the Caroline Islands, to which will probably be added the rest of the islands, a piece of Spanish goods is disposed of to which he had a historical pre-emption claim."

The Deutsch Zeitung concludes with urging the government to seize the occasion to acquire a portion of the Carolines, or at least secure compensation in Samoa, and also obtain guarantees for the future of Germany's commercial interests in the Philippine and Sulu archipelagos. "Guarantees," it says, spitefully, "which will hold water even against American interpretation."

In spite of the newspaper comment, the correspondent of the Associated Press is informed on good authority that Germany still does not contemplate interference, active or otherwise, with the American claims, at least so long as no concerted action is proposed or carried out, jointly, by the European powers.

IN A FEW DAYS

Order Removing Offices From Civil Service Rules Will Be Issued.

The exact date of the issuance of the civil service order of the president has not been fixed, though the president has asked to have the final departmental recommendations submitted at the earliest moment. The indications are that it will be out in a few days. The president has discussed the general scope of the forthcoming exemption with members of the cabinet and others and there have been several consultations of late among departmental officials. The exemptions, it is now understood, in addition to those already mentioned, will include members of the board of pension appeals, to which appeals from the action of the pension bureau first go; law clerks in the general land office, and among other per diem employes in the offices of surveyor-generals. Some officials in the Indian service are said to be slated for exemption and a few officers in the postal service, including cashiers and others in postoffices for whose duties the postmasters are held personally responsible, will be included.

UNION REFORM PARTY

Will Put a Ticket in the Field in Every State.

At a meeting of the union reform party executive committee in Columbus, O., Saturday, steps were taken to form a new national organization. Men from New York, Illinois and Indiana met with the Ohio committee, and decided to hold a national convention next March, at which time arrangements are to be made to put a ticket in the field in every state in the union. The new party is to be a fusion of populists, silver republicans, liberty party and negro protectionists, all free silverites.

Two Kentucky Soldiers Killed.

Charles Nikirk and Henry Lamon, two returned soldiers of the Second Kentucky regiment, were killed by a premature explosion of dynamite at the limestone quarries, near Cumberland Gap, Ky.

4,000 Troops Reach the Philippines.

An official dispatch received at Madrid from Manila says that reinforcements of American troops, numbering 4,000 men, have been landed in the Philippine Islands.

TRAGEDY IN BIRMINGHAM

Deputy Sheriff Instantly Killed While Attempting to Arrest a Burglar.

Robert Warnock, chief deputy under Sheriff Frank P. O'Brien, of Jefferson county, Alabama, was shot and killed by William Golson, a negro, at the latter's wife's house, in Birmingham Sunday afternoon. Warnock had gone to the house to effect the arrest of the murderer, who is wanted in Autauga county on the charge of burglary and grand larceny. Warnock went up to the front door of the house and his deputies went to the rear and when the officer stepped in the door the shooting commenced instantly. The negro fired two shots both of them taking effect one in the arm and the other in the right breast. When the fatal shot was fired Warnock fell backward to the ground and expired in a few minutes. The murderer escaped and at last accounts was still at large.

MANY VESSELS WRECKED.

More Than Seventy Lives Known to Have Been Lost.

A special from Boston says: It is known definitely that more than seventy lives have been lost in the wrecks of tugs, schooners and coal barges during the storm of Saturday night and Sunday morning and if the steamer Portland has also gone down, as now seems possible the list of casualties will rise to 140 with over 100 vessels of all descriptions ashore, two score of them total wrecks and an unknown number probably beneath the waves of Massachusetts bay. There is scarcely a bay, harbor or inlet, from the Penobscot to New London that has not on its shores the bones of some staunch craft, while along Massachusetts bay and especially Boston harbor the beaches are piled high with the wreckage of schooners and coal barges. The record, although hourly lengthened is still incomplete for that ocean graveyard of Cape Cod is still to be heard from.

SENTENCED TO BE SHOT.

Private Lindsey W. Holt, Colored, Will Be Executed.

The First cavalry brigade courtmartial at Huntsville, Monday, for the first time since the war with Spain began, imposed the first death sentence upon a soldier, when Private Lindsey W. Holt, Troop F, Tenth cavalry, was sentenced to death for murder of Private Twisby of the same regiment. The crime was committed one Sunday morning at Montauk Point shortly after the regiment returned from Cuba. The courtmartial directs that Holt shall be shot by the provost guard at such time and place as may be designated hereafter by the commanding general of the cavalry division. Execution of the sentence will be suspended to await the approval of President McKinley.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Mrs. Walinski, of Henry Ellen, Ala., Stood Too Near a Grate.

Mrs. John W. Waliuski, wife of Mine Foreman Waliuski, was burned to death Sunday at Henry Ellen, Ala. She was standing in front of the grate with her babe in her arms when her clothing caught fire. With rare presence of mind she rushed to the bed and, with a true mother's instinct, laid her helpless babe upon it out of harm's way. She then tried to smother the flames, but failing to do so, attempted to raise the window to call to her husband to come to her assistance. It was at this juncture that Mr. Waliuski, who was near by, chanced to look up, when he rushed to her assistance, but too late to save the unfortunate woman.

NO PROTEST FROM GERMANY.

Official Desire to Counteract Report That They Want the Sulu Islands.

Baron Speck von Sternberg, charge d'affaires of Germany, called at the state department Monday and had a conference with Secretary Hay on current topics, particularly those growing out of the late war, in the course of which Baron Speck took occasion to express the most friendly sentiments on the part of Germany concerning the present status of affairs. The call was chiefly significant as an evidence that German officials desire to counteract the reports that Germany is about to assume an attitude of protest and to lay claim to the Sulu archipelago, which is to be included in the peace negotiations at Paris.

Powerful Tug Boat for Mobile Harbor.

A new and powerful tug boat, built by John H. Dialogue, of Camden, N. J., for Mobile Harbor, and owned by Mobile capital, is expected to arrive in Mobile port on December 15. This is the first boat which has ever been built specially for this port, and she will be named E. L. Russell, after the president of the Mobile & Ohio railroad. It will be the most powerful boat in the Gulf.

A fatal boiler explosion occurred last Friday at Sessions' mill, near Montevallo, Ala., James Sessions, son of the proprietor, losing his life. The sawmill was wrecked.

Killed His Wife.

In Little Rock, Ark., Friday morning, M. B. Lane, a section foreman, while in a drunken frenzy, emptied both barrels of a gun loaded with buckshot into his wife's face, killing her instantly. The woman's son, V. H. Wright, seized the gun and broke it over the murderer's head, crushing the skull.

Forty Persons Killed.

A box of dynamite exploded Monday morning near the Reina battery, in Havana, Cuba, killing and injuring forty persons.

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ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

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house to allow and provide for the waiver of a special venire in capital offenses where the defendant on arraignment, or at any time before a special venire is drawn, pleads guilty, and to regulate the practice in such cases.

Mr. Lacy introduced a measure to create a lien in favor of hotel or innkeepers on all the property of guests or boarders for board, meals or lodging.

By request Mr. Jones, of Wilcox, introduced a bill in the house to establish a branch agricultural experiment station for the negro race at Snow Hill, in Wilcox county, and to make appropriation therefor.

Mr. Cofer introduced a bill in the house to require all owners of street railroads in Alabama to provide cabs or places of comfort or protection of motormen.

The house by a vote of 50 to 20 knocked out Mr. Coffer's bill to reduce the salaries of state solicitors; also, by a vote of 47 to 16, reduced the amount of bond to be given by the state treasurer from $300,000 to $150,000.

Bill for Constitutional Convention.

Senator Jenkins Monday introduced in the senate a bill providing for a vote in the state at the election in August, 1899, to determine whether the state shall hold a constitutional convention. Secretary Jenkins hopes to be successful in passing the bill through the senate. He has polled that body and claims the chances are in his favor, though the vote will be close. Should the bill first pass the senate it will be sure of a majority vote in the house, unless the present sentiment is changed. The Jenkins bill provides for the holding of the convention in September, 1899, and for the election of members of the convention at the election in August, when voting on the question of convention or no convention.

In the senate the Phœnix club bill was reported back with amendment favorably and placed on the calendar. The amendment makes the club not liable for license when drinks are served with meals. A number of local bills were passed. The inaugural programme was reported and adopted for December 1. The joint committee on recess reported that a recess be taken on December 13 and the Assembly meet again on January 24, which was adopted.

In the house the bill was passed to incorporate Decatur. Bills were introduced: To elect solicitors by people by Mr. Reynolds; for dog tax by Mr. Henry; to increase the Confederate pension tax to ¾ of a mill by Mr. Houston; to amend section 4583 of code to pay state witnesses $1.50 and 5 cents a mile. The bill to have the Mobile liquor license paid in state treasury is being discussed.

THE BATTLESHIP WISCONSIN.

A Sister Ship of the Alabama Is Launched on the Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Saturday morning at the Union Iron Works another great marine fighting machine was added to the already large fleet of Pacific war vessels. The vessel which slid from the ways was the battleship Wisconsin, the largest of the vessels built for the United States government by the Union Iron Works. The launching of the big vessel was effected without a hitch, and she now rests calmly on the waters of the bay.

For hours the street cars let down their loads of people at the ship yards, and all the available boats on the bay were pressed into service by people anxious to see the baptism of the great vessel. Thousands of people saw the plunge from different points of vantage, and the platform especially set aside for the guests of the Union Iron Works was crowded to its full capacity.

The battleship Wisconsin, designed in the bureau of construction and repair of the navy department, is a sister ship of the Alabama, building at the Cramp's yard in Philadelphia, and also of the Illinois, building at Newport News.

The dimensions of the Wisconsin are as follows: Length of load water line, 368 feet; beam extreme, 72 feet 2½ inches; draft on normal displacement of 11,525 tons, 23 feet 6 inches, maximum displacement, all ammunition and stores on board, 12,325 tons; maximum indicated horse-power (estimated), 10,000; probable speed, 16½ knots. Complement of officers, 40; seamen, marines, etc., 449.

The main battery will consist of four 13-inch breech-loading rifles in Hichborn balanced turrets, oval in shape, and placed in the centre line of the vessel; and fourteen 6-inch rapid-fire guns. The secondary battery will consist of sixteen 6-pounder rapid-fire guns, two Colt guns and two field guns. She will carry four torpedo tubes.

EVACUATION OF CUBA.

Marshal Blanco is No Longer in Command.

HAVANA, Cuba.—Marshal Blanco, at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning, formally resigned the office of governor and captain-general of the island of Cuba in favor of Gen. Jiminez Castellanos. The ceremony took place in the throne room of the palace without any further solemnity than the secretary of the government reading the royal decrees on the subject in the presence of the colonial government and Generals Parado, Solano, Ruis and Tejeda.

Preparations for the rapid evacuation of the provinces of Pinar del Rio and Havana are progressing actively.

If the Chinese were not so much occupied with other matters they would probably tell us when they invented golf.

RACE RIOT AT ANNISTON.

Without Warning a Mob of Black Soldiers Fired On a Provost Guard.

Members of the Third Alabama, the negro regiment, stationed at Anniston, caused the greatest excitement Thursday night that the town has ever known. Shortly after dark Private Gildhart, of Company B, Second Arkansas, while going towards his regimental camp from town, was shot in the head by a negro soldier, who also stabbed him in the back. A little later a member of the Fourth Kentucky was reported to have been shot on Walnut street by negro soldiers, who lay in a gully shooting at the white men who passed. Firing was heard in Liberia, the negro quarter of the city, and a squad of the provost guard went to investigate.

As it turned the corner of Fifteenth and Pine streets a large crowd of negro soldiers without warning opened fire upon the guards with Springfields, the guns in use in the regiment. The guard returned the fire, but had few cartridges and soon had to retreat. Reinforcements and more ammunition were sent for, but when they arrived the negroes had disappeared. The number of negroes in the mob were variously estimated from fifty to two hundred.

The list of casualties resulting from the rioting is as follows: Dead—Corporal James Capeton, colored, Third Alabama. Dangerously wounded—Corporal Smith, colored, Third Alabama; shot through the abdomen. Private Gildhart, Second Arkansas; stabbed in the back with a knife or bayonet, and severely cut in the head. Slightly wounded—Private Echols, colored, Third Alabama; flesh wound in the left shoulder. Sergeant Frank Dodson, Third Tennessee; right arm shattered. Private J. E. Graham, Third Tennessee; flesh wound in the abdomen. Two negro civilians were shot and will probably die.

STRANGER THAN FICTION.

Minister Attempts Suicide—Given Up for Dead, but Recovers.

Thursday afternoon Rev. J. H. St. Clair went into a beer garden at Decatur and called for a glass of beer. After drinking it he informed a court bailiff standing by that he was tired of life and that he was going to commit suicide. The men in the garden paid no attention to him, as they knew he had been drinking. About an hour afterward St. Clair was noticed sitting behind the stove gurgling and gasping for breath, by his side being a large pill box labeled "morphine." Physicians were hastily summoned, arriving in a half hour, but when they came they pronounced St. Clair's condition beyond help. In about an hour he was apparently dead, his breathing having ceased and body becoming rigid. A sheet was placed over the body and the coroner ordered a coffin from the county undertaker. Now comes the strange part. About 9 at night St. Clair's wife, to whom he had been married just a week, went to the beer garden and had the body removed. While being taken to her house, St. Clair rose from the shutter on which he was stretched and asked what they were doing for him. This frightened the stretcher carriers, who dropped the stretcher and ran. St. Clair got up and walked to the house. St. Clair is a preacher-railroader, hailing from Fulton or Salem, Mo., having been for some time in the employ of the Louisville & Nashville. The doctors are mystified over St. Clair's strange recovery.

Received a Death Sentence.

At Birmingham the case of Frank Cook, colored, charged with murdering Conductor John Blackburn, went to the jury Wednesday afternoon. The verdict read "guilty," and the penalty imposed was death. John Blackburn, the deceased, was killed at Cain Station, Avondale, by being stabbed through the heart while endeavoring to effect the capture of a negro who was found robbing a store.

Advancing on Boru-Mieda.

The Rome correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: "The government is alarmed at the receipt of reports that Emperor Menelik, of Abyssinia, is advancing on Boru-Mieda with 100,000 men, armed with rifles and numerous trains of artillery. It is believed that the objective of the Negus is the Bahr-El-Gazal boundary, and he will attempt to force a definite boundary settlement.

Heavy Iron Exportations.

A well-known iron man of Birmingham said Saturday that the sale of Alabama iron in large quanties to foreign countries had become so heavy that it was an old tale. Every day Birmingham iron is being forwarded to New Orleans, Mobile, Savannah and other ports for shipment to Europe and Asia, and despite the interruption from the Spanish war during the summer months the total export movement for the year promises to surpass that of last year. During the past few days three large shipments of export iron have been made through New Orleans to Antwerp and Rotterdam.

Denver Man Selected.

The postmaster-general has appointed W. F. Cochran, now postoffice inspector in charge at Denver, to be chief inspector of the postoffice department. He succeeds George B. Hammett, of Ohio, who is assigned to service in the field.

Groom Aged 99 Years.

A marriage license was issued Friday to George Bush, aged 99 years, and Mrs. Lucy Prophet, aged 83. They reside six miles from Little Rock, Ark., and were never outside of the state.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY

Subject: "God's Second Gift"—The World is Too Much With Us—The Better Life and the Advantages of Religion—The Story of Caleb and Othniel.

TEXT: "Thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs and the nether springs."—Joshua xv., 19.

The city of Debir was the Boston of antiquity—a great place for brain and books. Caleb wanted it, and he offered his daughter Achsah as a prize to any one who would capture that city. It was a strange thing for Caleb to do, and yet the man who could take the city would have, at any rate, two elements of manhood—bravery and patriotism. Besides, I do not think that Caleb was as foolish in offering his daughter to the conqueror of Debir as thousands in this day who seek alliances for their children with those who have large means without any reference to moral or mental acquirements. Of two evil I would rather measure happiness by the length of the sword than by the length of the pocketbook. In one case there is sure to be one good element of character; in the other there may be none at all. With Caleb's daughter as a prize to fight for, General Othniel rode into the battle. The gates of Debir were thundered into the dust, and the city of books lay at the feet of the conquerors. The work done, Othniel comes back to claim his bride. Having conquered the city, it is no great job for him to conquer the girl's heart, for however faint-hearted a woman herself may be she always loves courage in a man. I never saw an exception to that.

The wedding festivity having gone by, Othniel and Achsah are about to go to their own home. However loudly the cymbals may clash and the laughter ring, parents are always sad when a fondly cherished daughter goes off to stay, and Achsah, the daughter of Caleb, knows that now is the time to ask almost anything she wants of her father. It seems that Caleb, the good old man, had given as a wedding present a piece of land that was mountainous, and, sloping southward toward the deserts of Arabia, swept with some very hot winds. It was called "a south land." But Achsah wants an addition of property; she want a piece of land that is well watered and fertile. Now it is no wonder that Caleb, standing amid the bridal party, his eyes so full of tears because she was going away that that he could hardly see her at all, gives her more than she asks. She said to him: "Thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs and the nether springs."

The fact is that as Caleb, the father, gave Achsah, the daughter, a south land, so God gives to us His world. I am very thankful He has given it to us. But I am like Achsah in the fact that I am not satisfied with the portion. Trees and flowers and grass and blue skies are very well in their places, but he who has nothing but this world for a portion has no portion at all. It is a mountainous land, sloping off toward the desert of sorrow, swept by fiery siroccos; it is "a south land," a poor portion for any man that tries to put his trust in it. What has been your experience? What has been the experience of every man, of every woman, that has tried this world for a portion? Queen Elizabeth, amid the surroundings of pomp, is unhappy because the painter sketches too minutely the wrinkles on her face, and she indignantly cries out, "You must strike off my likeness without any shadows!" Hogarth, at the very height of his artistic triumph, is stung almost to death with chagrin because the painting he had dedicated to the king does not seem to be acceptable, for George II. cries out: "Who is this Hogarth? Take his trumpery out of my presence."

Brinsley Sheridan thrilled the earth with his eloquence, but had for his last words, "I am absolutely undone." Walter Scott, fumbling around the inkstand, trying to write, says to his daughter: "Oh, take me back to my room! There is no rest for Sir Walter but in the grave!" Stephen Girard, the wealthiest man in his day, or at any rate only second in wealth, says: "I live the life of a galley slave. When I arise in the morning, my one effort is to work so hard that I can sleep when it gets to be night." Charles Lamb, applauded of all the world, in the very midst of his literary triumph says: "Do you remember, Bridget, when we used to laugh from the shilling gallery at the play? There are now no good plays to laugh at from the boxes." But why go so far as that? I need to go no farther than your street to find an illustration of what I am saying.

Pick me out ten successful worldlings—and you know what I mean by thoroughly successful worldlings—pick me out ten successful worldlings and you cannot find more than one that looks happy. Care drags him to business; care drags him back. Take your stand at 2 o'clock at the corner of the streets and see the agonized physiognomies. Your high officials, your bankers, your insurance men, your importers, your wholesalers and your retailers as a class—as a class, are they happy? No. Care dogs their steps, and making no appeal to God for help or comfort many of them are tossed every whither. How has it been with you, my hearer? Are you more contented in the house of fourteen rooms than you were in the two rooms you had in a house when you started? Have you not had more care and worriment since you won that $50,000 than you did before? Some of the poorest men I have ever known have been those of great fortune. A man of small means may be put in great business straits, but the ghastliest of all embarrassments is that of the man who has large estates. The men who commit suicide because of monetary losses are those who cannot bear the burden any more because they have only $50,000 left.

On Bowling Green, New York, there is a house where Talleyrand used to go. He was a favored man. All the world knew him, and he had wealth almost unlimited. Yet at the close of his life he says: "Behold, eighty-three years have passed without any practical result, save fatigue of body and fatigue of mind, great discouragement for the future and great disgust for the past." Oh, my friends, this is a "south land," and it slopes off toward deserts of sorrows, and the prayer which Achsah made to her father Caleb we make this day to our Father God: "Thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs and the nether springs."

Blessed be God, we have more advantages given us than we can really appreciate! We have spiritual blessings offered us in this world which I shall call the nether springs and glories in the world to come which I shall call the upper springs.

Where shall I find words enough threaded with light to set forth the pleasure of religion. David, unable to describe it in words, played it on a harp. Mrs. Hemans, not finding enough power in prose, sings that praise in a canto. Christopher Wren, unable to describe it in language, sprung it into the arches of St. Paul's. John Bunyan, unable to present it in ordinary phraseology, takes all the fascination of allegory. Handel, with ordinary music unable to reach the height of the theme, rouses it up to an oratorio. Oh, there is no life on earth so happy as a really Christian life! I do not mean a sham Christian life, but a real Christian life. Where there is a thorn there is a whole garland of roses. Where there is one groan there are three doxologies. Where there is one day of cloud there is a whole season of sunshine. Take the humblest Christian man that you know—angels of God canopy him with their white wings; the lightnings of heaven are his armed allies; the Lord is his Shepherd, picking out for him green pastures by still waters. If he walk forth, heaven is his bodyguard. If he lie down to sleep, ladders of light, angel blossoming, are let into his dreams. If he be thirsty, the potentates of heaven are his cupbearers. If he sit down to food, his plain table blooms into the King's banquet. Men say: "Look at that odd fellow with the wornout coat." The angels of God cry "Lift up your heads, ye everlasting gates, and let him come in!" Fastidious people cry, "Get off my front steps!" The doorkeepers of heaven cry, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom!" When he comes to die, though he may be carried out in a pine box to that potter's field, to that potter's field the chariots of Christ will come down, and the cavalcade will crowd all the boulevards of heaven.

I bless Christ for the present satisfaction of religion. It makes a man all right with reference to the past; it makes a man all right with reference to the future. Oh, these nether springs of comfort! They are perennial. The foundation of God standeth sure having this seal, "The Lord knoweth them that are His." "The mountains shall depart and the hills be removed, but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord, who hath mercy upon thee." Oh, cluster of diamonds set in burnished gold! Oh, nether springs of comfort bursting through all the valleys of trial and tribulation! When you see, you of the world, what satisfaction there is on earth in religion, do you not thirst after it as the daughter of Caleb thirsted after the water springs? It is no stagnant pond, scummed over with malaria, but springs of water leaping from the Rock of Ages! Take up one cup of that spring water and across the top of the chalice will float the delicate shadows of the heavenly wall, the yellow of jasper; the green of emerald, the blue of sardonyx, the fire of jacinth.

I wish I could make you understand the joy religion is to some of us. It makes a man happy while he lives and glad when he dies. With two feet upon a chair and bursting with dropsies, I heard an old man in the poorhouse cry out, "Bless the Lord, oh, my soul!" I looked around and said, "What has this man got to thank God for?" It makes the lame man leap as a hart, and the dumb sing. They say that the old Puritan religion is a juiceless and joyless religion, but I remember reading of Dr. Goodwin, the celebrated Puritan, who in his last moment said: "Is this dying? Why, my bow abides in strength! I am swallowed up in God!" "Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace." Oh, you who have been trying to satisfy yourselves with the "south land" of this world, do you not feel that you would, this morning, like to have access to the nether springs of spiritual comfort? Would you not like to have Jesus Christ bend over your cradle and bless your table and heal your wounds and strew flowers of consolation all up and down the graves of your dead?

'Tis religion that can give
Sweetest pleasures while we live,
'Tis religion can supply
Sweetest comfort when we die.

But I have something better to tell you, suggested by this text. It seems that old Father Caleb on the wedding day of his daughter wanted to make her just as happy as possible. Though Othniel was taking her away and his heart was almost broken because she was going, yet he gives her a "south land;" not only that, but the nether springs; not only that, but the upper springs. O God, my Father, I thank Thee that Thou hast given me a "south land" in this world and the nether springs of spiritual comfort in this world; but, more than all, I thank Thee for the upper springs in heaven!

It is very fortunate that we cannot see heaven until we get into it. O Christian man, if you could see what a place it is we would never get you back again to the office, or store, or shop and the duties you ought to perform would go neglected! I am glad I shall not see that world until I enter it. Suppose we were allowed to go on an excursion into that good land with the idea of returning. When we got there and heard the song and looked at their raptured faces and mingled in the supernal society, we would cry out; "Let us stay! We are coming here anyhow. Why take the trouble of going back again to that old world? We are here now. Let us stay!" And it would take angelic violence to put us out of that world if once we got there, but as people who cannot afford to pay for an entertainment sometimes come around it and look through the door ajar, or through the openings in the fence, so we come and look through the crevices into that good land which God has provided for us. We can just catch a glimpse of it. We come near enough to hear the rumbling of the eternal orchestra, though not near enough to know who blows the cornet or who fingers the harp. My soul spreads out both wings and claps them in triumph at the thought of those upper springs. One of them breaks from beneath the throne. Another breaks forth from beneath the altar of the temple. Another at the door of "the house of many mansions." Upper springs of gladness! Upper springs of light! Upper springs of love! It is no fancy of mine. "The Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall lead them to living fountains of water."

O Saviour divine, roll in upon our souls one of those anticipated raptures! Pour around the roots of the parched tongue one drop of that liquid life! Toss before our vision those fountains of God, rainbowed with eternal victory! Hear it! They are never sick there; not so much as a headache or twinge rheumatic or thrust neuralgic. The inhabitant never says, "I am sick." They are never tired there. Flight to farthest world is only the play of a holiday. They never sin there. It is as easy for them to be holy as it is for us to sin. They never die there. You might go through all the outskirts of this great city and find not one place where the ground was broken for a grave. The eyesight of the redeemed is never blurred with tears. There is health in every cheek. There is spring in every foot. There is majesty on every brow. There is joy in every heart. There is hosanna on every lip. How they must pity us as they look over and look down and see us and say: "Poor things away down in that world!" And when some Christian is hurled into a fatal accident, they cry: "Good!" He is coming!" And when we stand around the couch of some loved one whose strength is going away and we shake our heads forebodingly they cry: "I'm glad he is worse. He has been down there long enough. There, he is dead! Come home! Come home!" Oh, if we could only get our ideas about that future world untwisted, our thought of transfer from here to there would be as pleasant to us as it was to a little child that was dying. She said: "Papa, when will I go home?" And he said: "To-day, Florence." "To-day? So soon? I am so glad!"

I wish I could stimulate you with these thoughts, O Christian man, to the highest possible exhilaration! The day of your deliverance is coming—is coming, rolling on with the shining wheels of the day, and the jet wheels of the night. Every thump of the heart is only a hammer stroke striking off another chain of clay. Better scour the deck and coil the rope, for harbor is only six miles away. Jesus will come down the Narrows to meet you. "Now is your salvation nearer than when you believed."

Man of the world, will you not to-day make a choice between these two portions, between the "south land" of this world which slopes to the desert, and this glorious land which thy Father offers thee, running with eternal watercourses? Why let your tongue be consumed of thirst when there are the nether springs and the upper springs—comfort here and glory here after?

Utility of Diamond Circular Saw.

The use of the diamond circular saw for cutting stone is facilitating the erection of the Paris Exposition buildings. The diamonds which form the cutting teeth of the saw are worth about $3 a karat, and are fixed in a steel disc over six feet in diameter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR DECEMBER 4.

Lesson Text: "The Book of the Law," II Kings xxii., 8-20—Golden Text: Psalms cxix., 2—Commentary on the Lesson by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

8. "I have found the book of the law in the house of the Lord." By comparing II Chron. xxxiv., 14, it looks as if it might have been an original copy of the law. Josiah was the last good king of Judah; and he reigned thirty-one years. In the thirteenth year of his reign Jeremiah began to prophesy and continued a prophet of the Lord for forty years (Jer. i., 2, 3). It is written of Josiah in II Kings xxiii., 25, that there was no king either before or after him who like him turned to the Lord with all his heart and soul and might; Hezekiah excelled all others in his trust in the Lord (II Kings xviii., 5). Josiah began to reign at the age of eight years. When he was sixteen, he began to seek God. When he was twenty, he began to cleanse the land of idols. When he was twenty-six, he repaired and cleansed the temple, and kept the greatest passover that had been kept since the days of Samuel (II Chron. xxxiv., 3, 8; xxxv., 18, 19). It was while they were working at the temple that they found this book of the law.

9. Shaphan the scribe reported to the king that the money which had been gathered in the house of the Lord had been delivered to the overseers of the work, and it is said that they were so faithful that no reckoning was made with them of the money (verses 4-7). We do not read of any lack of funds for the work, for the blessing of Elshaddai (the mighty God who is all sufficient) was upon His faithful people.

10, 11. Shaphan told the king of the book that had been found, and read it to him, and when he heard it he rent his clothes. Josiah was possessed of a poor and contrite spirit and trembled at God's word (Isa. lxvi., 2; lvii., 15). It is written in Ex. ix., 4, "Then were assembled every one that trembled at the words of the God of Israel because of the transgression." Many are indifferent to the word of God and never read it or hear it read. Many who read it do not give heed to it. Many, even of those who are supposed to be preachers of the word, dishonor it by doubting it and questioning it, while but few comparatively tremble at it like Josiah.

12, 13. "Go ye, inquire of the Lord for me and for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that is found." The priest and scribe and others were thus commissioned by the king. It may have been such passages as Deut. xxviii., 15-37; Lev. xxvi., 14-46, that so stirred Josiah, but whatever portions specially effected him he evidently believed what many professing Christians do not today believe, that there is such a thing as the wrath of God and that it is a very serious matter not to believe and obey the words of the Lord. To set one's heart upon and observe to do the words of the law was said to be their life, but if one would not hearken God had said that He would require it of him (Deut. xxxii., 46, 47; xviii., 19). A common form of unbelief now is that God is too good to punish anyone and that there is no place of fire and brimstone either for the devil or his followers.

14. "They went to Huldah the prophetess who dwelt in Jerusalem, and they communed with her." So there were at other times a Deborah and an Anna who knew the Lord better than others (Judg. iv., 4; Luke ii., 36). God has His hidden ones to whom He reveals Himself and whom He uses to instruct others when His time comes. It may be a Joseph in a prison, or a Daniel who has been crowded out by a younger and more progressive party, an Elijah at some cherith, or a Stephen or a Philip ready for any manner of service. Wherever you are be sure that you are learning to know God, for in due time He will call you.

15. "Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Tell the man that sent you to me." She had no words of her own for them, no opinions or suggessions, no words of peaceful flattery, but only a faithful message from the Lord, regardless of what they might think of it or of her. When God has a messenger whom He can use, He always gives a message. He said to Moses, "I will be with thy mouth and teach thee what thou shalt say."

16. "Behold I will bring evil upon this place—all the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read." Every purpose of the Lord shall be performed, for hath He said and shall He not do it? Or hath He spoken and shall He not make it good? (Jer. li., 29; Num. xxiii., 19). All that God purposes to do is as good as done, for He is able to carry out all His plans; there is nothing too hard or wonderful for Him. He cannot err, neither can He fail nor be discouraged. He did not fail to lay upon His dear Son all our sins. He will not fail to let His wrath fall upon all who despise His Son and His love.

17. "My wrath shall be kindled against this place and shall not be quenched." This because they forsook God and worshiped the works of their own hands. They forsook the fountain of living water and made themselves cisterns which could hold no water (Jer. ii., 13). We think it strange that Israel could possibly turn from the living God to worship idols of wood and stone. Yet in the so-called service of God among us there is a great turning from the simple worship of God in spirit and truth to that which is possibly worse than the idols of Israel.

18, 19. "Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the Lord, when thou heardest what I spake." Although wrath would surely fall upon the nation, yet upon Josiah and such as humbled themselves before God there would be mercy. At one time the Lord said that though Noah, Daniel and Job were in the city, they would deliver but their own souls by their righteousness. Again He said that, though Moses and Samuel stood before Him, His mind could not be toward Israel (Ezek. xiv., 14; Jer. xv., 1). There came a time when all that certain righteous ones could do was to sigh and cry because of the sins which they loathed, but could not prevent. On them God set His mark of approval (Ezek. ix., 4). We cannot rectify the wrong things that are all about us, we cannot bring righteousness everywhere to be manifested, but we can, each one for himself and herself, be right with God through Jesus Christ our Lord, and He will then use us to bless others as far as He can, and it shall be well with us.

20. "Thine eyes shall not see all the evil which I will bring upon this place." When the time comes for us to be called out of these mortal bodies, we ourselves are instantly in glory (Phil. i., 21, 23; II Cor. v., 8), but our bodies rest in peace and under His care whose temples they were until the resurrection.—Lesson Helper.

Temperance Notes.

Gov. St. John has announced that he will support Peffer, the prohibition candidate for governor of Kansas.

Edwin C. Woolley, son of John G. Woolley, has been nominated for representative in the legislature, by the Christian Endeavor Union.

During the last week before the vote on the Canadian plebiscite, at least 2,000 prohibition meetings were held every night throughout the Dominion.

The temperance women of Anderson, Ind., are credited with having completely demolished a saloon which was kept open on Sundays and after hours in defiance of the law.

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VERY seldom THE BANNER calls upon its subscribers to come forward and pay up, and we should not be doing so now unless it were for the calling off of the second week of court. It is not the business of a newspaper to be dunning its subscribers week after week through its columns; when a subscriber is over-due we privately notify him, and unless he pays up we are reluctantly compelled to drop him from our list. This is business. But the calling off of the second week of court places us in an embarrissing position. Nearly all jurors, and a great number of others who would have attended the second week of court, would have called in at THE BANNER office and settled up their subscription for another year. We must appeal to them not to allow their time to pass by, but to forward their subscription at the earliest opportunity, and in order to meet them half way we authorize our subscribers to deduct the amount of a post-office money order or an express order from the amount due us and send us the balance. If you are due THE BANNER one dollar, a money order will not cost you but five cents; send us an order for ninety-five cents and we will credit you for a year's subscription. Please remember you are getting an eight page paper with all the news every week in the year. It costs cash, and a good deal of it too, to get this paper to you every week, and it needs every subscription as it falls due to enable us to send it to you. Our friends will kindly make a note of this and forward their subscriptions at the earliest opportunity.

CHILTON county is to be congratulated upon its record for freedom from crime and litigation. It speaks well for a community of 20,000 persons when its semi-annual circuit court has so little civil and criminal business to attend to that it can be easily accomplished in five days. Such a record as this shows the people are contented with their neighbors; they are not falling out one with the other; they do not get to shooting or stabbing each other on account of some difference of opinion; each one recognizes the other's right to differ with him religiously and politically. There is no wrangling among neighbors leading to costly litigation. In politics, where the elections are honest and fair, as they are in Chilton county, the best man wins, and it is the choice of a majority of the people who fills the offices to which they are elected. It is this very fact, last mentioned, that tells the whole tale. Get the people satified politically and they are easily contented. Let the majority elect any man to office, and the minority acquiesces with a good grace, and are thoroughly content. This is what accounts for our Circuit Court being able to get through with all its work in five days instead of two weeks. This is what accounts for our people having no costly litigation. This is what accounts for our county being free from crime. This is what accounts for our rapid increas of population. This is what accounts for our prosperity, espicially 4 cents cotton. So long as we keep our politics free from the dirt which besmirches our sister county of Dallas, just so long will our circuit court have little or no business to attend to, and our county treasury will be in a flourishing condition. Chilton county leads the whole State, and sets an example which other counties should profit by.

THE official figures of the State election in August are particularly interesting to Chilton county from the fact that our county representative on the State ticket, Alex G. Dake, for the office of State Auditor, received a greater majority of votes over his Democratic opponent, W. S. White, than did any other of the Populist candidates. The official returns give Johnston a majority of 61,269 over Deans, McDavid a majority of 60,956 over Maxwell; Ellis a majority of 61,000 over Killebrew; Brown a majority 60,435 over Whitehead; and White a majority of 58,500 over Dake. Although Brother Dake, like the rest of his Populist nominess didn't get "thar," he has the satisfaction of knowing that it took harder work on the part of his Democratic opponent to beat him than was required of any other candidate before the people. To put it in another way, Dake received 2769 more votes that Deans, 2456 more votes than Maxwell, 1500 more votes than Killebrew, and 1935 more votes than Whitehead.

ALABAMA is popularly supposed to be a Democratic State, and the people rule. Possibly it is so. But every time the Legislature meets some unfortunate county or another is discovered to be by some smart Aleck incapable of attending to its own affairs and that it becomes necessary for the Governor to exercise his vast intellect and appoint a board of revenue to supercede the county commissioners elected by the people. This is too great a strain upon the Governor. There is a limit to even a governor's powers of endurance, and it is too much to expect of him that he can appoint for any county a board of revenue, when it is beyond the capabilities and intelligence of the voters of that county to elect a board of county commissioners. It is not that we doubt the ability of the Governor to appoint even a peace commission, but with all due deference we believe in the ability of a county to elect its own officers without the aid of the Governor or any other individual. Two years ago a board of revenue was mooted for Chilton county, but it fell flat, now a board of revenue appointed by the Governor is attempted for Jefferson county. We have no especial call to look after Jefferson, but we do believe in the democratic principle of the people electing their own officials without the aid of the Governor.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by J. S. Jonnson jr.

A Doctor Gives What He Calls Cold Facts About Smoking.

"I don't like to upset a cherished tradition," said a doctor who is himself a devotee of the weed, "but the talk one hears of nicotine saturating the systems of smokers is mostly rot. Nicotine is a deadly poison. One drop of it will make a good sized mastiff turn up his toes if injected subcutaneously, and it would take precious little of it to kill a man. The truth is that very little is absorbed, even by the most confirmed smokers. Now and then you read of men who die from excessive tobacco using and are found on autopsy to be literally reeking with nicotine. All rubbish. Nothing of the kind ever happened.

"Again, it's a favorite experiment to blow smoke through a handkerchief, and the stain that is produced is popularly supposed to be made by nicotine. It is really oil of tobacco, which is a horse of quite a different color. No, the chief harm done by smoking is the stimulus which it gives to the heart. This is particularly true of cigarette smoking, where 'inhaling' is nearly always practiced.

"Each time the smoke is inhaled it acts as a slight spur to the heart, and, needless to say, there is sure to be a reaction. If the smoker is in good general health, he will probably never feel it, but if he isn't there will be periods of profound depression, and, not knowing the cause, he is apt to try to brace up on a drink, which makes matters just that much worse. If he has organic heart trouble—valvular weakness, I mean—it's quite possible that he will tumble over some day and put his angel plumage on. Those are the cold facts about smoking—none other are genuine."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 30, 1898

The most surprising news of the season is the report that Andrew Carnegie, the steel Baron and one of the high priests of protection, is opposed to the expansion policy of the McKinley administration. Following a recent visit to the White House Mr. Carnegie said: "No nation is good enough to govern another nation and no man is good enough to govern another man. If the United States sends soldiers to shoot down the natives of the Philippine Islands, I trust the natives will shoot them." Ardrew must have changed his opinions since the massacre of workingmen at his Homestead Works, by hired Pinkertons, several years ago.

General Longstreet, United States Commissioner of Railroads, in his annual report to the President and Congress, recently issued, recommends the building of a double track railroad from St. Louis or Kansas City to San Diego, Cal., if some independent line now in operation cannot be purchased. This report so closely following the sale of the Union Pacific system to a syndicate of eastern capitalists, has a strong sound; however, it is significant of a growing public sentiment in favor of government ownership.

Samuel Gompers, President of the National Federation of Labor, held a conference with President McKinley recently, for the purpose of trying to interest the President in the eight-hour labor law; the Lodge Bill, preventing the immigration of foreigners unable to read and write, and the Convict Labor bill prohibiting the transportation of convict labor from one state to another. It is improbable that Mr. Gompers induced the President to refer to these matters in the forthcoming message to congress.

Wharton Barker of Philadelphia, Ignatius Donnelly's running mate for the presidency on the "sooner" ticket, devotes several pages in his newspaper—the American—to election lessons. His elucidations of the "whyness of the wherefores" is about as clear as mud. What Mr. Barker doesn't know about political reform movements would make a fair-sized book, but then he has only been out of Mark Hanna's party a few months.

Ignatius Donnelly, the mid-road candidate for Vice-President, is rejoicing over the Republican victory in the late election and devoting much space in his newspaper to abuse of Senators Allen and Butler, Jerry Simpson, General Weaver and others who were doing valiant service in the reform cause, while Mr. Donnelly was wallowing in Republican mire, to which he seems to have returned.

John D. Rockefeller, President of the Standard Oil Company, against whom suit was begun at Tarrytown, N. Y., over two years ago, to enforce the collection of taxes levied on his palatial home, has defeated the collectors in the courts and succeeded in having his tax reduced nearly two thirds. It will now be in order for "honest John" to endow another college or found a new library.

The organization of new Trusts and consolidation of old ones continues so rapidly that even the daily press can hardly find space to chronicle all of them. It must be evident to the most indifferent that the present so-called anti-trust laws should be enforced or repealed altogether. The trust question promises to figure very largely in future campaigns.

The discovery of another mountain of gold in British Columbia, by the wife of a Wall street operator, has just been reported. It sounds too much like a "pipe dream" to cause much excitement in the financial world; however, it is noticeable that the money changers are pinning their faith to National Bank notes more and more each day.

John W. Parsons, the new Grand Master Workman of the Knights of Labor, is a native of New York. He has been quite active in the interest of labor for many years and was at one time editor of the Journal of the Knights of Labor, published in the interest of the organization, at Washington, D. C.

The Republican press is already beginning to prepare the minds of the people for the huge appropriations that will be made by the next congress. By raising the cry of patriotism, the G. O. P. leaders are going to try and delude the voters into the belief that Uncle Sam has "money to burn."

The ship builder's trust is one of the latest to organize, with a view of putting up price on the government. The Secretary of the Navy has served notice on the builders that contracts will be annulled unless they come to terms.

One of the first announcements made by Governor-elect Roosevelt of New York, is that the labor laws of that state will be faithfully executed during his term of office. This is very important if true. A. R.

Remarkable Recene.

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption, and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr, King's New Discovery for Consumption, she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at Dr. Johnson's Drug Store. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.00,

Danger In Coasting.

Ordinarily there is no more danger in coasting on a well groomed bicycle than in pedaling along a piece of smooth, level road, provided always that the bicycle is equipped with a brake. But occasionally even the most circumspect rider is confronted with an unexpected condition while coasting, which puts his neck in jeopardy. An unobserved stone in the road, for instance, is apt to upset his best calculations. Such an obstacle came near to finishing an expert rider and his wheel on a coast down one of the popular Long Island roads. He was talking with a companion, when his front wheel was twisted suddenly almost to right angles by a piece of rock projecting from the roadbed. As the wheel swung over his right foot, which was placed carelessly on the coaster, became involved with the spokes, and instantly machine and rider lay in a confused heap on the ground.—New York Press.

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Jasper Whatley to Moss & Schwarz on the 23d day of March, 1894, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton county, Alabama, on the 23d day of March, 1894, in Volume 31 of Mortgages, Pages 574-6 and which said mortgage has been duly assigned and transferred, together with the mortgage debt, to the undersigned, Allen P. Howison, I will proceed to sell, at public auction, in front of the Court House door in Clanton, in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, between the legal hours of sale, on

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all the right, title and interest of the said Jasper Whatley in and to the following described property, to wit:

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This the 1st day of December, 1898.

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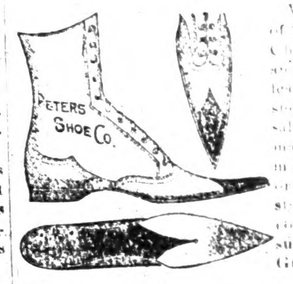

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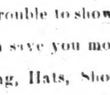

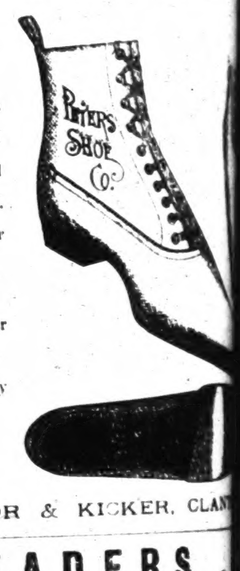

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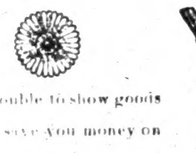

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Mrs. Jake Davis, of Montgomery, is visiting Miss Georgia Jones.

Mrs. C. B. McNeil, of Montgomery, is spending a few days with Mrs. Hanson.

Mrs. A. J. Gullahorn, of Billingsley, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Gammons.

Dr. A. J. Massey will be at the Jemison Hotel to extract teeth by his painless process, and to do other fine dental work, from December 12 to 15. Come promptly.

On Monday night at the residence of Judge Adams, the Judge united in the holy bonds of matrimony Mr. Nathaniel Watts and Miss Mary Isabella Graggs. The Banner wishes the happy couple much conjugal felicity.

Mr. Peterson has moved his family from Woodlawn, Ala., to the Mullins place; one mile west of Clanton.

Mrs. Macon Watts returned home last week, after an extended visit to her daughter at Lynchburg, Va.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch-Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. J. M. Stanfield.

Mr. C. W. Robinson has moved into the house recently vacated by Mr. T. A. Curry.

Mrs. Duke and Mrs. Croswell, of Verbena, have rented the Mc Neil house and moved into it this week.

Miss Buckhalter, of Coopers, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. J. W. Edwards has sold out his stock of goods to Mr. J. G. Downs, of Coopers, who will occupy the Edwards storehouse in the future.

Miss Celestia Jones, of Mulberry, has been spending the past week with friends in Clanton.

Mrs. H. I. Honeycutt, visited her mother, Mrs. Hester, on Monday.

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The infant child, John, of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sartor a bright little boy, about three years of age, died on Wednesday morning, and was buried to-day. Our sympathies are with the bereaved parents.

Mr. J. H. Stewart and family came down from Birmingham this week and are staying with Mr. W. H. Sutton's family.

The minutes of the Unity Baptist Association have been printed at the Banner Job office and have been highly commended by all who have seen them. Other associations will kindly remember we do this class of work at reduced rates, and give us a trial.

Messrs. John Vines and Tol Marcus arrested a negro Sunday night supposed to be the murderer of Deputy Sheriff Warnock at Birmingham, but he turned out to be the wrong man.

Late to bed and early to rise prepares a man for his home in the skies. But early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. J. M. Stanfield.

Marriage licenses have been issued this week by the Probate Judge to the following persons.

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Maplesville	"	7	"	8
Sinoults	"	7	"	9
Dixie	"	8	"	10
Valley Cr'k church		8	"	11
Macedonia	"	3	"	14
Hayes Mill	"	2	"	15
Providence church		2	"	16
Elijah Busby's	"	1	"	17
Smith School house		1	"	18
Cofer's Mill	"	2	"	21
Jemison	"	2	"	22
Mineral Springs	"	1	"	23
Strasburg	"	9	"	24
James Maddox Mill		4	"	25
Clanton	"	4	"	28
Cane creek	"	4	"	29
Jesse Maddox's	"	4	"	30
Goer's School	"	4	Dec.	1
Coopers	"	5	"	5
Verbena	"	5	"	6
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A one-half undivided interest in and to the following described real estate to wit: South-west fourth of south-east fourth of section one, township twenty-three, range thirteen, situated in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named George E. Skaggs, in and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1898.

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Dated this 5th day of November, 1898.

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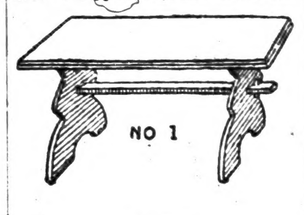

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Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., Dec. 10, 1898, viz., Arthur R. Mims, Homestead entry No. 30525, for the s ½ of nw ¼, w ½ of sw ¼, sec. 24, tp. 22 north of range 15 east.

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WAR RESOURCES OF BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

A Struggle Between Them Would Be a Titanic Affair.

It looks very much as if the war cloud which has hung over Europe for years is about to burst.

France and England are old enemies.

And while the English affect to believe that the French are afraid of them, there is nothing in the French character or in history to substantiate the delusion.

The truth is few Englishmen understand the French.

The French have great vanity. They think that they can whip anybody, and

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their record shows that they have never been afraid to try it.

This idea that France is afraid of England or any other nation is tommy-rot.

In the many conflicts between France and England history shows that success has not always rested with the British army. True, Marlborough and Wellington were successful, but on many occasions the British lion has gone down before the eagles of France.

England had her Wellington, but France produced a Napoleon. Wellington had all Europe at his back, while Napoleon had only the French. Still history does not record that Wellington had a very easy time.

The fighting force of the two nations is of prime interest just now.

They are not so unevenly matched, after all.

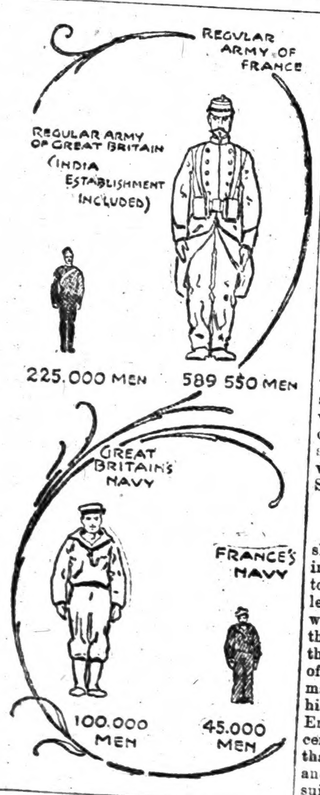
France has the stronger army—England the stronger navy. One month ago the English Weekly said, "The army of France is to-day among the most magnificent the world has ever known," and the Weekly added, "The nation that underrates her in time of war will as certainly rue it, for whenever her strength has had occasion to go forth, nothing appeared that might tend to show a shadow weaker than her fellow Powers."

These remarks were made by the British paper before there was a probability of war between the two nations.

On a peace footing the army of France is more than twice as great as that of Great Britain.

On a war footing France would have just 7½ times as many soldiers as England.

Now, on a war footing France would have the advantage, because practically all of her citizens are soldiers. England has nothing of this and would



have to go to work to make soldiers out of raw recruits.

On the sea, however, Great Britain shows to much better advantage.

The United Kingdom is the first naval Power of the world.

But France is the second.

And a good second at that.

They are not so wide apart on the water as people might imagine. Great Britain has 587 ships and France has 437.

But the French do not fight as well on the sea as the English. England has always defeated France on the ocean, and the victories of Nelson were not exceptional. Even Napoleon could do nothing with his navy. True, there are no Napoleons these days, but the superiority of the Anglo-Saxon has been shown on the sea. Great Britain has always won her naval wars—except when tackling the United States.

After all this has been said it remains to be noted that England's navy is needed to protect her extensive coast line and her vast commerce.

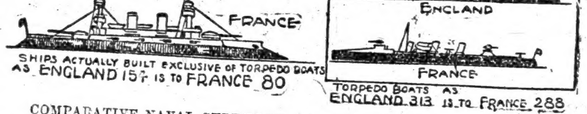
The French ships would destroy whole hecatombs of English property and capture a large number of prizes. They would ruin, for the time, England's immense carrying trade.

Now as for the sinews of war. Both nations are enormously wealthy. Mulhall gives estimates of the wealth of the nations for 1895. He puts the wealth of Great Britain at $59,020,000,000 and that of France at $48,450,000,000, the former nation being about twenty-five per cent. richer.

In all his statistical comparisons Mulhall makes much of what he calls energy—which means the horse, steam, and man power of nations. In this great Britain leads with 61,410,000,000 of foot tons daily, against 32,460,000,000 foot tons for France.

An important point in a war between the two countries would be the question of food supply. In this France is at a great advantage. Great Britain produces $1,215,000,000 worth of food a year and consumes $1,905,000,000. France produces $1,590,000,000 worth of food and consumes $1,700,000,000. From this it is evident that France is able to feed itself, while more than one-third of the food eaten by the British must come from abroad. The question of food supply in England would be important in time of war. It is one that has caused much worriment to British statesmen who have not solved the problem. In a war with a nation with such a navy as France has it would be difficult to import food. The prices would advance enormously, and there would be much suffering among those at home.

These discussions are problematical. Yet in the tables Great Britain is shown to better prepared for war, and no American can doubt that ultimately Great Britain would win. The friendly neutrality of Great Britain during our war with Spain might be followed by some such policy on our part, while France's unfriendliness would prevent sympathy with her. Yet it is certain that the fear of war would not influence France much except as it might give Germany a chance. And if war should come, it would be long and bloody, and it might be years before the issue will be decided. France and England fought one war that lasted more than one hundred years.



COMPARATIVE NAVAL STRENGTH OF GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

Here's a New Slang Word.

Only the native Kanaka speaks Hawaiian, and from the little I heard of it it is remarkably sweet, but there is no doubt that it will add one word to our slang vocabulary. Every soldier who leaves the port carries it away, and somehow it sticks to one's mind. It is "welakahoa" (pronounced willy-ka-how-a).

It means, in Hawaiian, "Strike while the iron is hot." It took the fancy of the people who came to Honolulu long ago to grow up with the country, and is now a regular term, meaning "That's all right," or, if in speaking of some work being accomplished, "That's done," until now it has become the expression among the people for anything they enjoy.

The nearest thing in American slang that I can thing of is: "That's out of sight," or "That's bully." Anyhow, whenever we want to express delight or appreciation of anything we simply say, "welakahoa." I predict for it a vogue in America. —Captain P. B. Strong, in Leslie's Weekly.

Chinese Ethics.

A Chinese phrase, for which we shall hardly find an exact equivalent in the English language, will help us to separate truth from error—or at least the probable from the unlikely—when we read such despatches as those recently published in regard to the flight, assassination, or suicide of the Chinese Emperor. The phrase may be literally translated, "to save his face." Any high official of the Empire may apply it to himself in certain contingences, and may think that he defends his personal credit and that of his office by committing suicide when threatened with removal. In the case of the Emperor his sense of propriety and the rule of etiquette would leave him no choice. If his successor has been chosen, or it becomes quite certain that a successor is to be appointed immediately, he must "save his imperial face." It will not be necessary to murder him. —Harper's Weekly.

JAMESTOWN'S HISTORIC TOWER.

A Shrine For Churchmen.

On a lonely little island in one of the broad stretches of water where the James River, sweeping through the tidewater region of Virginia reaches out for the sea, a crumbling tower of brick stands as a monument to the establishment of the Protestant religion in America. It marks the spot also where the first English settlement was located and where thousands of men, women and children, pioneers in the cause of religion and humanity, found untimely deaths from famine, disease and massacre.

RUINS OF THE FIRST ENGLISH CHURCH IN AMERICA, JAMESTOWN, VA.

The tower is all that is left of the first English church, erected in 1610 by Lord Delaware, "wherein should be conducted Christian worship in accordance with the rites of the Church of England." To-day the Episcopal Church of the United States, once the humble offshoot, but now the august sister of that powerful ecclesiastical body, holds the ivy clad ruin in affectionate regard as the cradle of its infancy, and during the recent triennial convention of that body in Washington three hundred dignitaries of the church made a pilgrimage of two hundred miles to visit it.

Almost as desolate as when the first Englishmen set foot upon it is the little island to-day and its surroundings. Its surface is grown up in trees and underbrush, with only a cleared field in the centre, while one little cottage nestling behind an ancient earthwork is the only habitation of man upon it. Shoreward, in every direction, it is girt with forests, for civilization retreated from that neighborhood years ago, and the rank vegetation of the alluvial soil has made haste to cover the retreat.

Those who have taken the trouble to investigate the records of the early days find a great deal of material dealing with the Jamestown colony and the religious feature of its establishment. There is even a description of the church, of which this tower now alone remains intact.

The first Protestant divine to preach on American soil was the Rev. Robert Hunt. He accompanied Captain Newport on a voyage of the colonists in the three ships, the Susan Constant, the Godspeed, and the Discovery. They landed at Jamestown about the middle of May, 1607, and their first act upon going ashore was to hold religious services. They hung an old sail from the branches, and with a pulpit formed of a bar of wood nailed to two trees the services proceeded. Dr. Hunt was described by John Smith as a wise man in council, of great courage and high character, and Smith gave him credit for many benefits of harmony enjoyed by the colonists during his life.

In the church erected upon the island Pocahontas, the Indian maiden who saved John Smith's life, was baptized, and there she was married to Rolfe, the Englishman. Their descendants are found in Virginia to this day. The first legislative body of Englishmen which ever met in America assembled in the church to legislate for the little colony, and this was a year and a half before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth.

Jamestown settlement has long ago disappeared, and nothing else thereabouts shows the hand of man except the cottage, the field of the tower's keeper and the wave-washed steamboat wharf putting out into the James. On a table by the tower the recent pilgrims from Washington spread the ancient silver cup and plate from which the first communion service was served in America according to Protestant rites. Bishop Randolph of Southern Virginia lead the service, and Dr. McKim of Washington, D. C., made the historical address.

"This spot ought to be to every American holy ground," said Dr. McKim, "for here, 291 years ago, was planted by the right hand of the Lord our God a vine of civilization, liberty and religion which has spread over this whole land.

"If you seek the beginnings of Anglo-Saxon dominion on this Western continent they are here. If you would seek the seed plot of representative free government in America it is here. If you would discover the earliest spring and source of American Christianity it is here."

Pyramid Built by a Blind Man.

A great curiosity and something of great interest to veterans is the historical pyramid owned and built by W. H. Sallada, of Los Angeles, Cal., who lost both eyes in the late war. The pyramid is about seven feet high and two feet wide at the base. Each side of the exterior is completely covered with relics of all kinds, such as swords, pistols, cannon balls, pieces of famous war vessels, flags, and each relic has a history of its own, which is willingly told to you by Mr. Sallada, who, though unable to see, knows instantly by touch which article you desire information about. The interior is composed of six revolving shelves containing miniature ships, forts and soldiers. —San Francisco Chronicle.

A Novelty in Polar Exploration.

One of the most striking innovations that have been made by Walter Wellman in preparing for his trip to the North Pole is his unique dog sleigh. Dogs are the motive power always used in arctic expeditions. When eight or ten dogs were hitched to one sledge some of the dogs would shirk their work. Wellman has built a number of small sledges. Each is of tube-like construction of tinned copper, with runners on its two sides, and so shapped that if it turns over it always comes down on one or the

WELLMAN'S ARCTIC SLEDGE.

other pair of runners. Mr. Wellman will have fifty of these sledges to each of which a dog will be attached. He will take advantage of that trait of dog nature which makes him reluctant to be left behind. He wants to keep up with the procession, but to do so he must work hard. When the food stored in one of the sledges is needed it is ripped open like a tin can and thrown away. The dog which has drawn it, being no longer needed, is at once converted into food for his fellows.

NEW YORK FASHIONS.

THE LATEST DESIGNS FOR WOMEN.

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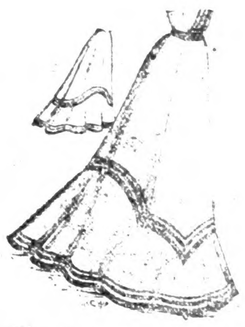

LADIES' SKIRT WITH POINTED FLOUNCE.

ing out at the bottom. The pointed flounce, as shown in the accompanying design, is very popular, but the dressmakers advise flat trimmings that do not destroy the contour of the figure. Embroideries and novel braidings will be much used. The panel skirt will be chosen by those who wish something distinctive. The panel is usually the front breadth, narrow at the top and widening out toward the hem.

Among the new methods for achieving the flare at the bottom is plaiting the lower fulness separately around the bottom of the upper skirt. The effect of one skirt draped above another so as to show the under one only in part by raising it an inch or two all round, and at one side raising the drapery after the Greek manner,

WOMAN'S BASQUE WAIST.

or opening the sides, to show the under petticoat, are all charming models, which show off two distinct shades of one fabric admirably, the under petticoat always being of the lighter shade.

Polonaise motifs will abound in trimmings, and enter into separate parts of a skirt by the addition of a contrasting material to the polonaise forming the length and fulness of the drapery. There is no good reason why the old style of double skirt should not appear later, since the way has been so well paved by it, unless the slenderness now required for the upper part of the figure remains as fixed as it now is.

A Charming Waist.

Fancy ribbed poplin in willow green and gray is the material chosen for the charming waist that matches the skirt, shown by May Manton in the large engraving. The full front, yoke, collar and revers are of silver-gray satin, the trimming being of open bands of insertion, under which willow-green ribbon is placed. Silver passementerie studded with small mock emeralds is used to decorate the low-cut neck extending to the revers in front, the wrists and lower edge of basque waists. The waist is arranged over fitted linings that close in centre front. The yoke with full vest attached closes at the left shoulder, or the fulness may be sewed to the left front and close invisibly in centre, while the yoke closes over the gathers at top edge. The fronts, shaped with single bust darts, are laid in small side and box pleats at the shoulders that taper to the lower edge, the prettily pointed revers being joined to the front edges from the yoke down. Single bust darts cause a smooth adjustment at the sides and a very slight pouch effect is caused by the fulness in front.

The seamless back is arranged over regular back and side back forms, small overlapping pleats in centre adjusting the fulness at the lower edge. Smooth under-arm gores join fronts to back, and the lower edge is finished in gracefully rounded outline. The close-fitting sleeves are topped with puffs of fashionable fulness, the wrists being finished with chiffon plisse to match that at neck.

Separate waists may be made in this style in charming combinations of velvet and silk, plain and embroidered taffeta or satin, figured and plain satin or silk with lace, net or mousseline over satin for yoke and vest. Plain woolens, such as cashmere or cloth, may have silk or velvet collar, revers and vest, or the entire waist may be of silk or velvet, with vest of lace, net or mousseline. To make the waist for reception or dinner wear, the material may be of satin, brocade or figured silk, with vest of lace, net or mousseline over satin, and the sleeves may be of the material or of lace, net or mousseline.

A Color Scheme for a Wedding.

One of the prettiest weddings recently occurred at the church of the Heavenly Rest. It was fascinating to the spectators because of the exquisite color scheme which prevailed. The bride, very naturally, wore white, the maid of honor a pale pink, and the seven bridesmaids shimmered in pale green satin. They carried bouquets of flowers—a white rose and a pink one with shining green leaves—and the effect was wonderfully beautiful as they passed down the aisle between tall standards filled with sprays of pink and of white roses.—Harper's Bazar.

Gems to Match Costumes.

Women now spend much thought in arranging their gems to match their costumes. Amethysts and all shades of violet and purple stones are fashionable. Green is a color much worn, and women who do not possess emeralds indulge in the inexpensive olivine. The imitation stones are now manufactured in such perfection and they are arranged in such fine settings that it is often difficult to distinguish them from the genuine gems. They can be obtained in every shade to match various frocks.

The Girls' Smart Frocks.

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NEW YORK FASHIONS.

THE LATEST DESIGNS FOR WINTER COSTUMES

York City Special).—It seems a foregone conclusion that the skirt is to fit absolutely glove-ut the hips, defining the figure ural line, manner, and widen-

ET WITH POINTED FRONT AND BACK.

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Stylish Skating Costumes.

Pretty skating costumes from P are resplendent with fur or f braid and gay with silver buttons are in reality tiny bells, jingling fairy music at every motion of wearer. The skirts of such suits cut close at the hip and somewhat below the knees, enabling the wea to move with freedom and add greatly to the sum of grace. Turb of astrakhan, broadtail and Persi lamb are what the smart skaters wea These are round cap shaped thing with a tuft of bright feathers like shaving brush stuck up in front held by a pin of Russian silver.

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Concession to Printers.

union printers employed in Orleans have succeeded in inaug a nine-hour day without any tion in wages, the same having ccomplished by mutual agreet between the employers and the graphical union.

Horse for Gen. Wheeler.

citizens of Huntsville have pur- a fine horse to be presented to l Wheeler. The presentation ke place Thursday.

hipyard at Ominato, Japan, still eration, was established over years ago.

Co's "Pick Leaf" smoking Tobacco at the top for its delicious aroma. can be made. Try it.

an newspapers complain bitterly that American films have been allowed to the Exhibition cherry with large advertising.

ate Your Bowels With Cascarets. cathartic—cure constipation forever. C.C.C. fail druggists refund money.

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Catarrh Cured

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troubled for a long time with ca- d a bad feeling in my head. I be- ing Hood's sarsaparilla, and it did rid of good. My sufferings from are over and my health is good." A. Libby, Pownal, Maine.

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's Greatest Medicine. $1; six for $5.

Pills cure all Liver ills. 25 cents.

Useful.

n't your husband's roving tion worry you?" inquired the who takes great interest in her rs.

at do you mean?"

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yes. He's in there now with aps and books that show how nts cost. I encourage him in re will be new places for mak- uses discovered constantly, ver was anything like 'em for a man home of nights."

Millionaires of the World.

e classed as a millionaire in ted States a man must be least $1,000,000; in England have five times as much, or 00; in Germany, 1,000,000 or $250,000.

GRATEFUL WOMEN

d to Health by Lydia E. m's Vegetable Compound.

"You Do My Own Work."

RICK DANIELS, st Hartford, Conn., writes:

Mrs. PINKHAM:—It is with that I write to you of the ve derived from using your Vegetable Compound. I was suffered with female weak- displacement of the womb. hots across right, had to walk I suffered so with pain in my small of my back. Was trou- bloating, and at times would ve had a terrible pain in my d taste in my mouth all the uld vomit, but now, thanks kham and her Vegetable I feel well and sleep well, work without feeling tired; eat or have any trouble

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E DUNCAN, Franklin, Neb., writes:

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UMPTION

FIRST AMERICAN CAMP.

Uncle Sam's Troopers Now in Havana—Passports for Blanco's Aides.

HAVANA.—All four companies of the Second regiment volunteer engineers, which arrived off Marianao Beach Friday morning on board the United States transport Florida, landed at the Marianao wharf with colors flying. They formed at the landing place and marched to their camp two miles away, filing past General Greene and his staff, who, on horseback, reviewed the men. One hundred and fifty Cubans of General Menocal's division were employed in clearing the camp site and by noon the tents were being pitched for the first American camp at Havana.

The Spanish evacuation commissioners Friday announced the complete evacuation of the Holguin division. The United States commissioners informed the Spaniards that the following troops were expected about November 30: The Fifteenth Pennsylvania, which will be stationed at Pin del Rio; the Third New Jersey, at Mariel, and the Two Hundred and Second New York at Guanajay, all in the province of Pinar del Rio.

Passports were delivered to the aides-de-camp of General Blanco's staff, who will sail for Spain on the steamer Juan Forgas, December 3. On the same steamer, it is announced, will embark Marshal Blanco, General Solano and his staff and the officials employed at Blanco's headquarters.

MYSTERIOUS DISEASE IN 'FRISCO.

A Chinese Died in Chinatown With Symptoms Resembling the Bubonic Plague.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The board of health has been taking vigorous precautions to prevent the spread of a mysterious disease in Chinatown. A few days ago a Chinese died of a disease which was said to resemble the Bubonic plague. The matter was reported to the board of health, and Chinatown was searched for further cases. None were found. Dr. Roseau, quarantine officer at this port, and who is familiar with the Bubonic plague, has investigated the case, and says that in his opinion it is not the Bubonic plague. Other members of the board, however, were of a different opinion, and, while unwilling to say that there was any serious cause for alarm, insisted that all necessary precautions be taken.

At the health office Saturday it was stated that the suspicious case had turned out to be one of death from nephritis and there are no reasons for believing that the Bubonic plague has not entered the city.

HOBSON GIVES IT UP.

He Found the Wreck of the Maria Teresa Hopeless and Has Returned.

Constructor Hobson arrived in Washington Saturday from Norfolk, and came directly to the navy department. He has just returned from his trip on the Vulcan to Cat island, the scene of the casting away of the Maria Teresa. He brought with him the report of Captain McCalla, who was in charge of the expedition on the Vulcan to endeavor to save the vessel. The report is merely an elaboration of the history of the journey and its results, already contained in the telegraph report to the department, and where it touches upon the present condition of the Teresa it makes the wreck appear even more hopeless than Captain McCalla's telegram. And this statement was strongly reinforced by Constructor Hobson's verbal report to Acting Secretary Allen.

BAGGED BY J. BULL.

The Union Jack Hoisted Over Several Islands.

According to a dispatch from Shanghai to a news agency, published in London Saturday, the British admiral has hoisted the Union Jack over Tilg-Hai, capital of the island of Chusan, and over several other islands in the Chusan archipelago.

President Faure Donned Miner's Clothes.

With a view of avoiding a strike of miners at Lens, in the department of Pas de Calais, President Faure, of France, made a personal visit to the town, where he donned a miner's clothes and descended into the pit. The president conversed with the men and made a brief speech to them, in the course of which he said he desired to bring to the workers proof of the government's solicitude for them. M. Faure received an ovation from the miners.

Shafter and Garcia Meet.

While passing out of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, Friday, Gen. Shafter and Gen. Galixto Garcia met for the first time since the capitulation of Santiago. The generals saluted simultaneously, and then shook hands and conversed pleasantly for several minutes. Each seemed pleased with the meeting.

Snow Storm in New York.

The first severe snow storm of the winter struck New York and vicinity Saturday and increased in violence until it had assumed almost the proportions of a blizzard.

New Mayor Appointed for Santiago.

Some time ago Major McLeary, whom General Leonard Wood had appointed mayor of Santiago, Cuba, requested to be relieved of his mayoralty duties and to return to his military post. This request has been granted. General Wood appointed Senor Bacardi, an old resident, to succeed him. He is as anxious to give the mayor as much authority as is compatible with military jurisdiction. The new mayor will conform to General Wood's ideas, which are to give the Cubans every opportunity to show themselves capable of self-government.

Nobility.

Certainly nobility is of blood and birth, and he who would be immortal must have care for his posterity. Nothing can be more absurd than the fuss our gentry make concerning titles and places of precedence. They are of a mind with those foolish old courtiers of Louis XIV, and think that nobility consists in "Le droit du monter dans le carosse du roi." They forget that what is called blue blood is often very bad blood. I know a family of long descent and high communion which has been "decorated" in almost all possible ways. Nothing can ennoble it. Nearly every member of it is marked by some coarseness of physique—some lewduess of conduct; and this notwithstanding inter-marriages and the introduction of new blood. This stock may safely be backed to produce in every generation one or more profligates of dishonorable life. Every member of it has a certain liability of shame. The poison in the blood has had its inlet through vice, and must have its outlet in suffering. Ultimately it will bring about the extinction of the race. The wicked, Plato has truly said, are wicked because of their organization—their parents, and not they, should be punished.—The Humanitarian.

The World's Biggest Silver Mine.

The biggest silver producer in the world at present is the Broken Hill Proprietary Company, in New South Wales. The output of that company's mines for the fiscal year ended on May 31, 1898, was 6,122,270 fine ounces of silver. The Anaconda Copper Mining Company, in Montana, came second, with a production of 5,074,036 ounces of silver. It is worth noting that in both of these mines the silver is produced in connection with other metals —at Broken Hill with lead and at Anaconda with copper. The latter is principally a copper mine, since the metal forms the greater part of the value of its ores.

The Compania Huanchaca de Bolivia has had the operation of its mines seriously interfered with for the last two years by water and other mishaps. Its production in 1897 was 151,995 kilograms, or 4,886,673 ounces of silver. This is not much more than one-half of the maximum output, which was reached in 1893, and was 281,007 kilograms, or 9,034,385 ounces.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

French prune growers will take advantage of the high price of California prunes to send their fruit to America in large quantities.

Beauty is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin today to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets, beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed. 10c, 25c, 50c.

Two towns in Kansas—Dost Springs and Romana—have not an idle man or box, or an unoccupied house, or a dog. Each town has a population of about 200.

Practical Education.

The tendency of the times is towards that which is practical, and it is well that it is so. Many a person, upon whose education hundreds of dollars have been spent, has discovered in the time of need that what has been learned is of little value. Why? Simply because time and attention have been devoted to the ornamental, rather than to the practical. How much better it would have been if at least a portion of the time had been employed in securing a business education in bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting and the allied branches. A business education is of inestimable value to every young man and young woman. One of the best places we know of to secure a practical business education is at the Birmingham Business College, of Birmingham, Ala. This college was established nearly eleven years ago, and is one of the best known and most popular institutions of its kind in the south. The policy of the college is "the very best of everything;" best equipments, best methods, best location and best teachers. We are informed by President Willard J. Wheeler that every desk in the study hall is taken at the present time, thus showing the popularity of the college. The graduates of the Birmingham Business College are always in demand, and the college, by means of its Position Bureau, is enabled to place all students in good positions as soon as competent. All who expect to patronize a business college will do well to correspond with the president.

PISO'S CURE is the medicine to break up children's coughs and colds.—MRS. M. G. BLUNT, Sprague, Wash., March 8, '96.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Oddest House on Earth.

The oddest domicile on earth is that recently erected in Yokohoma by an eminent German bacteriologist. It is a microbe proof house, built of glass blocks. There are no window sashes, and the doors, when closed, are air tight. The air supply is forced into the room through a pipe and filtered through cotton wool to cleanse it of bacteria. To insure further sterilization the air is driven against a glycerine-coated plate glass, which captures all the microbes the wool spares. The few microbes brought into the house in the clothes of visitors soon die in the warm sunlight with which the house is flooded.

Mrs. Tiptop—I am sorry you were not at my reception last evening. Mrs. Highup (coldly)—I received no invitation. Mrs. Hightop (with affected surprise)—Indeed? It must have miscarried. I had among my guests three foreign counts. Mrs. Highup—So that is where they were? I desired to engage them last evening to wait on the table at our theater party supper, but the employment agent told me they were out.—New York Weekly.

BITS OF HUMOR.

"And remember, Bridget, there are two things I must insist upon—truthfulness and obedience." "Yis, mum, and when you tell me to tell the ladies you're out when you're in, which shall it be mum?"—Yonkers Statesman.

As She Understood It.—He—Why did you fail to recognize me on the street today? She—I didn't see you. He—That's strarge. I saw you twice. She—Oh, that probably accounts for it. I never notice a man in that condition.—Chicago News

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A Spring Chicken.

"Madam, what was the name of this spring chicken?"

Mr. Golightly stared hard at the landlady as he spoke. The bird in question, skillfully eluding the fork with which he supposed he had impaled it, had leaped from under the carving knife and struck him squarely in the shirt front.

"Name, Mr. Golightly," said the landlady; "I don't think it had a name."

"You should have called it Hope, ma'am," said the unhappy carver.

"And why Hope?"

"Because," he bitterly answered, as he scraped the gravy from his necktie, "because the poet says that 'Hope springs eternal in the human breast.'"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Seventy per cent of the patents granted in Russia are to aliens.

It is estimated that of the whole population of the globe about 90,000 die every day.

Half Sick Half Well

Many persons have their good day and their bad day. Others are about half sick all the time. They have headache, backache, and are restless and nervous. Food does not taste good, and the digestion is poor; the skin is dry and sallow and disfigured with pimples or eruptions; sleep brings no rest and work is a burden.

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The ministers of the four powers interested in the proceedings—Great Britain, France, Russia and Italy—went in royal carriages to the palace and formerly announced to King George, of Greece, the appointment of his son, Prince George, to be high commissioner of the powers in Crete.

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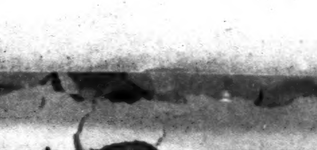

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The dress of a fully equipped diver weighs, in round numbers, 170 pounds. Taking off his everyday garb, the diver pulls on his thick underclothing—a white knitted sweater and trousers and pair of ribbed stockings, also white. Should he intend to work in unusually deep water, he puts on two, sometimes three, sets of underclothing, to relieve the pressure of the water.

The woolen clothing donned, the next garment is the diving dress, measuring for a man of average height 5 feet 5 inches from the collar to the sole of the foot. This dress is made of solid sheet india rubber, covered on both sides with canvas twill. It has a double collar, the inner one to pull up round the neck, and the outer one, of red india rubber, to go over the breastplate and form a water tight joint. The cuffs also are of red india rubber and fit tightly round the wrists, making, when secured by the vulcanized india rubber rings, water tight joints, at the same time leaving the diver's hands free. In the outer collar 12 holes are bored for securing the breastplate. This is made of tinned copper. The outer edge is of brass and the 12 screws firmly fitted to it at intervals and projecting upward. These projections pass through the corresponding holes in the outer collar of the dress. The band of the breastplate is in four sections, and the holes in the sections pass over the protecting screws and are secured in place by wing nuts or thumbscrews. A little careful consideration will make it clear that the dress is held in position by its rubber collar, with the aid of the breastplate flange and wing nuts.

The upper edge of the breastplate is fitted with a neck ring and a segmental screw. The use of this we shall presently explain.

The boots are of stout leather, with thick soles, and are secured over the instep by buckles and straps. The pair weigh 32 pounds—four pounds over a quarter of a hundredweight. The heel soles are firmly attached by copper screws. The extremities of the boots are made wide. Boots intended for rough work are fitted with metal toe caps. The suit of underclothing, dress, breastplate and boots—is our diver arrayed. He has now to be weighted. Lead weights of 40 pounds each, shield or heart shaped, are suspended back and front by means of gun metal clips and hooks or tabs and lashings. He has now only to put on his helmet and to affix his air pipe.

The helmet, like the breastplate, is of tinned copper and is fitted with a screw at the neck, corresponding to that mentioned as belonging to the breastplate. The eighth of a turn, and the helmet is firmly secured, water both air and water tight. It has three strong plate glasses in brass frames, protected by guards, two oval at the sides and a round one in front. The front glass is unscrewed to enable the diver to receive orders without removing any other portion of the dress. An outlet valve is provided at the side or back of the helmet, which the diver can close should he wish to rise to the surface. This valve allows the breathed air to escape, yet prevents the entrance of water.

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Mrs. Dr. Wren, of Talladega, is visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. H. I. Honeycutt, of Jemison, is visiting relatives here

There will be a show to night and Friday night at the Court House.

During the high wind last Saturday night a tree fell and killed a steer belonging to Squire Lambert.

Mr. C. L. Langston, of Jemison, was one of our pleasant visitors this morning.

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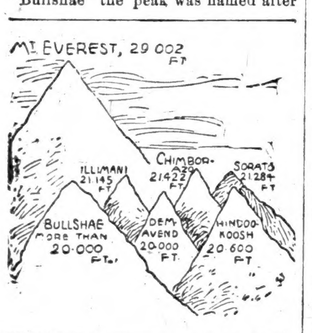
AMERICA'S HIGHEST MOUNTAIN.

Peak in Alaska That is More Than 20,000 Feet Above Sea Level.

A mountain peak 20,000 and more feet in height has just been discovered on the Alaskan coast, inland from Kanai Peninsula, and has been named Mount Bullshae, by the United States geological party that first set eyes on it.

This discovery, the most important that has yet been made by the many exploring parties sent into Alaska, early this year, falls to the honor of the party led by George H. Eldridge. They returned to Seattle on the steamer Alki, and there seems to be absolutely no doubt that the mountain discovered is the highest in North America.

After following the course of the Sushitna a long distance it was decided to go into one of the valleys emptying into the Sushitna River from the right. The party followed this valley some distance, when suddenly they came in sight of a big, broad peak. "Bullshae," was the expression of the Indian guide when he first saw the natural monster that loomed up even among the huge peaks that surrounded them on every side. "Bullshae" the peak was named after



COMPARATIVE HEIGHTS OF TALL MOUNTAINS.

the most thorough possible investigation.

It was evident that Mount Bullshae would not allow the party to mount its crest with ease, if at all, so no attempt was made to climb it. In fact, the members of the party expressed the opinion that it never will be climbed. Great precipices present an almost impassable front on every hand as far as the members of the party could see.

Unless the atmosphere is perfectly clear the clouds enfold it on the slightest provocation.

Golden Rose of Virtue Given by the Pope

The Golden Rose which the Pope is to confer upon the Archduchess Gisela, Princess of Bavaria, is the highest honor which his holiness can bestow upon any woman. It was said the Pope would give the Golden Rose to the young Queen of Holland, but of course that report was all nonsense, for Wilhelmina, although a most adorable young person, is a Protestant, and this special honor is reserved for members of the Roman Catholic Church only. The gorgeous thing that is called the Golden Rose is made of pure gold, and its value, so far as the mere market is concerned, is about $10,000. In the great rose in the middle of the group the Pope pours rose balsam. This flower is framed with a number of subordinate roses and rosebuds. The metal plant stands in a pot of pure gold and on

THE POPE'S GOLDEN ROSE.

the side of this pot are engraved the arms and the seal of Leo. Two officers of the Vatican are chosen yearly to present this magnificent gift to the lady selected by the Pope. That lady is always royal, a queen, an empress or a princess of royal blood.

Six of the foremost colleges report that their freshmen classes this term are the largest they have ever received. There is undoubtedly a boom in education as well as in business.

GEN. AGUINALDO IS PACIFIC.

But a Manila Paper Contends for Recognition of Independence.

NO SURPRISE AT COMMISSION'S ACTION.

Harmony Existing Will Only Be Broken by "Priests or Traitors Inducing the American to Attack Us"—Paris Sympathizers' Opinion

MANILA—Owing to the fact that the result of the Paris conference has long been anticipated here, the agreement of Spain to cede the Philippine islands to the United States created no excitement or surprise.

Aguinaldo is certain to assume a conciliatory attitude, because his position is daily becoming more untenable.

A local paper says: "The Filipinos will shed their blood in torrents again before submitting to foreign domination. America brought Aguinaldo from Japan and recognized our nationality by allowing our flag to be raised at Corregidor island and to sail the bay in full sight of all the foreign fleets. None dared to interfere. If America now declines to openly acknowledge our independence, a great injustice will be committed. Had Spain asked $40,000,000 for the island, the Filippinos would have gladly given twice that amount, or more, to preserve their rights ruthlessly set aside by the enemy."

In conclusion the article affirms the friendship of the Filippinos for Americans, insists that the insurgents will never fire the first shot, and adds that the harmony existing will only be broken by "priests or traitors inducing the Americans to attack us."

PARIS.—Paris sympathizers having a quasi connection with the Spanish commission are making much over the reported attitude of the Filippinos towards the United States. These sympathizers profess to have information that Aguinaldo means to fight, and that he now has 60,000 soldiers armed with Mauser rifles, and eighteen quick-firing guns, and it is asserted that he will be satisfied with nothing but independence.

THE CRISIS IN SPAIN.

Don Carlos Preparing for a Bold Stroke—Carlism Gaining Strength.

LONDON.—The crisis in Spain is followed with the most keen interest. Don Carlos is undoubtedly preparing for a bold stroke. His emissaries are sent to suborn the Spanish army, a large portion of it being disaffected, partly on account of the arrears of pay, but chiefly owing to the condition of the army, it was prevented from earning distinction during the late war, on account of the incapability and corruption of the political administration. These new factors have given Don Carlos a much better chance of success than he had when he made his former attempts to gain the throne of Spain. The part of the Spanish kingdom which is causing the most anxiety on account of the Carlist intrigues is the provinces of Lerada, Gerone, Teruel, Cuonca, Castillon and Valencia. The detailed watch in the disaffected districts has hitherto failed to produce any important discoveries or to check the agitation.

Don Jaimie, the son of Don Carlos, is reported to be moving from place to place on the French side of the Pyrenes, from whence he is pulling Carlist wires.

The Count de Maaile, a leading Carlist, now in Paris, is quoted in an interview as expressing himself as saying he is sure of success. He claims that Carlism has made strong headway among the repatriated soldiers, while the people, clergy and some of the bishops, he alleges, are longing to return to the old regime. The count added:

"As for the pope; he is always on the side of the party in power and will send his blessing to Don Carlos as soon as he sits on the throne. General Weyler is ready to give his sword to the highest bidder and Don Carlos, his wife (the Princess Derohan) and her family are ready to advance funds and the French legitimatists will also aid financially and provide volunteers."

New York Ordered to Havana.

Commodore Philip, at Norfolk, has been ordered to send his flagship, the New York, to Havana immediately. It is not known whether any other ships will be sent to Cuba Upon the arrival of the New York at Havana, Admiral Sampson will resume his duties as commander of the North Atlantic squadron and again will hoist his flag on the New York.

Thirty-Seven Drowned.

Thirty-seven people were drowned who were on the British steamer Clandrummond, from the Clyde via Liverpool for Cape Good Hope, wrecked in the Bay of Biscay.

Long and Bliss May Retire Soon.

It is not unlikely that two cabinet members, Secretaries Long and Bliss, will retire soon. They are in perfect accord with the President, but desire, it is said, to return to the management of their extensive affairs.

Spanish Government is Prepared.

The premier, Senor Sagasta, at the cabinet Friday, described the Carlist movements in a number of the provinces and said the government was prepared to energetically repress all attempts to disturb public order.

WITH THE COMMISSIONERS.

Judge Day Believes the Treaty Will Be Signed This Week—Germany Negotiating for the Carolines.

PARIS.—The report from Berlin that Germany is negotiating for the purchase of the Caroline Islands is confirmed from several quarters, although Count Von Munster-Ledenburg, the German ambassador at Paris, informed a correspondent of the Associated Press that he knew nothing at all about the matter. The American commissioners are inclined to believe the report, and it is looked upon as explaining the reluctance of the Spaniards to give the Americans an answer in regard to the Caroline Islands, as well as on the question of religious liberty there, and the latest developments confirm the report that the Spaniards have been instructed not to yield on these points until they have made a good bargain.

The position of the commissions, says an American commissioner, is that of two card players, each studying his own hand and waiting for his opponent's lead. In spite of this temporary halt in the negotiations and contrary to general impression, Judge Day believes the treaty will be signed next week. But a great deal of work must be done before the treaty is ready for the signatures, as after ten weeks of negotiation the only articles accepted by both commissions are the three leading ones, providing for the cession of the Spanish colonies, and these only in principle, and not in language.

EIGHTY MEN PROBABLY LOST.

British Steamer Londonian Sighted With Decks Submerged.

The British steamer King Arthur, from Demarra, arrived at Liverpool and reported she sighted the Londonian on Nov. 26, in latitude 45 north, longitude 16 west, on her beam ends on the starboard side with decks and hatches submerged. All her boats were gone except a small boat, and there was no sign of life about her. The Londonian sailed from Boston Nov. 15 for London in command of Captain Lee. The Londonian was a steel vessel, built in Glasgow in 1896, and registered 5,592 tons. She measured 350 feet in length, and 59.5 feet beam, and 30.9 feet in depth.

The Londonian was exclusively a cargo steamer, and her complement of officers and crew numbered about 80 men.

EIGHT THOUSAND MEN

Will Be Put to Work on a New Railroad in Arkansas.

As a result of the temporary injunction granted to the Choctaw & Memphis Railway company restraining the Iron Mountain from interfering with the construction of the former's new line between Little Rock and Wister Junction, an order came from Philadelphia Friday urging contractors to cover their work and push it with all possible expedition. Within ten days 8,000 men will be employed on the gap of 164 miles of new road.

Garcia Received as a Citizen.

The members of the Cuban commission, headed by Gen. Garcia, called at the white house Friday and were soon ushered into the cabinet room, where they were received by the president. The meeting, however, was entirely informal and unofficial in character. It lasted an hour and a half. The meeting of the president was very cordial, but the distinguished Cubans were received as citizens of Cuba and not as having an official status.

An Aged Lady Killed.

Mrs. Abbie L. Marble, the aged sister-in-law of the late James G. Blaine, met with a tragic death Friday at San Leand, Cal.

She was out driving in a light buggy when the horse took fright and ran away, going through an open gate into an orchard. A low-hanging limb struck Mrs. Marble in the breast, throwing her from the buggy and killing her instantly. She was seventy years old.

Isle of Pines Ours.

Some questions having risen as to the ownership of the Isle of Pines, south of Cuba, it is stated the agreement with the Spaniards expressly provided that the islands immediately adjacent to Cuba and Porto Rico should be ceded to the United States.

MILES PREPARES A BILL.

Provides for a Regular Standing Army of 100,000 Men.

General Miles, commanding the army, has prepared the draft of a bill providing for a regular standing army of 100,000 men. The bill, it is said, will provide for an organization of twelve companies to the regiment, with an arrangement for a third lieutenant for each company in case of need for that officer. It will contain a provision for a staff corps, largely in accordance with the recommendations of the heads of the various bureaus, as recommended by them in their annual reports.

Suit Instituted for $1,000,000.

Thurlow Weed Barnes has brought suit in the supreme court against the American-China Development Company for $1,000,000 for services in obtaining railroad concessions from the imperial Chinese government through the Chinese minister at Washington. The concessions are worth in net profits at least $12,000,000 to the company and they may be worth $24,000,000. They are the most valuable grants ever made by the Chinese government to foreign capitalists.

PROGRESS OF EVACUATION.

Old Glory Hoisted Over Public Buildings in Sancti Spiritus and Trinidad.

THE AMERICANS CALL ON CASTELLANOS.

Cordially Received by the New Captain-General—Work of Cleaning Havana Begun—Americans Buy a Theater.

HAVANA—At noon Saturday, the American forces having previously taken charge of Sancti Spiritus and Trinidad, in Santa Clara provinces, the Stars and Stripes were officially and with impressive ceremonies, hoisted over the city halls and the military and other public buildings in those cities. When the flags were unfurled the band played the "Star Spangled Banner" and the soldiers including the Fourth Tennessee, and large crowds of citizens cheered enthusiastically.

General Wade, president of the United States evacuation commission, accompanied by Colonel Clous, judge advocate; Captain Hart, the official interpreter, and Majors Almy, Allison, Butler and Brooke, called upon Captain-General Castellanos at the palace Saturday. They were received by the president of the Spanish evacuation commission, who introduced them to General Castellanos. The meeting was of a most cordial nature.

San Antonio de Dos Barnes, province of Havana, and Jaguey Le Grande, province of Matanzas, were evacuated by the Spanish troops.

The work of cleaning the streets of Havana under American auspices began Saturday. Over 100 men were engaged in sweeping the main thoroughfares. The refuse was taken to Paula wharf, where it was towed out to sea in scows and dumped ten miles from land.

A deed of sale of the Tacon theater to an American syndicate for $350,000 has been signed, the property passing into the hands of the Tacon Realty Company. The Tacon, which is the eighth largest opera house in the world, occupies an entire block.

PREPARING TO MOVE TO CUBA.

General Lee Has Been Given Orders to Embark Within Five Days.

General Fitzhugh Lee, in accordance with his instructions from Washington, issued a general order Friday directing that the Second division of his corps prepare to move to Cuba at once. Regimental commanders in that division are putting their forces in shape to move within five days' time. The division is composed of the Second Illinois, Sixty-first Indiana, First North Carolina, Fourth Virginia, Forty-ninth Iowa and Sixth Missouri. It is in command of General F. V. Greene, who is now in Cuba, having been sent there for the purpose of selecting camp sites.

The Second division hospital, Major Russell B. Harrison, post marshal, and six companies of the provost guard are ordered to prepare to move at the same time.

There are three transports now in Savannah harbor—the Minnewaska, the Michigan and the Panama. These can carry about three regiment, and it may be that they will be used to convey part of General Lee's Second division to Havana. It is feared this movement will carry half the Seventh army corps away before the president comes to review it.

GOV. TANNER INDICTED.

Fifty-Four Others Are Included on Account of Virden Trouble.

The Virden riot grand jury at Carlinville, Ill., has made its formal report to Judge Shirley. The grand jury dealt pertinently with the affair, and, as far as it was able to ascertain, returned true bills against the principal participants in the tragedy of October 12 at Virden. Ten indictments, involving fifty-four persons, were returned. Against John R. Tanner, governor of Illinois, there are three counts for palpable omission of duty and malfeasance in office. Fred W. Lukins, general manager of the Chicago-Virden Coal Company, is charged with manslaughter.

AUSTRIA MAD WITH GERMANY.

Alliance Between Two Countries May Be Broken Off.

The Vienna correspondent of The London Observer asserts that the relations between Austria and Germany are very much strained and that the speech of Count Thun Hohenstein, Austrian premier, in the reichsrath, threatening reprisals against Germany for the expulsion of Austrians from that country, was only palatable on account of the outspoken hostility for Germany and as the first practical step toward the dissolution of the Austrian-German alliance.

Civil Service Order Nearly Ready.

President McKinley's civil service order, so long expected, is now ready for promulgation. It may be given out any day. It is expected to remove from the classified service 957 deputy collectors of internal revenue stationed in the sixty-three collection districts throughout the union, 606 examining surgeons attached to the pension bureau and a number of minor places, such as counsel to the board of general appraisers in New York, second assistant cashier in the New York custom house and several others.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

DISCOURSE BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY

Subject: "The Coming Century"—What the New Cycle Will Usher In—Needs of the New Age—The End of the Century Watch Night.

TEXT: "The children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do." Chronicles xii., 32.

Great tribe, that tribe of Issachar! When Joab took the census there were 87,000 of them. Before the almanac was made through astrological study, they knew certain stellar conjunctions all about the seasons of the year. Before agriculture became an art they were skilled in the raising of crops. Before politics became a science they knew the temper of nations, and wherever they marched, either for peace or war, they marched under a three-colored flag—topaz, sardine and carbuncle. But the chief characteristic of that tribe of Issachar was that they understood the times. They were not like the idiotic and moral incompetents of our day who are trying to guide Israel by the chart of 1828. They looked at the divine indications in their own particular century. So we ought to understand the times, the times when America was thirteen colonies huddled together along the Atlantic coast, but the times when the nation dips one hand in the ocean on one side the continent and the other hand in the ocean on the other side the continent; times which put New York Narrows and the Golden Horn of the Pacific within one flash of electro-telegraphy; times when God is as directly, as positively, as solemnly, as tremendously addressing us through the daily newspaper and the quick revolution of events as He ever addressed the ancients or addresses us through the Holy Scriptures. The voice of God in Providence is as important as the voice of God in typology, for in our own day we have had our Sinais with thunders of the Almighty, and Calvaries of sacrifice, and Gethsemanes that sweat great drops of blood, and Olivets of ascension, and Mount Pisgahs of farreaching vision. The Lord who rounded this world 6000 years ago and sent His Son to redeem it near 1900 years ago has yet much to do with this radiant but agonized planet. May God make us like the children of Issachar, "which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do."

The grave of this century will soon be dug. The cradle of another century will soon be rocked. There is something moving this way out of the eternities, something that thrills me, blanches me, appalls me, exhilarates me, enraptures me. It will wreathe the orange blossoms for millions of weddings. It will bear the dirge for millions of obsequies. It will carry the gilded banners of brightest mornings and the black flags of darkest midnights. The world will play the grand march of its heroes and sound the rogues' march of its cowards. Other processions may halt or break down or fall back, but the procession led by that leader moves steadily on and will soon be here. It will preside over coronations and dethronements. I hail it. I bless it. I welcome it, the twentieth century of the Christian era.

What may we expect of it, and how shall we prepare for it, are the momentous questions I propose now to discuss. As in families, human nativity is anticipated by all sanctity and kindliness and solemnity and care and hopefulness, so ought we prayerfully, hopefully, industriously, confidently prepare for the advent of a new century. The nineteenth century must not treat the twentieth century on its arrival as the eighteenth century treated the nineteenth. Our century inherited the wreck of revolutions and the superstitions of ages. Around its cradle stood the armed assassins of Old World tyrannies; the "reign of terror," bequeathing its horrors; Robespierre, plotting his diabolism; the Jacobin club, with its wholesale massacre; the guillotine, chopping its beheadments. The ground quaking with the great guns of Marengo, Wagram and Badajos. All Europe in convulsion. Asia in comparative quiet, but the quietness of death. Africa in the clutches of the slave trade. American savages in full cry, their scalping knives lifted. The exhausted and poverty struck people of America sweating under the debt of $300,000,000, which the Revolutionary War had left them. Washington just gone into the long sleep at Mount Vernon, and the nation in bereavement; Aaron Burr, the champion libertine, becoming soon after the Vice-President. The Government of the United States only an experiment, most of the philosophers and statesmen and governments of the earth prophesying it would be a disgraceful failure. No poor foundling laid at night on the cold steps of a mansion, to be picked up in the morning, was poorer off than this century at its nativity. The United States Government had taken only twelve steps on its journey, its Constitution having been formed in 1789, and most of the nations of the earth laughed at our Government in its first attempts to walk alone.

The birthday of our nineteenth century occurred in the time of war. Our small United States Navy, under Captain Truxton, commanding the frigate Constitution, was in collision with the French frigates La Vengeance and L'Insurgente, and the first infant cries of this century were drowned in the roar of naval battle, and political strife on this continent was the hottest, the parties rending each other with pantherine rage. The birthday present of this nineteenth century was vituperation, public unrest, threat of national demolition, and horrors national and international. I adjure you, let not the twentieth century be met in that awful way, but with all brightness of temporal and religious prospects.

First, let us put upon the cradle of the new century a new map of the world. The old map was black with too many barbarisms and red with too many slaughters and pale with too many sufferings. Let us see to it that on that map so far as possible our country from ocean to ocean is a Christianized continent—schools, colleges, churches and good homes in long line from ocean beach to ocean beach. On that map Cuba must be free. Porto Rico must be free. The archipelago of the Philippines must be free. If cruel Spain expects by procrastination and intrigue to get back what she has surrendered, then the warships Iowa and Indiana and Brooklyn and Texas and Vesuvius and Oregon must be sent back to Southern waters or across to the coast of Spain to silence the insolence as decidedly as last summer they silenced the Cristobal Colon and Oquendo and Maria Teresa and Vizcaya. When we get those islands thoroughly under our protectorate, for the first time our missionaries in China will be safe. The atrocities imposed on those good men and women in the so-called Flowery Kingdom will never be resumed, for our guns will be too near Hong Hong to allow the massacre of missionary settlements.

On that map must be put the isthmian canal, begun if not completed. No long voyages around Cape Horn for the world's merchandise, but short and cheap communication by water instead of expensive communication by rail train, and more millions will be added to our national wealth and the world's betterment than I have capacity to calculate.

On the map it must be made evident that America is to be the world's civilizer and evangelizer. Free from the national religions of Europe on the one side and from the superstitions of Asia on the other side, it will have facilities for the work that no other continent can possibly possess. As near as I can tell by the laying on of the hands of the Lord Almighty, this continent has been ordained for that work. This is the only country in the world where all religions are on the same platform, and the people have free selection for themselves without any detriment. When we [illegible] present to the ment of relig dered chan selecting the ness and g this world [illegible] Alexander banquet at Babylon, been drinking night and all next day, he had twenty gues health of each for the cup of Hercules to give cue, he filled show his endurance last draft from the giant, he dropped never recovered. A quered Sardis and and conquered A world, could not [illegible] is a threatening [illegible] of ours, having [illegible] it has ever gone [illegible] everything by the [illegible] the land that Her [illegible] drank. Do not [illegible] liberated and emptied [illegible] go to the next [illegible] asylums and almshouses [illegible] mens and dishonored [illegible]

It has been a [illegible] lands for people to [illegible] an old year goes out [illegible] comes in. People assemble [illegible] about 10 o'clock of that [illegible] old year, and they have [illegible] an' sermons and [illegible] bonds of the church [illegible] the figure 12, and then [illegible] prayer, and the [illegible] else until the clock [illegible] church or the [illegible] city hall strikes 12 [illegible] sing with singing faces [illegible] the grand doxology, and there [illegible] of bands all around.

But what a tremendous [illegible] world is soon to celebrate! [illegible] will depart at 12 o'clock [illegible] cember, of the year 1899. What that will be, whether star [illegible] or dark with tempest [illegible] night as you and I never saw [illegible] watched the coming in of [illegible] century long ago went to their [illegible] dust. May we all be living on earth [illegible] the solemnities and join in the [illegible] shake hands in the congratulations [illegible] watch night; or, if between this [illegible] any of us should be off and away, [illegible] be inhabitants of that land where a thousand years are as one day, and [illegible] presence of that angel spoken of in Apocalypse, who at the end of [illegible] will, standing with one foot on the sea, the other foot on the land, "swear by him that liveth forever and ever, that time shall be no longer."

Is China Retrograding?

The Chinese Government has decided that applicants for military service [illegible] will hereafter be examined in [illegible] stone slinging.

DR. TALAMGE.

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...present to the other continents this ... ment of religions and give them ... dered choice, we have no doubt of ... selecting this religion of mercy ... ness and good will and temporal and ... ral rescue. Hear it, America is to ... this world for God!

On the map which we will put on ... cradle of the new century we must ... very soon a railroad bridge across ... Strait, these thirty-six miles of water ... deep, and they are spotted with ... capable of holding the piers of a ... bridge. And what with American ... thus connected and Siberian railway, ... a railroad now projected for the ... African and Palestine and Persia and ... and China and Burmah intersected ... railroad tracks, all of which will be ... before the new century is grown up, ... way will be open to the quick civiliza... and evangelization of the whole world.

The work of this century has been to ... ready. All the earth is now free to ... Gospel except two little spots, one in ... and one in Africa, while at the ... of the century there stood the Chinese ... and there flanged the fires and there ... lered the swords that forbade entrance ... many islands and large reaches of ... ent. Polynesian cruelties and Fiji ... cannibalism have given way, and all ... gates of all the continents are swung ... with a clang that has been a positive ... glorious invitation for Christianity to ... ter. Telegraph, telephone and phono... are to be consecrated to Gospel dissem... tion, and instead of the voice that ... the attention of a few hundred or a ... thousand people within the church ... the telegraph will thrill the glad tidings ... and the telephone will utter them to ... millions. Oh, the infinite advantage that ... the twentieth century has over what the ... nineteenth century had at the starting!

In preparation for this coming century ... we have time in the intervening years to ... give some decisive strokes at the seven ... eight great evils that curse this world. ... would be an assault and battery upon the ... coming century by this century if ... allowed the full blow of present evils to ... fall upon the future. We ought somehow ... to cripple or mollify some of these afflictions. Alcoholism is to-day triumphant, ... and are we to let the all-devouring monster ... that has throttled this century seize upon ... the next without first having filled his ... cursed hide with stinging arrows sure ... to weaken and stagger him? We have ... wasted about twenty-five years. How ... While we have been waiting for the law ... the land to prohibit intoxicants we have ... done little to quench the thirst of appetite ... in the palate and tongue of a whole ... eration. Where are the public and earnest ... missionary meetings that used to be held ... years ago for the one purpose of persuading the young and middle aged and old ... that strong drink is poisonous and damning? When will we learn that we cannot ... educate public opinion up to a prohibitory ... law, or such a law will not be passed or ... passed will not be executed?

Seven or eight years ago on the anniversary platform of the National Temperance Society in New York I deplored the ... fact that we had left politics to do that ... which moral suasion only could do. ... said on that occasion, "If some poor ... drunkard wandering along this street ... night should see the lights kindled by the ... brilliant assemblage and should come in ... and finding the character of the meeting ... should ask for a temperance pledge, ... he might sign it and begin a new career. ... do not believe there is in all this house ... a temperance pledge, and you would have ... to take out a torn letter envelope or a ... scrap of paper for the inebriate's signature." I found out afterward that there ... was one such temperance pledge in the ... audience, but only one that I could use. ... Do not leave to politics that which ... can be done now in 10,000 reformatory ... meetings all over the country.

Oh, save the young man of to-day and ... greet the coming century with a tidal wave ... of national redemption! Do not put upon ... the cradle of the twentieth century a mon... strosity of demijohns and beer barrels and ... jugs, and put to its infant lips wretched... ness, disease, murder and abandonment ... solution. Ave, reform that army of inebriates. "Ah," you say, "it cannot be done!" That shows that you will be of no ... use in the work. "O ye of little faith!" ... Away back in early times President Davies ... of Princeton College, one day found a man ... in utter despair because of the thrall of ... strong drink. The president said to him, ... "Sir, be of good cheer. You can be saved. ... Sign the pledge." "Ah," said the despairing victim, "I have often signed the pledge, ... but I have always broken my pledge." ... "But," said the president, "I will be your ... strength to keep the pledge. I will be your ... friend, and with a loving arm around you ... will hold you up. When your appetite ... burns, and you feel that you must get ... it; come to my house, sit down with me ... the study or with the family in the parlor, ... and I will be a shield to you. All that I ... can do for you with my books, my sympathy, my experience, my society, my ... my money, I will do. You shall force your ... appetite and master it." A look of gratitude glowed on the poor man's face, and he replied, "Sir, will you do all that?" "Sure ... I will." "Then I will overcome." He ... signed the pledge and kept it. That pledge ... of President Davies which saved one man ... tried on a large scale, will save a million ... men.

Alexander the Great made an impe... banquet at Babylon, and, though he ... been drinking the health of guests all ... night and all next day, the second night ... he had twenty guests, and he drank the ... health of each separately. Then came ... for the cup of Hercules the giant, a mon... strous cup, he filled and drained it twice to ... show his endurance; but, as he finished the ... last draft from the cup of Hercules the ... giant, he dropped in a fit, from which he ... never recovered. Alexander, who had conquered Sardis and conquered Halicarnassus ... and conquered Asia and conquered the ... world, could not conquer himself, and he ... is a threatening peril that this good ... century, having conquered all with which ... it has ever gone into battle, may yet be ... overthrown by the cup of the giant evil of ... the land that Hercules of infamy, strong ... drink. Do not let the staggering ... and enfeebled host of drunkards go into the next century looking for ... asylums and almshouses and delirium tremens and dishonored graves.

It has been a custom in all Christian ... lands for people to keep watch night ... an old year goes out and a new year ... comes in. People assemble in churches ... about 10 o'clock of that last night of the ... old year, and they have prayers and songs ... and sermons and congratulations until the ... hands of the church clock almost meet at ... the figure 12, and then all bow in silent ... prayer, and the scene is mightily impressive until the clock in the tower of the ... church or the clock in the tower of the ... city hall strikes 12, and then all rise and ... sing with smiling face and jubilant tone ... the grand doxology, and there is a shaking ... of hands all around.

But what a tremendous watch night the ... world is soon to celebrate! This century ... will depart at 12 o'clock of the 31st of December, of the year 1900. What a night ... that will be, whether starlight or moonlight ... or dark with tempest! It will be a night as you and I never saw. Those who ... watched the coming in of the nineteenth ... century long ago went to their pillows of ... dust. May we all be living on earth by ... the solemnities and join in the songs and ... shake hands in the congratulations of the ... watch night; or, if between this and then ... any of us should be off and away, may the ... inhabitants of that land where "there ... shall be no night there" and where "a thousand years are as one day," and in the ... presence of that angel spoken of in the ... Apocalypse, who at the end of the world ... will, standing with one foot on the sea and ... the other foot on the land, "swear by him ... that liveth forever and ever, that time shall ... be no longer."

Is China Retrograding?

The Chinese Government has notified applicants for military service that they will hereafter be examined in archery and stone slinging.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

"The People Rejoice in a Very Satisfactory and Increasing Degree of Prosperity by the Largest Volume of Business Ever Recorded."

EXCERPTS FROM IMPORTANT FEATURES OF DOCUMENT.

Military Service Under a Common Flag and for a Righteous Cause Has Strengthened the National Spirit and Cements the Fraternal Bonds Between Every Section of the Country---The Controversy Which Led Up to the War with Spain Reviewed---Larger Standing Army and Stronger Navy Recommended---Not Yet Ready to Discuss the Future Government of Our New Possessions.

Washington President McKinley's second annual message submitted to congress Monday, contains about 20,000 words. Following is a brief synopsis, including some direct excerpts from the more important features of the message:

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

"Notwithstanding the added burdens rendered necessary by the war our people rejoice in a very satisfactory and increasing degree of prosperity evidenced by the largest volume of business ever recorded. Manufacture has been productive, agricultural pursuits have yielded abundant returns, labor in all fields of industry is better rewarded, revenue legislation passed by the present congress has increased the treasury's receipts to the amount estimated by its authors, the finances of the government have been successfully administered, and its credit advanced to the first rank, while its currency has been maintained at the world's highest standard. Military service under a common flag and for a righteous cause has strengthened the national spirit and served to cement more closely than ever the fraternal bonds between every section of the country."

In reviewing the controversy which led up to the war with Spain, the president takes up the thread of narrative where it terminated in his last annual message. He concluded: "It was honestly due to our friendly relations with Spain that she could be given a reasonable chance to realize her expectation of reforms to which she had become irrevocably committed. It become evident, however, that the proposed plans were barren of good results. No tangible relief was afforded the reconcentrados, among whom the rate of mortality was frightfully increased; the proffered expedient of cones of cultivation proved illusory, and it was apparent that nothing save the physical exhaustion of Spain or the Cubans and the practical ruin of the island of Cuba could result from the struggle then in progress."

At this critical juncture, the destruction of the battleship Maine occurred. Concerning it the president says: "It is a striking evidence of the self-poise and sturdy good sense distinguishing our national character that this shock, falling upon a generous people already touched by preceding events in Cuba, did not move them to any instant desperate resolve to tolerate no longer the existence of a condition of lawlessness and disorder at our doors that made possible such a deed, or to redress any wrought."

Resuming the narrative, the first step noted is the measure including a large appropriation for national defense, taken to place the country on a war footing, and adds: "It is sufficient to say that the outbreak of war, which did come, found our nation not unprepared to meet the conflict."

Reference is made to the apprehension of coming strife felt by the continental powers, voiced in the address of the president, through their ambassadors and envoys, and to the presidential reply thereto. Still animated, however, by the hope of a peaceful solution, difficulty and obeying the dictates of duty, the president felt constrained to bring about a speedy end to the Cuban struggle. Negotiations with the Madrid government, so far as practical and effective, and then it presented the question, saying: "In the name, in the name of civilization, in behalf of endangered interests, which gives us the right to speak and act, the war must stop."

Upon this statement of the case the adoption of the memorable resolution by congress, declaring the purpose of the United States to intervene between the Spanish government and the people of Cuba. Following quickly upon the enactment of the resolution was the severance of diplomatic relations between the two countries, the withdrawal of the Cuban ports, the call for volunteers and the formal declaration of the existence of a state of war. All other governments were immediately notified of the existence of war and each proclaimed its neutrality. It is not among the least significant incident of the time that the obligations of neutrality were scrupulously discharged by all, a delicate and difficult circumstance.

The president reviews at length the preparation for war, referring to the enlistment of volunteers, the material increase of the army and ships, and the precautionary measures taken for the defense of the seaboard coast and cities. "The aggregate number of mines placed was 1,535, at the principal harbors from Maine to California."

Referring to the "difficult and important character" of the work performed by the signal corps, the President says: "This service was invaluable to the executive in directing the operations of the army and navy. With a total force of over 1,300 the loss was by disease, in camp and field, officers and men included, only five." As to the authorized loan of $200,000,000 which was taken entirely by small bidders, the president says: "This was a most encouraging and significant result, showing the vast resources of the nation and the determination of the people to uphold their country's honor."

Taking up chronologically the events of the war, the president reviews them carefully. The first encounter was the shelling of Matanzas on April 27. This was followed by an engagement which was "destined to mark a memorable epoch in maritime warfare." This was Commodore Dewey's wonderful victory at Manila on May 1. The effect of this remarkable victory," says the president, "Upon the spirit of our people and upon the fortunes of the war was instant. A prestige of invincibility attached to our arms which continued throughout the struggle." The president says that "only reluctance to cause needless loss of life and property prevented the early storming and capture of the city (Manila), and therewith the absolute military occupancy of the whole group." Following the memorable trip of the battleship Oregon from San Francisco to Key West and the bombardment of San Juan and the forts of Santiago, to which special reference is made, the president says: "The next act in the war thrilled not only the hearts of our countrymen, but the world by its exceptional heroism. On the night of June 3d, Lieutenant Hobson, aided by seven devoted volunteers, blocked the narrow outlet from Santiago harbor by sinking the collier Merrimac in the channel, under a fierce fire from the shore batteries, escaping with their lives as by a miracle, and falling into the hands of the Spaniards. It is a most gratifying incident of the war that the bravery of this little band of heroes was cordially appreciated by the Spanish admiral."

The campaign of Santiago, resulting in the investment and capture of that city, is referred to as a brilliant naval achievement. A brief review is then presented of the decisive naval combat on July 3, resulting in the complete destruction of Admiral Cevera's fleet.

Concerning it the president says: "Where all conspicuously distinguished themselves, from the commanders to the gunners, and the unnamed heroes in the boiler room, each and all contributed to the achievement of this astounding victory, for which neither ancient or modern history affords a parallel in the completeness of the event and the marvelous disproportion of casualties, it would be invidious to single out any for special honor."

In this connection the president says: "Nor can we be unmindful of the achievement of our builders, mechanics and artists for their skill in the construction of our war ships."

As to the success gained by the arms of the United States in Cuba, the president says that the earnest, lasting gratitude of the nation is unsparingly due. "Nor should we alone remember the gallantry of the living, as the dead claim our tears, and our losses by battles and by disease must cloud any exultation as to the result, and teach us the awful cost of war, however rightful the cause or signal the victory.

"The total casualties in killed and wounded in the army during the war with Spain were: Officers killed, 38; enlisted men killed, 257; total, 280. Officers wounded, 113; enlisted men wounded, 1,464; total, 1,577. Of the navy: Killed, 17; wounded, 67; died as result of wounds, 1; invalided from service, 6; total, 91.

"It will be observed that while our navy was engaged in two great battles and in numerous perilous undertakings, blockade and bombardment, and more than fifty thousand of our troops were transported to distant lands and were engaged in assault and seige and battle and many skirmishes in unfamiliar territory, we lost in both arms of the service a total of 1,668 killed and wounded; and in this entire campaign by land and sea we did not lose a gun or flag, or a transport, or a ship, and with the exception of the crew of the Merrimac, not a soldier or sailor was taken prisoner."

The president bears testimony and he pays fitting tribute: "To the patriotism and devotion of that large portion of our army which, although eager to be ordered to the post of greatest exposure, fortunately was not required outside of the United States." They did their whole duty and earned the gratitude of the nation. The president says: "In tracing these events we are constantly reminded of our obligations to the Divine Master for His watchful care over us, and His safe guidance, for which the nation makes reverent acknowledgment, and offers humble prayer for the continuance of His favors." The peace negotiations which followed soon after the capitulation of Santiago, and the preparation and signing of the protocol are discussed at length. Referring to the work of the peace commissioners in Paris, the president says: "Their negotiations have made hopeful progress, so that I trust soon to be able to lay a definitive treaty of peace before the senate with a review of the steps leading to its signature.

"I do not discuss at this time the government or the future of the new possessions which will come to us as the result of the war with Spain. Such discussion will be appropriate after the treaty of peace shall be ratified. In the meantime and until the congress has legislated otherwise, it will be my duty to continue the military governments which have existed since our occupation, and to give to the people security in life and property and encouragement under a just and beneficial rule.

"As soon as we are in possession of Cuba and have pacified the island, it will be necessary to give aid and direction to its people to form a government for themselves. This should be undertaken at the earliest moment consistent with assurance and success.

"It is important that our relations with these people should be of the most friendly character and our commercial relations close and reciprocal. It should be our duty to assist in every proper way to build up the waste places of the islands, encourage the industry of the people and assist them to form a government which shall be free and independent, thus realizing the best aspirations of the Cuban people.

"Spanish rule must be replaced by a just, benevolent and humane government, created by the people of Cuba, capable of performing all international obligations, and which shall encourage thrift, industry and prosperity and promote peace and good will among all of the inhabitants, whatever may have been their relations in the past. Neither revenge or passion shall have a place in the new government. Until there is complete tranquility in the island, and a stable government inaugurated, military occupation will be continued.

The president says that with the one exception of the rupture with Spain, the intercourse of the United States with the great family of nations during the past year has been marked with cordiality. Concerning negotiations with the Argentine government, initiated with a view to removing differences in cable charges imposed against messages passing from and to the United States, the president expresses his sense of the fitness of an international agreement whereby the interchange of connecting cables may be regulated on a fair basis of uniformity and adds: "It would be strange were the nations not in time brought to realize that modern civilization, which owes so much of its progress to the annihilation of space by the electrical force, demands that this all important means of communication be a heritage of all people, to be administered and regulated in their common behalf."

As to the killing and wounding of striking miners in Luzerne county, Pa., which aroused the solicitude of Austro-Hungarian government, many of the miners being subjects of that government, the president expects to reach a harmonious understanding on the subject with Austria-Hungary.

The hope is expressed that the restrictions imposed by Belgium on the importation of American cattle will at an early day be relaxed, so as to admit live American cattle under proper regulations.

The president expects that the Nicaragua canal commission will shortly be able to report finally. "I have not hesitated to express my convictions," says the president. "That considerations of expediency and international policy as between the several governments interested in the construction and control of an inter-oceanic canal by this route require the maintenance of the statu quo until the canal commission shall have reported and the United States congress shall have had the opportunity to pass finally upon the whole matter."

The president regards, in view of our newly acquired interests in the Pacific ocean, the construction of such maritime highway is now more than ever indispensable.

Concerning the extraordinary events transpiring in the Chinese Empire, the president says that our position among nations gives the equitable claim to consideration and friendly treatment in this regard; and that it will be his aim to subserve our large interest in the orient by all means appropriate to the constant policy of our government.

Reference is made to several claims of citizens of the United States pending against other nations and to the settlement of other claims during the past year.

After reviewing the work of the Paris exposition commission, the president recommends that the appropriation of the exhibit of the United States at the Paris exposition be increased to $1,000,000.

Our relations with Great Britain have continued on the most friendly feeling and the president says it would give him especial satisfaction if he should be authorized to communicate to congress a favorable conclusion of the pending negotiations with Great Britain in respect of the domain of Canada.

The president reports that the Hawaiian commission has fulfilled its mission and that its report will be laid before congress at an early day. "It is believed that their recommendations will have the earnest consideration due to the magnitude of the responsibility resting upon you to give such shape to the relationship to those mid-Pacific lands to our home union as will benefit both in the highest degree."

Referring to the proposal of the czar of Russia for a general reduction of the military establishments, the president says: "His majesty was at once informed of the cordial sympathy of this government with the principle involved in his exalted proposal, and of the readiness of the United States to take part in the conference."

The president says that the newly-accredited envoy of the United States to the Ottoman porte carries instructions looking to the disposal of matters in controversy with Turkey for a number of years.

Alluding to the financial affairs of the country the president says in part: "The secretary of the treasury reports that the receipts of the government from all sources during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1898, including $64,751,223 received from sale of Pacific railroads, amounted to $405,321,335, and its expenditures to $443,368,582.

"It is estimated upon the basis of present revenue laws that the receipts of the government for the year ending June 30, 1899, will be $577,874,647, and its expenditures $689,874,647, resulting in a deficiency of $112,000,000.

"In my judgment the present condition of the treasury amply justifies the immediate enactment of legislation recommended one year ago under which a portion of the holdings should be placed in a trust fund from which greenbacks should be redeemed upon presentation, but when once redeemed should not thereafter be paid out except for gold. It is not to be inferred that other legislation relating to our currency is not required; on the contrary, there is an obvious demand for it."

The president says that in view of the recent acquisition of territory by the United States there should be established regular and frequent steamship communication under the American flag with the newly acquired islands.

In view also of the increased importance of the proposed formation of a commission of sanitary experts to investigate the yellow fever problem, owing to the military occupation of Cuba, the president recommends that congress provide for such a commission. The recommendation made by the secretary of war for the increase of the regular military establishment has the president's unqualified approval. He says that it is his purpose to muster out the entire volunteer army as soon as congress shall provide for the increase of the regular establishment. He recommends the erection for the department of justice and suggests also the advisability of making proper provision for the supreme court. He earnestly approves of the recommendation of Secretary Long as to the increase of the navy and recommends also that the grades of admiral and vice admiral be temporarily revived to be filled by officers who have specially distinguished themselves in the war with Spain. The president earnestly urges early legislation for the taking of the twelfth census, and legislation providing for the education of the 30,000 white children in the Indian territory.

IN FAVOR OF EXPRESS COMPANIES

Decisions Rendered Up to the Present in the Suits Over War Revenue Stamps.

In denying the motion of the Merchant's Association of New York in its case against the Adams Express Company for a preliminary injunction in the suit brought to compel the express companies to pay for express revenue stamps on receipts, the judge of the United States circuit court for the Southern district of New York said:

"I start with the proposition that as between individual citizens, whether they be natural individuals or corporations, common carriers or what not, originally there is the right to agree as to who should bear the burden of the service rendered, and of all the incidents of the rendition of that service. That a common carrier is subject to regulations by congress as to limitations upon his power to make such agreement with the individual citizen is not disputed. The proposition, however, is this: congress prohibited in this particular case the carrier from requiring the shipper to pay the increased expense of performing the act of transportation which the purchase, affixing and cancellation of this stamp imposes upon the carrier. There is no express language in the act, that I can find, laying the burden of that prohibition upon the carrier, and inasmuch as restrictions of the right to contract, which is a right of a great deal of importance and value to the citizen, whether he be an individual or a corporation, should not be spelled out of any uncertain language, or found to exist unless the case is abundantly clear. I am indisposed in the absence of express language, to reach the conclusion, upon this mere cursory hearing of the oral argument, and without the careful analysis and examination of the cases which might, perhaps, lead me to a different conclusion, I am constrained, I say, to reach the conclusion that the act has not prohibited the carrier from requiring the party tendering the goods to pay to the carrier the increased cost which the act of congress has made the particular act of transportation cost of the carrier. I shall therefore deny the motion for a preliminary injunction."

A similar decision was rendered in the case of the United States against the Southern Express company, decided in the United States District Court for the Western district of North Carolina, October 27, 1898. In that case the action was brought by certain fish shippers for a supposed violation of the war revenue act, on the ground that the express company had required them to pay for the revenue stamp to be affixed to each receipt when issued as a condition of accepting their goods for transportation. United States Judge Purnell dismissed the complaint, holding that while the war revenue act required that the tax should be paid, it did not provide who should make the payment, but left that question to be settled between the express companies and the shipper.

A decision to the same effect has just been rendered in the District Court of the United States for the Southern district of California, in the case of the United States against Wells, Farco & Co.'s Express. The complainant tendered a package to the express company and insisted that it should accept the same for transportation and issue therefor a receip having a 1-cent revenue stamp attached and cancelled. The express company refused to issue the receipt unless the shipper would pay the stamp and suit was brought to subject the express company to the penalty of $50, provided in the war revenue act.—Commercial-Appeal.

Judicious Advertising Pays.

THE REALM OF FASHION.

Ladies' Military Jacket.

This natty jacket, while illustrating the trend of national affairs to influence women's dress this season, at the same time affords the protection

A NATTY JACKET.

requisite for a comfortable top-coat. The style is unobtrusive, but may be still less marked by the omission of the nautical looking shoulder straps. While navy blue is the favored coloring for such jackets, they may be made en costume with any seasonable woolen fabrics in black, brown, green, gray, red, or mixed colors—tweed, serge, cheviot, covert, or broadcloth being fashionable.

The close-fitting back is arranged below the waist with coat-laps and plaits that give the scant but fashionable flare. The side-back gores are shaped high in correct military outline.

The loose-fitting fronts lap in double-breasted fashion, the neck being closely fitted by short darts taken up in each front. Brass military buttons are used in closing, and the shoulder seams covered with pointed shoulder straps are held in position by buttons to match, but of smaller size. The neck is completed with a standing collar of true military cut, and a smart finish is given by the stylish application of black braid on the collar, straps, fronts, wrists and pocket laps. The plain two-seamed coat sleeves are military in cut and finish, the moderate fulness being disposed in gathers at the top.

To make this jacket for a lady of medium size will require one and three-quarter yards of material fifty-four inches wide.

Stylish Black and White Costume.

A stylish black and white combination is shown in the large engraving in black peau de soie and guipure lace over white satin, the full chemisette of white mousseline over satin imparting a soft and dainty finish. A narrow quilling of peau de soie, applied with a corded heading, trims the broad collar, revers and epaulets on the free edges. The stylish waist, equally suited for informal dress or ordinary wear, is smartly adjusted over correctly fitted linings that close in centre-front. The full fronts and seamless back are laid in overlapping pleats at the loose edge, and between the front edges is disclosed a smooth vest portion that ends under the bust in pointed outline. The full chemisette puffs out slightly, and the neck is completed by a high standing collar of white satin, covered with black guipure.

WOMAN'S AFTERNOON TOILET.

The broad collar forms a round yoke outline in black and meets the uniquely shaped lapels that roll back from the fronts. Stylish sleeves are arranged with downward turning pleats at the sides and gathers at the top over linings that are closely adjusted to the arm. The wrists flare in rounded bell shape over the hand, showing a lining of white satin and ruching of mousseline de soie under the satin quilling that finishes the edges. The graceful skirt is of circular shaping, the graduated flounce being joined to its lower edge under bias folds of cordings of satin. While desirable for silk, satin, poplin and other dress fabrics, the mode will develop equally well in any of the seasonable wool or mixed fabrics now fashionable. Braid, passementerie, insertion or applique will provide suitable decoration, while a combination of velvet, silk or satin with woolen material will produce happy results.

To make this waist for a woman of medium size will require three and one-quarter yards of material forty-four inches wide. To make the skirt will require four and one-half yards of material forty-four inches wide.

Hints on Remodeling Sleeves.

Some of the coats worn two or three winters ago can be made in style this winter if only the sleeves are cut over, and large sleeves may easily be remodeled by either of the styles which are here given. No. 1, represented in fine covert cloth, is what is called the box sleeve. Instead of the usual pleats or gathers at the top, it is shaped by short darts that are taken up at regular intervals and finished with straps applied by machine stitching. The straps may be omitted and the dart seams simply stitched and pressed flat. A shapely under-arm portion fits the sleeve comfortably, and the wrists are finished with a double row of stitching at round cuff depth. No. 2, in rough woolen cloaking, is shaped with upper and under portions, the fulness at the top being laid in two downward-turning pleats at each side of the shoulder. The wrists are completed with a cuff, simulated by two rows of machine stitching.

WOMAN'S COAT SLEEVE.

To make these sleeves for a woman of medium size will require seven eighths of a yard of material fifty-four inches wide.

The Silk Petticoat.

The new silk petticoat which can have any place among the new fashions must be fitted as carefully as the skirt which covers it, made almost as long and quite plain about the hips.

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CONGRESS convened on Monday, and will now get down to work. The President sent a lengthy message reviewing the war and the present situation.

THE Peace Commission at Paris is approaching the end of its labors. As was expected Spain had to waive all the objections she raised, and we get all we asked for.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN stopped over in Montgomery last Saturday, and made an address to the General Assembly. The gallant colonel has lost none of his old time vigor, and promises to be a lively factor in the next national campaign.

THE House of Representatives, by an almost unanimous vote, passed the bill exempting for ten years all factories or manufactories established in Alabama during the ensuing five years. It is believed the bill will direct the attention of capital to Alabama.

THE General Assembly of Alabama will attend Atlanta's Peace Jubilee as a body. The joint resolution to that effect was adopted Tuesday. The assembly will recess from the evening of December 14, to the morning of December 17. It will reach Atlanta at noon December 15, and remain there a day and escort the President to Tuskegee, where he will visit Booker Washington's school. Upon its return to Montgomery the assembly will recess until January 24.

THE Montgomery Advertiser says that most of the merchants of that city write their own advertisements. A glance through the columns of the capital city papers shows one merchant who advertises an automatic oil heater as "valueless. It may be the advertiser is a truthful man and does not wish to sell his goods under false pretenses. Anyway, he is the only advertiser we ever heard of to decry his own wares. Another advertiser offers country merchants "oak and pollard beds." We perfer something warmer and softer than oak and pollard beds these winter nights. We don't know whether the Advertisor is correct or not, but someone is surely writing some funny advs. in the gay and festive capital.

In the House of Representatives Mr. Reynolds offered a resolution of thanks to Colonel Bryan for his address Saturday. The resolution tends to pledge Alabama to the support of Mr. Bryan for the presidency in 1900. The matter was referred to the rules committee, who reported favorably; and it was passed.

"Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives be and are hereby tendered that great apostle of bimetallism, earnest champion of down-trodden humanity and logical leader of the friends of free silver in 1896, Colonel Wm. J. Bryan, for his wise and patriotic speech before the General Assembly of Alabama on Saturday last.

"Be it further resolved, That it is the sense of the House of Representatives that he is the logical leader of the reform forces of today as he was in 1896."

THE LOCAL PAPER.

Speaking of what a newspaper does for its community, the late U. S. Senator David Davis, of Illinois, made an address that remains ever green in the memory of newspaper men:

"Every year," he said, "your local paper gives from $500 to 1,000 in free lines for the benefit of the community in which it is located. No other agency can do or will do this. The editor, in proportion to his means, does more for the town than any other man; and in all fairness, man with man, he ought to be patronized not perhaps because you like him or admire his writings, but because a local paper is the best investment a community can make. It may not be crowded with great thoughts, but financially it is more of a benefit than both preacher and teacher. To-day editors of local papers do more for less pay than any other men on earth. Patronize your home paper, not as a charity, but as an investment.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by J. S. Jonnson jr.

Spain Cannot Hold the Phillippines.

All intelligent opinions during the past month have been in confirmation of the view that the only salvation for the Phillippine archipelago lies in the full establishment there of American authority. The Spanish forces would be wholly unable to quell the rebels under Aguinaldo and other leaders. But, on the other hand, the rebels themselves are not sufficiently unified in leadership and propose to establish peace and order. If left to themselves they would break into warring factions at once, Manila would be looted, all foreign and commercial interests would be sacrificed, and the anarchy would prevail. Already they are acting independently in different islands. Spain would, of course, endeavor to sell the islands to European powers. But here, again, all sorts of trouble would instantly arise. French influence predominates in Spain; and France and Russia would by no means be willing to see Germany installed at Manila. Germany and England, on the other hand, would assuredly not be willing to see France or Russia fall heir to the islands. The continental powers in a group, would protest against an English solution of the Phillippine question. The Japanese, undoubtedly, would be glad to take the islands, but neither Europe, on the one hand, nor the Filipinos, on the other, would tolerate that. The loss of the Phillippines by Spain has really been enevitable for a long time. Spanish unfitness for colonial administration had become too glaringly apparent in the light of nineteenth-century civilization to survive far into the twentieth. Even if we had not taken Manila, the destruction of Cervera's fleet and Spain's loss of the West Indies would have fanned the spirit of Phillippine revolution into a great flame, which Spain's diminished resources would have been unable to quench. It is only when one gives careful consideration to the possible alternatives that the necessity for the further presence of American power in the Phillippines seems clear.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for December.

If you feel Dull, Languid, Broken Down, Debilitated have Weak Stomach or Indigestion, use Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

Pains in Head, Neck, Shoulders, Back, Front, Sides, Hips and Limbs are readily cured by Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

UNDER THE DEEP SEA.

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diver gives [illegible] pull to release those above. Two pulls on the air pipe give the diver down "more air" again "faster," and so on throughout the code of signals.

In addition to the signal code modern invention has supplied and utilized the telephone, and a speaking apparatus for men working at a depth of 60 feet or more is frequently used. The electric light also is now employed by divers working at a depth beyond 20 feet.—James Cassidy in St. Nicholas.

The Berbers of Morocco are an interesting blond race dispersed along the Atlas range. In the central Atlas they still call themselves "Berber" (plural Berebber), but the meaning of the word is uncertain. Perhaps it is the source of our word "barbarian."

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 7, 1898

It will doubtless be a keen disappointment to the friends of the Woman Suffrage to learn that the final returns from the election in South Dakota show that measure defeated.

Estimates as to the "stay-at-home" vote in the last election show a surprising amount of political indifference. In Missouri alone over a hundred thousand voters remained away from the pols.

The Prohibition party claims some gains in the central west, in the recent election.

The middle-of-the-road Populists (?) in Missouri cast less than 10,000 votes in the last election. Since the election law in that state requires 18,000 votes to maintain party standing they can have nominees on the official ballot, in future, only by petition.

"Joe" Leiter, of recent wheat fame is now engaged in trying to get up a milk trust. Next!

The split in the Republican party on the question of expansion grows apace. Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, on his return to Washington asserted openly that his party in the west stood solidly for extension of territory; Eastern Republicans led by Carnegie take the opposite grounds.

The newspapers are ringing the changes on the names of Roosevelt and Pingree as the leaders of the Republican ticket in 1900.

Articles of incorporation of the Silverware trust were recently filed in New Jersey. The authorized capital stock is $20,000,000 held exclusively by New York capitalists.

Richmond Pearson Hobson, who is claimed by southern papers to be a Populist, has won new laurels by refusing a $50,000 offer from a New York lecture bureau.

Dispatches from Topeka, Kansas, report a sensational discovery of the robbery of strong boxes in the state Treasury Department at that place. The boxes were used by state officials and clerks in the various departments. Governor Leedy was named among the losers.

At a convention of miners to be held at Massillon, Ohio, Dec. 12, it is believed the feasibility and necessity of a widespread strike among coal-miners will be decided.

All high administration supporters are declaring unequivocally in favor of a heavy increase of the standing army and 100,000 is the lowest figure favorably mentioned.

Mark Hanna has announced that he favors the bringing up of the Nicaragua canal question at the present session of congress. It goes without saying that he decries government ownership or operation as "impracticle and visionary" and asserts that a heavy subsidy is the correct thing.

The Union Reform party executive committee held a meeting at Columbus, O., November 26, and steps were taken to form a new organization. Delegates from Illinois, New York and Indiana met with the Ohio men. A national meeting for next March is to be called and it is hoped that the Populist, Silver Republican and Liberty parties can be consolidated. Ohio Populists who have been loud in denunciation of fusion or co-operation in the recent past are identified with this plan which is undoubtedly a move in the right direction. The Union Reformers cast 11,500 votes in Ohio at the election, so they will be entitled, in 1900 to a place on the official ballot.

Figures issued by the comptroller of the currency and director of the mint for the fiscal year claim an influx of gold into this country of $267,000,000, making the present gold fund $925,000,000. These figures are of course more or less "juggled" but as remote as may have been the intention of the official who issued them from establishing such a fact, they only go to show that the Populistic clamor for more money was and is well founded. Of course added prosperity is claimed by the same report.

Complete election returns from Kansas show the vote to be as follows. Republican, 149,443; Populist, 133,908; Prohibition, 4,066.

Among the other measures to be recommended to congress by the Hawaiian commission is a bill prohibiting the importation of contract labor.

A. R.

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The Story Grandma Told.

Mollie's father was a shipbuilder, and the next day one of the largest ships ever built in his yards was to be launched. The wonderful thing about the event, in Mollie's eyes, was the fact that she was to launch in the Ariadne and christen the great ship as it plunged into the water.

The little girl had seen many a vessel sent down the long "ways" to take its magnificent plunge into the water, but there's lots of difference, so Mollie thought, between seeing a thing and "being right into it!"

"Did you ever launch in a vessel, grandma?" she said that evening. She was up in Grandma Pingree's room, talking over her coming experience.

"Why, yes, dear," said grandma. "I launched in a vessel all alone once when I was a little girl."

"Why-e-e, Grandma Pingree!" gasped Mollie.

Grandma smiled. "Yes," she said, "and the queer thing about it was that I didn't know it until the launching was all over!"

Mollie was too much astonished now even to say "Why-e-e!"

Then grandma went on. "My father built ships down on the banks of the river where we lived. In those days they built vessels in the late fall and winter and worked at farming in the summer. When I was 7 years old, father had a vessel ready to launch the 1st of April. I used to go down every day and play in the cabin in the shavings the carpenters had made.

"The day before the vessel was to launch I was playing in the cabin all alone, the workmen being employed in the yard outside. An unusually big tide came in that day, and father decided that as everything was so nearly ready they would better take advantage of the tide and launch at once. So the workmen began to wedge up the blocks, forgetting all about me, and pretty soon the vessel slid gently off into the river.

"Just as the big ropes began to tighten and hold it I went up on deck for something or other, and a more surprised little girl I guess never lived. Father came off in a boat to get me, and he called me 'cap'n' and asked where I was 'bound.' When we got ashore, he said they would name the vessel the Elsie, after me."

"Well," said Mollie with conviction in her tone, "if I had been having such a good time as that I should want to have known it."—Webb Donnell in Youth's Companion.

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Jasper Whatley to Mose & Schwarz on the 23d day of March, 1894, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton county, Alabama, on the 23d day of March, 1894, in Volume 31 of Mortgages, Pages 574-6, and which said mortgage has been duly assigned and transferred, together with the mortgage debt, to the undersigned, Allen P. Howison, I will proceed to sell, at public auction, in front of the Court House door in Clanton, in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, between the legal hours of sale, on

MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 1899,

all the right, title and interest of the said Jasper Whatley in and to the following described property, to wit:

One yoke of Oxen, white and red spotted. One Cow, white back, red sides; One red Cow, inch horns tumbled; Ten head of Hogs.

The n ½ of the sw ¼ and w ½ of sw ¼ section 22, township 21 north of range 11 east, under Section 2290 of Revised Statutes of the United States, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, with the exception of the timber on the above land.

This the 1st day of December, 1898.

ALLEN P. HOWISON,
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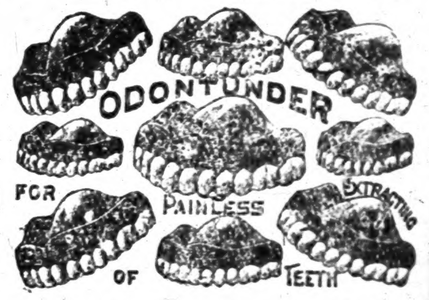

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...S. Stark and family, of Shel... visiting Mr. H. Touro's ... this week.

...J. P. VanDerveer is attending ...e Masonic Grand Lodge at ...pital city.

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Kincheon	Beat 6	Nov.	1
Pletcher's Mill	" 8	"	2
Clanton Ford	" 8	"	3
Stanton	" 8	"	4
Benson	" 8	"	7
Maplesville	" 7	"	8
Sinoults	" 7	"	9
Dixie	" 8	"	10
Valley Cr'k church	8	"	14
Macedonia	" 8	"	14
Hayes Mill	" 2	"	15
Providence church	2	"	16
Elijah Busby's	" 1	"	17
Smith School house	1	"	18
Cofer's Mill	" 2	"	21
Jemison	" 2	"	22
Mineral Springs	" 1	"	23
Strasburg	" 9	"	24
James Maddox Mill	6	"	25
Clanton	" 4	"	28
Cane creek	" 4	"	29
Jesse Maddox's	" 4	"	30
Goer's School	" 4	Dec.	1
Coopers	" 5	"	5
Verbena	" 5	"	6
Mountain Creek	" 5	"	7
Burwell	" 5	"	8
Caloway's Mill	" 5	"	9
Providence ch	" 5	"	10

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of Chilton county, and State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against George E. Skaggs, out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said George E. Skaggs, I have levied on the following property, to wit:

A one-half undivided interest in and to the following described real estate to wit: South-west fourth of south-east fourth of section one, township twenty-three, range thirteen, situated in Chilton county, Alabama.

Therefore, according to said command I shall expose for sale, at public auction all the right, title and interest of the above named George E. Skaggs, to and to the above described property, on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 1898,

during the legal hours of sale, at the Court House door in Clanton, Alabama.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1898.

J. T. COOLEY, Sheriff.

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale given in a certain mortgage executed on the 15th day of November, 1897, by H. L. Deason to John Headley, and recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, Alabama, in Book No. 42 of Mortgages, Pages 619, 620, the undersigned will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the Court House at Clanton in Chilton county, Alabama, on

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1899,

the following described real and personal property, to wit:

The south half of northwest fourth of Section two (2), Township twenty (20), Range thirteen (13), containing eighty (80) acres, more or less; also one Thimble skein Log Wagon and outfit consisting of Loading Chains, etc. All of said property is situated in Chilton county, Alabama.

Said sale will be made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage and costs and expenses incident to said sale.

Dated at Clanton, Ala., Dec. 6, 1898.

JOHN HEADLEY, Mortgagee.
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Notice No. 2056.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., November 2, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., Dec. 10, 1898, viz: Arthur R. Mims, Homestead entry No. 30525, for the s ½ of nw ¼, w ½ of sw ¼, sec. 24, tp. 22 north of range 15 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: E. N. Minor, R. E. Jones, Riley Robinson, Nathan Minor, all of Clanton, Ala.

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Negro Education—Why the Training Should Be Industrial and Not Literary Georgia and the Currency Question—The Textile Workers.

The Man Who Is Ready Now.

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And wear a uniform;
I want to be a soldier, since
There are no forts to storm.
I want to have brass buttons,
I'd like some shoulder-straps,
So that I might look down upon
All ordinary chaps.

I want to be a soldier,
I want a sword to wear;
I want to ride a horse and smash
The hearts of maidens fair;
I'd like to join the army
At the present moment, for
I'll be a long, long time before
We have another war.

—Cleveland Leader.

Negro Education.

"One of the most serious mistakes that have been made all over this country in the treatment of the negro," the principal of one of the colored schools said to a Baltimore Sun man, "has been the establishing of schools in every way like the schools for white children. The white children have the inheritance which have descended to them through generations of cultivated and intelligent ancestors. The negroes have no such inheritance. The education that is adapted to the higher intelligence of the whites is too high for the negro in his present state. Three or four generations hence he will be ready for the kind of education that is offered him now. What he needs now is industrial training, combined with some literary training.

"The present system of training has a tendency to qualify them for clerical positions, but nine-tenths of the colored people earn their living by manual labor, and for many years to come will have to do so. It is true that we have a polytechnic institute for colored boys here in Baltimore, but more attention is given to the grammar grades to preparation for the high school course than for the polytechnic course.

"I don't want to give the impression that I think they get too much literary training in the primary and grammar schools. What they do get is too much in a certain space of time. They can not accomplish the grade work as readily as the white children can and the two schools ought to be graded differently. Longer time ought to be allowed for the accomplishing of the grade work, and the ccurse, by all means, ought to include manual training.

After nearly twenty years' experience as a teacher in colored schools it seems to me that it would be wiser to recgonize the existing conditions—to recognize the dense ignorance which prevails among the majority of the colored people; to recognize the fact that the standard of living is not the same among the colored people as among the whites, and to make allowance for it in our school system. Neither the income nor the intelligence of the colored people enables them to live as the majority of the white people live. Why not recognize the fact? Some of the colored children must add to the family income. Instead of making rules which refuse to recognize this, why not rearrange the system so that they can have the advantage of the very necessary training?"

Consul Stowe's Advice.

From Chicago News: In his report to a Chicago export association Consul General Stowe confirms what has been said in these columns about the necessity of American manufacturers' studying the requirements of foreign trade. On the subject of fly screen Mr. Stowe's expresses volumes in a single paragraph:

"I received a bid recently," he says, "for four cheap screen doors and seven windows (lower sash only), the wire on the windows to be simply tacked on, and the price was $27.50. The people here know nothing of fly screens, though they are as necessary as in America."

Mr. Stowe emphasizes the fact that the best plan would be for some one posted on the manufacturing of doors, windows and similar parts of a house to go to South Africa and see how the houses are built, as they differ from those in this country. Lumber is scarce and very high in that part of the world and the Americans could monopolize the market if they wanted to.

That there is money in the project is evident by the price Mr. Stowe paid for his window screens. In Chicago the order would be filled for $5 or $6 at the outside and probably for less. Mr. Stowe says the wire was cheap and had large meshes and the lumber was poor.

"One of the lessons," Mr. Stowe suggests, "to be learned by the American manufacturer is that he must adapt his products to the wants and needs of the foreign buyer. You cannot force upon the foreign buyer what you may honestly believe is the article he ought to buy, but after willingly supplying him with what he wants you can gain his good-will and cofidence and finally convince him that you are right and he is wrong."

If American manufacturers hope to keep pace with the American expansion policy they must study the foreign trade. When they do that they will control it.

Georgia Currency Reformers.

Evidently the Georgia house of representatives is composed of advanced scientific currency reformers of the Carlisle-Gage-Etcetera school. The difference between the Georgia legislators and the reformers who have had their theories promulgated from the treasury department is that the Georgians are the more logical and candid of the two. The Georgia house has re-enacted a law permitting any bank in the state to issue circulating notes to the extent of 75 per cent of its paid-in capital and inviting would-be beneficiaries of the law to test the constitutionality of that clause of the federal bank law which imposes a tax of 10 per cent on state bank notes. The Carlisle currency bill and, to a less extent, the Gage bill, aimed precisely in the direction of a condition which would follow upon the Georgia law if it were carried into effect. Both the Carlisle and the Gage bill proposed that banks should be permitted to issue circulating notes based solely upon their credit; and the proviso that the federal government should guarantee the payment of such notes served only to emphasize the weakness of the proposition. If we are to have a currency which is based simply on the credit of the issuing banks and which will become worthless when the banks fail, save as the national government gratuitously steps in and pays the insolvent bankers' debt, why not go the whole logical length and invite all and sundry to hang out a bank sign and start their printing presses? The Georgians head the procession of this style of currency reform. Both plans will do more to educate the people on the financial question than was accomplished in 1896.

Electric Wire in Africa.

According to advices from South Africa, no sooner was the British flag floating over its ancient dervish capital than Mr. Cecil Rhodes at once took steps for expediting his scheme for a transafrican line of telegraph from Cape Town to Cairo. Mr. Rhodes' lieutenant, R. D. Mohun, has already left Bombay with an expedition, bound either for Zanzibar or Mombasa. The party will take advantage of the agreement lately come to between the promoters and the Congo Free State, and will construct a telegraph line from Lake Tanganyika to Stanley Falls, on the upper Congo, the work being carried out under the commission of the state. W. Cavendish, the well known explorer, is already carrying the line northward through the extreme northern territory of the Chartered company, and it is confidently expected that he will form a connection with the Mohun line within the next two years. By that time the Tanganyika line will have reached Stanley Falls, and Cape Town will be in telegraphic communication with the chief town on the upper Congo, or, in other words, half the length of the line which is to connect Cape Town with Cairo will be complete. On the other hand, advices from Alexandria are that the line is being pushed southward as fast as possible. The Sirdar kept up complete communication between the front and Cairo, and now the news comes that the line is being carried toward Fashoda from Khartum at the rate of four miles a day. Among the members of Mr. Mohun's party is Dr. Castalotti, who went out from Europe two years ago for plague duty in India. He subsequently returned home, but has since returned to Bombay to join Mr. Mohun's party, for which he acts as medical officer.—New York Times.

Textile Workers.

The general executive council of the National Union of Textile-Workers of America met in the Hotel Cadillac, New York, the other day, and discussed the advisability of making a demand for fewer hours of work and higher wages all over the country. The union, it was said, may soon have a fight upon its hands in the South, where the wages of employes have already been reduced. A member of the executive committee was directed to confer with the local leaders in Augusta, Ga., where trouble is expected in the King & Sibley mills.

Local Union No. 120, Wool-Pullers, of this city, was pledged to the financial and moral support of the National Union in its endeavors to obtain shorter hours and better wages.

The council issued a statement, calling the attention of manufacturers to probable danger to the cotton industry of this country, in the event of the annexation of the Philippines. The council said that if foreign capital were to build factories there the southern manufacturers will suffer greatly.

Labor Notes.

Cleveland (O.) bakers use 400,000 union labels weekly.

There are 12,000 women trades unionists in Great Britain.

Chattanooga stonecutters secured the eight-hour day without trouble.

Philadelphia bricklayers get 45 cents an hour, eight hours a day and have a half-holiday Saturday.

The street car strike at Chippewa Falls, Wis., is off. The men work sixteen hours a day and get $8.10 a week.

Four-fifths of the iron and steel works now have the eight-hour day. The change has been gradual since 1885.

The Hod-carriers' Union of Bloomington, Ill., asked for an increase of 2½ cents an hour, and were successful after a strike of a day and a half.

An agitation is going on in New York city to enforce the ten-hour law for railway employes, some of whom have been compelled to work as high as twenty-two hours continuously.

The secretary of the Retail Clerks' National Protective Association reports eight new locals organized since the adjournment of the convention a few weeks ago. This association is also meeting with fair success in its attempts to establish the early closing custom and the six-day week. The national organization is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, and in nearly all cases the locals are connected with the central labor bodies.

FINANCIAL CATECHISM

CHAPTER ON INDEPENDENT ACTION—PLAIN FACTS.

Under the Safeguards of the Democratic Platform the United States Can Coin Silver Free Without Fear of Foreign Conspirators.

II.

Q. But if we adopt free silver will not our foreign securities be thrown upon the markets and how are we to pay our foreign obligations?

A. All foreign obligations falling due must be paid, no matter whether we have free silver or a gold standard, unless they be extended. If foreign securities, which are foreign debts, be thrown upon our markets they will be eagerly taken by our own people, and no patriotic citizen will regret very deeply such a change. From conditions brought about by "foreign investments" so ardently loved by advocates of the gold standard, by which 30,000,000 acres of our domain—a territory greater than New York or Pennsylvania, belongs to foreigners, such as the British Lord Scully, who owns 3,000,000 acres in Illinois, and applies to it the pernicious system of British landlordism; the legislature of Illinois has thought it necessary to protect us by prohibiting the ownership of lands in Illinois by foreigners. And I am one of those who would rather use home capital and home products for the development of home lands and industries. We will pay our foreign obligations as we have always done, in our own products, which consist of gold, silver, wheat, cotton, corn and manufactured articles, just as we paid them from 1860 to 1880, when we had nothing but paper money. And because the burden will fall upon our wheat and cotton and corn it is important that the price of these articles shall be kept up in order that we may be enabled to pay our debts.

Q. Does the disuse of silver as standard money affect the price of these commodities?

A. It does. With 60 cents in gold the English merchant can buy from us one ounce of silver. He can take his ounce of silver to India, Russia or the Argentine Republic, all silver countries, and exchange it for a bushel of wheat. By selling a bushel of wheat for an ounce of silver the wheat-raiser of Russia, Argentina or India is getting as much for his wheat as he ever got, and his ounce of silver will exchange in his own country for as much as it ever would. Because he is competing with us for the wheat market of the world we must sell our wheat for the same price, 60 cents in gold, or one ounce of silver. But an ounce of silver will only pay 60 cents' worth of debts or buy 60 cents' worth of supplies for us, where formerly it paid $1.29 worth of debts and bought $1.29 worth of supplies. So if we must compete for the market of our most important products with silver countries we must use the kind of money they use or get worsted. What is true of wheat is true of all our products so far as they compete for the markets of the world. One result of this decrease of prices is shown in the following statement: To pay the national debt at the close of the year 1895 would require

646,778,584 bushels of wheat,
90,780,731 barrels more flour,
8,673,406,863 pounds more cotton,
51,339,540 barrels more mess pork

than it would have in 1866.

Q. But why do you take wheat, etc., for illustration? Has not the cost of raising wheat and other agricultural products been greatly reduced of late by the invention of labor-saving machinery, and are not the low prices due to overproduction?

A. We take wheat and other agricultural products for example because, as has already been said, they are important in that we must rely upon them in trade with foreign nations and in paying foreign debts. They constitute 95 per cent of our exports. We are very much interested in them. The period of great labor-saving inventions came before 1873. Prior to 1873 steam was being utilized, the cotton gin, the grain drill, the reaper and the thresher had taken the place of hand work, the cradle and the flail, yet prices had not fallen as they have done since 1873. Nor is the cost of production of wheat being greatly reduced. According to the report of the Illinois state board of agriculture for 1895, the average cost of production of wheat from

1873 to 1895 was 72 cents per bushel;
1881 to 1895 was 75 cents per bushel;
1893 to 1895 was 69.4 cents per bushel.

Nor is over-production the cause. From 1860 to 1873 the production of wheat in the world increased annually at the rate of 2.8 per cent; at the same time prices advanced 20 per cent. From 1873 to 1885 the world's production only increased 1.6 per cent annually, a decrease of almost one-half, but prices fell nearly 32 per cent. Under present conditions, however, there seems to be an under-consumption. In 1877 we consumped per capita 5.01 bushels of wheat when it was $1.17 per bushel. In 1894 we consumed but 3.41 bushels per capita, though it was worth but 67 cents per bushel. The conclusion is inevitable that neither tthe reduction of the cost of production or an over-production has caused the decrease in price, and it is also shown that a great deal more would be consumed if the people had the means with which it could be secured.

Q. Is there not a possibility that some one or some "business interests" may be injured to some extent, i. e., may not persons or corporations who receive fixed incomes, salaries or wages be compelled to pay higher prices for what they buy and receive no more than they now do for their services or any increase of income?

A. The class receiving fixed incomes incapable of being advanced is alone the beneficiary of a single gold standard. Blaine put the case very clearly in 1880 when he said: "The destruction of silver as money and establishing of gold as the sole unit of value must have a ruinous effect on all forms of property except those investments which yield a fixed return in money. Those would be enormously enhanced in value and would give a disproportionate and unfair advantage over every other species of property. Few incomes, however, are absolutely fixed. Almost every line of business and every product of human endeavor must be affected advantageously by the general prosperity of the masses. If it be insisted that some will suffer at least some inconvenience if not slight actual loss, I can reply in no better way than by using the language of an old soldier of my acquaintance: 'When the war broke out I was leading a pleasant, prosperous life. My country called me to face the dangers of flying shot and shell and whistling bullets. Did I heed her call I must give up my peaceful, pleasant career and risk my life. I must give up my $40 per month to receive $13. But the welfare of my countrymen, the fate of a nation hung in the balance, and I shouldered my gun.' Almost the same condition confronts me today. Ten million ill-paid or unemployed laborers, my countrymen, are appealing to me. I hear the complaints of fifty millions of homeless men, women and children. I know that tens of thousands in this land of abundance are in want. The future welfare of my country is at stake. My duty is clear, and though I and some with me be reduced to bread and water, I will vote for bimetallism and a return of prosperity to my country." Because a man has a fixed salary or income today is no indicattion that his condition will be the same next week or next year. At the caprice of an employer he may be dismissed at any moment and be supplanted by one of the dozen or more who are waiting for such a place. Nor is a present fixed income an assurance to any man that his good fortune will descend to his children and possess them of a like advantage.

Q. Do not the Republicans favor the free and unlimited coinage of silver?

A. They say so in their platform, but affirm that we should wait for international agreement.

Q. Well, if it be a condition to be desired at all, why not have it at once?

A. ——

Q. And if it be not desirable, why attempt to promote it by international agreement?

A. ——

Q. Or, if it be in any measure necessary, what are we to do while waiting for international agreement or in case of failure to secure it?

A. ——

The platform does not answer these questions and I leave them to the reader.—J. J. Thompson's Financial Catechism.

The Bryan Dollar.

The "Bryan dollar," to which our New York contemporary alludes with undisguised contempt, was not invented by Bryan, but was created by the people of the United States acting through their congress. We make the statement not in the way of news, but because of the confirmed habit among a great many newspapers of sneering at "the Bryan dollar." We have some 440,000,000 of standard silver dollars in circulation, largely by paper proxies. All told, we have silver to the amount of $550,000,000, reckoned at its coined value. Every penny that has gone out of the bullion value of silver since the decline began has caused a loss of millions to the people of the United States—a loss that can only be made good by a rise in the price of silver. But each of the despised "Bryan dollars," although containing less than 41 cents' worth of silver, is still good for 100 cents; still as good as gold, for each has the faith of the United States pledge to keep it a parity with gold, and the world believes that the pledge will be kept. In other words, each of these silver dollars requires about 59 cents in fiat to keep it afloat at par. Considering the immensity of the stake this nation has in silver, is it patriotic, is it wise, to do or say anything calculated to cheapen that metal? Is it fitting that officials of the United States treasury and the "sound money" papers should join in a chorus of sneers at the "Bryan dollar" and chuckle with glee whenever values go out of and fiat goes into our $550,000,000 of silver.—Washington Post (Rep.)

New Use for Oilcloth.

Oilcloth is the new material for papering ceilings, the term "paper" being used at present in a very elastic sense, signifying anything that can be put on walls or ceiling. The advantage of an oilcloth ceiling is readily discernible, as dust, like good actions, is sure to rise, and if one's home is illuminated by gas or lamps there is only the recourse to the unsightly chandelier protectors to keep the ceiling from getting smudged. The oilcloth can be washed frequently and be kept, by the aid of a damp cloth, as good as new for infinite spaces of time or until one moves to a newer apartment. The task of putting on the oilcloth requires an expert, as the joining is not the easiest thing to do. If you think so, try it. The patterns of oilcloths seem particularly well adapted for ceilings, with their scroll and line effects, which do not conflict with the patterns of the wall paper or its monochromatic effect.

ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

Thursday—Gov. Johnston Inaugurated.

Hon. Joseph Forney Johnston was today inaugurated governor of the state of Alabama, to serve a second term. There was no especial demonstration. It was purely a formal matter, and the time consumed in the ceremonies was only six and three-quarter minutes. There was no procession of carriages from the hotels down town up Dexter avenue to the capitol. Nor was there any military display. Around the capital an outsider would not have recognized that an event of great state importance was transpiring within.

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Bills were passed by the house as follows:

To make the fees of constables the the same as sheriff's when they perform the same or similar services, the counties of Lee, Walker, Tallapoosa, Limestone, Barbour, Marshall and Lawrence excluded; to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to prescribe the duties and qualifications of attorneys and councellors at law, and to regulate their admission to practice in the courts of the state."

In the senate a joint resolution was received from the house asking the superintendent of education to furnish the general assembly with a list of teachers employed in the state.... The joint resolution appointing two servants to serve in the senate was read and passed.... The following bills were read a third time and passed: To authorize Jackson county to build macadamized roads and bridges and to issue bonds of the county to aid in the construction and building thereof with amendment; to prevent hunting on land in Jefferson county without written consent of the owner; to establish a county court for the county of Clay.

A message was received from the governor embodying a list of pardons granted and reasons therefor, which was referred to committees on penitentiary, prisons and punishment. On motion of Mr. Caffee the senate adjourned for thirty minutes to attend the inauguration of Governor Johnston. Upon reconvening after attending the inauguration exercises in the hall of the house, the senate took up the reports of the committees. Several bills were favorably reported and ordered on the calendar.

Bill 135, to regulate the working of children under the age of 12 years in mines and factories in the state of Alabama, but not to apply to prisoners serving sentences for violation of the laws, was then taken up and created much discussion. The bill passed by a vote of 20 to 6. The senate then adjourned.

Friday's Session.

The Birmingham Police Commission bill is being hung up in conference. The bill passed by the house abolishes the commission. The senate adopted a substitute providing for the retention of the commission and the election of the commissioners by the people.

In the senate Mr. Cunningham had called up out of its order his bill to create an auditor for Jefferson county and amended so as to make the salary $2.000, instead of $2,500, and as amended the bill passed. Mr. Cunningham also introduced in the senate a bill to establish a police commission for Bessemer. It is on the order of the Birmingham board, and the commissioners are to be appointed by the governor. Mr. Nunnellee presented a bill to regulate all insurance companies. It requires a depsit to be made with the treasurer of every company doing business in the state.

In the house the day was taken up with a discussion of local bills. Mr. Davidson introduced a bill to require the commissioners' court of Jefferson county to have prepared and published a map of all public highways and principal streams of said county, with accurate mileage thereof. Mr. Mitchell introduced a bill to amend an act to provide for the collection of taxes.

Saturday—Bryan at Montgomery.

The visit of Col. William J. Bryan to the capitol today was the event of the session of the legislature. A telegram was sent the Nebraskan yesterday, and on his arrival here he was met by a committee from both houses. He agreed to stop and spend the day, provided he was not to make a speech. He was escorted to the capitol, where he held an informal reception in the hall of the house of representatives.

The conference committee having in charge the Birmingham police commission bills today agreed upon the senate bill, with a few alterations. This measure retains the police commission and makes the members elective, the present board to hold until their successors are elected by the people at the municipal election next May. As amended and accepted the senate bill makes the number of commissioners seven instead of five, and gives the mayor charge of the city prison.

In the senate Mr. Moody introduced a bill to regulate the capital stock of the Tuscaloosa Coal and Iron Company. Mr. Thompson introduced a bill to provide for compulsory vaccination in public schools and generally for the protection of the public against

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Bills were passed by the house as follows:

To make the fees of constables the same as sheriff's when they perform the same or similar services, the counties of Lee, Walker, Tallapoosa, Limestone, Barbour, Marshall and Lawrence excluded; to amend section 4 of an act entitled "An act to prescribe the duties and qualifications of attorneys and counsellors at law, and regulate their admission to practice in the courts of the state."

The senate a joint resolution was received from the house asking the superintendent of education to furnish the general assembly with a list of teachers employed in the state.....The joint resolution appointing two senators to serve in the senate was read and passed.....The following bills were read a third time and passed: To authorize Jackson county to build macadamized roads and bridges and to issue bonds of the county to aid in the construction and building thereof with amendment; to prevent hunting on land in Jefferson county without written consent of the owner; to establish a county court for the county of Clay.

A message was received from the house embodying a list of pardons granted and reasons therefor, which was referred to committee on penitentiaries, prisons and punishment. On motion of Mr. Caffee the senate adjourned for thirty minutes to attend the inauguration of Governor Johnston. On reconvening after attending the inauguration exercises in the hall of the house, the senate took up the report of the committees. Several bills were favorably reported and ordered to the calendar.

A bill to regulate the working of children under the age of 12 years in mines and factories in the state of Alabama, but not to apply to prisoners serving sentences for violation of the law was then taken up and created a discussion. The bill passed by a vote of 20 to 6. The senate then adjourned.

Friday's Session.

The Birmingham Police Commission is being hung up in conference. The bill passed by the house creating the commission. The senate adopted a substitute providing for the appointment of the commission and the duties of the commissioners by the governor.

In the senate Mr. Cunningham had taken up out of its order his bill to provide an auditor for Jefferson county and amended so as to make the salary $2,500 instead of $2,500, and as amended the bill passed. Mr. Cunningham also introduced in the senate a bill to establish a police commission for Bessemer. It is on the order of the Birmingham board; and the commissioners are to be appointed by the governor. Mr. Nunnelley presented a bill to regulate all insurance companies. It requires a deposit to be made with the treasurer of every company doing business in the state.

Friday the day was taken up with a discussion of local bills. Mr. Cunningham introduced a bill to require the commissioners' court of Jefferson county to have prepared and published a map of all public highways and principal streams of said county, with accurate boundaries thereof. Mr. Mitchell introduced a bill to amend an act relating to for the collection of taxes.

Saturday—Bryan at Montgomery.

The visit of Col. William J. Bryan to the capital today was the event of the session of the legislature. A telegram was sent the Nebraskan yesterday and on his arrival here he was met by a committee from both houses, invited to step and spend the day, as he was not to make a speech. He was escorted to the capitol, where there was an informal reception in the hall of the house of representatives. The conference committee having in charge the Birmingham police commission bill today agreed upon the senate bill with a few alterations. This bill retains the police commission as before, the members elective, the present board to hold until their successors are elected by the people at the municipal election next May. As finally adopted the senate bill fixes the number of commissioners instead of five, and gives the charge of the city prison to the senate Mr. Manly introduced a bill to regulate the capital stock of the Coal and Iron Company. Mr. Thompson introduced a bill to provide for compulsory vaccination in public schools and generally for the protection of the public against smallpox. Mr. Cunningham introduced a bill to incorporate the Lake Water Company.

The chair then announced that the senate would take a recess of five minutes and repair to the hall of the house to hear the Hon. W. J. Bryan address the general assembly.

The house held a very short session today. The news that Colonel W. J. Bryan would spend the day in the city and address the assembly caused the diverted the minds of the members from local legislation. Mr. Patterson, the committee to meet Colonel Bryan, reported that he accepted the committee's invitation to address the house at 11 o'clock. The senate and state officials were invited to seats on the floor to hear the speech of Colonel Bryan and an informal recess of a few minutes was was taken.

Mr. Jones introduced a bill to regulate the holding of teachers' institutes. Also to fix the time when the poll tax becomes available as school funds. Other bills introduced were of a local nature.

On call for report of committees a number of bills were reported favorably, read and placed on the calendar. A message was received from the governor, transmitting the report of the board of trustees of the University of Alabama, which was read and referred to the committee on education.

The senate reconvened at 12:30 and bills on the calendar were taken up, on a motion of Senator Wiley the bill 88 was put on special order for Friday, the 9th.

At 12:30 the senate adjourned to meet Monday at 10:30.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALA

Joe E. Fulks, aged 30, was dead Saturday morning near his at Meridianville.

Killed by a Train.

John Turrentine, of Athens killed by a train at Harris' Station the Louisville and Nashville on Saturday.

Hobson Will Be There.

Lieutenant Hobson has written Ockenden, secretary of the Memorial association, accepting invitation to be present in Montgomery on the occasion of the unveiling of the Confederate monument; Dec.

Gen. Wheeler Goes to Washington.

General Joseph Wheeler left Saturday afternoon for Washington to be present at the opening of congress. In his honor the First division of the state militia, commanded by Major-General C. rendered a marching salute.

Literary Woman Dead.

Mrs. M. M. McEldery died at Ladiga Friday. She was a literary woman of much ability and a writer of prominence by her writing under the name of "Cuba Gray." Mrs. McEldery was a daughter of that distinguished Congressman, Frank Bowden, Sr.

Miss Huff an Heiress.

Mrs. John M. Inman, widow of the late cotton millionaire, who died recently at he home in Castleton, N. J., it is reported, left an estate valued at $21,000,000, a seventh of which was bequeathed to her neice and namesake, Miss Judith Huff, a resident of Attalla.

The President Invited to Birmingham.

At a meeting of the Birmingham Commercial club, held Saturday night, a formal invitation was extended President McKinley to visit that city when he comes to Alabama. After the visit to Atlanta the president will take a trip down to Tuskegee to look at Booker T. Washington's school. From there the Alabama legislature has invited him to visit Montgomery.

Cook Sentenced to Hang.

In the circuit court of Jefferson county Judge Coleman sentenced Frank Cook, colored, recently convicted of murder, to hang on January 27, 1898. Cook was burglarizing the house at Avondale one night last winter when John Blackburn, a well known railroad conductor, and a friend came along and found him. Cook was arrested but broke away from the officers and in their chase after him Blackburn was shot and killed Blackburn.

Given to Pugh.

The Kentucky state election commission Saturday decided the contest of a certificate of election in the Eighth congressional district in favor of Congressman Pugh, republican, over Williams, democrat. The Democratic man-elect, Boreing, republican, was awarded a certificate in the Ninth district, his claim being disputed by John D. White, independent.

Concessions to Spain.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Daily News says: "It is officially announced that the Spanish peace commissioners have obtained the concession granting Spain commercial advantages in the Philippines for ten years. An effort will be made to secure a similar concession in the Antilles."

Royal Marriage Announced.

According to announcement made upon high authority a marriage has been arranged between Princess Sophia of Greece and his cousin, Princess Victoria of Wales. The latter is a year older than the recently appointed high commissioners of the island of Crete.

The government of Nicaragua, as a result of the collapse of the government of Central America, has published a decree declaring Nicaragua to be an independent sovereign state.

memorial tablet in memory of Frederick has been erected Remo, Italy, by the German 's Association. The tablet from the metal of old can-

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A Backsliding Princess.

all the royal family of Hawaii, the days of the missionaries Princess Ruth was a nominal an, or at least a church member. But about thirty years ago there lava flow from Mauna Loa threatened to engulf and destroy Hilo. Continuous prayer meetings were held in the foreign church to avert the threatened destruction. But steadily nearer the hot stream of melted lava came. At last Princess Ruth, throwing all her pretensions of Christianity aside a pilgrimage to Hawaii, her way to the very edge of the's burning lake, and there sacrifice and prayers to Pele, the goddess of fire. At the very hour of the act of devotion the lava flow ceased and Hilo was saved. This had the effect of securing great popularity for Princess Ruth among the people, and very near the effect of the fifty years' work of the missionaries.—Chicago Record.

ERVOUS DEPRESSION.

A TALK WITH MRS. PINKHAM.]

man with the blues is a very unenjoyable person. She is illogical, angry and frequently hysterical.

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A DISCOURSE ON OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING DAY.

PHILOSOPHER SAYS HE'S GRATEFUL

Gathers At the Festal Board, Laden With Good Things, With Fifteen Members of His Immediate Family.

If I was a preacher and believed like General Breckinridge that this was God's war and that God gave us the victory, I would preach a sermon today on Thanksgiving, and would read David's song that he sang after his great victory over the Philistines, for it was the first thanksgiving of that kind on record, and seems to fit our case. "Thou hast given me the necks of mine enemies. I did beat them as small as the dust of the earth. Thou hast kept me to be the head of the heathen, and a people that I knew not shall serve me. Strangers shall submit themselves unto me and shall be obedient unto me. Thou hast lifted me up high above them that rose against me. Therefore, I will give thanks unto Thee, O Lord."

The observance of Thanksgiving Day was a very ancient custom among the Jews. Moses ordained that all the tribes should gather three times a year and bring offerings and give thanks to God for his goodness. The word thanks means grateful thought, an expression of gratitude and the scriptures from Genesis to Revelation give it the highest importance as an acceptable sacrifice. David's Psalms are pregnant with gratitude and he urges it upon all people in the most impressive language. In the days of the apostles the giving of thanks was a daily offering, not only in the temple service, but at home and at their meals. Even the Savior would not distribute the loaves and fishes until He had given thanks; nor did He pass the cup at the last supper until he had given thanks to the Father. Our custom of saying grace at the table is as old as history. It should be said seriously, devoutly and from the heart as well as the tongue. Why not? What good thing have we got that was not given us by our heavenly Father? What are we, anyhow? We don't know where we came from, nor whither we are going, nor what shall be our future state.

We cannot add a year or a day to our existence. We cannot foresee or prevent the accidents of life. We cannot make a single article of food or clothing. We don't know the process by which the grain germinates and grows or the sheep takes on wool or how the silkworm weaves his cocoon. In fact we are utterly helpless and dependent on our Creator and should give thanks every day and every hour, for ingratitude is the basest of all sins. Milton says: "A glutton ne'er looks to heaven during his feast, but with base ingratitud crams himself and blasphemes his feeder." Shakespeare says that "ingratitude is a marble-hearted fiend" and "Blow, blow, thou winter wind. Thou are not so cutting or unkind as man's ingratitude." What a fool is the man who is proud of his money or the woman who is vain of her beauty, for neither was the author of it and neither gave any thanks to God for it. Humility to God is the fittest garment for us all, and gratitude its best ornament. "Humble yourselves under His mighty hand," says St. Paul.

A quaint old poet, who died 250 years ago, said of the Savior: "He was the best of men—a soft, meek, patient, humble spirit—the first true gentleman that ever breathed."

But this is sermon enough for a layman to preach. Turkey time is near at hand and all the et ceteras that surround the feast—we are to dine out today with fifteen of my family. I am thankful that they are all well enough to eat turkey, and the et ceteras, and are all fairly good-looking, except me, and all are loving and kind. I am thankful that we live in this goodly land and that no affliction or calamity has befallen us. I am thankful for the abundant crops, including the 4-cent cotton, for it was Him who sent the sunshine and the rain that made it. 'Twas not Him who fixed the price. I'm thankful for the fruits that feasted us and the children and the flowers that gladden our eyes, and the birds that sing to us. And now how beautiful are the fading leaves that mingle their bright colors with the green pines upon the distant hills. As the poet says:

"The world is very lovely; oh, my God,
I thank Thee that I live."

But amidst all our comforts and luxuries and pleasing emotions, the essence of Thanksgiving will be lost unless we remember the poor and the distressed, not only in our prayers, but in our deeds. Our preacher has invited us all to bring an offering to the church—an offering for the orphans at Clinton, where we have two that our Sabbath school maintains. That is practical thanksgiving, for Solomon saith, "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord," and an old Scotch preacher added, "Now if you like the security, down with the dust."

I'm thankful that this unhappy war is over, if it is over, and I grieve for all those who have suffered from it, whether they be friends or foes.

But the turkey bell calls and I am wanted to preside and say grace. I wish that everybody had a turkey and et ceteras.—BILL ARP, in Atlanta Constitution.

Judicious Advertising Pays.

Curb and Snaffle Combined.

A Canadian has designed a single rein for use on bridles which has all the advantages both of curb and snaffle reins. The single straps are attached to the bit by springs, with chains running to the ends of the curbs, which will not operate until the pull on the springs becomes strong enough to stretch them. The springs are stiff enough to withstand any ordinary pull, preventing the use of the curb until it becomes absolutely necessary.

Rough Tongue of the Feline.

The tongues of the cat family are covered with recurving spines. In the common domestic cat these are small, but sufficiently well developed to give the tongue a feeling of roughness. But in the lion and tiger the spines are strong enough to enable the animal to tear away the skin of a man's hand merely by licking it.

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Practical Parrots.

An English newspaper announces that the Germans are utilizing parrots in their railway stations. The bird is drilled into calling out the particular station while a train is there, thus saving the passengers from making unnessary inquiries.

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It is said that many people in Maine are so offended at the advertisements painted on boards and barns along the country roads that they refuse to deal with firms that so advertise.

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The Russian government has ordered the construction of twenty-three torpedo-boat destroyers of the type of the Sokol, which is of nickel, steel and aluminum, having 240 tons displacement, and a speed of 30.28 knots.

Only 1,925 women voted in Chicago this year, as compared with 30,000 four years ago. An explanation offered by the Chicago advocates of woman suffrage is the little importance of the officers for whom the women are permitted to vote.

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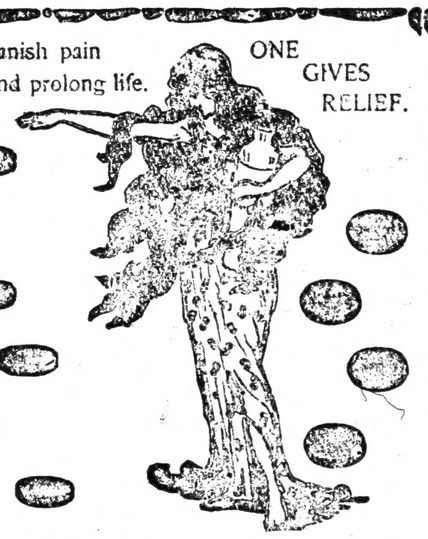

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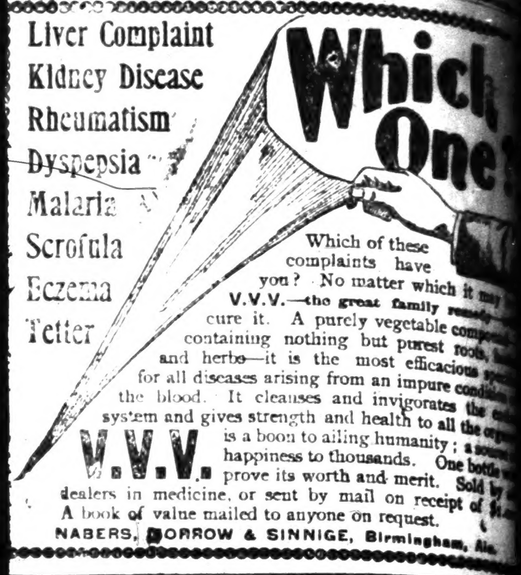

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...al on Trial Was Guilty and ...d So Beyond a Doubt, but the ...d Lawyer Found a Way to ...ite Case.

...Colorado was organized as a ..., there was little English used ... of Denver and the mining ... The rest of the thinly scattered ... was as Spanish as any part of ...uth America. Not Castilians, of ...espore likely a general mixture ...co and Apache and a lot of other ...of blood, but certainly Spanish ... and in speech. "The governor ...recognized that it had a difficult ...ore it in bringing these 'greasers' ...understand the very beginning of ...rations and the duties of their ...as citizenship. One of the most ...agents in this campaign of edu... was Judge Hallett, who was put ...e of the judicial system of the ...itory. From that time to this ...been at the head of the federal ...y in the great and prosperous ... Colorado. Despite this fierceness ...e and countless oddities of tem... judge has ever been so respected ...ong the great divide.

...he first went on circuit, the bar ...ver with him and traveled in a ...h for sociability and for safety. ...ere was no railroad, the only ...of reaching any place from any ...ing along a slightly marked ...ly passable for horses. By slow ...he bench and the bar reached ...d under the cold shadows of the ...de Cristo range. Those Spanish ...ere an incessant annoyance to ...Hallett, who declaimed against ...in turn and announced his ...of memorializing the secretary ...interior to have them all made ...s. Of a piece with this was his ...ckward the prevailing Spanish ...of the country. He objected to ...ing the first rules of his court ...which provided that all its ...ings should be in English, and ...tigants objected to the work of ...an interpreter that was their ...ght. It might encourage them ...to talk "American," as they

...ended Colonel Taylor of the ...ointed for the defense in a ...ase no defense was possible. ...e was full of witnesses who ...the deed done, whatever it ...been, for that is unimportant. ...ecuting attorney put on wit... witness to prove the facts. ...a perfect case, and he demand... full punishment be inflicted. It ...difficult situation for Colonel ...His client was guilty beyond a ...shadow of a doubt, but after ...rigorous examination of the wit... he could only make that fact more ...clear and for that reason he did ...look foolish. The case was alto... Spanish. Criminal, witnesses, ...—there were not six words of ...in the whole outfit. The inter... had been called on for every word ...had gone back and forth through... Colonel Taylor arose to ...his plea. He surveyed the cluster ...faces which filled the shed in ...the court was sitting.

..."Gentlemen," he began—"caballeros ..."—

...was a loud whacking of the ...Judge Hallett as soon as he ...the sound of the language which ...used so heartily.

..."Taylor, Mr. Taylor," he shouted, ...a member of the bar of this ...court must be aware that all its ...proceedings must be conducted in the ...English language, the language of this ...court. If I thought that you were ...using Spanish maliciously, I should ...commit you for contempt of court. You will address this ...court in the United States in United ...States or in no other speech, language ...or tongue."

..."If your honor's ruling," continued Colonel Taylor and resumed his ...address in English and with the assistance of the interpreter. He told the ...jury how the sight of their ...fellow countrymen had caused ...them to infract a rule of the court and to ...indulge in the sonorous speech of ...Castile which their proud forefathers ...had employed the judge, but ...under the restraint of having to make ...himself understood through the assistance of ...an interpreter. It was a simple matter ...that could set right in a few sentences in their own language, but he ...could not do ...it in English he could not do ...it. He hoped that they would ...not allow a citizen punished solely ...because that his advocate was not ...able to address a Spanish jury in ...their tongue. Harping on this ...he avoided any discussion of the ...case which bore so heavily on his ...client, but in his peroration he paid a ...high tribute to the language of Don ...Carlos and Queen Isabella. This done, ...he sat down on the spot and was not seen ...to stand again for the day.

...The next met, the prosecuting ...attorney replied to know why he had ...the temerity to receive congratulations ...on the acquittal of his client. ...Let him free without a stain ...upon his character.

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Lily.

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Mrs. M. A. White is visiting her sister, Mrs. Parnell, at Stanton.

Miss Lizzie Jones has gone to Prattville.

Mr. Crit Jones has gone to Wasnington county for work.

Mrs. Lewis Honeycutt is very low with consumption.

Miss Mattie Edwards has been spending a few days with Miss Mamie Lenoir.

Little Bertha Ousley is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. Deshazo.

Mr. Walter Lenoir has secured a school at Macedonia.

Mr. J. C. Veazey and wife have moved near Macedonia.

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Dr Massey was in this section last week.

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Mr. John Atchison killed a hog last week that weighed 400 lbs.

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Prof. Martin is teaching at Pine Grove, a school house near this place.

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A CORRESPONDENT.

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Mr Lester Parnell went to Selma last week.

Mr. L. O Dyer and Master Albert went to Selma Thursday.

Miss Jessie Melton, of Selma, visited friends and relatives here last week.

Messrs. John Cooper and Brigg Sexton went to Montgomery last week on business.

Mr. R H Nelson went to Brookson Sunday.

W. J. A. Melton moved his family to Jasmine Wednesday.

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Commissioner General Peck is likewise indulging a propensity for expansion. He has secured 22,000 square feet more for American exhibitors at the Paris Exposition.

The government of the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, has directed that the pupils in all the official schools shall be taught to write and perform all manual tasks as well with one hand as with the other.

It was a Chicago man who, having purchased a kaleidoscope, brought it back the next day and indignantly explained he had tried to play on the blamed thing for an hour, and had not been able to get a tune out of it.

A normal school in Wisconsin has been equipped with an electric program clock system. Clocks are operated automatically from a central point, announcing the exact time for various studies and recitations, and indicating in which room they will be carried on. The superintendent has a telephone and switchboard that enables him to communicate with any teacher in the building without leaving his chair.

A Swiss anthropologist, on his return from Patagonia, brought home with him a complete collection of Patagonian skulls, and when the custom-house proposed to tax them on the basis of animals' bones imported as manure, he protested that this was an insult to humanity. To his surprise his objection was listened to, and he received a receipt for the duty charged upon a higher scale, with the skulls entered as "returned emigrants' worn effects."

The act requiring the navy department to build four more monitors was passed before the lessons of the war had shown the defects of this class, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. Since the craft must be built it is well that they be the best of their kind. Thus it is gratifying that the plans are to be changed, and the new monitors made much larger and better than the old. They are valuable only for harbor defense, but they can go to sea at a pinch, and can make a long voyage if they do not have to encounter rough weather ships on the way. However, the country is not likely to build any more, as we are not likely to have any more scares about attacks on the coast. The Spanish war has shown that the place to defend our coasts is out at sea, wherever an enemy's fleet can be found.

The development of mines of ore and sulphur in Sicily has always been the cause of many strikes, on account of the low prices paid to the laborers. The government of Rome obtained recently from the Chambers a law guaranteeing financial support to sick or wounded and lame miners. The proprietors of the mines announced that they would decrease the wages of the workmen in a sufficient proportion to meet the extra expenses imposed upon them by the operation of the new law taxing property for the support of invalid laborers. The miners in the Province of Girgenti to the number of about a thousand have struck work, and, at last reports, the strike was still in progress; fortunately this time it was not accompanied by the violence and bloodshed which too often marked the labor troubles of Sicily.

The history of the last few years shows a succession of hostilities against England from all sides and in all quarters, none the less aggressive, none the less dangerous, than if they had been conducted in actual warfare, says the Sydney (New South Wales) Bulletin. Look at the intrigues of France in Egypt, in Siam, in Niagara, in Madagascar, or the Nile; look at the encroachments of Russia in Persia Afghanistan, the Pamirs; look at the characteristically prudent and cautious, but none the less real hostility of Germany in the Transvaal, in Zanzibar, in Samoa; look today at the unanimous exultation of the continent at the blows which are being struck at the prestige and commercial interests of England in the East. Everything seems to show that England must either make ignoble submission to a European aggressiveness which seeks to bleed her by fair means or foul, or take the risk of financial ruin, of possible effacement as a first-class power, in a desperate contest with the monster armies of her neighbors, to whom she appears as the one great obstacle to their designs.

A NEW REPUBLIC TAKES HER PLACE AMONG THE WORLD'S NATIONS.

The United States of Central America, a Probable Power in the Politics of This Continent.

Now comes the United States of Central America, a nation which has arisen out of much revolution. It is composed of Nicaragua, Salvador and Honduras, which have at various times done a little fighting together and against each other. The seat of government has just been moved from Amapala, the temporary capital, to Chinandega, in Nicaragua. A constitution, which is practically that of our own country, has been adopted. So the new nation, pocketed between Guatemala and Costa Rica, two States not particularly friendly to it, has begun its existence.

Enthusiasts have been singing of the blessings of a union of the five States of Central America for many years—ever since the federation made in 1823 was destroyed by strife and jealousies. Central American politics is an intricate game. In view of history there have been doubts expressed as to the permanence of the present union. Yet if the Nicaragua Canal is built there may be a development and a building up of these Central American States which will give their institutions stability.

There is no limit to the effects which may follow the formation of this new unification of the Latin republics. The three States which are enclosed in the middle of Central America are keeping at arms' length two nations with whom their relations are constantly disturbed. There is Guatemala on the north and Costa Rica on the south. Between these two republics stretch the mahogany forests of Honduras, Salvador and Nicaragua. Salvador has had several encounters with Guatemala, and Nicaragua and Costa Rica are not on especially good terms.

Theoretically, the five States are supposed to have a community of interests; to be a greater republic, the members of which are bound together by indissoluble ties. Revolution seems inborn in the body politic of these countries.

The wars and internal disorders have undoubtedly interfered with the prosperity and progress of the republics. While the United States of

A TYPICAL HOME OF THE FIRST-CLASS.

American was building railroads, reclaiming the wilderness and improving harbors, Central America was pursuing the game of revolution.

Stability of government, the completion of a ship canal, the exchange of products with the United States, may work wonders in this land of change and shift.

Here is the oldest community on the American continent and yet the last to take to itself a government which gives some sign of being an abiding one. Years before Jamestown was founded Spain had planted her colonies here and had ground the natives under her heel. The ruins of once wealthy and influential cities still attest the story of wealth and grandeur. Structures over the roofs of which centuries have passed remain to tell of the civilization which came to the land of republics and revolutions.

It was on this neck of land which Columbus set foot when he first reached this continent. That was in 1502. Twenty years passed by and then the conquerer of Mexico—Hernando Cortes—hearing stories of the fabulous wealth of the countries which lay below, started south with an army of seasoned, mailclad veterans.

He reached his destination after two years of almost incredible hardship. He conquered Guatemala. The natives were slaughtered by the thousand. The conqueror or his lieutenants possessed the land. Granada, in Nicaragua, was founded and a civilization was built on this continent which the Spaniards had largely learned from the Moors. In Granada many of the old buildings still stand.

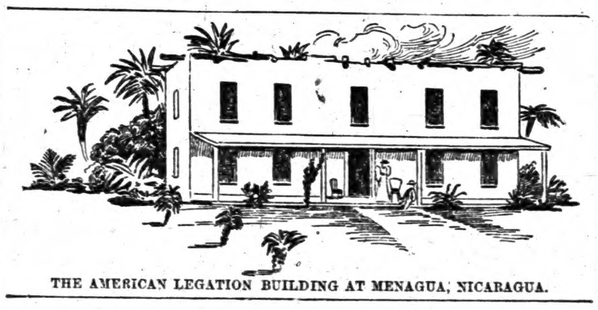
All the countries of Central America were united under the name of Guatemala and a captain-general presided over them. Those who have followed the history of Spain know how the proud old land ruled her Central American possessions.

Then Mexico gained her freedom. Then the Cenral American provinces of Spain demanded independence, and in 1821 they received it. The Federal Union of Central America was founded in 1832, and until the close of 1839 it held the five States together. The States withdrew one by one.

With this period the name of General Marazon will always be associated. He was one of the founders of the Union. Even after it had gone to pieces he tried to join together the fragments—to get the blocks which formed this puzzle of five into regular order again. He was shot at San Jose, in Costa Rica, in 1842, whither he had gone to attempt a coup in the interests of a united Central America.

Several efforts have been made since that. Unrest was the leading trait in the political character of these republics. Revolutions sprang up from time to time in all of them. It was charged by each republic that its neighbor or neighbors were giving aid to the revolutionists which she had expelled from her borders. Less than a year ago Nicaragua came very near going to war with Costa Rica on account of such a charge. Her President imprisoned a Costa Rican Consul at Managua. Troops were marched to the frontiers and a treaty of peace was finally signed.

An unsuccessful effort was made by Guatemala in 1872 to effect a union of the States. General Justo Rufus Barrios came very near forming an organization in 1887. He discovered that Salvador was treacherous and marched against it. He conquered the Salvadoreans, but fell a victim to



THE AMERICAN LEGATION BUILDING AT MENAGUA, NICARAGUA.

sharpshooters. By a treaty concluded at Analapa in 1896 all five of the republics formed a federation, which was called the Greater Republic of Central America. It amounted to little more than an agreement to leave questions in dispute to a diet of deputies appointed from the various republics. It will, of course, be superseded by the formation of the United States of Central America.

Diplomacy has sought to do everything possible to restrain jealousy and dissatisfaction in this new nation. The Presidents of the States become Governors. It has been agreed that none of them shall become a candidate for

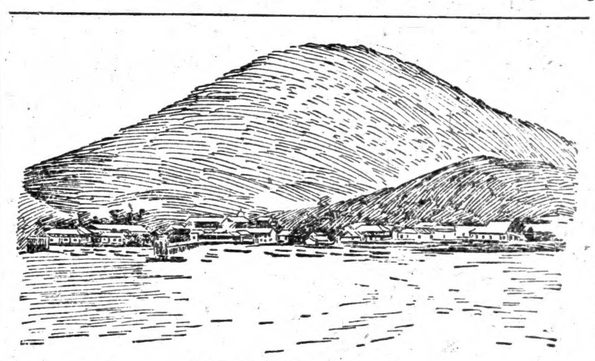
MAP OF THE NEW UNITED STATES.

President of the new Republic, who will be chosen on December 13. The successful candidate will be inaugurated next March. The new capital, Chinandega, is in Nicaragua, on the Pacific side. The temporary capital, Amapala, was in Honduras, on an island in the Bay of Fonseca.

If the resources of this new nation were properly developed it would become a rich and peaceful nation. The forests of all three of the countries are rich in mahogany and dye-woods; gold and silver have been found, there is an abundance of coal, and there are fortunes in coffee and tropical fruits. The future of this trio of republics depends in a large measure as to what policy may be pursued with regard to the Nicaraguan Canal. The present concession expires next year. The United States of America, it will be remembered, sent a delegation of officers and engineers under Admiral Walker to make an examination of canal routes. It is proposed to use the San Juan River, the boundary between Nicaragua and Costa Rica, and Lake Nicaragua as a part of the proposed waterway across Central America.

Nicaragua is as large as the group of States including Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island. Honduras is about the size of Ohio. Salvador is one hundred and forty miles long and sixty miles in breadth.

Nicaragua has been the scene of many conflicts. The old cities of Granada and Leon warred for fifty years as to which should be the capital of the State. Leon, which is now partially in ruins, represented the liberal party, and Granada the conservative. General Walker, a New Orleans editor, and a distinguished scholar, was invited to the country in 1855. He seized the supreme power, partly destroyed the city of Granada, and ruled with a high hand. The neighboring



AMAPALA, THE OLD CAPITAL.

States aided his enemies against him, and expelled him from the country. He returned to Truxillo in 1860, where he was shot.

Salvador, the smallest of the three, has always been an aggressive State, and has not been behind her neighbors in wars and revolutions. The capital is San Salvador.

The English Moody.

At one time the Rev. Henry Varley was a butcher. He is a noted English evangelist, who recently came on a second visit to this country. The way

HENRY VARLEY, THE ENGLISH MOODY.

he entered upon an evangelistic career was by addressing his fellow workmen. Gradually he became known as a good speaker, and went traveling over England addressing the people. He has since earned the title of "The English Moody," which is a great compliment, for Evangelist Moody is as much thought of by the religious people of the British Isles as he is in his own country. The Rev. Mr. Varley has addressed large crowds in New York and elsewhere. He is a powerful and eloquent speaker and has a charming personality. It is by the sheer force of ability that he has risen to his high position in the evangelistic world.

Among the assets on which Spain will have trouble in realizing is a great deal of shop-worn diplomacy.

AUSTRALIAN DIAMONDS.

It Is Supposed That Great Wealth Will Some Day Be Unearthed.

Although considerable numbers of diamonds are continually being found in Australia, chiefly in New South Wales, the true matrix has never been discovered. In that colony there is evidence in every case to show that the stones were drifted from their original matrix to the places where they were found, but up to the present its locale and nature remain unknown, says Public Opinion. When both have been ascertained it is probable that New South Wales will become one of the leading diamond producing countries of the world, but the work of prospecting is difficult, tedious and costly, by reason of the mountainous character of the country in which gems are principally found. The finest stones yet known were obtained several years ago from the Cudgegong river, rising in the Australian Alps and running through auriferous country in the northwestern portion of the colony. No regular search is being made at the present time for the stones, the gold mining industries being found of a more certain and remunerative character, but at Bingera and other portions of New England district, in the northern portion of the colony, diamond mining is actively carried on, the stones generally being small and many "off color." Others of the same kind are found at Inverell, in the same country. Not a few of the stones obtained at either place would be classed as first water by the expert, being white, clear, bright and free from speck or flaw, but their extreme hardness makes the cost of cutting expensive in proportion to their size. Considerable numbers of diamonds from Bingera, Inverell and other places are annually sold in Europe, the larger stones bringing good prices. Thus, a Bingera diamond which, when cut, weighed slightly under a carat, was disposed of in London for $75, another, with a greenish tinge, weighing over half a carat, when cut, bringing $50. The stones average about four to the carat in the rough stote. For diamond drills and similar industrial purposes, the New South Wales stones are simply invaluable, and are preferred to those of other diamond producing countries. At Mittagong, between seventy and eighty miles south of Sydney, diamonds are found in a drift, associated with other gems. Some of the stones are of a much deeper tinge than the straw color which makes them "off," and are regarded as having a peculiar beauty of their own as yellow diamonds. In 1895 some good diamonds were found in one of the western gold districts, where some alluvial mining was being carried on at a depth of from twenty to fifty feet. One of the stones, capable of being cut into a first-class brilliant of four carats, was sold for $375. Although diamonds are met with in numerous places in New South Wales, often many miles apart from each other, their sources remain undiscovered to this day. The abraded appearance of the stones generally shows that they must have traveled a considerable distance, although their extreme hardness has caused the signs of abrasion to be less conspicuous than in Brazilian and other diamonds. It is believed that the matrix of the Bingera and Inverell diamonds will be found somewhere near the great dividing range, and that as it is approached the stones obtained will increase in size. The ancient river bed down which they were carried has yet to be discovered.

Natural Mistake.

According to a story told on a certain Mr. Swadleigh, by his neighbors, he had a mortifying adventure. He has a phenomenally large neck, and lately had occasion to change his laundryman. On the Sunday morning following this action on his part, it was noticed that he was an unusually long time making his toilet. He called his wife, and she went upstairs. "Maria," he said, "I wish you would see what is the matter with this shirt. The sleeves are all wrong, and I can't find any holes for the collar buttons." Mrs. Swadleigh gave one look at it, and went into a paroxysm of laughter. He waited till she had partially recovered, and then said: "Perhaps you will be good enough to tell me what you are laughing at!" "George," she replied, faintly, "you are trying to put that shirt on wrong side up! The laundryman starched the wrong end of it!"

Schopenhauer's Disappointment.

The story is told that a friend, invited to dine with Schopenhauer at his favorite restaurant, where a number of officers were in the habit of meeting, noticed that Schopenhauer took a gold coin from his pocket before eating and laid it on the table beside him. When the meal was over the philosopher replaced the coin in his purse. Upon a question from his friend, Schopenhauer explained: "I have been dining with these officers for some time," he said, "and about two months ago I registered a silent vow to give the gold coin, of considerable value, to some worthy charity on the very first occasion upon which I should hear these gentlemen talk of anything but women, horses and the chances of promotion. You see I still have my money."

Looking Some Distance Ahead.

At Columbia, Mo., Miss Lucile Johnson surreptitiously secured a marriage license issued to Miss Fannie Reed and Downy Buckner. When threatened with prosecution if she did not return it she gave it up on condition that she should be Buckner's second wife in the event he ever became a widower. Upon that understanding Buckner and Miss Reed were married.

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There are about 500 clerical prisoners, and the government is confident that their captors will release them upon proper representations from Gen. Otis and Admiral Dewey. It may be necessary to call the navy into service in this matter, for the reason that some of the prisoners are held in captivity on other islands than Luzon, which can be reached best and most effectively by Admiral Dewey's ships. Besides the clerical prisoners, the Americans themselves hold nearly 15,000 Spanish soldiers as prisoners. The men captured at the fall of Manila. These are actually on parole about the city, and the question is, how are they to be returned to Spain? This must be settled by the peace commission at Paris.

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ACT ENDS THE WAR

Document Contains Seventeen Articles—Closing Scene Was of an Interesting and Momentous Nature.

A Paris special says. The treaty of peace was signed at 8:15 Saturday evening, and the signing would have recorded a subject for a great historical painting.

The group, gathered about the table in the chamber of the foreign office, was impressive in itself, while the fact that the sense of the momentousness of the issue which the act decided was deeply felt by the participants, gave an impressive and solemn tone to the scene.

Around the great mahogany table sat the ten arbiters of the destinies of old and a young nation. Ranged, standing behind them, were numerous attaches of the American commission.

To the Americans it was a happy ending of the epilogue of war; for the Spaniards it was plainly a bitter tragedy, none the less painful because long foreseen. They sat silently as though almost crushed, and none could withhold sympathy from Senor Montero Rios, the president of the Spanish commission, who, coming from his bed, was bundled in a great overcoat, though logs were burning in the fireplace nearby.

Parchment Work Was Slow.

Although the commissions met at 2:30 o'clock, expecting to finish their work in half an hour, the engrossing of the treaty on parchment was found to be so troublesome that it delayed the signing of the document until 8:20. Clerk Martin, of the American commission, worked all day without even stopping to eat. When he came into the chamber at 7:30 with the document he found the commissioners waiting. The Spanish copy had arrived half hour earlier. Mr. Arthur Jefferson then proceeded to read first the English and after that the Spanish version of the treaty. This finished, two copies were passed around the table, the commissioners signing them in the order of their rank, as follows: William R. Day, Senator Cushman K. Davis, Senator William P. Frye, Whitelaw Reid and Senator George Gray; Senor Montero Rios, Senor Garnica, Senor Villarutia and General Genero y Saens, each commission signing his opponent's treaty.

Both were tied with the Spanish and American colors.

When the seals were prepared to be affixed attendants were sent scurrying for ribbons of the French tri-color with which the documents were sealed as a compliment to the French hosts of the commissions.

Many officials interestedly watched every detail of the proceedings.

The last seal being impressed, the commissioners retired without formality. Each member shook the hands of all his antagonists and exchanged assurance of sincere personal esteem.

The signing was finished at 8:45 o'clock. At that time the door of the chamber opened and Senor Villarutia appeared and exclaimed to a group of correspondents who were waiting in the corridor:

"C'est fini."

The other members of the Spanish commission followed Senor Villarutia and passed silently through the vestibule to their waiting carriages. The American commission strolled out chatting complacently and as they ascended the steps the lights in the chamber were darkened.

There was a great contest among the families and friends of the American commissioners for possession of the pens with which the signatures to the treaty were written.

The treaty as signed consists of seventeen articles, it having been found desirable to subdivide two or three of the articles in the draft agreed upon at the last meeting.

The commissioners of the two nations wrote their signatures on two copies of the treaty, one copy being for the archives. The document was prepared by Secretary Moore in behalf of the United States commission and by Senor Villarutia for Spain on account of the continued illness of Secretary Ojeda, of the Spanish commission.

Each copy contained the English and Spanish texts of the treaty in parallel columns. The wording had been agreed previously by the commissioners without a joint meeting, so there was no controversy on this subject.

FREIGHT TRAIN WRECKED.

Plunge Goes Down Embankment, Killing Engineer and Fireman.

Freight train No. 5, from Chattanooga to Memphis, Tenn., on the Memphis and Charleston, was wrecked at Stevenson, Ala., Sunday night.

The engine left the track and rolled down the embankment. Engineer Kinsella and Fireman Drake, both of Huntsville, were killed.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

NICARAGUA CANAL.

Senator Morgan Makes a Three Hours' Appeal for Action.

Discussion of two questions each of interest and importance at this time, was begun by the senate at its session Monday. Territorial expansion and the construction of the Nicaragua canal occupied the attention of the body during the greater part of the afternoon.

As soon as the routine morning business had been disposed of, Mr. Vest, democrat, of Missouri, called up his resolution, offered last week, declaring it to be unconstitutional for this government to secure foreign territory except for coaling stations or some like purpose unless its intention was to confer statehood upon the territory and citizenship upon its inhabitants.

Mr. Morgan opened the debate on the Nicaraguan canal bill with a three-hour appeal for action at this session. The whole country, he said, would be disappointed if Congress did not act. He was willing to take any measure which would result in the building of the canal. In the course of his remarks he agreed to accept an amendment specifically excepting the canal from neutrality with regard to any country with which the United States might be at war.

At the conclusion of Mr. Morgan's speech the senate adjourned.

House.

The house spent the larger part of the day on the District of Columbia affairs. The bill to relieve the condition of the American seamen was again taken up, but nothing was accomplished.

TWO SOLDIERS KILLED.

Members of the First Florida Engage in a Fight.

Henry J. Nelligan, cook, and George W. Beverly, buglar, both of Company C, First Florida, were killed at Huntsville Sunday night. Nelligan and Beverley were on bad terms and had a fight in camp. Nelligan drew a knife and stabbed Beverley, who pulled out a pistol and told him to stand back. Nelligan's brother, H. W. Nelligan, seeing Beverly with a pistol in his hand, killed him with a Springfield rifle. Beverly's brother, Roy, emerged from his tent at this time and saw his brother fall. Thinking he had been killed by Nelligan, he shot the cook dead. Private Porter Wright, Troop D, Tenth cavalry, was found with a terrible bullet wound in his throat on West Holmes street. He spoke only a few words after he was found. He stated he had been held up by two soldiers, who had robbed and shot him.

TO RECEIVE THE PRESIDENT.

Preparations About Complete for His Reception by Alabama.

Preparations for the reception of President McKinley at Montgomery next Friday have been completed by the legislative committee. The general assembly will leave Montgomery for Atlanta at 7 o'clock Thursday morning. Governor Johnston will accompany the party. Thursday and night will be spent in Atlanta, and Friday morning the assembly and the governor will accompany the president and the governor to Tuskegee, where the latter will make a public address. From Tuskegee the party will go to Montgomery, arriving at 3 p. m.

The presidential party will remain there but two hours, having an engagement in Savannah Saturday morning.

Three Cubans and One Spaniard Killed.

Three Cubans were killed and one Spanish officer, and two Cubans wounded Sunday night in Havana, Cuba, in an affray between Spanish officers off duty and a number of citizens and a party of Cubans who wished to close the Tacon theatre on account of the death of General Calixto Garcia at Washington. The manager of the theatre refused to continue the performance, which precipitated the row.

Col. Bryan Has Resigned.

All doubt respecting the intentions of Col. William J. Bryan were removed by the receipt at the War Department Monday of a telegram from him, stating that he had mailed his resignation of his commission as a colonel of volunteers, and that it was approved by the the division and corps commanders.

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Germany May Occupy Samoan Islands.

The Berlin correspondent of the London Standard says: It is rumored here that the great powers concerned have agreed to a German occupation of Samoan islands, beginning with Upola.

Gen. Rivera Arrives at New York.

General Ruis Rivera arrived in New York Monday from Paris and was greeted by General Tomas Estrada Palma and other Cubans. Since his liberation from life imprisonment General Rivera has partly regained his health.

Steamer Howard Burned.

The steamer John Howard, a large and fine stern wheel freight and passenger carrser, burned Saturday night at Columbia, La. No lives were lost. The boat had about 1,000 bales of cotton.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

CONFEDERACY'S MONUMENT.

Beautiful Work Accomplished by the Ladies of This State.

In the dedication and formal presentation to the state Thursday of the handsome Confederate monument on Capitol hill, the ladies of the Alabama Memorial association completed a noble work. The shaft stands less than 100 yards from where Jefferson Davis stood when he took the oath of office as president of the Southern Confederacy, and just outside of the window of the chamber in which the first Confederate congress met.

In 1886 Jefferson Davis came to Montgomery and laid the corner-stone of the monument with elaborate ceremonies. Since then the shaft has approached completion as the available funds justified.

It is a magnificent monument, costing some $70,000. Its base is thirty-four feet square and consists of four layers of stone, making as many steps. These steps lead up to four pedestals, on each of which is a statue—one of an infantryman, one of an artilleryman, one of a cavalryman and the other of a sailor.

From out of the common center rises a seventy-foot circular shaft four or five feet in diameter. A circular bas-relief around the shaft represents troops on the march. A Corinthian cap surmounts the top of the shaft, and upon this is a magnificent ten-foot statue in bronze, representing a female figure and typifying patriotism and the women of the South. The figure upholds in one hand a broken flag and with the other tenders to he sons a sword.

The fund for the building of this monument was started by the women of Montgomery immediately upon the close of the civil war. The state was impoverished and their progress was slow at first.

Hazing Abolished at the University.

The students organization at the University of Alabama have adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, Hazing in the past has been detrimental to the welfare of the University, and, whereas, it will remain injurious as it is allowed to exist.

Be it resolved by the fraternity of the University, That hazing in no form shall be countenanced by us; and,

Be it further resolved, That we use all our influence towards abolishing hazing at the University of Alabama; and,

Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be handed to the faculty of the University, and also published in the Crimson-White, and the leading papers of the state.

E. C. Street, representing Psi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity; W. H. White, representing Alabama Beta Delta, of Alpa Tau Omega Fraternity; F. C. Owen, representing Alabama Alpha of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity; B. P. Powell, representing Theta Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity; J. R. Foster, representing Alpha Beta Chapter of Kappa Alpha Fraternity; J. W. Stickney, representing Alabama Mu of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, committee on resolutions.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the faculty:

The faculty of the University are gratified to learn from communication sent in to the president this day, that fraternities existing among the students have determined to use their influence to stamp out the practice of "hazing" new students.

Hobson Given an Ovation in Birmingham.

Lieut. Richmond P. Hobson, the hero of the Merrimac, arrived in Birmingham Saturday and was greeted by an immense crowd at the depot. While in that city he was banqueted by prominent citizens. He left for Greensboro, the home of his parents, where he will spend several days before departing for San Francisco, from which port he will sail the day before Christmas for Manila, where he goes to supervise the work of saving several of the Spanish warships which Admiral Dewey sank in Manila bay.

Gen. Wheeler's Generosity.

Gen. Wheeler, for their loyalty to him, has placed the selection of two cadets from his district, one each for West Point and Annapolis, in the hands of a committee of ten, who were his warmest supporters during the early part of his last campaign.

Advance in Iron.

The Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company has announced an advance of 25 cents per ton on all grapes of pig iron. The advance, it is said, has been practically forced upon the company by the remarkable demand for the product that prevails. This places No. 1 foundry at $8 per ton, No. 2 at $7.75 and No. 3 at $7.50, while the average of the quotations is $7.80. If these prices are obtained the wages of the coal miners, to the number of 4,000 or 5,000, will go up 2 1-2 cents per ton on January 1, the contract with them being that the miners will receive 2 1-2 cents' advance for every 50 cents per ton advance in iron above $7.10.

J. B. Henke, Sr., one of the oldest and best known German residents of Tuscumbia, whilst hauling a load of corn to a neighbors accidently fell from the wagon, and by the time his son, who was with him, could jump from the wagon and reach his side he was dead. It is thought his neck was broken by the fall, or that he was seized with apoplexy and fell dead. He was about 72 years old.

Willie Hainsworth, aged 15, was run over by a traid and killed at Bloc-ton.

GENERAL GARCIA IS DEAD

The Distinguished Cuban Patriot Succumbs to Pneumonia.

HEADED A COMMISSION TO THIS COUNTRY

In His Delirium the Noted Warrior Gave Orders for a Battle and Then Passed Into the Great Beyond.

Gen. Calixto Garcia, the distinguished Cuban warrior and leader, and the head of the commission elected by the Cuban assembly to visit this country, died Sunday at the Hotel Raleigh, in Washington, where the commission has its headquarters. The sudden change from the warm climate of Cuba, with the hardships he had endured, to the wintry weather of New York and Washington is responsible for the pneumonia which resulted in his demise. He contracted a slight cold in New York, which did not assume an alarming stage until the early part of last week. On Tuesday night Gen. Garcia, accompanied by the other members of the commission, attended dinner given in his honor by Gen. Miles, and it was the result of the exposure that night which culminated in his death. During the twelve hours or more preceding dissolution Gen. Garcia was unconscious most of the time. At intervals he recognized one or more of those around him.

In his dying moments, as all through his busy and active life, his thoughts were for his beloved country and its people, and among his last words were irrational mutterings in which he gave orders to his son, who is on his staff, for the battle which he supposed was to occur tomorrow, and in which he understood there were only 400 Spaniards to combat. Just before he died he embraced his son. Rev. Father MaGee of St. Patrick's church, was called in during the day and was with Gen. Garcia until the end, administering the last rites of the Catholic church.

The remains were immediately prepared for burial, and were placed on a bier in the room in which he died. A large Cuban flag served as a covering, and the head rested on one of smaller dimensions.

By direction of Major-General Miles a detachment of soldiers from battery E, Sixth artillery, at the barracks under command of Lieutenant Cox, was detailed as a bodyguard for the remains. After General Garcia's death steps were taken to notify the government officials and also the executive committee of the Cuban assembly, which has its headquarters at Mariannao, Cuba.

GEN. LEE SAILS FOR CUBA.

Great Crowds Witnessed His Departure.

General Lee and staff sailed from Savannah for Cuba Sunday afternoon on the transport Panama. Crowds of people lined the wharves as the transport passed down the river. As the tug boats cut loose, the siren taken from the Spanish cruiser Almirante Oquendo after the battle of Santiago, and now on the tug Cambria, screeched the Panama a parting salute.

General Lee will remain outside of Havana until January 1, when he will enter the city.

The Panama will land at Marianao, where General Lee will establish his headquarters on the camp site selected by Colonel Hecker for the Seventh corps, and will remain there till he enters Havana.

NEW YORK TROOPS

Marched Through Havana Streets With Flags Flying.

HAVANA.—The Two Hundred and Second New York regiment began to land early Monday morning, and at 10 o'clock a column about 1,000 strong marched from the San Jose wharf to the Christina railroad station. The troops were led by Colonel Zeyburn and Major Abbot, the regimental band playing simple marching airs. The color sergeants bore the stars and stripes and the blue and gold banner of the state of New York. The route was a mile and a half long. There were only the ordinary number of people in the streets and it was only occasionally that cries of "Viva Espana," "Viva Americanos" "Viva Cuba Libre" were heard.

Baby Surprises the Family.

Mrs. Oscar Stanley of Anderson, Ind., gave birth to a baby boy nine days ago. When placed in care of the nurse she found a rather peculiar pimple on the inside of the thigh. She thought nothing of it at first, but it began to get very sore and also became very large. The other day when she was bathing the child her hand came in contact with a sharp projection. She called a physician, and he found that there was a needle in the child. It was finally extracted and proved to be two inches in length. It was in the child when it was born. He thinks the mother swallowed it probably many years ago. The child is sound as a dollar today and will never be bothered because of the fact that he was born with a needle in him.—Louisville (Ky.) Post.

"They are gone, God knows where!" is the significant account given of the reconcentrados by one of the chief Spanish officers in Cuba. That grim statement is the fitting epilogue of the history of Spanish rule in the Pearl of the Antilles.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Washington Items.

The Mexican Government decided to raise the Mexican Mission at Washington to the rank of an embassy. Turkey will probably soon follow Mexico's example.

Chief Surgeon O'Reilly and Lieutenant Weston have been ordered to Jamaica to make a thorough investigation of the British method of caring for troops in tropical climates.

Superintendent Green has presented to Congress a report on the Congressional Library Buildings and grounds. The visitors during the eleven months ended December 1 numbered 546,852.

The Postmaster-General estimates the deficiency in the postal revenues for 1900 at $4,255,888. The estimate for army and navy pensions is $141,000,000; cost of pension service, $1,233 830. Total, $145,233,-830.

Washington officials think that the outcome of the peace negotiations in Paris may be two or more treaties.

Senator Vest introduced a resolution declaring that the United States could not, under the Constitution, acquire territory with the idea of holding it permanently as a colony.

The Court of Inquiry appointed to investigate the abandonment of the Infanta Maria Teresa during the storm of October 29, reported that there was no fault or negligence on the part of any naval officer.

The Secretary of State received a cable message from United States Consul Gibbs at Tamatave, Madagascar, saying that the bubonic plague was broken out at that place.

Lieutenant A. P. Hayne, instructor in the Agricultural Department of the University of California, now in Manila, has been detailed to conduct an official investigation into the agricultural resources of the Philippines.

The Oregon and the Iowa have been ordered to proceed from Montevideo to Valpariso, where further orders will await them. Their future destination will be determined by circumstances.

The State Department has been advised that the French Government will send for the first time a naval attache to Washington in connection with the staff of the Embassy.

Ex-Queen Liliuokalani has arrived, accompanied by Dr. English, her physician and secretary; Mrs. Heleluhe, Miss McGuire and a maid. She will present to Congress a claim to about a million acres of land in Hawaii.

Domestic.

United States Senator Kenney's second trial for alleged frauds upon the First National Bank of Dover, Del., has begun.

The nitro-glycerine house of the Hudson Powder Company at Pinole, Cal., blew up, killing Superintendent Kennedy and four Chinese, the only workmen in the building at the time. Four tons of nitro-glycerine exploded, completely demolishing the building.

During a fierce snow and wind storm the breaker of the Enterprise Colliery at Shamokin, Penn., was blown down, causing $100,000 damages. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

Frank J. Gould, of New York, son of Jay Gould, reached the age of twenty-one years and received the $10,000,000 left him by his father.

Sister Mary Angelo, while at prayer a few days ago in the Immaculate Virgin, Staten Island, was burned to death. Her dress was set afire by a candle which was too near where she was praying.

Samuel Bear, of Williamsport, Penn., accidently shot and killed his wife. Bear was about to start on a hunting trip and had all his equipments ready, including his gun. He had just kissed his wife good-by and was handling the gun when it went off. Mrs. Bear fell mortally wounded, and died in a few minutes.

James H. Southall, whose dealings in fraudulent Government time checks were said to have caused losses to firms and individuals all over the country, to an amount aggregating $750,000, was sentenced in St. Paul, Minn., to State prison for ten years' hard labor.

Two east-bound freight trains, running together on the Fitchburg Railroad, collided near Athol, Mass., and F. W. Knight, of Williamstown, a brakeman, was caught in the wreck by the legs and burned to death, in spite of the efforts of his comrades to release him.

John Gross, of Decorah, Iowa, shot and killed his daughter Tillie and shot himself dead at his home. The daughter was about to leave home against her father's wishes. His wife saved her life by running away.

Paul I. Dulian, Town Marshal of Covington, La., was shot fatally by a gang of whitecaps. The regulators started out to intimidate some negroes, and coming to the residence of George Harris, colored, fired several volleys into the house. Dulian started out to investigate the trouble and as he stepped from his door was shot down.

Thomas Hacklin, who enlisted at the Philadelphia army recruiting office, and assigned to the Tenth Infantry, at Camp Forsee, while en route to Huntsville, Ala., fell from the Southern Railway train at Bridgeport, Ala., and was instantly killed.

Frank A. Magowan and his wife disappeared from Erie, Penn., with Edith Barnes, Mrs. Magowan's child. They were on bail upon a charge of kidnapping.

Michael F. Corcoran, ex-Postmaster and a hotel proprietor of Duryea, Penn., was murdered and robbed by burglars.

William Kent, after securing the arrest of his brother and while he was handcuffed, shot the latter dead on a train near Girard, Ill.

The Trial Committee of the Bar Association of Cleveland, Ohio, made a report recommending that Senator Vernon H. Burke be expelled for misconduct.

Henry Haas, forty years old, of Brooklyn shot Mrs. Elizabeth Schoemacher, with whom he boarded, and then sent a bullet into his brain, killing himself. The woman was only slightly wounded. Haas had become angry and shot her because she had demanded the money for his board.

Fire destroyed a sixteen story, steel framed and marble walled building on lower Broadway in New York City, occupied by the Home Life Insurance Company and several other firms, causing a loss of over $1,000,000.

A fierce hurricane swept Chesapeake Bay and the city of Baltimore, Md. Houses were unroofed and trees uprooted in Baltimore.

By the explosion of the main steampipe of the Mallory Line steamship Alamo while lying at her dock in New York City, six of the crew were killed. They are: Peter Murphy, second assistant engineer; Thomas McHugh, oiler; Patrick Farrel, oiler; Frank McMahon, fireman; John Ryan, fireman; Frank Farrel, coal passer.

Postmaster Henry L. Kilgore, aged fifty-seven years, of Belfast, Me., died a few days ago from the effects of a fall down stairs.

Foreign.

The London press express satisfaction at the reference to Anglo-American relations in President McKinley's message.

Fifteen women and girls were killed by jumping from windows of a burning factory in Vilna, Russia, and fifty others were dangerously hurt.

The French steamer Algerois has foundered near Bona, a fortified seaport town of Algeria, near the mouth of the River Seibous. Eleven persons were drowned.

It is thought in Madrid that the Queen Regent will ask Premier Sagasta to remain in power, and the Cortes will be convened on January 7.

THE NATION'S FINANCES.

Secretary Gage's Report of the Treasury Department Sent to Congress.

OUR GREAT YEAR IN EXPORTS.

The Receipts and Expenditures For the Fiscal Year—A Big Increase of Our Foreign Commerce—The Trade Balance For 1898 Is in Our Favor—The Porto Rican Currency.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The annual report of the Secretary of the Treasury to the House of Representatives treated of a great variety of topics embraced in the operations of his department.

The report shows a deficit for the year of $38,047,247.60, the receipts having been $404,333,953.75 and the expenditures $532,-381,201.35.

The internal revenue receipts were $170,-900,641.49 and those from customs $149,-575,062.35. Military expenditures were $91,932,600.29, and naval expenditures $58,-823,984.80. There was paid out for pensions $147,452,368.61.

The receipts for 1898 were $93,946,785.86 more than for 1897. There was an increase in internal revenue of $24,212,067.20 and a decrease in customs receipts of $26,-979,064.30.

The revenues for the current fiscal year are thus estimated: From customs, $195,-000,000; from internal revenue, $270,000,000; from miscellaneous sources, $20,000,-000; from postal service, $92,874,647.37. Total, $577,874,647.37.

The expenditures for the same period are estimated as follows: For the civil establishment, $93,000,000; for the military establishment, $250,000,000; for the naval establishment, $60,000,000; for the Indian service, $12,000,000; for pensions, $141,-000,000; for interest on the public debt, $41,000,000; for postal service, $92,874,-647.37. Total $689,874,647.37. Deficit $112,-000,000.

It is estimated that the revenues for 1900 will be: From customs, $205,000,000; from internal revenue, $285,000,000; from miscellaneous sources, $20,000,000; from postal service, $100,958,112; total, $610,958,112.

The estimates of appropriations for the same period are $641,106,490.64, giving a deficit of $30,048,378.64.

The net increase in circulation was $159,-812,878, giving an amount per capita of $24.87, as against $23.23 a year ago.

The Secretary says that the year's exports were the greatest ever recorded, averaging more than $100,000,000 a month, the total being $1,231,482,330. Of this the exports of agriculture were $853,683,570, and of manufactures, $290,697,354, both being the highest in history.

For the first time the exports of domestic manufactures were greater than the imports of foreign manufactures, while the exports were twice as great as the imports—a condition heretofore unknown, the trade balances in our favor being more than twice as great as that of any former year.

The value of foreign imports was less than in any previous year except 1880, though the population has increased fifty per cent. since that time. The total imports were but $616,049,651 against $764,-730,412 the preceding year, and $779,724,-674 a year earlier.

The Secretary discusses at length the currency problem in Porto Rico, and suggests that action be taken to assimilate the money of the island to that of the United States "by making customs dues in the island payable in American money, yet receiving the silver pesos and centavas at a fixed relation to our dollar."

A policy to build up our merchant marine is favored by the Secretary.

A SUBMARINE MINE EXPLODES.

A Peculiar Accident That Resulted in the Killing of Four Men.

Boston (Special).—Four men were killed and several seriously injured at Fort Independence, in Castle Island, in Boston Harbor, a few days ago, by the explosion of a mine which had been removed from the channel. Those killed were Sergeant Morris McGrath, Hiram Vaughn, Private Brennan (a diver), and a man named Ryan.

The accident occurred about 2 o'clock. Vaughn, Brennan and Ryan had placed the mine on a cart, and started to take it to the place where the other ammunition was stored, when from no apparent cause the mine burst. The horse and cart and the three men were blown to fragments. Sergeant McGrath was standing fully twenty feet away. He was instantly killed by the concussion. His body did not bear a mark of any sort. As soon as possible after the explosion a careful search was begun by Lieutenant Raymond, who had charge of removing the mines, but not a fragment of the three men or their clothing could be found. Ryan was a civilian assisting in the work. Vaughn was a member of the Engineer Corps. Sergeant McGrath was the keeper of the Island, and was well known throughout Boston and its vicinity.

Pennsylvania's Ballots Counted.

The official returns of the late election in Pennsylvania have been computed at the State Department in Harrisburg. Stone's plurality over Jenks is 117,612. The official vote for Governor: William A. Stone, Republican, 469,834; George A. Jenks, Democrat, 352,222; Silas C. Swallow, Prohibition, 131,537.

Nicaragua's Independence Decreed.

The Government of Nicaragua as a result of the collapse of the United States of Central America, has published a decree declaring Nicaragua to be an independent sovereign State.

Oklahoma Family Burned to Death.

The home of Hiram Biggs, a farmer living seven miles southeast of Perry, Oklahoma, caught fire a few days ago, and Biggs, his wife, and three children were burned to death.

A French Ultimatum to China.

France has sent an ultimatum to China demanding the release within ten days of a French missionary held prisoner by rebels in Sze Chuen Province.

Pardons "Lese Majeste" Prisoners.

Emperor Francis Joseph, of Austria, has pardoned all lese majeste prisoners in honor of his jubilee.

British Parliament Will Meet in February.

The British Parliament will reassemble on February 7.

Train Kills Children in a Carriage.

A train on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad near Ivy City, Md., struck a carriage in which were four children on their way to school, causing the instant death of Fanny Bell Harris and James Gray and severely injuring a boy named McDonough.

Havana Aldermen Dismissed.

Nine aldermen of Havana, Cuba, have been dismissed by the Secretary of Justice upon the demand of Civil Governor Castro, who charged them with frauds in connection with the slaughter house monopoly contracts.

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ONE day this week a gentleman called in THE BANNER office and said he had found a blue mark on his paper and did not know what it meant. We explained to him that it was a gentle reminder it was time he renewed his subscription. He did so at once, like a gentleman, and went his way rejoicing, and left us also rejoicing. Have YOU paid your subscription, making yourself feel good and THE BANNER happy? If not, why not do so now?

IN about three weeks time Clanton will be holding an election for Mayor and Councillors for the ensuing year. So far as THE BANNER is aware the citizens are fairly well satisfied with the present administration, and will probably re-elect the same members. During the two years the corporation has been in existence a number of improvements have been made. The only complaint we know of is that the streets might have been put in somewhat better shape. Main Street, in particular, should receive attention and the sidewalks fixed. It is to be hoped that the new administration will see that this is done.

As was anticipated, the bill providing for the holding of a constitutional convention has passed both branches of the General Assembly, and as soon as the Govornor has affixed his signature will become law. We regret to note that the Representative from Chilton was not at his post to vote against the bill. The act provides for holding an election in July next when the people are to vote for or against holding a constitutional convention and at the same time are to elect delegates to the convention which is to convene at Montgomery in August. The bill has been hastily rushed through the Legislature, no proper time was allowed for debate and it rather looks as if those back of the measure were afraid to allow time for consideration or they might not carry the bill through.

There should be no haste in a constitutional convention or in any of the preliminary arrangements. Of all things in the world, a constitutional convention needs to be deliberate and dignified. The members should be calmly and deliberately selected. Nothing should be done in a hurry, but the earnest and best judgment of all the people should be devoted to the consideration of this all-important matter.

We hope the people of Chilton county will fully and freely discuss the convention, and right now begin to think of the very best man in the county for our delegate. He should be a man of good common sense, sound judgment, firm and unyielding unless convinced he is in error, a man capable of having opinions of his own and able to express them. He should be a man in whom the people can have the utmost confidence, and should be the united choice of the whole people. Party politics should be left on one side in the election of this delegate. Populists, Democrats and Republicans are alike interested in the result of this convention and should send to its deliberations the best man we have.

A Quarter of a Century.

Few of us stop to think of the past. Most of us can readily go back in memory beyond the quarter century limit, yet few of us realize what those few years have done. This country twenty-five years ago had but one rail line across our continent. Now we have six. That original line had a little over twenty years ago gross earnings of about twenty-five millions. Now the combined gross earnings of the six lines amount to over one hundred and eighty-five millions, and the line showing the greatest earnings is essentially a southern one—Southern Pacific. These figures, this actual advance in about two score years, almost stagger belief, yet these figures are facts. Passenger and freight rates have been enormously reduced, and yet the increased tonnage of these six transcontinental roads has more than compensated nearly eightfold. Wonderful, isn't it? But it is only the beginning Before another quarter century passes, our trade with our new possessions, Hawaii, and the Phillippines, will more than quadruple these earnings. to say nothing of the immense trade naturally aud inevitably ours, just opening with Asiatic countries. This increased demand will increase the line, lower the rates and enhance the earnings. This will, as it always does, reclaim the wilderness, build cities, redeem deserts, establish industries and increase the property of the richest nation of the world. A quarter of a century ago a steel rail was a rarety We brought them from England. Now England is buying steel rails from us. Recently over a half million tons of steel rails were ordered, three railroads taking nearly two hundred thousand tons. The south has naturally increased in prosperity more rapidly than any other section; being naturally richer, she naturally ought to. This is evidenced by the percentage of gain in the southern railroads, being double the average of the combined roads of our country. Look back a quarter of a century and you could almost count our cotton mills on your fingers. Try it now. Compare prices of necessities and luxuries twenty-five years ago, and see if your pocket wants the "good old times." A revolution has occured. We are living a new life. We are only on the threshold of prosperity such as we have never known, and the south, with Cuba, Porto Rico and the Nicaragua canal will realize its full share.—Constitution.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by J. S. Jonnson jr.

ATLANTA has been celebrating this week with its peace jubilee, and had a great time. To day President McKinley and his distinguished party are visitors in Alabama at Tuskegee, and tomorrow are the guests of the State at Montgomery.

HE FOOLED THE JURY.

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on his character and without their seat and it was all due to your Spanish. Why didn't you wait? You're the hero of the whole population."

"That's just the trouble," rejoined Colonel Tayler. "I knew they'd acquit that rascal and then they'd fall all over me with their Spanish. I just naturally had to hide. Those three words that Judge Hallett choked me off on, that's all the Spanish I ever knew in my life. I couldn't afford to be congratulated."—New York Sun.

Fanny Crosby at Work.

When Fanny Crosby, the blind hymn writer, composes her hymns, she withdraws into a room, where, sitting alone with a little hymnbook pressed to her brow, she allows her thoughts full play. She never writes her hymns out, but composes the stanzas one by one until the whole hymn is completed; then she dictates it to an amanuensis. Her memory is remarkable. As an instance of this she states that Philip Phillips had once asked her to write the words of 40 hymns, the titles of which he read to her.

These titles she retained in her memory, and one by one she composed the hymns. When the 40 were finished, she dictated them, titles and all, to an amanuensis. She has written over 8,000 hymns.—Ladies' Home Journal.

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Congress and the Army.

The whole problem is complicated by the fact that action by Congress is necessary in any case. The administration of the army is completely hampered by cast-iron laws that no radical nor extensive reforms can be made except by legislation. The hands of the President are tied as completely as are those of the general commanding. The root of the whole difficulty is in the penurious spirit which has been shown toward the army in legislation. No effective remedy can be applied unless this evil be first overcome. Back of all this, and the primary cause of the whole trouble, is the attitude of the people themselves toward the army. Their representatives in Congress do but effectuate the will of the people. They have always regarded the army with distrust and have looked with disfavor upon all recommendations for the improvement of the service made by army officers. They get exactly the kind of an army they pay for; they get precisely the degree of efficiency to be expected under the circumstances. No legislation can destroy the indomitabe spirit of the American soldier. The soldier of the line fights, equally regardless of legal injustice and of physical hardships, because it is in the Anglo-Saxon blood to fight. The same spirit led the staff officers to work day and night, to wear out their health and to bring themselves to the point of entire exhaustion in order to supply the necessites of the fighting line. Like the soldiers of the line, they took the means at hand, and amid a thousand discouragements did the best that could be done with them.

The most urgently needed reform is the absolute divorcement of the army in all of its departments from politics It is absurd to expect the same thorough efficiency and preparation found in other departments of the public service unless the same methods are used. Military service is certainly as important as civil service—more so in time of emergency. Its administration ought to be conducted with the same single eye to efficiency, and no department of the army should be more exempt from political influence than the staff. This points at once to the most urgent reform, viz., make the commanding general the real working head of the army, instead of the Secretary of War. No good results have come to the service by the extension of the Secretary's powers in Grant's first administration. Most of the evils of the service can be traced to the fact that the general commanding has since that time been practically deprived of his proper functions, and the real head of the army has been a politician, usually not versed in military science. Promotions in the service should never depend upon political influence in any department, nor should the recommendations of a politician carry any weight in the military service more than they would in those offices filled through the civil service examinations alone. The restoration of its proper functions to the office of the general commanding, as Grant exercised them when he was commander-in-chief, would be a long step in the right direction. It would put the administration of the army in the hands of a soldier, and that would be an origin of all other necessary administrative reforms.—From "Our Army Supply Departments and the Need of a General Staff," by Lieut. John H. Parker, in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for December.

Advice to Consumptives

There are three great remedies that every person with weak lungs, or with consumption itself, should understand.

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YOUTHS' DEPARTMENT.

Captain Sigsbee's Dog—The Story Grandma Told—Mistakes In Telegraph Messages.

Mrs. Charles D. Sigsbee, wife of the captain of the battleship Maine, has an article in St. Nicholas on "Pets In the Navy." Mrs. Sigsbee says:

You have heard of Peggie, the pug dog on the U. S. S. Maine when she was blown up. Peggie is now at Key West. She is a pretty little dog. She was a tiny puppy when first given to the captain of the Maine, a little more than a year ago, and was very full of fun and mischief. She always slept in the cabin and amused herself by "worrying" any shoes she found, and dragging about anything she could, as most puppies do. She always followed the captain everywhere, no matter how many steps and ladders were to be climbed. This caused her to break her leg one day. The leg was put in splints, but Peggie could not keep still enough to have it knit properly, so when she was well this leg was a little shorter than the others

Peggie was very fond of rushing at the waste paper basket and dragging out the contents. She would whine and cry in a very funny way when she could not get them out. She regarded with great suspicion any one in civilian dress coming on board the Maine and barked at all who were not in uniform. She could turn a somersault if you held her head down a second.

One day she came into the cabin with a chicken bone sticking out of one side of her mouth and a pretty nasturtium blossom in the other side. She looked so cute that I wish I had the picture to show you. One ear stuck up and the other lay down, giving her a very comical expression. She knew just what she wanted to do. Laying the flower carefully down in one corner, she took the bone into another and proceeded to eat it. After the bone had been disposed of she took the flower in her mouth again, and finally left it at the captain's feet.

Once she was taken driving at Key West, and while the carriage was in motion she jumped out of the vehicle on one side and into it at the other until the person she was with feared she would break all her legs Afterward she thought the horses' tails were meant especially for her to play with. So over the dashboard to bite the tails and down under the horses' feet she went. But she was not hurt and soon sprang into the carriage again.

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Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by J. S. Johnson, Druggist.

Mark Twain and His Pyjamas.

Mark Twain has an intense dislike for clothes, and if it were possible would remain in his pyjamas day in and day out. And whenever he can do so he eats breakfast in them, receives his friends and works in them. His favorite mode of writing is to lie flat on the floor on his stomach in his pyjamas with a pipe in his mouth. When on lecture tours, he never gets out of his sleeping clothes until it is time to go to hall or opera house. When the fit strikes him, he likes to exercise, and then with his customary shamble will shuffle along for miles and exhaust his most athletic companion But he feels far more at home in his pyjamas than in a street suit or evening clothes, and in them he remains as great a part of the day as Mrs. Clemens will allow him.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Cyclists as Sportsmen.

The wheelman himself can hardly be held answerable for the death of a rabbit which bolted into his machine as it stood by the roadside and broke its neck, and there was contributory negligence, as the lawyers say, on the part of the cat which tried to go through the wheel of a passing bicycle and gave the rider a bad fall at the cost of its own life. Much more noteworthy than either of these was the achievement of a cyclist who while scorching along the road (he must have been scorching) ran into a covey of partridges and killed one, his heel passing over its neck. The only way in which this curious accident can be explained is to suppose that the birds were "dusting" at a bend in the road, and that the cyclist's approach, concealed by the hedges, remained undetected till the enemy was literally among them.—Chambers' Journal.

Cures Without Medicine.

A sweet faced woman who preaches the gospel of love and declares she has the power to cure bodily ailments in a manner akin to that employed by the Christian scientists has established a church for her creed here and offers to cure all who apply at her apartments up town. Creeds of this sort seem to be catching on here.

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TOWN ITEMS

Commissioners' Court meets second Monday in February, first Monday in March, second Monday in June, second Monday in July, second Monday in August, Monday in November.

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Dr. Sale was called to Vincent on the fourth to see Mrs. Sawyer who fell in the kitchen and was severely burned. The patient is doing well.

Circuit Clerk E. B. Deason has rented the Wm. Phillips residence, and his family moved in from Kingston this week.

Mr. C. H. Thier has two white Berkshire pigs 3 months old, one weighing 96 lbs and the other 71 lbs.

Mr. E. M. Pinckard went to Birmingham Monday.

Mr. John Gullahorn and wife, of Birmingham, are visiting relatives in town.

Mr. P. D. Wilson made a trip to Birmingham Monday.

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Wednesday evening Mr. John W. Bell brought down two colored prisoners from Minooka and placed them in jail here. The prisoners were Ed Garrett and Frank McAlpine, charged with assault to murder.

Mr. Tipton Mullins went to Birmingham Tuesday.

Miss. Gartman is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Gullahorn, at Billingsley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dunkin, of Prattville, spent Sunday with Mr. Phillips.

Miss Mary Williamson, of Verbena, visited Mrs. O. A. Duke this week.

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Mrs. A. J. Gullahorn of Billingsley has returned home after a pleasant visit to her mother, Mrs. Pittman.

Rev. F. M. Woods is removing his family from Blocton into the parsonage new house.

Early to bed and early to rise makes a man for his home in the skies. But early to bed and a dose of Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and sweeter. J. M. Stanfield.

Rev. W. B. Dennis has returned from the Conference of the M. E. Church at Greensboro, and will be transferred to Pattersville. We shall be sorry to see Bro. Dennis go and glad he is not to leave the county.

Rev. J. P. Sanders, who holds a high place in the esteem of many Methodist people, has been appointed presiding elder of the Methodist church for this district.

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Marriage licenses have been issued this week by the Probate Judge to the following persons.

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Notice No. 20181.

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Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on January 28 th, 1899, viz: Frank Henry Hoffstead entry No. 28518, for the se ¼ of sw ¼, sw ¼ of se ¼, Section 30, Township 21, in Range 13 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John A. Lowery, of Clear Creek, Ala.; William H. Shaw, of Clear Creek, Ala.; Oliver C. Mellraw, of Clear Creek, Ala.; George B. Armstrong, of Montevallo, Ala.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1898,

the following-described real and personal property, to wit:

The south half of northwest fourth of Section two (2), Township twenty (20) Range thirteen (13), containing eighty (80) acres, more or less; also one Dahlke skein Log Wagon and outfit consisting of Loading Chains, etc. All of said property is situated in Chilton county, Alabama.

Said sale will be made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage and all costs and expenses incident to said sale.

Dated at Clanton, Ala., Dec. 6, 1898.

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Jasper Whatley to Moss & Schwarz on the 23d day of March, 1894, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Chilton county, Alabama, on the 23d day of March, 1894, in Volume 31 of Mortgages, Pages 574-6, and which said mortgage has been duly assigned and transferred, together with the mortgage debt, to the undersigned, Allen P. Howison, I will proceed to sell, at public auction, in front of the Court House door in Clanton, in the county of Chilton, and State of Alabama, between the legal hours of sale, on

MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 1899,

all the right, title and interest of the said Jasper Whatley in and to the following described property, to wit:

One yoke of Oxen, white and red spotted; One Cow, white back, red sides; One red Cow, inch horns tumbled; Ten head of Hogs.

The ne ¼ of the sw ¼ and w ½ of sw ¼ section 22, township 21 north of range 14 east, under Section 2290 of Revised Statutes of the United States, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, with the exception of the timber on the above land.

This the 1st day of December, 1898.

ALLEN P. HOWISON,
Assignee of said mortgage.

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11 Children's Jackets $2.00.
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11 Ladies' Jackets at $3.00 worth from $5.00 to $8.00.
1 dozen Plush Capes $3.00 to $5.00 worth $18.00
1 doz Capes at $2.50 worth $5.00 to $6.00.
A few Ladies' Jackets left that are perfectly beautiful. Have to be seen to be appreciated $5.00 worth $20.00
1 lot ready made skirts $1.00, $1.50 $2.00 and $3.00.
To introduce the best Hosiery, will sell for the next 10 days to all customers 1 pair the 25 ct quality for 13 cts 2 pairs 25 cts. All sizes.
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Orders for school books etc., at Montgomery prices.

Percales 36 inches wide 5 cts per yard.

Cotton thread 4 cts a spool, silk thread 7 cents.

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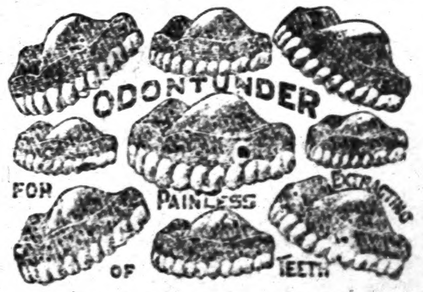

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

The Defect in American Patriotism Is All in the So-Called Upper Story of Society—Robbing the Government and the Poor Soldiers.

Our Heritage.

Life seemeth to me like a beautiful poem,
Its sweetest line is the innermost soul,
And youth is the preface the heart-touching poem,
That like golden sunlight illumines the whole.

Some drift through the spring time ne'er heeding its beauty,
And crush the shy roses that lie at their feet,
They tread in the paths leading only to duty,
And miss all the glad that makes living so sweet.

Tho' thirsty, they hear not the low sobbing fountain
That scatters its spray on the grass at their side;
Tho' weary, they toil up the high sun-scorched mountain,
Nor rest in the vale where the cool shadows bide.

They let all the brightness shift ever before them,
Nor gather nor share ere it flutters away;
The clouds, filled with hope, that bend lovingly o'er them,
When touched by their glance, turn from rose tint to gray.

Oh! why should we walk all our days in the shadow,
And wound our tired feet with the brambles of care,
When life of itself is a green-daisied meadow,
When each may weave garlands of flowers to wear?

'Tis well we should cling to the standard of duty,
But not to walk blindly, unheeding the sun;
God gave us the world with its blossoming beauty,
And we may blend brightness and shadow in one!

—I. S. Taylor.

The Defect in American Patriotism.

Editors Union Signal: Past experience has prepared us to expect that war time will be utilized by unscrupulous men in making private fortunes out of government contracts. The shocking condition of the army camps, especially the state of the men at Santiago, has probably been largely caused by fraud on the part of such contractors added to still grosser fraud and mismanagement in the commissary department of the army itself. Early in the war the press reported the arrest of a commissary officer for selling to his private advantage the government supplies. The man admitted his guilt, but asserted in excuse that "they all do it." The published statement that unbroken packages of army goods are freely on sale in the vicinity of the camps would, if a fact, prove there was some truth in the man's charge. From such straws one may judge how the wind of public opinion blows. Plainly stated the common thought is: Patriotism only relates to fighting; it does not relate to manufacturing or buying and selling.

The most unscrupulous of these men would indignantly repel the accusation of being a traitor. The flag floats over his house, he wears it in his buttonhole and rejoices in every success of the American troops. Nevertheless, stripped of verbal disguises the fact remains, he who cheats the government gives aid and comfort to its enemies and is actually a traitor.

Our soldiers suffered more from the attacks of General Fever than from any Spanish general, and to contribute to the surrender of our men to this deadly foe differs, not in principle from being traitorously concerned in the capitulation of the troops to a human foe.

If an enriched army contractor received social ostracism instead of the court paid to wealth, his position as a traitor would be better marked. Money should no more be the object of the contractor or army officer who feeds and clothes the army than of the soldier who fights in it. Both have a right to a proper income, but our soldiers do not fight for their pay and would be justly despised if they did so. "Mercenaries" applied to troops is universally a term of contempt, but in the commissary department men are expected to be mercenary. The conception of patriotism is radically deficient which has such a different standard for soldier and merchant, for one for fighting and one for buying and selling.

Ruskin has very plainly and forcibly stated the fact that buying and selling is really a business in which loyalty to death is required. His words have a greater force with regard to the emergencies of war than in the peaceful days of which he wrote. He says in the chapter on "The Roots of Honor":

"Five great intellectual professions relating to daily necessities of life have hitherto existed—three exist necessarily in every civilized nation.

"The soldier's profession is to defend it.

"The pastor's, to teach it.

"The physician's, to keep it in health.

"The wage earner's, to enforce justice in it.

"The merchant's to provide for it.

"And the duty of all these men is, on due occasion, to die for it."

The American people, although indignant at the mismanagement of the commissary department have not formed as high an ideal of patriotism as this. When they do raise the standard of duty as high for their merchants as for their soldiers the country will be able to cleanse itself alike from the stains of municipal corruption and of scandals in war management. **Toward the formation of this ideal, the Good Citizenship League is doing, perhaps, the most efficient work. The en**thusiasm for the flag, and the military drill in school do not, in themselves, teach intelligent patriotism. But every year greater efforts are being put forth to train our youth into patriots to whom bosses, municipal spoils and fat contracts will alike be abhorrent, and under whose coming reign corruption will not exist either in peace or war. With the present generation the defect in American patriotism can scarcely be entirely remedied. As in all reforms our hope is in the children.

AMELIA H. BOTSFORD.

The Question of Life and Death to Nations.

By Wilbur F. Crafts.

Must every nation, must our own, grow old and die? Nay, for in the very nature of the case, a nation may be as immortal as our earth or like a river, its drops ever passing on to the sea, but ever renewed from its mountain springs. If we maintain the Christian morality and popular education, which Washington declared to be the high sources of national prosperity, and keep unbroken on either hand the banks of liberty and law, our nation's life may go on ceaselessly. But eternal life to a nation can come only through "eternal vigilance." Many who firmly believe nature goes by law act as if history went by luck. As surely as effect follows cause Babylonian vices will produce a Babylonian fall.

Babylon, Greece, Rome, the renaissance kingdoms of Italy and France and Spain form a national series, all showing that the highest art, if it be mental culture, without moral, if it be the art whose motto is "art for art's sake," the godless estheticism of nude art, that puts beauty in the supreme place instead of duty, not only can not take the place of religion in checking immorality, but ever increases it, dragging the nation down the three steps to national ruin; first, moral, second, physical, third, political decay. France is on the second step, the only civilized land in which the birth rate is falling below the death rate, a blazing warning on the walls of this modern Babylon of the retribution to men and nations that follows the violation of the fourth and seventh commandments.

Why should we cast aside our traditions to welcome the nude to our literature and homes, when every nation from which we have borrowed it is either dead or dying? Since France is dying of the worst of plagues, French pictures, French plays and French novels should be quarantined like ships from infected ports.

The problem of purity is the question of life or death to nations. As we look through history we see that nations have died chiefly of internal causes; not of American free silver or of British free trade, but free love. Therefore, moral questions should be the supreme question in politics, those that conform to Gladstone's definition of the purpose of law—"to make it as hard as possible to do wrong and as easy as possible to do right."

A Parable.

By Eltweed Pomeroy.

A certain very rich man said unto himself: "I have many interests and I will turn over the most important of them to a body of men whom I'll choose for a year or two years, and I'll call them a legislature." And he did it and went on his way. And the body of men met and they made money with the rich man's goods and sold some and mortgaged others and despoiled others. And the sutlers and lobbyists flocked around as vultures around a carrion, and the rich man remonstrated and held a mass-meeting and screamed himself hoarse. And the body of men looked at him derisively and said to itself: "Surely we have worked for these offices, and they are ours, and you can't put us out, nor reverse our acts, but are bound by them," and they laughed in their sleeves at the rich man.

Again an election came around and the rich man chose another set of men of the same sort, and having untrammeled power. They did likewise. And many moons waxed and waned and the rich man did not seem to learn by experience, but really he was growing very angry, and at last he rose up and said: "I will choose you as councilors, but you shall do naught that I do not wish, and you shall do the things I wish, and I'll veto any acts of yours that I do not like by the referendum, and if you will not pass the laws I wish, I myself will start them by the initiative." And the latter end of that man was better than the former.

Labor Notes.

The 1,200 pots controlled by the American Glass Company are now being operated. An agreement has been signed.

At Bevier, Ky., a settlement of negro miners have saved some money, bought 200 acres of coal land and are peacefully digging a living out of the earth.

Lac La Belle property, better known as the Delaware mine, in Keweenaw county, Mich., is to be bought by a new corporation having a nominal capitalization of $2,500,000 and an actual cash capital of $1,000,000. Local capital will furnish $750,000, and Boston and New York persons $250,000.

The differences between the Chicago-Virden Coal Company at Virden and Auburn, Ill., and the striking miners have been settled, and the shafts are to be operated again soon. The company agreed to pay the state scale of forty cents per ton, but did not want to tear down the stockade. Finally the company accepted the offer of the miners that they would take it down and charge the company nothing for the labor.

FUNCTIONS OF MONEY.

HENRY G. MILLER REMOVES SOME SUPERSTITIONS.

Money Is a Medium of Exchange and as Such It Has No Extrinsic Value—The Money That Seeks Trade Quickly Is the Real Honest Money.

What is money? In a gold-using country it is a gold coin, in a silver-using country it is a silver coin, and in a bimetallic country it is silver and gold coins. Money is a creature of law, and it is the settled law of this country that congress, under the power granted in the constitution, can provide for issues by the government of paper money, and endow these issues with all the functions of money, making this money a legal tender in payment of debts, and therefore money of ultimate payment. France has, reckoned in our currency, about $600,000,000 of irredeemable paper money circulating side by side with gold and silver and having the same relation to commodities that the coins struck from these metals have. Therefore, in giving a definition of money, we must turn our attention away from the material or substance of which money is made and confine it to the office it performs, and say with Senator Jones, "Money is a function, and that is money which performs the function of money," or, rather which is legally endowed with that function, without regard to the substance of which it is made or in which it may be embodied. In its last analysis money is an idea or mental conception, but, to be employed in the transactions of life, it must be represented by a sensible object. It was upon this theory that our monetary system was constructed. In one of the sections of the act of 1792, preserved in section 3563 of the revised statutes, it is provided, "The money of account of the United States shall be expressed in units or dollars, dimes or tenths, cents or hundredths, and mills or thousandths, and all accounts in the public offices and all proceedings in the courts shall be kept and had in conformity to this regulation." In another section it is provided, "There shall from time to time be struck or coined at the mint, units or dollars, each to be of the value of the Spanish milled dollar and to contain 371¼ grains of pure or 416 grains of standard silver." The dollar, then, is the unit of account embodied or represented in such substance and to be of such form as the law may designate. It is a denominator of value, as all values are expressed in this unit, its multiples and fractions. It does not in any sense derive its value from the material in which it is embodied. While it is a dollar endowed by law with that function it has precisely the same value; that is, it will exchange for the same quantity of commodities whether it resides in a given weight of gold, or in an equivalent weight of silver, or floats upon paper. Neither the silver piece nor the gold piece, or any other substance used in commerce, has any intrinsic value. Value in commerce is a relative term and implies the presence of two things and a comparison between them. The value of a thing is that which is given in exchange for it, and is therefore wholly extrinsic and is expressed in the terms of the thing for which it is exchanged. To state the value of money is to express the relation of a given sum of it to a definite quantity of commodities or other forms of property, and this relation changes as the quantity of money on the one side and other forms of property on the other side and the activities of trade and commerce change. The value of money, like that of every other subject of commerce, is determined by the demand for it as compared with its supply. In respect to the demand for it, it differs from commodities in this, that as it is only through the intervention of money that our wants can be supplied the demand for it is equivalent to the aggregate demand of a community for the necessaries of life and all the material things that contribute to our comfort and happiness, and which, unaided and alone, we cannot severally produce. This demand, therefore, is constant and incessant. It is not a demand for the material of which money is made, but for the function which money performs. It is for money—for gold and silver coins—and not for gold and silver ingots. The government stamp upon the coin does not impart to it any additional value; it is simply a certificate of its weight and fineness and that it is in a form to perform the function of money. Its value is determined by the market. The government stands behind its pecuniary obligations, but in no sense does it stand behind its money. The value of money is at all times subject to the vicissitudes of the market, which are entirely outside of government control. It is true the law cannot directly create value, either in silver bullion, or any other commodity, but it can greatly enlarge the use of silver bullion by making a money metal of it and thereby increase its value. With an accumulated stock of gold, sufficient to supply the arts for the next sixty years, how much would gold be worth if it were everywhere bereft of the money function? It would not be worth 20 cents an ounce.

HENRY G. MILLER.

In Mexico.

Why has not Mexico, with [illegible] open mints, "heaped" up money? Simply because the surplus floats away, just as Dr. Wayland said it would. Mexico now has but $7.70 per capita of silver, though it has the free and unlimited coinage of silver, and produces over $60,000,000 of it each year. The idea that any commodity can be "dumped" into any country under the influence of any economic law known to mankind, without there is a demand for it, is the height of absurdity, and has no supporters of standing among the writers upon the subject of political economy. That there is a tremendous demand for a more just standard of value there can be no doubt, but when sufficient silver standard money has been put into circulation to satisfy that demand all other silver will go to foreign countries or to the melting pot. If bimetallism were to be established in this country, and the parity of the two metals maintained, it is evident that there would be no dumping of the silver of the world here; but if the parity of the metals is not established at the ratio of 16 to 1, and gold goes to a premium, whoever exchanges his silver for gold will have to pay that premium. Gold will then pass by weight, and will be exchanged for silver at their commercial ratio. If gold goes to a premium and thus becomes more desirable for reserve purposes, where would the incentive lie for men to wholly part with it for silver, and thus cause other nations to "dump" their silver upon us? Is there a case to be found in all history where the favorite money, the money most desired and cherished by the people, was the money to entirely leave them? We ask the monometallists to point out such a case. If, as the monometallists assert, silver is not a sound money, is it at all likely that the banks will let all the sound money get away from them? As stated before, under a fiat money system, there was kept a large stock of gold, and it seems strange if it could not be kept under bimetallism, if there were any necessity for it whatever. Russia, though for years upon a silver basis, after the other European nations had abandoned it, maintained a large gold reserve, and Japan, even now, has nearly as large a per capita of gold as of silver. The great factors in keeping either gold or silver in a country are: (1) Is there a pressing demand for them? and (2) are the laws of the country such as to permit the people to satisfy that demand? Whenever these two elements are present in a country these metals will be found there also, though the drain on them may be so heavy as to make either of them, when taken alone, incapable of furnishing a perfectly sound money basis. We have experienced that trouble with gold. S. D. WILSON.

From Far Away New Zealand.

There are a people living thousands of miles from us who have for many years past been working out the most difficult, economic and political problems of the age. These people are the New Zealanders. As your memory is weak on geography, you ask: "Where is New Zealand?" New Zealand is a group of islands lying in the South Pacific ocean and forming a colony of Great Britain. Its area is 106,259 square miles, and population 450,000. This country has already made much history—not that history which consists in exterminating men, but those nobler chronicles which tell of bettering men and their conditions in life. The house of representatives in this land of radiant experiments has just passed a bill providing for a pension for every poor person in the colony whose age exceeds 65. The act defines a "poor person" as one who has less than 13 shillings ($3.12) a week. The pension prescribed is about $80 a year. The most remarkable development anent this emanation from the school of liberal and individualist political economy is that conservative and cautious British journals have extended their sympathy. New Zealand has been so wondrously (one might say gloriously) successful in her many progressions that London newspapers are very timid about attacking any innovation that hails from the South Pacific.

Money for 1900 Coming In.

The ways and means committee, of which W. H. Harvey, Unity building, Chicago, is general secretary, is making splendid progress in the work of raising funds for the presidential campaign of 1900. Hundreds of letters are being received daily from Democrats, Silver Republicans and Populists, enclosing their dollars and asking for particulars as to how they can be of further service. Secretary Harvey gives his personal attention to every case and no question is asked that is not promptly answered. The ways and means committee is non-partisan—the re-establishment of bimetallism being its single aim. It includes in its membership Senators Jones, Teller and Allen of the three allied bimetallic parties, and also ex-Governor Altgeld of Illinois and ex-Governor Stone of Missouri. Chairman Jones is greatly pleased at the prospects.

Senator Depew Not a Joke.

From the New York Journal: It is not to tell amusing stories that Mr. Depew will be sent to the senate by Mr. Vanderbilt. Shrewd, calculating and unscrupulous as Mr. Platt is, he would have to get up very early in the morning to catch Chauncey Depew napping. There will be two of a kind in Washington after the legislature has done as it is told—two clear-minded, cynical and efficient servants of the interests which rule this republic for their own profit and care nothing at all for the welfare of the people. Senator Depew will be no joke.

More Work for Wanamaker.

From the Columbus (O.) Press-Post: Now, if Mr. Wanamaker will hustle around and find out what became of the $400,000 curruption fund he raised for the "blocks-of-five" campaign in 1888, perhaps we shall have a few more refreshing indictments of prominent Republicans. Let the good work go on.

One horse-power is calculated to be sufficient to raise 33,000 pounds to the height of one foot in a minute.

ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

Wednesday's Session.

In the senate this morning the bill to further regulate the sentencing and employment of convicts in this state, the special order after the call of the committees, was postponed until tomorrow on motion of Mr. Cunningham, the author of the bill.

The second special order, the bill to fix the fees for feeding prisoners where the same are paid by the state, provoked a great deal of discussion and the test vote shows the senate to be in favor of the bill. The bill fixes fees at 40, 30 and 25 cents and it is held is not uniform in different counties, but is a blow at sheriffs in the larger counties, as 25 cents is to be charged per day after a certain number is reached.

In the house Mr. Burkhalter's bill to allow county commissioners to levy 5 cents on the $100 for school purposes was discussed and earnestly contested. It is urged that the bill is a blow at agricultural counties and could not be stood by many of the counties.

The senate passed the resolution agreed upon by the conference committee, inviting the president to visit Montgomery. The language was changed a little, but it is about the same in substance as the original senate resolution.

The steering committee on the constitutional convention claim to have secured the pledge of seventeen senators to vote for the bill.

The house defeated the school tax bill.

Thursday's Session.

The democratic caucus of the legislature has declared in favor of the bill providing for a vote on the question of calling a constitutional convention, as reported by the joint caucus committee recently named, and supporters of the measure feel sure that it will pass both houses. The bill as amended provides for an election on the first Monday in July next to decide whether or not a convention is to be held. The proposed convention, if a majority vote is cast in favor of holding it, will convene in Montgomery on the first Monday in August and is not to sit longer than fifty days, the members to be paid $4 per day each. The representation will be the same in strength as that of the legislature, 133 members. One hundred will be elected from the counties, according to their strength in the house of representatives, and thirty-three from the state at large. The matter of raising the general tax levy and the removal of the capital are not to be touched, the convention being more especially for the purpose of changing the plan of suffrage so as to eliminate the ignorant negro vote. Soldiers of the Mexican and civil wars and their descendants will not be disfranchised. Local option to increase taxation will probably be granted to municipalities where it is for a special purpose, like schools. There are about what the convention movement contemplates.

The senate today tabled the bill to fix the fees of sheriffs, when paid by the state, after a heated discussion. This leaves the fees as at present.

The resolution to take a recess on December 15th and 16th was reconsidered, and the two houses will remain in session until the 17th. The president has accepted invitations to come here, and will be in this city from 3 to 5 p. m.

Friday's Session.

The house indefinitely postponed action on the bill creating a board of fish and game commissioners. The house passed a resolution that school appropriations should be increased to $500,000. The bill to amend the charter of Birmingham, relating to taxation, was passed by the house. The bill to repeal the law against book-making and pool selling was indefinitely postponed. A bill was passed protecting training stables for horses in the state.

The legislature has made it possible for Lovejoy, the democratic nominee for probate judge of Etowah county, to take his seat. Beeson, the populist candidate, contested the election on the ground that the election in the Gadsden beat was held in a building other than the court house, which the law prescribes for such purposes. The democratic majority was not denied, and on the grounds named above Judge Bilbro rendered a decision naming the populist as the qualified judge. It is claimed that the elections had been held outside of the court house for years, and in fact, this was admitted by a populist member on the floor, who opposed the bill, saying it was unconstitutional. The bill simply ratifies the election held in that precinct.

A bill which legalizes the whipping-post passed the lower house. The law, however, only applies to Mobile county and was fathered by Representative Delchamps.

Representative Smith's exemption bill received a black eye in the senate finance committee, it receiving an adverse report. The bill provides that all manufacturing industries located within the state during the next five years should be exempt from all state taxes for a period of ten years. Notwithstanding this, the general revenue bill of the house will contain a similar section.

Saturday's Session.

After a half day's debate and filibustering the senate voted at 5:45 o'clock on the constitutional convention bill, carrying it by a clear majority of five. If carried by the house, and there appears to be little doubt of it, the people will finally decide the question at the ballot box. As first announced, the vote stood 17 to 12. Senator Boykin, who had bitterly opposed the bill all day, asked that his vote be changed from the negative to the affirmative and gave notice that on Monday he would move to reconsider the vote by which the measure was passed. The vote was as follows:

Ayes — Cunningham, [illegible] Boykin, Brooks, Caffee, H[illegible] J[illegible] kins, Lee, Lyons, M[illegible] Moore, Nunnellee, [illegible] Sewell, Limestone, Thomas, [illegible] Wiley. Total, 18.

Nays—Brown, Cas[illegible] of Sumter, Grant, Hall, McCall, M[illegible] Rather, Sowell of Walker, St[illegible] Wilson. Total, 11.

Senator Buchanan [illegible] for the bill, but [illegible] of Covington, who [illegible]

The vote had [illegible] when Senator M[illegible] heard above [illegible] moved that [illegible] house without [illegible] engrossed. [illegible] and before the [illegible] his way the senate [illegible] a crowd of senators [illegible] following him [illegible] messenger told his [illegible] he was greeted [illegible] ing. Speaker W[illegible] for order and [illegible] judiciary committee [illegible] house adjourned [illegible] referred tonight, it [illegible] favorable report [illegible] likely be placed on the calendar Wednesday.

The bill creating the office of auditor for Jefferson reached its third reading and passed the house this afternoon. The bill is a substitute for the senate bill, differing from the original in that the salary is fixed at $1,800, instead of $2,000, and makes the office elective after the first term.

Mr. Smith, of Escambia, offered a resolution of thanks to Richmond Pearson Hobson for his bravery in blocking the channel of Santiago bay, which was very laudatory. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The assembly has again changed its vote, and decides to go to Atlanta on the 15th, to attend the peace jubilee. They will go from Atlanta to Tuskegee with the presidential party Friday and leave Tuskegee a few hours in advance of the president, in order to be in session when the president reaches the city at 3 o'clock.

The bill introduced by Mr. Wall[illegible] for the better protection of game mammals and song birds, was made special order for 12 o'clock, and after being amended so as to apply to but ten counties in the state, it was passed.

Senate bill 88, amending the charter of Birmingham, was called up by Mr. Burkhalter and passed.

Alabama will have a larger fund for the support of the common schools in future years. The house put itself on record in the matter this morning by unanimously passing the resolution offered by Mr. Seymour, that the school fund be increased from $350,000 to $500,000.

Monday.

In discussing his convict bill today Senator Cunningham declared that the competition of convicts with free labor was unfair and unjust to the coal miners of Alabama. It is expected that the bill will reach a vote in the senate tomorrow. It was on the calendar for this morning and proved a feature of discussion throughout the day. As amended by the committee the bill recommends that only 50 per cent of the state's convicts above felonies be employed in the mines. This will force the counties to dispose of a large number of their short-term prisoners in some other way. The bill also provides that 50 per cent of the gross proceeds from convict hire be turned into the educational fund and the other half into the state treasury.

The general appropriation bill is to be considered at this session of the house. In its stead the appropriation committee this afternoon submitted a substitute that the present appropriations be continued until the 15th February, 1899.

Mr. Boykin arose and moved to reconsider the action taken on senate bill 162, providing for a constitutional convention, which passed the senate on last Saturday. This motion brought forth all sorts of wrangling, which ended in its sudden death, caused by Mr. Wiley. Mr. Boykin then moved that the house be requested to return this bill to the senate, but Mr. Je[illegible] promptly moved to table, which was done.

There were three bills of general importance considered [illegible] the house, one of which was recommitted, [illegible] passed and the other defeated.

The routine calls were completed and the consideration of Mr. Arr[illegible]ton's bill providing that witnesses in defendant's courts should only draw pay for one case per day, when summoned in more than one case on the same day. The bill was passed [illegible] several counties eliminated.

Mr. Brown called the special order which was his bill providing for the examination of state banks by bankers. The measure was discussed at length, and was finally recommitted to a special committee to be named by the speaker.

Mr. Jones, of Bullock, finally called up his bill to make the legal rate of interest in Alabama 6 per cent. The measure caused a lively debate, and amendments were offered, but all were voted down.

The bill was passed without amendment by a vote of 64 to 20.

The American public pays every year over $50,000,000 for general literature and school books.

A Chicago millionaire paid a widow $105,000 for the return of his love letters. Who says it doesn't pay to be sentimental?

Mrs. Faddle—I thought you warranted that dog [illegible] Dog Dealer [illegible] Faddle—Oh, [illegible] food in the most vulgar manner.

"Yes," said the soldier, "when we parted she gave me a token [illegible] I put it in my pocket [illegible] the means of saving my life [illegible]" was the response. "It's a [illegible] You carried her photograph [illegible] your heart and it caused the bullet to deflect." "No, it wasn't any photograph. It was a bottle of hair medicine."

TOOK A WILDCA[illegible]

Boy Photographer's [illegible]

Sharp Pains

[illegible]

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Hood's Pills [illegible]

Tonnage and Displacement.

[illegible] the present time, when naval matters are a source of great interest [illegible] the general public, one continually [illegible] the terms "displacement" and "tonnage" improperly used, both in daily press and in common speech [illegible] confusion between the terms [illegible] would not occur if their meaning were understood. "Displacement" refers to the quantity of liquid displaced by the immersed hull of the ship, and "tonnage" to the freight carrying capacity of the ship determined by certain rules of measurement. The displacement of a vessel is the entire weight of the hull with all its contents, according to the well-known law of hydrostatics that a floating body displaces a weight of fluid just equal to its own weight. A ship sinks in the water to such a level that the pressure of the fluid displaced exactly counterbalances the weight of the ship.

A LIVING WITNESS.

Mrs. Hoffman Describes How She Wrote to Mrs. Pinkham for Advice, and Is Now Well

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—[illegible] your Vegetable Compound [illegible] great sufferer. [illegible] months, was troubled with [illegible] both sides of abdomen [illegible]

[illegible] and cannot praise [illegible] enough for what it has done [illegible] many thanks to you [illegible] Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and has cured me [illegible] recommend it to my friends. MRS. FLO[illegible] HOFFMAN, 512 Roland St., Canton, O.

The condition described by Mrs. H[illegible] will appeal to many women [illegible] of sick women struggle [illegible] their daily tasks disregarding the [illegible] urgent warnings until overtaken by total collapse.

The present Mrs. Pinkham's experience in treating female ills is unparalleled, for years she worked side by side with Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, and for sometimes past has had sole charge of the correspondence department of her great business, treating by letter as many as a hundred thousand ailing women during a single year.

The Potash Question.

A thorough study of the subject has proven that crop failures can be prevented by using fertilizers containing a large percentage of Potash; no plant can grow without Potash.

We have a little book on the subject of Potash, written by authorities, that we would like to send to every farmer, free of cost, if he will only write and ask for it.

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CONSTIPATION

"I have gone 14 days at a time without a movement of the bowels, not being able to move them except by using hot water injections. Chronic constipation for seven years placed me in this terrible condition; during that time I did everything I heard of but never found any relief; such was my case until I began using CASCARETS. I now have from one to three passages a day, and if I was rich I would give $100.00 for each movement; it is such a relief." AYLMER L. HUNT, 1689 Russell St., Detroit, Mich.

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

The Defect in American Patriotism Is All in the So-Called Upper Story of Society—Robbing the Government and the Poor Soldiers.

Our Heritage.

Life seemeth to me like a beautiful poem,
Its noblest line is the innermost soul,
And youth is the preface the heart-touching poem,
That like golden sunlight illumines the whole.

Some drift through the spring time ne'er heeding its beauty,
And crush the shy roses that lie at their feet,
They tread in the paths leading only to duty,
And miss all the glad that makes living so sweet.

Tho' thirsty, they hear not the low splashing of water
That scatters in spray on the grass at their side,
Tho' weary, they toil up the high sun-scorched mountain,
Nor rest in the vale where the cool shadows bide.

They let all the bright things drift over before them,
Nor suffer a share ere it flutters away;
The clouds filled with hope, that bend lovingly o'er them,
When touched by their glance, turn from rose tint to gray.

Oh! why should we walk all our days in the shadow,
And wound our tired feet with the brambles of care,
When life of itself is a green-dalsied meadow,
Where each may weave garlands of flowers to wear?

'Tis well we should cling to the standard of duty,
But not to walk blindly, unheeding the sun;
God gave us the world with its blossoming beauty,
And we may blend brightness and shadow in one!

—I. S. Taylor.

The Defect in American Patriotism.

Editors Union Signal: Past experience has prepared us to expect that war time will be utilized by unscrupulous men in making private fortunes out of government contracts. The shocking condition of the army camps, especially the state of the men at Santiago, has probably been largely caused by fraud on the part of such contractors added to still grosser fraud and mismanagement in the commissary department of the army itself. Early in the war the press reported the arrest of a commissary officer for selling to his private advantage the government supplies. The man admitted his guilt, but asserted in excuse that "they all do it." The published statement that unbroken packages of army goods are freely on sale in the vicinity of the camps would, if a fact, prove there was some truth in the man's charge. From such straws one may judge how the wind of public opinion blows. Plainly stated the common thought is: Patriotism only relates to fighting; it does not relate to manufacturing or buying and selling.

The most unscrupulous of these men would indignantly repel the accusation of being a traitor. The flag floats over his house, he wears it in his button-hole and rejoices in every success of the American troops. Nevertheless, stripped of verbal disguises the fact remains, he who cheats the government gives aid and comfort to its enemies and is actually a traitor.

Our soldiers suffered more from the attacks of General Fever than from any Spanish general, and to contribute to the surrender of our men to this deadly foe differs, not in principle from being traitorously concerned in the capitulation of the troops to a human foe.

If an enriched army contractor received social ostracism instead of the court paid to wealth, his position as a traitor would be better marked. Money should no more be the object of the contractor or army officer who feeds and clothes the army than of the soldier who fights in it. Both have a right to a proper income, but our soldiers do not fight for their pay and would be justly despised if they did so. "Mercenaries" applied to troops is universally a term of contempt, but in the commissary department men are expected to be mercenary. The conception of patriotism is radically deficient which has such a different standard for soldier and merchant, for one for fighting and one for buying and selling.

Ruskin has very plainly and forcibly stated the fact that buying and selling is really a business in which loyalty to death is required. His words have a greater force with regard to the emergencies of war than in the peaceful days of which he wrote. He says in the chapter on "The Roots of Honor":

"Five great intellectual professions relating to daily necessities of life have hitherto existed—three exist necessarily in every civilized nation.

"The soldier's profession is to defend it.

"The pastor's, to teach it.

"The physician's, to keep it in health.

"The judge's, to enforce justice in it.

"The merchant's, to provide for it.

"And the duty of all these men is, on occasion, to die for it."

The American people, although indignant at the mismanagement of the commissary department, have not formed as high an ideal of patriotism as this. When they do raise the standard of duty as high for their merchants as for their soldiers, the country will be able to cleanse itself alike from the stains of municipal corruption and of scandals in war management. Toward the formation of this ideal, the Good Citizenship League is doing, perhaps, the most efficient work. The enthusiasm for the flag, and the military drill in school do not, in themselves, teach intelligent patriotism. But every year greater efforts are being put forth to train our youth into patriots to whom bosses, municipal spoils and fat contracts will alike be abhorrent, and under whose coming reign corruption will not exist either in peace or war. With the present generation the defect in American patriotism can scarcely be entirely remedied. As in all reforms our hope is in the children.

AMELIA H. BOTSFORD.

The Question of Life and Death to Nations.

By Wilbur F. Crafts.

Must every nation, must our own, grow old and die? Nay, for in the very nature of the case, a nation may be as immortal as our earth or like a river, its drops ever passing on to the sea, but ever renewed from its mountain springs. If we maintain the Christian morality and popular education, which Washington declared to be the high sources of national prosperity, and keep unbroken on either hand the banks of liberty and law, our nation's life may go on ceaselessly. But eternal life to a nation can come only through "eternal vigilance." Many who firmly believe nature goes by law act as if history went by luck. As surely as effect follows cause Babylonian vices will produce a Babylonian fall.

Babylon, Greece, Rome, the renaissance kingdoms of Italy and France and Spain form a national series, all showing that the highest art, if it be mental culture, without moral, if it be the art whose motto is "art for art's sake," the godless estheticism of nude art, that puts beauty in the supreme place instead of duty, not only can not take the place of religion in checking immorality, but ever increases it, dragging the nation down the three steps to national ruin; first, moral, second, physical, third, political decay. France is on the second step, the only civilized land in which the birth rate is falling below the death rate, a blazing warning on the walls of this modern Babylon of the retribution to men and nations that follows the violation of the fourth and seventh commandments.

Why should we cast aside our traditions to welcome the nude to our literature and homes, when every nation from which we have borrowed it is either dead or dying? Since France is dying of the worst of plagues, French pictures, French plays and French novels should be quarantined like ships from infected ports.

The problem of parity is the question of life or death to nations. As we look through history we see that nations have died chiefly of internal causes, not of American free silver or of British free trade, but free love. Therefore, moral questions should be the supreme question in politics, those that conform to Gladstone's definition of the purpose of law—"to make it as hard as possible to do wrong and as easy as possible to do right."

A Parable.

By Elbwood Pomeroy.

A certain very rich man said unto himself: "I have many interests and I will turn over the most important of them to a body of men whom I'll choose for a year or two years, and I'll call them a legislature." And he did it and went on his way. And the body of men met and they made money with the rich man's goods and sold some and mortgaged others and despoiled others. And the sutlers and lobbyists flocked around as vultures around a carrion, and the rich man remonstrated and held a mass-meeting and screamed himself hoarse. And the body of men looked at him derisively and said to itself: "Surely we have worked for these offices, and they are ours, and you can't put us out, nor reverse our acts, but are bound by them," and they laughed in their sleeves at the rich man.

Again an election came around and the rich man chose another set of men of the same sort, and having untrammeled power. They did likewise. And many moons waxed and waned and the rich man did not seem to learn by experience, but really he was growing very angry, and at last he rose up and said: "I will choose you as councilors, but you shall do naught that I do not wish, and you shall do the things I wish, and I'll veto any acts of yours that I do not like by the referendum, and if you will not pass the laws I wish, I myself will start them by the initiative." And the latter end of that man was better than the former.

Labor Notes.

The 1,200 pots controlled by the American Glass Company are now being operated. An agreement has been signed.

At Bevier, Ky., a settlement of negro miners have saved some money, bought 200 acres of coal land and are peacefully digging a living out of the earth.

Lac La Belle property, better known as the Delaware mine, in Keeweenaw county, Mich., is to be bought by a new corporation having a nominal capitalization of $2,500,000 and an actual cash capital of $1,000,000. Local capital will furnish $750,000, and Boston and New York persons $250,000.

The differences between the Chicago-Virden Coal Company at Virden and Auburn, Ill., and the striking miners have been settled, and the shafts are to be operated again soon. The company agreed to pay the state scale of forty cents per ton, but did not want to tear down the stockade. Finally the company accepted the offer of the miners that they would take it down and charge the company nothing for the labor.

FUNCTIONS OF MONEY.

HENRY G. MILLER REMOVES SOME SUPERSTITIONS.

Money Is a Medium of Exchange and as Such It Has No Extrinsic Value—The Money That Seeks Trade Quickly Is the Real Honest Money.

What is money? In a gold-using country it is a gold coin, in a silver-using country it is a silver coin, and in a bimetallic country it is silver and gold coins. Money is a creature of law, and it is the settled law of this country that congress, under the power granted in the constitution, can provide for issues by the government of paper money, and endow these issues with all the functions of money, making this money a legal tender in payment of debts, and therefore money of ultimate payment. France has, reckoned in our currency, about $600,000,000 of irredeemable paper money circulating side by side with gold and silver and having the same relation to commodities that the coins struck from these metals have. Therefore, in giving a definition of money, we must turn our attention away from the material or substance of which money is made and confine it to the office it performs, and say with Senator Jones, "Money is a function, and that is money which performs the function of money," or, rather which is legally endowed with that function, without regard to the substance of which it is made or in which it may be embodied. In its last analysis money is an idea or mental conception, but, to be employed in the transactions of life, it must be represented by a sensible object. It was upon this theory that our monetary system was constructed. In one of the sections of the act of 1792, preserved in section 3563 of the revised statutes, it is provided, "The money of account of the United States shall be expressed in units or dollars, dimes or tenths, cents or hundredths, and mills or thousandths, and all accounts in the public offices and all proceedings in the courts shall be kept and had in conformity to this regulation." In another section it is provided, "There shall from time to time be struck or coined at the mint, units or dollars, each to be of the value of the Spanish milled dollar and to contain 371¼ grains of pure or 416 grains of standard silver." The dollar, then, is the unit of account embodied or represented in such substance and to be of such form as the law may designate. It is a denominator of value, as all values are expressed in this unit, its multiples and fractions. It does not in any sense derive its value from the material in which it is embodied. While it is a dollar endowed by law with that function it has precisely the same value; that is, it will exchange for the same quantity of commodities whether it resides in a given weight of gold, or in an equivalent weight of silver, or floats upon paper. Neither the silver piece nor the gold piece, or any other substance used in commerce, has any intrinsic value. Value in commerce is a relative term and implies the presence of two things and a comparison between them. The value of a thing is that which is given in exchange for it, and is therefore wholly extrinsic and is expressed in the terms of the thing for which it is exchanged. To state the value of money is to express the relation of a given sum of it to a definite quantity of commodities or other forms of property, and this relation changes as the quantity of money on the one side and other forms of property on the other side and the activities of trade and commerce change. The value of money, like that of every other subject of commerce, is determined by the demand for it as compared with its supply. In respect to the demand for it, it differs from commodities in this, that as it is only through the intervention of money that our wants can be supplied the demand for it is equivalent to the aggregate demand of a community for the necessaries of life and all the material things that contribute to our comfort and happiness, and which, unaided and alone, we cannot severally produce. This demand, therefore, is constant and incessant. It is not a demand for the material of which money is made, but for the function which money performs. It is for money—for gold and silver coins—and not for gold and silver ingots. The government stamp upon the coin does not impart to it any additional value; it is simply a certificate of its weight and fineness and that it is in a form to perform the function of money. Its value is determined by the market. The government stands behind its pecuniary obligations, but in no sense does it stand behind its money. The value of money is at all times subject to the vicissitudes of the market, which are entirely outside of government control. It is true the law cannot directly create value, either in silver bullion, or any other commodity, but it can greatly enlarge the use of silver bullion by making a money metal of it and thereby increase its value. With an accumulated stock of gold, sufficient to supply the arts for the next sixty years, how much would gold be worth if it were everywhere bereft of the money function? It would not be worth 20 cents an ounce.

HENRY G. MILLER.

In Mexico.

Why has not Mexico, with her open mints, "heaped" up money? Simply because the surplus floats away just as Dr. Wayland said it would. Mexico now has but $7.70 per capita of silver, though it has the free and unlimited coinage of silver, and produces over $60,000,000 of it each year. The idea that any commodity can be "dumped" into any country under the influence of any economic law known to mankind, without there is a demand for it, is the height of absurdity, and has no supporters of standing among the writers upon the subject of political economy. That there is a tremendous demand for a more just standard of value there can be no doubt, but when sufficient silver standard money has been put into circulation to satisfy that demand all other silver will go to foreign countries or to the melting pot. If bimetallism were to be established in this country, and the parity of the two metals maintained, it is evident that there would be no dumping of the silver of the world here; but if the parity of the metals is not established at the ratio of 16 to 1, and gold goes to a premium, whoever exchanges his silver for gold will have to pay that premium. Gold will then pass by weight, and will be exchanged for silver at their commercial ratio. If gold goes to a premium and thus becomes more desirable for reserve purposes, where would be incentive lie for men to wholly part with it for silver, and thus cause other nations to "dump" their silver upon us? Is there a case to be found in all history where the favorite money, the money most desired and cherished by the people, was the money to entirely leave them? We ask the monometallists to point out such a case. If, as the monometallists assert, silver is not a sound money, is it at all likely that the banks will let all the sound money get away from them? As stated before, under a fiat money system, there was kept a large stock of gold, and it seems strange if it could not be kept under bimetallism, if there were any necessity for it whatever. Russia, though for years upon a silver basis, after the other European nations had abandoned it, maintained a large gold reserve, and Japan, even now, has nearly as large a per capita of gold as of silver. The great factors in keeping either gold or silver in a country are: (1) Is there a pressing demand for them? and (2) are the laws of the country such as to permit the people to satisfy that demand? Whenever these two elements are present in a country these metals will be found there also, though the drain on them may be so heavy as to make either of them, when taken alone, incapable of furnishing a perfectly sound money basis. We have experienced that trouble with gold. S. D. WILSON.

From Far Away New Zealand.

There are a people living thousands of miles from us who have for many years past been working out the most difficult, economic and political problems of the age. These people are the New Zealanders. As your memory is weak on geography, you ask: "Where is New Zealand?" New Zealand is a group of islands lying in the South Pacific ocean and forming a colony of Great Britain. Its area is 106,259 square miles, and population 450,000. This country has already made much history—not that history which consists in exterminating men, but those nobler chronicles which tell of bettering men and their conditions in life. The house of representatives in this land of radiant experiments has just passed a bill providing for a pension for every poor person in the colony whose age exceeds 65. The act defines a "poor person" as one who has less than 13 shillings ($3.12) a week. The pension prescribed is about $80 a year. The most remarkable development atent this emanation from the school of liberal and individualist political economy is that conservative and cautious British journals have extended their sympathy. New Zealand has been so wondrously (one might say gloriously) successful in her many progressions that London newspapers are very timid about attacking any innovation that hails from the South Pacific.

Money for 1900 Coming In.

The ways and means committee, of which W. H. Harvey, Unity building, Chicago, is general secretary, is making splendid progress in the work of raising funds for the presidential campaign of 1900. Hundreds of letters are being received daily from Democrats, Silver Republicans and Populists, enclosing their dollars and asking for particulars as to how they can be of further service. Secretary Harvey gives his personal attention to every case and no question is asked that is not promptly answered. The ways and means committee is non-partisan—the re-establishment of bimetallism being its single aim. It includes in its membership Senators Jones, Teller and Allen of the three allied bimetallic parties, and also ex-Governor Altgold of Illinois and ex-Governor Stone of Missouri. Chairman Jones is greatly pleased at the prospects.

Senator Depew Not a Joke.

From the New York Journal: It is not to tell amusing stories that Mr. Depew will be sent to the senate by Mr. Vanderbilt. Shrewd, calculating and unscrupulous as Mr. Platt is, he would have to get up very early in the morning to catch Chauncey Depew napping. There will be two of a kind in Washington after the legislature has done as it is told—two clear-minded, cynical and efficient servants of the interests which rule this republic for their own profit and care nothing at all for the welfare of the people. Senator Depew will be no joke.

More Work for Wanamaker.

From the Columbus (O.) Press-Post: Now, if Mr. Wanamaker will hustle around and find out what became of the $400,000 curruption fund he raised for the "blocks-of-five" campaign in 1888, perhaps we shall have a few more refreshing indictments of prominent Republicans. Let the good work go on.

One horse-power is calculated to be sufficient to raise 33,000 pounds to the height of one foot in a minute.

ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

Wednesday's Session.

In the senate this morning the bill to further regulate the sentencing and employment of convicts in this state, the special order after the call of the committees, was postponed until tomorrow on motion of Mr. Cunningham, the author of the bill.

The second special order, the bill to fix the fees for feeding prisoners where the same are paid by the state, provoked a great deal of discussion and the test vote shows the senate to be in favor of the bill. The bill fixes fees at 40, 30 and 25 cents and it is held is not uniform in different counties but is a blow at sheriffs in the larger counties, as 25 cents is to be charged per day after a certain number is reached.

In the house Mr. Burkhalter's bill to allow county commissioners to levy 5 cents on the $100 for school purposes was discussed and earnestly contested. It is urged that the bill is a blow at agricultural counties and could not be stood by many of the counties.

The senate passed the resolution agreed upon by the conference committee inviting the president to visit Montgomery. The language was changed a little, but it is about the same in substance as the original senate resolution.

The steering committee on the constitutional convention claim to have secured the pledge of seventeen senators to vote for the bill.

The house defeated the school tax bill.

Thursday's Session.

The democratic caucus of the legislature has declared in favor of the bill providing for a vote on the question of calling a constitutional convention, as reported by the joint caucus committee recently named, and supporters of the measure feel sure that it will pass both houses. The bill as amended provides for an election on the first Monday in July next to decide whether or not a convention is to be held. The proposed convention, if a majority vote is cast in favor of holding it, will convene in Montgomery on the first Monday in August and is not to sit longer than fifty days, the members to be paid $4 per day each. The representation will be the same in strength as that of the legislature, 133 members. One hundred will be elected from the counties, according to their strength in the house of representatives, and thirty-three from the state at large. The matter of raising the general tax levy and the removal of the capital are not to be touched, the convention being more especially for the purpose of changing the plan of suffrage so as to eliminate the ignorant negro vote. Soldiers of the Mexican and civil wars and their descendants will not be disfranchised. Local option to increase taxation will probably be granted to municipalities where it is for a special purpose, like schools. These are about what the convention movement contemplates.

The senate today tackled the bill to fix the fees of sheriffs, when paid by the state, after a heated discussion. This leaves the fees as at present.

The resolution to take a recess on December 15th and 16th was reconsidered, and the two houses will remain in session until the 17th. The president has accepted invitations to come here, and will be in this city from 3 to 5 p. m.

Friday's Session.

The house indefinitely postponed action on the bill creating a board of fish and game commissioners. The house passed a resolution that school appropriations should be increased to $500,000. The bill to amend the charter of Birmingham, relating to taxation, was passed by the house. The bill to repeal the law against book-making and pool selling was indefinitely postponed. A bill was passed protecting training stables for horses in the state.

The legislature has made it possible for Lovejoy, the democratic nominee for probate judge of Etowah county, to take his seat. Beeson, the populist candidate, contested the election on the ground that the election in the Gadsden beat was held in a building other than the court house, which the law prescribes for such purposes. The democratic majority was not denied, and on the grounds named above Judge Bibbro rendered a decision naming the populist as the qualified judge. It is claimed that the elections had been held outside of the court house for years, and in fact, this was admitted by a populist member on the floor, who opposed the bill, saying it was unconstitutional. The bill simply ratifies the election held in that precinct.

A bill which legalizes the whipping-post passed the lower house. The law, however, only applies to Mobile county and was fathered by Representative Delchamps.

Representative Smith's exemption bill received a black eye in the senate finance committee, it receiving an adverse report. The bill provides that all manufacturing industries located within the state during the next five years should be exempt from all state taxes for a period of ten years. Notwithstanding this, the general revenue bill of the house will contain a similar section.

Saturday's Session.

After a half day's debate and filibustering the senate voted at 5:45 o'clock on the constitutional convention bill, carrying it by a clear majority of five. If carried by the house, and there appears to be little doubt of it, the people will finally decide the question at the ballot box. At first announced, the vote stood 17 to 12. Senator Boykin, who had bitterly opposed the bill all day, asked that his vote be changed from the negative to the affimative and gave notice that on Monday he would move to reconsider the vote by which the measure was passed. The vote was as follows:

Ayes — Cunningham, Boykin, Brooks, Caffee, Horton, Jelks, Jenkins, Lee, Lyons, Matthews, Meadows, Moore, Nunnelley, Parnell, Sowell, Limestone, Thomas, Thompson, Wiley. Total, 18.

Nays—Brown, Case, Dowdell, Shell, Grant, Hall, McCain, Mayer, Rather, Sowell of Walker, Stevens, Windham. Total, 11.

Senator Buchanan would have voted for the bill, but was paired with Dowdell of Covington, who was absent.

The vote had hardly been announced when Senator Meadows arose and moved that the bill be taken from the house without reference and engrossed. The motion was carried and before the messenger could get to his way the senate had adjourned, a crowd of senators and others following him. When the messenger told his story to the house he was greeted by laughing. Speaker Wiley called for order and referred the matter to the judiciary committee, and then the house adjourned. By the bill being referred tonight, it will be given a favorable report Monday and will likely be placed on the calendar for Wednesday.

The bill creating the office of auditor for Jefferson reached its third reading and passed the house this afternoon. The bill is a substitute for the senate bill, differing from the original in that the salary is fixed at $1,800, instead of $2,000, and makes the office elective after the first term.

Mr. Smith, of Escambia, offered a resolution of thanks to Richmond Pearson Hobson for his bravery in blocking the channel of Santiago bay, which was very laudatory. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The assembly has again changed its vote, and decides to go to Atlanta on the 15th, to attend the peace jubilee. They will go from Atlanta to Tuskegee with the presidential party Friday and leave Tuskegee a few hours in advance of the president, in order to be in session when the president reaches the city at 3 o'clock.

The bill introduced by Mr. Walker for the better protection of game mammals and song birds, was made special order for 12 o'clock, and after being amended so as to apply to but ten counties in the state, it was passed.

Senate bill 88, amending the charter of Birmingham, was called up by Mr. Burkhalter and passed.

Alabama will have a larger fund for the support of the common schools in future years. The house put itself on record in the matter this morning by unanimously passing the resolution offered by Mr. Seymour, that the school fund be increased from $350,000 to $500,000.

Monday.

In discussing his convict bill today Senator Cunningham declared that the competition of convicts with free labor was unfair and unjust to the coal miners of Alabama. It is expected that the bill will reach a vote in the senate tomorrow. It was on the calendar for this morning and proved the feature of discussion throughout the day. As amended by the committee the bill recommends that only 50 per cent of the state's convicts above the age of 21 years be employed in the mines. This will force the counties to dispose of a large number of their short-term prisoners in some other way. The bill also provides that 50 per cent of the gross proceeds from convict hire be turned into the educational fund and the other half into the state treasury.

The general appropriation bill is to be considered at this session of the house. In its stead the appropriation committee this afternoon submitted a substitute that the present appropriations be continued until the 15th of February, 1899.

Mr. Boykin arose and moved to reconsider the action taken on senate bill 162, providing for a constitutional convention, which passed the senate on last Saturday. This motion brought forth all sorts of wrangling, which ended in its sudden death, caused by Mr. Wiley. Mr. Boykin then moved that the house be requested to return this bill to the senate, but Mr. Jelks in its promptly moved to table, which was done.

There were three bills of general importance considered by the house, one of which was recommitted, and passed and the other defeated.

The routine calls were completed and the consideration of Mr. Arrington's bill providing that witnesses in defendant's courts should only be paid for one case per day, when summoned in more than one case on the same day. The bill was passed with several counties eliminated.

Mr. Brown called the special order which was his bill providing for the examination of state banks by bankers. The measure was discussed at length, and was finally recommitted to a special committee to be named by the speaker.

Mr. Jones, of Bullock, finally called up his bill to make the legal rate of interest in Alabama 6 per cent. The measure caused a lively debate, many amendments were offered, but all were voted down.

The bill was passed without amendment by a vote of 64 to 20.

The American public pays every year over $50,000,000 for general literature and school books.

A Chicago millionaire paid a wife $105,000 for the return of his love letters. Who says it doesn't pay to be sentimental?

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TOOK A WILDCAT'S PHOTOGRAPH.

Boy Photographer's Father Shot the Animal Directly Afterward.

To photograph a wildcat just before shooting the animal is a feat which few hunters have ever accomplished. It was done recently by William M. Shaw, of Greenville, Me., and the photograph has just been reproduced in the New York Sun. Mr. Shaw, who is a rich lumberman in the Moosehead region, owns most of Sugar Island, one of the most picturesque spots in Moosehead Lake. On this bit of land is situated the camps of the Nighthawk Club, whose membership is largely drawn from sportsmen from New York and Boston.

None of the campers is a more enthusiastic sportsman than Mr. Shaw, who combines with his tastes as a hunter those of the artist. He is a devoted amateur photographer and has taught the art to all the members of his family who are able to handle a camera. On his near-by hunting trips he is usually accompanied by his twelve-year-old son Hugh. It was on one of these trips that the photograph was taken. On this occasion the younger Shaw carried the camera. They had had a tiresome tramp through the woods when Mr. Shaw, looking up, saw a large wildcat ready to spring.

Raising his rifle and standing ready to fire should the beast attempt to spring, Mr. Shaw kept his eyes on the

cat, while Master Hugh pressed the button. The result is the picture. Mr. Shaw, the next instant, fired, and the cat fell to the ground mortally wounded. Mr. Shaw has the wildcat mounted and he keeps it in his house.

The Snelp—in South Africa.

The snelpaardelooszonderspoorwegpetroolrijtuig is being introduced into progressive South Africa as into other parts of the world. The snelpaardeloozonderspoorwegpetroolrijtuig is, as the reader will doubtless have noted at a glance, the mellifluous Dutch name of the quick-horseless upon-ordinary-road-running-petroleum-carriage or motor car soon to be a familiar object in Johannesburg as already in Amsterdam.

A Child's Philosophy.

Lord Crewe, at an educational meeting at Liverpool, told an amusing story of the little son of a friend of his who refused to say his lesson to his governess. He admitted that he knew it well, but, said he, "If I say my lesson, what's the use? you will only make me learn something else." That child will probably be heard of again.—Westminster Gazette.

Stuffing Live Fowls by Machinery.

Poultry raising has become a science. No longer do the feathered beauties run free picking up the succulent caterpillar and scratching for grain. It's too expensive.

In the first place caterpillars aren't good food for chickens; in the second, grain thrown on the ground is wasted; in the third place, they run off their fat if obliged to trot around and pick up their food.

On the great poultry farms where fowls are fattened for the London market the birds are imprisoned in long rows of coops. At feeding time along comes a boy wheeling a queer barrow that looks something like a tool grinder's kit, except that it has a big hopper on top. In this is ground and mixed food.

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American ladies in Paris have subscribed to present Paris with an equestrian statue of Washington by Mr. French. It will probably be erected in the Place d'Iena.

Dr. Calmette, director of the Pasteur Institute, at Lille, France, has endowed that body with $50,000, the profits of one of his inventions at the distilleries of Seclin.

While kicking about in some dirt at the city dump, Leadville, Col., Frank Burkhart unearthed a cave in which he found fifty sacks of gold and silver ore, stolen from the mines and valued at $110,000.

Chinese Superstitions.

In a very fascinating article from the pen of Hon. Calvin S. Brice, in the December number of Ainslee's Magazine, appear many interesting peculiarities of this peculiar people. One instance among the many narrated by Senator Brice is the following:

"The feeling against the foreigner in China, which sometimes finds expression in outbreaks, is not natural. The Hon. Charles Denby, for thirteen years minister of the United States to China, has said recently that the natural feeling of the native of China for a foreigner is one of mere curiosity—that the attacks on foreigners are incited by those who are jealous of the strangers, or provoked by their supposed failure to conciliate local prejudice and superstition. For instance, a short railroad was built in China not many years ago which so excited the people to opposition that it was bought out by the Chinese authorities and thereupon torn up. This road, viz, the line of about twenty miles from Woosung and Shanghai, has been recently rebuilt and opened. When first constructed it encountered much native prejudice. Local superstition made the people believe that their ancestors, disturbed by the railway, were wandering about complaining. Where superstition is so general, local prejudices must be considered, and in the contract made with the Chinese government it is provided that graves are not to be disturbed; but the fact that a railway thus so rudely destroyed could, and indeed has had to be rebuilt in the same locality so soon again, is striking."

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A first-rate chef was in the employment of Lord Seaford, who, not being able to afford to keep the man, prevailed on the Duke of Wellington to engage him. Shortly after entering the Duke's service the chef returned to his former master and begged him, with tears in his eyes, to take him back at reduced wages or none at all. Lord Seaford asked: "Has the Duke been finding fault?" "Oh, no—he is the kindest and most liberal of masters; but I serve him a dinner that would have made Ude or Francatelli burst with envy and he says nothing! I go out and leave him to dine on a dinner badly dressed by my cook maid, and he say nothing. Dat hurt my feelings, my lord!"

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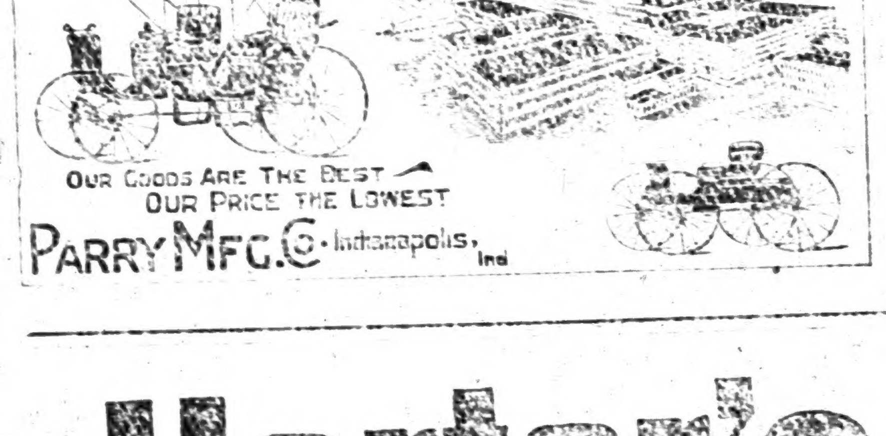

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In 1894 the Aldrich managers instructed many of the colored Republicans of Dallas to stay away from the polls, in the hope that they would not be counted on either side if they were not cast at all. But the precaution proved useless. In the philosophy of the Dallas county gang, it is not necessary for the official returns to bear any striking relation to the actual vote cast.

The names of dead men and convicts were put on the poll lists in order to stuff the returns, and it was shown that many of the frauds were cooked up after the election was over. In one precinct, where only thirty-five persons, including the judges of election, entered the polling-place during the day, the returns gave a vote of 102, only two of whom were credited to Aldrich, in another precinct the vote was padded to 130, when it was proved on the testimony of credible witnesses that only fourteen persons entered the polling place. So it ran through all the precincts of Dallas county, in which the total white vote numbers about two thousand, and the colored vote eighty-five hundred. Nearly all the latter are Republicans, there being at least as many white Republican as there are colored Democratic votes in the county. Yet the official returns of 1894 gave Robbins (Dem.) 5,462 in Dallas, against 72 for Aldrich (Rep.). In the entire district Robbin's vote was given as 10,494, against Aldrich's 7,406. But the true figures, as shown by the contestant, were: Aldrich, 6,842; Robbins, 4,476; Aldrich's majority, 2,366. The Republican candidate was illegally deprived of any representation at the polls in Dallas county, so that all the clerks, markers and inspectors were Democrats at that election.

In the late election precisely the same tactics were resorted to. The Republican nominee came down to Dallas county with a majority of 816. But in Dallas county, where there are seven negroes to one white man, and the former are Republicans almost without exception, the Democratic candidate is credited with a vote of 2,436 and the Republican with only 302, a Democratic majority of 2,046!

The persistency with which these frauds have been practiced in order to defeat the election of a Republican from this State has brought the case to a position of National importance. Governor Johnston has again given the certificate to Robbins. Mr. Aldrich, who is one of the substantial citizens of Alabama, a man who has done much to build up the State, and to promote its welfare at home and abroad, is weary of the struggle to improve political conditions here. But he has decided to make a contest this time and has been in Dallas county to collect data.

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Mrs. S. E. Kincaid and Miss Bonnie Fleming went to Jemison Monday.

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Spain has slowly but surely been forced to abandon its stand in consideration of "pride" and "glory."

The foreign demand for breadstuffs continues to be heavy, and the supply is still equal to the demand. A great country this, and the limit of its resources is not yet approached.

Apropos of England's warlike activity it is timely to recall Gladstone's famous reply in the House of Commons: "No, we are not at war; we are conducting military operations."

Coal mining is now one of Missouri's chief industries. The annual report of the United States geological survey credits her with producing in 1897 2,665,626 tons, the cash value of which is placed at $2,887,824.

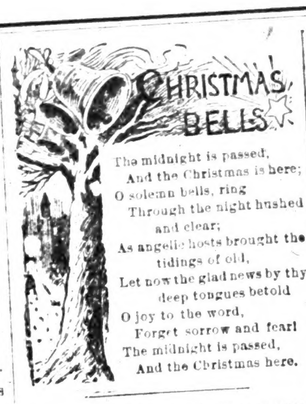
The scheme of American popular education will not reach its highest development until every boy and girl shall be fitted, before leaving school, to use every power to its highest capacity to rightly perform the duties of family and civic relations, and to "make a living" by some handicraft the elements of which have been learned.

The spread of Western ideas in Japan has not proved an unmixed blessing. Adulteration and fraudulent trading have followed in the wake. As the demand for European medicaments increased dishonest foreign merchants introduced a large quantity of inferior and adulterated drugs into Japan. Consequently a law had to be enacted to the effect that all drugs landed in Japan must be taken to the state laboratories before they could be sold to the public.

While Porto Rico is densely populated, yet, in view of the great wealth of the island, there is still room for thousands of immigrants of the right sort. Under the stimulating effect of American ideas Porto Rico will soon begin to astonish the world with her growth. So long as she was fettered by the tyranny of Spain she could not do this, but now that she is permitted to inhale the atmosphere of freedom, she will speedily make up for what she has lost. We will miss our guess if Porto Rico within the next few years does not become one of the most coveted gems on the breast of the ocean, observes the Atlanta Constitution.

After struggling for a long time with the problem of over production, the butter makers opened a central warehouse at Sydney, New South Wales, where they sent all their butter, and where it was sold at wholesale at certain fixed prices, varying according to the season of the year, but never falling below sixteen cents. What butter is not sold at that price is shipped in cold storage to London. In this way the price is kept up. Co-operation among farmers is admittedly one of the most difficult of social problems. Farming is generally carried on with insufficient capital, which makes the farmer a long-credit man, and places him largely in the hands of the middlemen. Farming really requires a liberal education and large executive ability. What the farmers of New South Wales have done, however, might be done by American farmers, especially since the London market is much nearer America than it is New South Wales. But it can't be done with cotton, for the obvious reason that the London market is glutted at the start.

The Abstract of Statistics of the Railways of the United States, for the year ending June 30, 1897, just issued by the interstate commerce commission, gives some interesting figures. There are 184,428 miles of railway in the country; of second, third and fourth tracks 12,705 miles, and of yard and track sidings 46,221 miles, making a grand total of 243,444 miles. One-third of the rails in yards and sidings are of iron, and 95 per cent. of all others are steel. There are 10,017 passenger locomotives, 20,398 freight and 5102 for switching; 33,626 passenger and 1,221,730 freight cars. There are 823,476 men employed by the railways; the amount paid them represents 61.87 per cent. of the total operating expenses. There were 489,445,198 passengers carried, and 43,168 casualities occurred, of which 6137 resulted in death; 1693 railway employes were killed and 27,667 injured. One out of every 2,204,708 passengers was killed, and one out of every 175,116 was injured; of employes one out of every 486 was killed, and one out of every 30 was injured.



The midnight is passed,
And the Christmas is here;
O solemn bells, ring
Through the night hushed
and clear;
As angelic hosts brought the
tidings of old,
Let now the glad news by thy
deep tongues betold
O joy to the word,
Forget sorrow and fear!
The midnight is passed,
And the Christmas here.

JACK'S CHRISTMAS FAIRIES.

By Edith Sessions Tupper.

Up to his ears in mischief all the time was Jack, yet he was the dearest, roundest, rosiest little lad imaginable. He was a picture of happy boyhood that afternoon, three days before Christmas, when, in his smart coat, trimmed in the most delightful military fashion with bands of Persian lamb and black frogs, and his jaunty cap set on his fair hair, and his fat hands protected by fur-trimmed gloves, he went into the park with his sled for a romp. He ran and shouted and pranced until his eyes glowed like stars and his cheeks shone like apples, and everybody who saw him said: "What a handsome boy!"

Jack, of course, was looking forward to Christmas, just as every boy and girl who reads this is looking forward to that day of all days. He expected to have all sorts of fine things in his stocking, and with very good reason, for Santa Claus had never neglected him. Jack's father was rich. Grandmamma, who was richer, was coming to spend the holidays, and Santa Claus had been telephoned on the subject of skates, drums, games, swords, guns and sweetmeats, and there was every prospect that when he called at Jack's home his sleigh would be very full indeed.

Jack was like all boys who have no brothers or sisters, a trifle selfish. But he was a manly, kind-hearted little chap for all that, and so, when he was through with his play and was dragging his sled homeward and came upon a scene on a street-corner which roused his sympathy he paused to find out what it meant.

A crowd of rough boys were tormenting a poorly-clad little girl, whose wan, haggard face spoke too plainly of misery and poverty. She was frightened and almost crying as Jack came up.

"Here, now!" said Jack, with sturdy determination, "you stop that or I'll call a p'liceman."

Fortunately at that moment a blue-coated officer came in sight, and the hoodlums fled with one wild departing yell.

"Thank you," said the little girl, timidly, "those boys allus are pickin' on me."

"What is your name?" said Jack.

"Susie Greene."

"Well, Susie," said Jack, with an air of business, "you look cold and sick."

"I an't very strong"——

"And hungry," continued Jack.

Susie burst into tears.

That was enough for Jack.

"Get right on my sled," said he, determinedly, "and I'll take you down to my house and you'll have something to eat."

Susie obeyed, and the officer saw with grim pleasure the young heir to Mr. Newton's millions dragging off the little waif to his home, a block away.

"He do be a foine chap, he do be," remarked Policeman Mulvaney.

Jack took Susie into the kitchen and gave orders she should be fed forthwith. Then he hurried up to his mother's room. She was there with his grandmother, and in a few words he told them about the little girl he had rescued.

"She's poor and hungry, and she's got no decent clothes. Mamma, can't you fixed her up?"

SANTA CLAUS WAS TELEPHONED.

His mother looked at him a moment, then asked, quietly: "Jack, would you rather have this little girl made comfortable or have a big Christmas yourself?"

Jack hesitated. He thought of all those presents he was expecting; then he thought of Susie thin dress and bursting shoes.

"You can take the money you were going to spend on my Christmas and fix her up," he bravely said. Then his grandmamma, a stately old lady, in black satin and white lace cap, called him to her and kissed him, with tears in her eyes.

Jack sat bolt upright in bed and rubbed his eyes very hard. No, he was not asleep. There was the open fire, there his clothes on the chair, there the door into his mother's room.

It was Christmas Eve. Jack had not hung up his stocking, for he did not expect any presents. Susie had been warmly clothed and her wretched home had been brightened by the visit of Jack and his mother. The boy was satisfied. He had made his choice and expected to abide by it.

But, marvellous to relate, as he looked towards the fire, he saw a crowd of tiny people hurrying and fussing about on the fur rug before the fire. Three or four had a miniature ladder which they were putting up against the side of the fireplace. Several others had hold of one of Jack's long stockings. When the ladder was in place, a little man, with elfish eyes and spider-like legs, climbed the ladder, dragging Jack's stocking after him, and hung it on a

HE STOPPED TO COMFORT HER.

hook and then, coming down, put his hands on his hips and surveyed his work with great satisfaction.

"That's what I call a good job," he said. "Now hurry up, you folk, and get your presents in there before St. Nicholas gets along."

Then fairy after fairy climbed the ladder and put in his presents. There was a fat brownie, who brought a basket of nuts from the woods.

"I have worked all day," he said, "looking under hedges and dead leaves to gather these nuts for the boy who was kind to Susie."

A quaint little fairy in a curious foreign gown and cap approached, "I have come clear from the borders of the Black Forest in Germany," she said, "to bring this music-box for the boy who was not ashamed to look after a poor little girl."

There was quite a stir as a remarkable fairy approached. He was copper-tinted and had a feather stuck in his black hair, and he bore on his shoulder a beautiful bow and arrow.

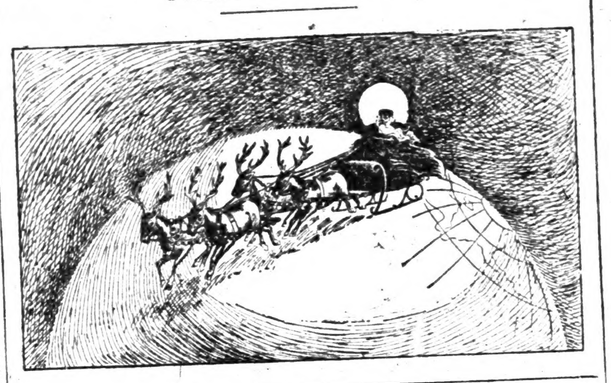
"From the lands of the setting sun I have come," said he. "I am a Puckwudje, an Indian fairy, but I wanted to bring an offering to the young pale-face who has a good heart."

A merry little man in green climbed the ladder, hauling up a beautiful toy sword which he had brought from England for Jack. Then there followed one of the "good people" of Ireland with a drum which he had brought from the Emerald Isle. "Shure, it's hurryin' I must be after doin'," he cried, "to be back before daybreak."

In the midst of all this excitement there came a pawing of tiny hoofs overhead and a jingling of bells, and a voice down the chimney cried, "Whoa!" very loudly.

At this every fairy vanished abruptly. But the stocking was left hanging there, and presently, with a scramble and rush, down the chimney came the good Saint himself. Jack knew him directly from his pictures. He examined the stocking attentively.

HOW SANTA CLAUS GOES AROUND THE WORLD IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.



"So they've been here ahead of me!" he observed. "That's a great idea! I never was left before. Well, no matter! There are a few things they've forgotten. Here are the skates, the games, the box of caramels, the books," and as he talked he piled the packages up on a table near the fireplace.

Jack's eyes were so heavy he couldn't hold them open. He shut them for an instant, and when he opened them again it was Christmas morning.

He sprang from his bed and rushed to the fireplace. Yes, there hung his stocking full and running over, and

JACK RUBBED HIS EYES.

the table near by was loaded with gifts.

And, if you were to argue forever, you could never make Jack believe that there is no Santa Claus or such things as fairies.

"I know better," he says, with a decided shake of his curly head. "I know better, for I've seen them."

Christmas Fun.

Those mothers who wish their children's Christmas fun to be fun pure and simple, eschewing fashionable dances and other unsuitable diversions, will find the following suggestions useful:

A tissue-paper candy bag, hung from the chandelier, to be struck with a light rod or switch by each child, blindfolded, in turn, till the lucky one breaks the bag and the candies may be scrambled for, is sure to cause jollity and laughter. This is an old game, but a never-failing one. Forty years ago it was described and pictured in juvenile books, yet, once good, always good, is a true proverb.

Another mirth-provoking device is a sawdust pie. Cover an ordinary washtub with bright paper, having a frill around the edge. Put in a layer of sawdust, then some trifling gifts, another layer of sawdust, and so on. Smooth the top into a shallow cone shape, to resemble a pie, lay over it a brown paper cover, with darker spots here and there, to imitate the scorching of the crust, and fasten some little ornament at the apex, which will lift the cover off as by a handle. Have a sheet spread underneath, provide the children with wooden spoons, and let them dig for "plums."

Of course the amusements indicated are for the youngest members of the flock. Older children may enjoy getting up a Brownie party, a Japanese party, etc., in appropriate costumes. Or they will greatly enter into the spirit of making a number of poorer children happy, by packing a large basket or hamper with attractive little parcels, which they have prepared themselves, then passing them to the shabby little guests. The finest spirits are those who do not lose sight of the fact that Christmas is a time for making others happy, not a season for getting all one can and keeping all one gets.

After Christmas.

Mrs. Buffer—"That's a nice shoe-bag of yours. I had a present of one like it——"

Mrs. Muffer—"Shoe-bag? That's a photograph case. Mrs. Greely, who gave it to me, told me so."

Mrs. Buffer—"Horrors! And I thanked Mrs. Greely for a shoe-bag! I've a mantel drapery like yours, too."

Mrs. Muffer—"Is that a mantel drapery?"

Mrs. Buffer—"Certainly; Mrs. Spriggs, who gave me mine, told me so."

Mrs. Muffer—"And I thanked Mrs. Spriggs for some petticoat trimming!"

Both (in tears)—"Well, home-made presents ought always to be labeled, anyhow!"

Below Zero (and the Belt).

Ten Broke (after the refusal)—"How cold it is to-night. My hands are chilled."

Gwendolen—"Well, I have made you a Christmas present of the mitten. That ought to keep them warm."—The Yellow Book.

If I Were Santa Claus.

If I were only Santa Claus,
And Santa Claus was me,
I'd show to him just what a good
Old Santa Claus I'd be.
I'd always bring the kind of toys
And story books for him;
I'd find his stocking every year,
And fill it to the brim.
This year I'd bring a book or so
On how we conquered Spain,
Or how a boy pursued his foe
Across the Klondike plain.
And boxing gloves—and, say, I guess
A pistol would be great
To Klondike with. And then—oh, yes
A whee-l for ninety-eight.
I'd bring a leather suit and hat—
The kind that cowboys wear,
Of bowie knives and things like that
He'd have a lot to spare.
I'd fill his stocking then with all
The candy it would hold,
And where the packages were small
I'd fill in round with gold.
And when they saw how good I was,
How happy folks would be
If I were only Santa Claus
And Santa Claus was me.

Her Christmas Stockings.

"She was the prettiest and brightest girl we had at our house party that winter," related the smiling old lady who loves to dwell upon the holiday festivities when she was a girl. "She was a great favorite with the men because of her dashing ways and the air of good comradeship that she always carried about with her. Yet we could never see that any one of her suitors was favored above another, and often wondered if she would fill the appointed destiny of woman.

"In the party was Harper Allison. We always called him Harpy. He was big, athletic, good-natured and good to look at, but we never thought of him as a brilliant man. It was as plain as could be that he was in love with her, and men of his type are so persistent. They lay siege, and, no matter what may come, they continue the siege.

"I know that he proposed to her a score of times, but he was always put off with the laughing assurance that she was not to be won by any of the stereotyped methods, and that if he ever did find a lodging place in her heart he would see a sign.

"Christmas Eve we all hung up our stockings outside our doors, just as a lark, you know. In the morning we all had presents to show but Harpy. He pretended to be disconsolate beyond consolation. He had put out a great long pair of woolen stockings, knit in black yarn and tipped in red by a fussy old aunt in Maine, who always feared that Harpy never dressed warmly enough. He had not only been slighted by Santa Claus, but the stockings themselves were gone.

"After dinner there was a sleigh ride of the old-fashioned kind. As she raised her dress to clamber into the big sled, we all saw that over her dainty shoes she wore heavy woolen stockings, and the toes were red. 'Now I know what I got,' shouted Harpy, and before us all he tossed her into the air, caught her as she came down and kissed her indefinitely."

Yule-Log Sparks.

About $120,000,000 is spent on Christmas gifts yearly in this country.

The custom of making gifts is widest spread among the Germans.

Snapdragon, a one-time favorite game at Christmas, is again coming into favor.

Skating over the frozen marshes was a favorite holiday pastime among the Knickerbockers.

The custom of giving the turkey the first place on the bill of fare at Christmas is gradually giving way to the old English plan of providing a huge round of beef.

A pretty conceit for trimming Christmas trees is a paper star with a candle in the center. They are made after the manner of the "pin wheel" and commemorate the appearance of the Star of Bethlehem.

To feed Greater New York on Christmas Day it is estimated that it will take among other things, 1700 head of cattle, 7000 tons of poultry, 1700 barrels of cranberries and three carloads of celery.

The best bag to use for the Christmas pudding is made of thin unbleached muslin. Be sure that it is well scalded before the pudding goes in. Keep a supply of clean, strong, white tape for pudding strings.

When the Heart Grows Warm.

Santa Claus might reconnoiter in an air ship.

It is time now to begin to remember not to spell it "Xmas."

To get the right height and measure of Christmas in the stocking feet is by no means a bad plan.

The young people are not alarmed at that anti-Santa Claus movement. They are preparing to turn the hose on it.

If the weather clerk will send a little snow for Christmas he will not be required to put it in the hanging stockings. It will be appreciated if it is left outside.

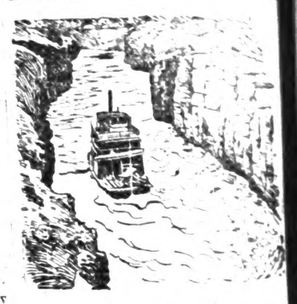
Helping Santa.

There is nothing slow about Johnnie.—From Christmas Life.

SHOOTING KLONDIKE RAPIDS.

Many Dangers Presented Even to the Water Traveler.

There are dangers en route to the Klondike, even when the worst is followed. The river [illegible] shooting the dangerous White H[illegible] rapids and Miles Cany[illegible]



SHOOTING THE WHITE HORSE RAPIDS.

from Lake Bennett to Dawson, over through many difficulties. On enter ing the canyon with its huge wall sides; there is an abrupt turn, and is most difficult to prevent the steamer dashing against the rocks as the turn is made. The illustration represents the steamer Goddard on her way to Dawson City. She just grazed her side against the sheer rugged cliff as she entered, but the captain brought her round in a straight line with the canyon, and no damage resulted. The engines were kept at full speed to give her steerage way, and as she tore down the river the excitement was intense. After fifteen minutes of suspense, during which five miles of swift water was traversed, the steamer took her last leap in the foaming White Horse, and entered the lower branches of the Sixty Mile. Then on she went through Lake Lebarge to the Pelly River. Though the waters were unknown, and the rocks and sandbars not shown an any chart, the captain, with an apparently instinctive knowledge and with consummate judgment, cleared every obstacle, noting each treacherous place for use on future trips.

An Offset.

"This is Mr. Pneer, is it not?"

"Yes, sir."

"You have rented a house fronting on Mulberry square, I believe?"

"I have."

"Well, my name is Ferguson. I have rented the house next to yours, and by a queer mistake the man I sent to clean it up so I could move into it went to the wrong place and cleaned up yours. His bill, which I settled, is quite moderate—only $1.50—and I thought that if the work proved satisfactory on inspection perhaps you would not object to assuming the payment of that amount."

"Not at all, sir, but I shall charge you $1.50 for one day's occupancy of my house. That, I think, makes us even, sir."—Chicago Tribune.

The Value of Exercise.

Any one who does not take time for exercise will probably have to make time to be ill.

Exercise gradually increases the physical powers and gives strength to resist sickness.

Exercise does for the body what intellectual training does for the mind—educates and strengthens it.

A sound and healthy body is the foundation of all that goes to make life a success. Exercise will enable you to obtain it.

Next to sleep, light, brisk and varied exercise will rest the tired brain more than anything else.

Metal rusts if not used, and the body becomes diseased if not exercised.

Wilhelmina is to Wed.

Queen Wilhelmina of Holland is to marry her cousin, Prince William of Wied. It is a love match, and, while it does not particularly please the courtiers and royal match-makers, who wanted the young Queen to wed some monarch or heir apparent, the gentle Wilhelmina is happy.

Prince William of Wied is the second son of Prince William Adolph Maximilian Charles, whose family domain is at Neuweid, Rhenish Prussia.

WILLIAM OF WIED.

He was born March 26, 1876, and therefore in his twenty-third year. Prince of Wied he would have attracted little attention in European court circles; as the consort of Queen Wilhelmina he will be the first gentleman in the kingdom of Holland. Only the Queen herself will take precedence of him, his place will be beside her at all state and other official ceremonies. He will share her income, and his children will inherit her throne. In a word, he will occupy in Holland the same position that Prince Albert occupied in England as consort to Queen Victoria.

THE NATION'S PRESIDENT IN

Mr. McKinley Given Enthusiastic Welcome at Montgomery.

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References to Gen. Wheeler, His Daughter, and Lieut. Hobson Thrilled the Hearts of Alabamians With Pride—At Tuskegee.

The president and his party were given a magnificent welcome in Montgomery, confederacy's first capital, Friday.

The president's train was escorted from Atlanta to Tuskegee and thence to Montgomery by the state assembly. Governor Johnston, Chief Justice McClellan and a party of ladies. The assembly's train came in ahead of the president's. At the union station the president ial party was met by the governor, committees from the assembly, the mayor and city council and the Commercial and Industrial Association. Mayor Chisby received the president with a well worded speech at the station. The whole party was then taken in carriages through the leading business and residence streets to the old confederate capitol. The entire route was ablaze with the national colors, while tremendous crowds lined the streets as far as the eye could reach.

Capitol Hill was one mass of humanity when the lines of carriages, escorted by the local military companies, reached it at 3 o'clock. When Governor Johnston escorted President McKinley into the hall there was a tremendous demonstration. Governor Johnston made a brief speech, in which he took occasion to say that Alabama had nothing to take back for what she did in 1861, but that she was back in the union to stay and that she welcomed the president of the reunited country to the historic spot around the assemblage.

The President's Address.

Mr. McKinley replied as follows:

"To the General Assembly and Citizens: The warm hearted welcome which has been given me by the citizens of Alabama has deeply touched me, and in return for it I cannot find language to express my gratitude and appreciation. To be welcomed here in the city of Montgomery, the first capital of the Confederate States, warmly and enthusiastically welcomed as the president of a common country, has filled and thrilled me with emotion. Once the capital of the confederacy, now the capital of a great and glorious state, one of the indestructible states of an indestructible union.

"The governor says he has nothing to take back. We have nothing to take back for having kept you in the union. We are glad you did not go out and you are glad you stayed in. (Tremendous applause.)

"Alabama, like all the states of the union, north and south, has been loyal to the flag and steadfastly devoted to the American nation and to American honor. There never has been in the history of the United States such a demonstration of patriotism from one end of this country to the other as in the year just passing, and never has American valor been more brilliantly illustrated in the battle line, on shore and on the battleship at sea, than by the soldiers and sailors of the United States.

"Everybody is talking of Mother Hobson, and ju[illegible] thank Mother [illegible] ence.

"Everybody [illegible] eral Wheeler, [illegible] brave, but spe[illegible] sweet little da[illegible] to Santiago [illegible] tered to the [illegible] (cheers.)

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ADDRESSES THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

References to Gen. Wheeler, His Daughter, and Lieut. Hobson Thrilled the Hearts of Alabamians With Pride—At Tuskegee.

The president and his party were given a magnificent welcome in Montgomery, confederacy's first capital, Friday.

The president's train was escorted from Atlanta to Tuskegee and thence to Montgomery by the state assembly, Governor Johnston, Chief Justice Clopton and a party of ladies. The president's train came in ahead of the others. At the union station the official party was met by the governor, committees from the assembly, the mayor and city council and the Commercial and Industrial Association. Mayor Chisby received the president with a well-worded speech at the station.

The whole party was then driven in carriages through the leading streets and residence streets to the old confederate capitol. The entire route was ablaze with the national colors, while tremendous crowds lined the streets as far as the eye could reach.

Capitol Hill was one mass of humanity when the lines of carriages, escorted by the local military companies, reached it at 3 o'clock. When Governor Johnston escorted President McKinley into the hall there was a tremendous demonstration. Governor Johnston made a brief speech, in which he took occasion to say that Alabama had nothing to take back for what she did in 1861, but that she was back in the union to stay and that she welcomed the president of the reunited country to the historic spot in the assemblage.

The President's Address.

Mr. McKinley replied as follows:

"To the General Assembly and the warm-hearted welcome which has been given me by the citizens of Alabama has deeply touched me, and in return for it I cannot find language to express my gratitude and appreciation. To be welcomed here in the city of Montgomery, the first capital of the Confederate States, by one and enthusiastically welcomed by the president of a common country, has filled and thrilled me with emotion. Once the capital of the confederacy, now the capital of a great and glorious state, one of the indestructible states of an indestructible union, the governor says he has nothing to take back. We have nothing to take back for having kept you in the union. We are glad you did not go out, and you are glad you stayed in. (Tremendous applause.)

"Alabama, like all the states of the south, north and south, has been loyal to the flag and steadfastly devoted to the American nation and to American institutions.

"There never has been in the history of the United States such a demonstration of patriotism from one section of this country to the other as in the year just passing, and never has American valor been more brilliantly displayed in the battle line, on shore and on the battleship at sea, than by the soldiers and sailors of the United States.

"Everybody is talking of Mother Hobson, and justly so, but I want to thank Mother Hobson in this presence.

"Everybody is talking about General Wheeler, one of the bravest of the brave, but speak, I want to, of that sweet little daughter that followed him to Santiago (great applause) and ministered to the sick at Montauk Point. (cheers.)

"I have spoken in many places and at many times of the heroism of the American army and the American navy, but in our recent conflict the whole people were patriots. Two hundred thousand people were called for and a million rushed to get a place in the ranks. (Great applause.) And millions more stood ready, if need be. (Prolonged applause.) I like the feeling of the American people that we ought not to have a large standing army, but it has been demonstrated in the last few months that we need a standing army large enough to do all the work required while we are in peace, and only rely on the great body of the people in an emergency to help us fight our battles. (Applause.)

"We love peace; we are not a military nation, but whenever the time of peril comes, the bulwark of this people rests in the patriotism of its citizens, and this nation will be safe for all time, because 75,000,000 of people love it and will give up their lives to sustain and uphold it. (Great applause.)

"I thank you, my fellow citizens, for this generous warmth and wealth of welcome which you have given me today, and I shall go back to my duties at our great capital feeling that we have a united country that acknowledges allegiance to but one authority, and will march forever unitedly under one flag, the glorious old stars and stripes." (Tremendous cheering and applause.)

The audience constantly punctured the president's remarks with the wildest demonstrations of approval, and especially his tributes to Lieut. Hobson's mother, and General Wheeler's daughter.

As soon as he had finished, the Governor started to escort the president away for a reception at his office, but the audience would not have it. They called for General Wheeler, General Shafter, General Lawton, Secretaries Alger and Long and Postmaster-General Smith, who responded with short speeches.

He next went to meet the colored people of the city at Old Ship church, where a great throng received him enthusiastically. He made a short, but forceful speech there.

This ended the ceremonies of the day.

The party was conveyed back to the train, and at 6:30 o'clock, amid the boom of cannon, the president left for Savannah.

At Tuskegee.

The special train bringing the Alabama legislature reached Tuskegee at 6:30 p. m. The procession formed at the Tuskegee depot and marched through the city on their way to the Normal school. The president's carriage was drawn by four beautiful boys. In the carriage with the president were Governor Johnston, of Alabama; Colonel Foster, of Tuskegee, and Booker T. Washington. In the other carriages were Mrs. McKinley and other ladies of the president's party, members of the cabinet and Gens. Wheeler, Shafter and Lawton.

The president and party first reviewed more than 600 boys and 300 girls of the Normal school and 200 children of the training school.

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IS GENERAL GOMEZ DEAD?

Conflicting Reports in Circulation Regarding the Cuban Leader.

The report that General Maximo Gomez is dead, which, according to a dispatch from Madrid, was received there from Havana, cannot be confirmed at Havana, though a rumor of his death has been in circulation for several days. In contradiction of the report is another to the effect that General Gomez left his camp at Yaguajay, province of Santa Clara, and with his main forces went into camp in the Sipuanoa mountains. This report has it that General Gomez is in good health.

How Troops Will Be Apportioned.

General Wade, in his recommendation that 50,000 troops be sent to Cuba, asked that they be apportioned as follows:

Guanajay, 1,000 infantry; Meriel, 1,000 infantry; Pinar del Rio, 1,000 infantry; Havana, 22,000 infantry and 2,000 cavalry; Matanzas, 7,000 infantry and 1,000 cavalry; Cardenas, 2,000 infantry; Cienfuegos, 2,000 infantry and 1,000 cavalry; Trinidad, 2,000 infantry; Sagua La Grande, 1,000 infantry; Santa Clara, 1,000 infantry; Placetas, 1,000 infantry; Caibarien and Remedios, 1,000 infantry; Sancti Spiritus, 1,000 infantry; Neuvitas and Puerto Principe, 1,000 infantry and 1,000 cavalry; Manzanillo, 1,000 infantry.

Joseph McGee, aged 110 years, of Ypsilanti, Mich., got a license to wed Saturday. He will make Amelia Day, 50 years old, his wife. McGee's extreme age is vouched for by the citizens of Ypsilanti. Old McGee fought in the war of 1812, in the Mexican war and in the civil war.

Baron Ferdinand James de Rothschild, M. P., is dead. He was the second son of the Baron Alphonse de Rothschild. He was a member of parliament, in the unionist interest, for Aylesbury.

CZAR'S DISARMAMENT PLAN

Success of the Movement Depends Upon Action of America.

PEOPLE CAN PREVENT FATAL CATASTROPHE

The Well Meant Ends Will Fail Unless the People Who Detest Militarism Act With Those Who Groan Under Its Burden.

William T. Stead, writing to the Associated Press, says:

"I have seen the czar. I have heard from his own lips the earnest desire of his heart that something practical should be done, and that quickly, to enlist in the services of humanity the millions now devoted to preparations for war. He has taken the initiative in summoning the conference. He is prepared to give earnest evidence of his sincerity by arresting the future increases of the Russian armaments. But, unless he is supported by the peoples who detest the militarism as well as by those who groan under its burdens, his well meant endeavor will fail.

"The people can, if they will, prevent so fatal a catastrophe. As the greatest and latest world's powers they can, if they choose, save this supreme opportunity of the century from being sacrificed by the skeptical apathy of the other governments. But to do this it will be necessary to act, and to act at once.

"What is hoped those friends of peace and enemies of militarism who turn their eager eyes to the great republic of the new world is that between now and the end of January the citizens of the United States will by public demonstrations, formal resolutions and by every other action whereby a democratic people gives expression to its convictions and its aspirations have manifested to the world their determination to help the czar to put this thing through."

THE PRESIDENT IN SAVANNAH.

Ten Thousand Troops Reviewed by President McKinley and His Cabinet.

The reception of President McKinley and the members of his cabinet by the people of Savannah Saturday more than equalled in hospitality and completeness of arrangement any previous experiences which have marked the presidential trip through the south. The party arrived from Montgomery at 11 a. m., reviewed 10,000 troops stationed around Savannah, went down the Savannah river and was entertained in the evening at a grand banquet given by the chamber of commerce and association of citizens. The enthusiasm of the Savannah people and of the 15,000 persons who it is estimated had come into the city from the surrounding country to greet the president was fully equal to the remarkable demonstrations which have distinguished the trip to other cities.

BRYAN REITERATES OPPOSITION

To Expansion and Says Silver Will Be the Main Issue in 1900.

The New York World says: William J. Bryan is in town. He was found last night (Saturday) at the Bartholdi hotel. Colonel Bryan declared himself an uncompromising opponent of the McKinley policy of expansion. He said: "It is too early at this time to discuss party policies for the presidential election of 1900, but I think the issues then will be free silver, anti-expansion, anti-imperialism and the rights of labor. I have already expressed myself against imperialism and territorial expansion. Do I think free silver will be an issue in 1900? Certainly it will be the main question. How about the labor problem? I am not prepared to answer that question."

Found Ceasar Turned to Clay.

Excavation around the base of a column discovered in the Roman forum last week, marking the spot where the body of Julius Caesar was cremated, has resulted in a new discovery. Saturday a heap of ashes, carefully covered over with bricks, was unearthed. The ashes are considered to be without doubt the remains of the funeral pyre to mark which the column was reared.

Gen. Lee Governor of Havana Province.

HAVANA.—The United States transport Panama, with Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and his staff on board, entered the harbor Wednesday morning. General Lee was informed by a correspondent of the Associated Press of his appointment as governor of the province of Havana. He said he was much gratified, but had only wished for a military command.

Near Oconee, Ga., Mrs. Joyner killed her sister, Miss Hardeman, an aged lady, last Saturday. Mrs. Joyner has been regarded as being crazy for some time, but she was not thought to be dangerous. She brained her sister with a blunt iron weapon.

Opera House Sold.

A deal was consummated in Birmingham Saturday whereby the O'Brien opera house and hotel property at First avenue and Nineteenth street was acquired from the Whelan estate by A. L. Fulenweider and Henry Badham, both of Birmingham, Mr. Fulenweider being a capitalist and Mr. Badham cashier of the Berney National bank. The Whelan estate was paid $22,000, and mortgages amounting to $37,500 were assumed by the purchasers. The new owners propose to add two stories to the building, now four stories high.

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Aldrich Files Notice of Contest.

In Montgomery Friday G. B. Deans served a notice of contest on Gaston A. Robbins, the member-elect from the Fourth district to the Fifty-sixth congress.

Coal Miner Killed.

Daniel McCoy, a young white miner in the employ of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company, was killed in slope No. 5, at Pratt City, by a fall of coal. He was mining at the time, and in some way a large piece of coal became loosened and fell upon him, crushing him to a shapeless mass.

Missionary to Cuba.

Rev. O. P. Speigel, pastor of the First Christian church of Birmingham, has been advised through the secretarp of the foreign mission board of his church that at a meeting of the board held in Cincinnati it was decided to offer him the post of missionary to Havana and surrounding territory.

Plethoric Prosperity.

The iron trade reached its apex of activity Friday in Birmingham when Alabama furnace masters refused to book orders for the export trade. Their refusal was due entirely to the fact that the furnace yards are entirely empty and the furnaces have orders for all they can possibly turn out. Two orders, aggregating 3,000 tons for export, were declined.

One Lesson of the War.

Gov. J. F. Johnston, in an interview Friday, said: "The recent war shows how necessary it is to have a well organized and disciplined body of state troops ready for instant service. The standing army should be supplemented by such a body. I trust all the states will respond to the call of Governor Bloxham, and that a large number of delegates will assemble at Tampa, Fla., on February 8 to consider the reorganization of state militia service."

A Soldier Killed.

Corpl. Wilson, the cook for Company D, Third Alabama, shot and instantly killed Sergt. Charles Evans, of the company at Anniston Friday. The men had a quarrel in the morning, and when Evans appeared late for his share of the dinner Wilson reprimanded him and the trouble was renewed. Evans went to his tent for his gun and when he returned Wilson, who had also procured a Springfield, shot him through the head, killing him instantly.

A Deputy U. S. Marshal in Trouble.

United States Marshal Cooper for the northern district of Alabama, has removed from office Deputy United States Marshal D. R. Burgess, and the latter has been arrested on the charge of having secured money from various parties by false pretenses. The scheme which it is charged he worked was to go to some one and represent that he had a warrant for the party's arrest, usually for illicit distilling or retail liquor dealing, and tell him that he was authorized to compromise the matter. Burgess made bond and was released.

EX-GOV. STONE'S OPINION.

Democratic Party Will Continue to Fight for Free Silver.

Ex-Governor Wm. J. Stone, of Missouri, was in Chicago the past week in consultation with democratic leaders. "It has been stated and persistently reiterated in the face of positive denial, that I had entered into some horrible scheme with Mr. Croker and others to have the next national convention repudiate the Chicago platform and do divers other dreadful things. All such talk is regarded as absurd, which it is. The democratic party of the United States is composed of those who supported Mr. Bryan and who will stand on the platform of the party. There are no other kind of democrats."

Gen. Castillo Dead.

The Cuban brigadier-general, Rogedo Castillo, died Saturday from pneumonia at Guanabacoa.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee called upon Gen. Castellanos, who, in the course of their conversation, said he had always greatly admired Gen. Robert E. Lee. Gen. Lee and Gen. Castellanos exchanged compliments.

Life Sentence Passed.

A life sentence was passed by the United States Court, in Mobile, on Fayette Salter, of Evergreen, Ala., who assaulted and robbed Silas Hobdy, mail carrier, between Bermuda and Evergreen, in August, 1895. Hobdy's bones were found in the woods two months after the deed.

A fire at Terre Haute, Ind., Monday, caused damage to the amount of $2,000,000.

The regular work of the second term of the University of Alabama will begin January 3, next. That will be an advantageous time for new students to enter, as will February 15 (the middle of the session), or March 19 (the beginning of the third term). Students may, however, enter any day during the session.

The Saturday Telegram, Selma, Ala., has printed Hobson's great Selma speech and his Montgomery speech, with personal data. It will be mailed upon receipt of 10 cents; four copies or 24 cents in stamps.

Omdurman's hero is a Kitchener by name, but Britain's parlor guest is fact

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED

Washington Items.

The House Ways and Means Committee decided to extend the United States tariff and revenue laws to Hawaii.

The value of merchandise imported during the month of November was $52,109,560. The exports of domestic merchandise were valued at $127,483,467. For eleven months ending November 30 the exports were valued at $1,098,089, exceeding by $141,407,923 those for the corresponding period of last year.

The War Department issued orders to have the transports Mobile and Mohawk got ready to carry 3600 troops to Manila via the Suez Canal.

Of 8000 Spanish Mauser rifles at the Springfield armory which were captured at Santiago only 2500 have been found to be in serviceable condition. The unserviceable guns will be sold at public auction.

The Yosemite and the Badger have been ordered to the Pacific, the former to join Admiral Dewey's fleet and the latter to Hawaii.

Adjutant-General Corbin gave his views on increase of the Army to the House Military Affairs Committee; he said that twenty thousand men would be needed in Cuba and twenty-five thousand in the Philippines.

The Secretary of War revoked the order excluding Sylvester Scovel from all army posts, "apology having been made for his reported conduct at Santiago." A similar order was issued recently by the Secretary of the Navy.

The House passed the District of Columbia Appropriation bill and the bill for the protection of seamen.

Domestic.

The Mormon Church in Salt Lake City, Utah, is badly in need of money and is trying to borrow $500,000.

Lieutenant James H. Hoskinson, Adjutant of the First Battalion of the Fifteenth Pennsylvania Regiment, was thrown violently from his horse in front of the Postoffice at Athens, Ga. His head struck the ground with great force, and in two hours he was dead.

Private James Ellis, Third North Carolina Colored Regiment, shot and killed his tentmate, Robert Thomas, at the regimental camp at Macon, Ga., a few days ago. The men had words over some money that Thomas owed Ellis, which brought on the shooting. Ellis was arrested and will be tried before a court-martial for murder.

Mrs. Roena Shelley, the oldest inhabitant of Cheshire County, N. H., died a few days ago, at Keene, aged 102 years and nine months. She was born at Springfield, Vt., married Oren Shelley at Westmoreland at twenty-four, was the mother of four children, and outlived her husband by nine years. She has four living great-granddaughters.

James J. Grogan, former Chief Clerk of the Department of Construction and Repair in the League Island Navy Yard, at Philadelphia, was arrested and placed under $2000 bail by United States Commissioner Craig to answer a charge of criminal violation of the naval regulations.

Edgar M. Crawford, sixty-three years old, a tobacco merchant, and George Dovas, thirty-seven years old, an author, both of New York City, were knocked down by a runaway horse attached to a wagon a few days ago, and the former's skull was fractured. He did not recover consciousness and succumbed in less than an hour. The latter was slightly injured.

Hilda Peterson, who was on trial in the Supreme Court of Queens County, New York, for the murder of her child, at Rockville Centre, on March 4, was acquitted on the ground of insanity. Judge Dickey committed her to the insane asylum at Matteawan until her mental condition can be determined.

The Tyler Banking Company (private) of Tyler, Texas, closed its doors owing, it is said, to heavy withdrawls of deposits. Assets, $49,000; liabilities, $20,000. The officials say all depositors will be paid.

Eight additional survivors of the lost steamer Londonian were rescued by the North German Lloyd steamer Maria Rickmers. They arrived at Baltimore a few days ago.

Carl McBride and his wife were driving in a sleigh from their home, near North Star, to Burgettstown, Penn. When near Raccoon station, on the Pan Handle Railroad, an express train dashed into them. Both were terribly mangled and instantly killed. They had been married but a few weeks.

Mrs. Mary Jones Walthall, widow of Senator Walthall, of Mississippi, died in Memphis, Tenn., aged fifty-eight years.

Robert Moore, a farmer, living five miles east of Hazleton, Ind., shot and mortally wounded Charles and Paris Becker, brothers, at the village church door. The trouble arose over the question of fencing the church property.

The barrel mill at the Moosic Powder Works at Scranton, Penn., containing 600 kegs of blasting powder, blew up. The workmen were at dinner so no lives were lost.

Patrick McNulty, aged seventy years, disappeared from his home in North Attleborough, Mass., and his body was found in Ten Mile River.

Edward S. Hayes, a saloon keeper in New York City, was shot and killed by his brother, John D. Hayes, a former Red Cross nurse, during a quarrel.

Foreign.

A reception was given at Havana, Cuba, by Captain Chadwick, of the New York, to the officers of the United States cruiser Topeka, a few days ago. While the reception was in progress the boats' crews of the Topeka and the New York raced, the Topeka men winning by a length.

The Filipino insurgents demand that Spain turn over to them as ransom for the Spanish prisoners held by the Filipinos the $20,000,000 which the United States is to pay under the terms agreed upon for the cession of the islands.

The Spanish and American Peace Commissioners were presented to President Faure, of France, a few days ago, and thanked him for his courtesies to them during the sessions of their conference.

The Spanish Government has agreed to pay the January coupon of the Cuban debt.

A secret treaty exists between China and Russia by which Russia was to aid China with army and navy if necessary until her army is organized.

Russia has sold half a million obsolete Berdan rifles to China, with which to arm the Manchu troops.

A sensation was caused in Madrid, Spain, a few days ago by the discovery in the anteroom of Senor Sagasta's official residence of an intoxicated soldier repatriated from Cuba, armed with a knife. The man was asleep.

A Deputy in the Italian Chamber asserted that an agreement equivalent to a formal treaty existed between Great Britain and Italy relative to North Africa.

A thousand tons of ship's plates have just been landed at Glasgow, Scotland, from Norfolk, Va. The event was more notable, however, by the fact that the steamship which brought them was flying the American flag, which is itself a rare sight in the Clyde.

Colonel L. M. Johnson, Chief of Aguinaldo's staff and an old Honolulu resident, was arrested at Manila for high treason. He will be tried by United States Court Martial. Colonel Johnson is charged with smuggling 40,000 small arms and four Krupp guns into the Island of Luzon for the use of the insurgents.

The report is current that the British occupation of the island of Crete is to become permanent.

DEWEY STATES HIS VIEWS

Declares That He Can Hold His Position Against the Earth.

SPEAKS WELL OF THE FILIPINOS.

Admiral Dewey Thinks That With Few Exceptions the Filipinos are Friendly—He Has a High Opinion of the Monitors—Would be Advisable to Pay the Insurgent Troops Their Back Pay.

MANILA, Philippine Islands (By Cable).—Rear Admiral Dewey, questioned by a newspaper correspondent regarding the possibility of international complications, replied:

"Prior to the arrival of the monitors I felt uneasy. But now I am ready to hold this position against the whole earth."

He, however, absolutely declined to discuss the political situation in the Philippine Islands, on the ground that his sphere was purely naval.

The Admiral seldom goes ashore, and insisted that his interviewer was in a better position to acquire information than himself. He then proceeded to cross-examine the correspondent about everything ashore. He was glad to learn that the insurgents were releasing the sick Spanish soldiers they held prisoners, notwithstanding Aguinaldo's grandiloquent refusal to do so. This proves that the insurgents are very conciliatory, in spite of their defiant talk.

Admiral Dewey always believed that the insurgents were friendly, especially since the warships of our fleet have visited the different ports of these islands and since some of our officers have made tours inland, carefully investigating popular sentiment and judiciously preaching the gospel of peaceful settlement everywhere with highly satisfactory results.

A few influential Filipinos, in the ambitious attempt of self-advancement, are clamoring for independence, though unable to realize its true meaning. They are utterly ignorant of the difference between the name and the reality.

According to recent information received here, the Filipino insurgents are endeavoring to maintain a brave show for the purpose of securing the best terms possible from the Americans. It is the opinion of our Admiral that it would be advisable for the United States to pay the insurgent troops their arrears of wages. The whole amount would only be a comparatively trifling sum, and the payment of the troops would have a valuable effect, and may save incalculable trouble.

Finally, Admiral Dewey was strongly convinced that the Filipino insurgents deserve acknowledgment. He is a believer in the practicability of liberal measures in the direction of local autonomy.

PRESIDENT'S SOUTHERN TRIP.

He is Received Magnificently and Delivers Many Addresses.

ATLANTA, Ga. (Special).—The peace jubilee is over and the reception given to President McKinley was magnificent in every way. His speeches have won him a place in the hearts of the Southerners.

On the last day of the jubilee President McKinley reviewed the civic and military parade. There were 20,000 persons in the procession. When the parade had passed the reviewing stand the President and the other guests of the city were driven to the Piedmont Driving Club, where they enjoyed an elaborate luncheon. Afterward Mr. McKinley addressed the public in the Auditorium at Piedmont Park.

The peace jubilee exercises closed with a banquet in the dining room of the Kimball House. Covers were laid for 300. At the President's table sat Secretary of the Treasury Lyman J. Gage, Secretary of the Navy J. D. Long, Postmaster-General Charles Emory Smith, Governor Allen D. Candler, Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson, General W. R. Shafter, Secretary of War R. A. Alger and many other prominent men.

Clark Howell, editor of the Atlanta Constitution, was the toastmaster, and introduced President McKinley, who was the recipient of a hearty and spontaneous greeting. He said in the course of his remarks:

"Reunited! One country again and one country forever! Proclaim it from the press and pulpit, teach it in the schools, write it across the skies! The world sees and feels it; it cheers every heart, North and South, and brightens the life of every American home. Let nothing ever strain it again. At peace with all the world and with each other, what can stand in the pathway of our progress and prosperity."

From Atlanta the President and his party went to Montgomery, Ala., where he received a magnificent welcome. The party was welcomed by Governor Johnston, and was driven to the Capitol, where Mr. McKinley delivered an address, dwelling upon the undivided loyalty of the North and South and every section of the country to the American flag. From Montgomery the Presidential party went to Tuskegee, and Booker T. Washington's school was visited. The students paraded. In the procession were fifty floats representing all departments of school work. The President addressed the colored scholars, and praised the work of Booker T. Washington in his efforts for the improvement of his race. He also gave some good advice to the pupils which would be of service to them in the battle of life.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS KILLED.

A Train Runs Into a Carriage at a Crossing With Fatal Results.

MANASQUAN, N. J. (Special).—Four persons were instantly killed, two fatally injured and two others seriously hurt a few nights ago in an accident which occurred at the Pennsylvania Railroad crossing at Allenwood, a few miles from here.

The victims of the accident are: Killed—Mrs. Ellen Allen, Bessie Allen, her daughter, Mrs. Allie Alger, Jennie Crammer.

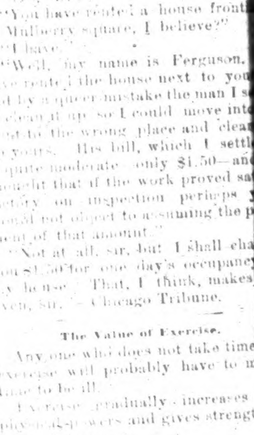
Fatally injured: David S. Allen, husband of Mrs. Allen; Katie Allen, their daughter. Seriously injured: Alger, infant child of Mr. Alger; Willis Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen.

Mr. Allen and his family, to whom Mrs. Alger was related, had been in Asbury Park Friday afternoon doing their Christmas shopping.

Mr. Allen was one of the most prominent men of Allenwood, the town having been named after him. He was prominent in local affairs, and was considered quite wealthy.

Calvin S. Brice Dead.

Calvin S. Brice, former United States Senator from Ohio, lawyer and financier, died at his home in New York a few days ago of pneumonia. He was in Newport at the time of the great storm, and in attempting to reach New York he caught a cold which led to his death. Calvin Stewart Brice was born in Denmark, Ohio, in 1845. He was the son of an Episcopal clergyman. He studied at Miami University and became a lawyer. He entered into railroad construction, and as a railroad organizer his most notable transaction was the building of the New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad. In 1890 Mr. Brice was elected to the United States Senate from Ohio.



WILLIAM OF WIED.

He was born March 26, 1876, and is therefore in his twenty-third year. Prince of Wied he would have attracted little attention in European countries; as the consort of Queen Wilhelmina he will be the first gentleman of the kingdom of Holland. Only the Queen herself will take precedence of him; his place will be beside her at all state and other official ceremonies. He will share her income, and his children will inherit her throne. In a word, he will occupy in Holland the same position that Prince Albert occupies in England as consort to Queen Victoria.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS to our readers, and may it be wise as well as merry.

HON W. F. ALDRICH has served notice of contest on Mr. Gaston A. Roobins. The charges are frauds committed in Dallas county, no other part of the district being mentioned. All but five beats in Dallas are contested.

THE State Democratic Executive committee will probably meet in Montgomery within the next few weeks to formulate their plan of campaign for the constitutional convention. It seems most probable that there will be a strict party fight, the Democratic party favoring holding the convention, and the Populists and Republicans opposing it.

THE Alabama Legislature adjourned last week to go to Atlanta to meet the President, and, incidentally, to have a good time. The good time did not materialize, on account of the Atlantians simply ignoring the wise men of Alabama, leaving them to entertain themselves the best way they could. The moral is, legislators should attend to legislation and leave junketing alone.

A PUBLIC meeting is called for the second Tuesday in January (Jan. 10) at the Court House at Clanton for the purpose of discussing the public road system. That there is lots of room for improvement in the condition of our roads no one will deny, and it is greatly to be hoped that this meeting will set on foot some scheme by which the necessary improvements will be made without extra cost to the taxpayers. A good deal of misplaced energy is often displayed in making new roads and in repairing old ones, and it should not be a very difficult matter to get better results for the same expenditure we are now put to.

ALTHOUGH the farmer who receives 4½ cents for his cotton may not be able to understand that prosperity has overtaken him, there is no doubt but that business generally has considerably improved. As an evidence of this, the L. & N. Railroad company, which about five years ago reduced the salaries of all its employes ten per cent, will on the first day of January make good their promises to restore the cut as soon as the earnings of the road justified it. Last July they advanced all their employes five per cent and now will advance the balance. This will be a most acceptable New Year's gift to its 18000 employes, and shows the honesty of the road to those who serve it, as well as the public generally.

SECRETARY OF STATE Robert P. McDavid, is in favor of all the laws of the State, as they are enacted by the Legislature, being published in a newspaper in each county. This is a democratic measure we highly approve of. The people are entitled to know the text of all bills passed by the Legislature and the best, simplest and cheapest plan is to have them published in the county newspapers. As it is now, the different acts are published in some daily newspaper which comparatively few of the people ever see. Let the people see for themselves what their representatives have done for them in the way of legislation. We hope to see Mr. McDavid's suggestion acted upon.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

THE bill providing for a constitutional convention has been duly signed by Governor Johnston, and there is no longer any shadow of a doubt but that the convention will be held.

There are twenty-one sections in the bill, and in the hope and belief that it will enable our readers to thoroughly understand the measure, we propose taking it up section by section.

Sections 1 and 2 provides for the holding of an election on the first Monday in July, 1899, "for the purpose of determining whether or not a convention shall be held to revise and amend the constitution of this State." And "if a majority of the voters voting at said election shall approve of the holding of a convention for the purpose stated, said convention shall be held."

Considering the importance of this measure there should not be one solitary voter in the State to refrain from casting his vote either for or against the convention. Whatever this convention may do will effect every man, woman and child in Alabama for many years to come, and every voter should fully determine for himself whether he thinks the time has come to change the organic law of the State. If he thinks the convention will advance the interests of the State, then he should vote for it, but if he feels that the convention is inimical to the best interests of the State and of himself then he should vote against the holding of the convention. The ballot upon which he will vote will read "For Convention" or "No Convention" and the voter will make a cross mark before one of the two lines. If he favors the convention he will mark his mark before "For Convention," and if he is against it he will make his mark before the words "No Convention."

Section 3 provides that each county shall elect the same number of delegates to the convention as it elects members to the House of Representatives. Thus Chilton county will elect one delegate to the convention, and will also vote for one delegate from each of the thirty-three senatorial districts. Every voter will have two different ballots to mark. One will have on it the words "For Convention" and "No Convention," and the other will contain the names of all the candidates for delegates. "The voter shall express his choice for such candidates from the State at large by making a cross mark before the names of the thirty-three delegates for whom he desires to vote, and shall express his choice for candidates from the county in which he lives by making a cross mark before the names of the number of delegates to which such county may be entitled in the lower house of the General Assembly."

It will be noticed that there will be two different ballots to be marked. The voter will take one and mark it either for or against the convention. Then he will take the other and vote for (so far as Chilcounty is concerned) thirty-four delegates, one from Chilton county and thirty-three from the senatorial districts. There is a difference in the way the names are arranged on the ballots to what we have become accustomed to under the Sayre Election Law. Instead of the names being arranged alphabetically, they are to be arranged according to parties. Thus, the names of all the Democratic candidates will be together, all the Populists will be together, Republicans together, and if there should be any independent candidates their names will be together. The names of the candidates from the State at large will be separate from the names of the candidates from the counties. This is an improvement upon the Sayre Election Law. It is easier for the voter.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. J. M. Stanfield.

OUR DEAD HEROES AT SANTIAGO DE CUBA.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 8, 1898

Editor BANNER. I send you herewith a list of names of U. S. soldiers who have died or been killed at Santiago de Cuba. If you will be good enough to publish it I shall be pleased to give any information I can to the parents or friends of any of the deceased.

Name	Company	Regiment
T Maher	H	21st Inft
I Begley	G	21st Inft
F E Geden,	Quartermaster-sergeant	
W H Leonard	H	3d Inft
John A Shaw	F	11 N Y Vol
W J Waters	B	8th Inft
G C Keven	F	11th N Y Vol
Henry McGraw	E	8th Inft
John Hagen	B	34th Mich Vol
John Kett	B	34th Mich Vol
L C Hoath	G	11th N Y Vol
J Pepper	D	6th Inft
John Conley	C	1s Cav
John A Geineuger	F	8th Inft
Frank Wick	B	34th Mich Vol
H Gaevors	H	3d Inft
Slave Fatlik	F	1st Cav
H S Grabs	H	34th Mich Vol
G P McLangley	B	9th Mich Vol
D C Margo	C	2d Mass Vol
John A Laws	B	25th Inft
H Jennings	K	9th Mass Vol
G N Wyatt	L	34th Mich Vol
E G Sparis	G	71st N Y Vol
Frank Bayer	A	20th Inft
G A McLaughlin		1st Cav
Thomas Gilbert	B	34th Mich Vol
Peter Vanviever	G	
R C Hayes	B	20th Inft
H Pase	H	8th Inft
George Martin	H	34th Mich Vol
Peter Hann	D	34th Mich Vol
G W McFadden	G	1st U S Cav
A Brannan	K	2d Mich Vol
A Anderson	G	3d Inft
M Laif	G	3d Inft
A L Johnson	E	34th Mich Vol
Walter James	A	9th Inft
C A Rucker	A	10th Cav
H P Carter	H	34th Mich Vol
J Grinner	D	34th Mich Vol
Jasper Berry	D	34th Mich Vol
J C Allen		2d U S Vol
J F McGraw	H	5th Vol

Miss Rhoda Tolen a contract nurse, is buried in the Spanish entrenchments.

I send you these names for the information of relatives and friends

Yours respectfully,
J. H. VEST
Co. H, 5th U. S Infantry.

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THE BANNER heartily congratulates all the newly married folks (see the entire list of marriage licenses). We would like to give particulars of all the weddings, but our information is meagre, our space is short, time is scarce, while all the newly wedded are so engrossed they have no time to read all the pretty things we would like to say to them. We are always delighted to receive full particulars of all weddings. Send them in promptly when they take place.

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TWO PRINCESSES.

About 26 years ago the convent of the Assumption in Autouil, near Paris, was prepared for a great event. The reception room had been put in perfect order; the long tables in the dining hall were laden with delicious dainties, little cakes, whipped cream, fruits, preserves and thin slices of buttered bread. Beautiful flowers and ferns were used as decorations, for the nuns' garden contained many choice flowerbeds. The pupils had donned their white alpaca gowns, some of tuem wearing a silver medal fastened by a colored ribbon. On the lawn stood the nuns with their purple dresses and white veils in picturesque and noisy groups chattering like magpies.

The June afternoon was to be one of the red letter afternoons of the convent. The Countess of Paris, just before returning to Stowe House, thinking that her little sister Mercedes looked pale, had decided to leave her for a few weeks with the ladies of the Assumption in Auteuil rather than to take her back to the chilly climate of England. Just as the clock struck 4 the countess drove into the interior court of the convent and stopped before the white silk curtained door. The countess, who was driving herself, threw the reins to the groom, jumped out, shook herself, and, although she absolutely lacked majesty in her plain gray gown and walking hat, she immediately proceeded to fulfill the duties imposed on her by her rank, graciously extending a rather massive hand to the 12 nuns, who kissed it respectfully, bowing very low. Behind the countess walked a bright faced, pretty little girl, with a plain dress and most unbecomingly combed hair.

"Does your highness wish to proceed to the garden?" asked the mother superior after the hand kissing ceremony. "Our pupils are waiting impatiently for the time when they can pay their respects to a daughter of France."

The little girl smiled, turned quickly on her heel and ran toward the garden without taking any notice of the mother in the large white cloak, who was following her with difficulty. She soon reached the lawn and then she stopped suddenly, feeling thoroughly embarrassed by the inquisitive and anything but kindly glances of 50 little duchesses, countesses and rich bourgeoises. The prospect of having in their midst one of royal birth flattered the little misses, for later it certainly would be pleasant to speak of Mercedes of Orleans as of a childhood friend, but for the present the nuns would devote themselves entirely to her, which would be very annoying. They knew something about this, for they already had a royal highness among them.

The nun, who had now caught up with the princess, took her hand and led her to a group of little girls in the midst of which stood a homely child whose face absolutely lacked grace and freshness. Then in an emphatic tone the nun introduced, "Her royal highness Mercedes of Orleans to her imperial highness Maria Christina of Austria."

The little girls looked at one another without smiling, almost defiantly. At last Maria Christina stiffly extended her hand, which was taken very coldly by Mercedes. The young archduchess contemptuously dropped the little French girl's plump hand, turned to one of the big girls near her and said in an undertone, while rubbing her endlessly long chin with her pretty white hand.

"What a hand, red and damp, horrible!"

Mercedes either heard or guessed what had been said, for she slipped her fat paws in her wide sleeves.

But the naughty, spoiled child of the convent, Jacqueline de G., who told me this story, was not in the least moved by an imperial highness, and said in an undertone, to the astonishment of the horrified nun:

"Red, damp, perhaps, but clean at least. Look at your nails, archduchess!"

It was fortunate indeed that the supper bell was then heard, for in an instant the pupils had divided in two factions, some surrounding Maria Christina, while others stood by Mercedes. The little girls thus divided, looked at each other angrily. A great many cakes and a great deal of cream were necessary to patch up matters. In the evening, as the little countess, rather overcome by her boldness, was standing by herself, Maria Christina, with eyes filled with tears, came up to her and said humbly: "You were right to make me ashamed of myself, Jacqueline. I cannot understand why I so suddenly took a violent dislike to the pretty French princess."

The ladies of the Assumption are always pleased to show the room in which the Archduchess Maria Christina spent two years of her life. The furniture is very plain, the bed narrow. On the wall hangs a small mirror, before which it is said that the archduchess spent more than a bitter moment, for she adored beauty, and suffered cruelly to see that she lacked much in this respect.

"My dear," said Jacqueline to her one day, "one cannot have everything. You ought to be very happy to be so great a lady."

"Ah!" answered the young Austrian, sighing, "I would rather be Jacqueline de G with her pretty face than Maria Christina with this hideous chin. I realize that I am ugly, you see."

We all know that Alfonso XII, king of Spain, before marrying Maria Christina married his pretty cousin Mercedes of Orleans in spite of the wishes of his parliament and of his mother, for both had done all in their power to bring about an Austrian alliance.—From the French For Short Stories.

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Notice No. 20181.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 14, 1898.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John N. Lowery, of Clear Creek, Ala.; William H. Shaw, of Clear Creek, Ala.; Oliver C. McGraw, of Clear Creek, Ala.; George B. Armstrong, of Montevallo, Ala.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1899,

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Stanton

Mr. W. L. Parnell went to Selma on business Saturday.

Mr. John Milton went to Selma Wednesday.

Mr. John Riddick went to Mulberry Monday.

Mr. C. F. Martin made a business trip to Selma last week.

Mr. Flarie Jones and Miss Annie Crackery, of Mulberry, spent the day in Stanton with friends last Sunday.

Mr. Sim Hall accidently got his hand cut at the furniture shop last week, but is at work again.

W. C. Dyer went to Birmingham Tuesday on business.

Miss Lee Ella Parnell paid friends a visit at Welche's mill Saturday.

Mr. Frigg Sexton went to Centreville Sunday.

Mr. Peter Cooper returned from Centreville Tuesday.

A mad dog in Dixie caused great excitement last week. Several dogs and hogs were bitten. Nine dogs have been killed by the citizens, consequently there are few dogs left in the town. STAN.

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

Missouri Knights of Pythias Demand That the Union Label Be Placed on All the Printing They Have Done—A Strike in Porto Rico

K. of P. Want the Label.

Recently the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias of Missouri held its annual convention at Kansas City, and adopted a resolution requesting the officers to demand that all grand lodge printing bear the label, says the Typographical Journal. St. Louis Typographical union took the initiative by adopting resolutions, which were approved by Kansas City Union No. 80, and presented to the grand lodge by printer Pythians. The preamble and resolutions are so apt and appropriate that they may serve as a model for others with a similar purpose in view, and we reproduce them:

"To the Officers and Members Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Missouri, in convention assembled at Kansas City, Mo., October 18, 1898 Greeting:

"Whereas, The noble order of which we are proud to be members owes a duty to the community as well as its members; and,

"Whereas, The order is largely composed of men who labor daily in the different vocations of the industrial field; and

"Whereas, Through the introduction of labor-saving machinery thousands of mechanics have been thrown out of employment, and this is especially true of the printers, many of whom are members of the order; and

"Whereas, We believe it our duty according to our knightly obligation to use every opportunate means to lessen human suffering and poverty; therefore, with that end in view, be it

"Resolved, That the grand keeper of records and seal be requested to in the future demand that all printing done through his office bear the label of the allied printing trades of North America, and that all local lodges be requested to use their moral influence to the same end; and be it further

"Resolved, That we pledge the moral support of the grand lodge of Missouri to every legitimate endeavor of the toilers of this commonwealth to better their condition in the industrial field.

A Fable with a Moral.

One of the toasters at the Michigan Federation of Labor convention told the following story:

A farmer leaning over his fence one day, wandering how he ever should harvest the great field of corn that lay back of him, when he saw a mule leisurely strolling up the highway and lazily cropping the grass that grew in abundance at the roadside.

"My friend," said the farmer, "get into the harness and help me get my crop into the barn, and I will give you all the corn that you can eat the days that you work."

"But how long shall I have to work each day?" quizzed the careful animal.

"Fourteen hours," said the farmer.

"Tut, tut," replied the mule. "But I can get all the grass I can eat in a day by working seven hours on this fertile roadside."

"Pshaw," retorted the farmer, beginning to get angry at being thwarted in his purpose, "your father was glad to work for me sixteen hours of the day, and here you are complaining against two hours less than that number."

"Too true," quoth the mule, "but you must remember my father was a jackass."

Work in the Navy Yards.

Secretary Long has recently issued an order amending the regulations relative to the employment of labor in all navy yards as follows:

Article 1574, paragraph 2, clause A, reads as follows:

"For work performed by reason of emergency between the hours of 6 a. m. and 8 p. m. in excess of eight hours, the same rate of pay shall be allowed as for eight hours' work."

Clause C provides that:

"Men who have rendered service during the day who, by reason of emergency, are required to work in excess of eight hours, shall be paid for all such extra work performed after 8 p. m. and before 6 a. m. at the same rate per hour as for day work, with 50 per cent additional."

I have issued the following regulation circular:

"Article 1574, paragraph 2, strike out clauses A and C, and for clause A substitute the following:

"(a) For work performed by reason of extraordinary emergency, in excess of eight hours per day, the ordinary rate of pay, with 50 per cent additional, shall be allowed.

Porto Rico Printers Strike.

San Juan, Cablegram.—Ten days ago the San Juan Typographical Union held a meeting and adopted a new scale of prices, which in effect was an advance of 50 per cent over the previous scale under which they were working. By the old scale they made only from $4 to $7 per week. The publishers were notified that the new scale would take effect on December 1. The publishers were apparently astounded by the demands of their men, and the printers employed by the Correspondencia and Boletin were instantly discharged, with the result that those papers have not been published since Wednesday last. The union held a meeting and while it was in progress, the police, who had been sent by Munoz Rivers, the president of the island, arrived and commanded Santiago Iglesias, secretary ond treasurer of the union and its leading spirit, to leave the island instantly in pain of arrest. Such a summary method of settling a labor dispute may be the proper thing from the Spanish viewpoint, but it is likely the Americans will look at the matter in a different light.

What Is Organization?

It is the act of forming organs or instruments of action. In entering the field of labor it matters not whether by brain or hand, it is absolutely necessary for all wage-workers to band themselves together for self protection, and by so doing they protect one another. All reforms that have been accomplished has been done through organizations and unity of action, consequently it behooves the mechanic and laborer of this country to wake up to the fact that he is losing sight of his own interests, by allowing himself to be hoodwinked by those who seek to deprive him of his inalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The wage-workers of this or any other country can not accomplish anything individually, it must be by concerted action, therefore it is necessary for them to organize and educate, and not pass their lives in forging chains for themselves and then complain of wearing them. Signed, A Leather Worker.

Vessel Builders Hopeful.

From the Kennebec Journal. Not for very many years have Maine vessels managers in general felt so deep an interest in the prospects for business for a coming year. The close of the war has brought along, for Maine, at least, a new hope that her old-time sea prestige is coming back, in the new necessities set moving by our extensive foreign acquisitions and the general deep-water trade impetus which has been started. From all indications the biggest revival of commerce by sea that the United States ever saw is about to take place. The acquisition of oversea possessions—Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines and the new conditions of Cuba—will necessitate a great enlargement of the merchant fleet of the United States. Only ships having an American register can trade between two ports of the United States. Therefore, the commerce between this country and our new possessions will require American ships. This means work for the ship yards, for the present fleet is inadequate for the work, and it is seldom that a foreign-built ship can get an American register.

Simple Gymnastics.

To remain young a woman must keep her joints limber; if neglected they become painful and stiff. Women groan with rheumatic pains when, if they exercised properly, rheumatism would be unheard of. Women sit by a fire and shiver with a cold when, if they encouraged gymnastics, the blood would circulate vigorously through the body.

The following four simple exercises will greatly help to develop and preserve physical symmetry:

1. Stand erect, with hands outstretched, on a level with the shoulders, and slowly raise yourself on your toes as far as possible. Retain this position for an instant, and then sink back on to the entire foot. Do this twenty times a day at first, and increase each day fo a reasonable limit.

2. Place the hands on the hips, and, resting all the weight of the body on the right foot, slowly raise the left leg, and extend it in front of the body. Then bend at the knee, pointing the toe downward and bringing the foot up. Repeat this ten times at first. Then stand on the left foot and repeat the exercise in reverse.

3. Stand erect and lean over at the hips without bending the knees and try to touch the floor with the fingers. Day by day you will come nearer and nearer the floor. This exercise will make the body supple, and strengthen the back, and will encourage grace.

4. Extend the right arm, and placing the left on the hip, bend to right side as far as possible, and then reverse the exercise, which should be repeated ten times at first, and, like all the others, increased from day to day as much as circumstances will permit. This is an excellent general gymnastic. No woman should indulge any exercise to such an extent that even the slightest strain is possible. Fifteen minutes a day spent in exercise at home should result in muscular development, and greatly help to retain health.

Seeing Bullets as They Fly.

"As every sportsman knows," said an enthusiastic hunter, "it is easy to see a rifle bullet in the air, and those fired from the new high-power guns are very curious to look at. Stand a dozen yards away at any range with a small caliber weapon using smokeless powder, and you'll see a strange, blush-white streak the instant the bullet strikes home. The streak is apparently a couple of inches wide and several feet long, and is more like a flash of light than anything else I can think of. With the old-fashioned Remington or Springfield carbine the bullet has the appearance of a long black rod, and I don't know why there should be such a difference in the optical illusion produced by the smaller caliber. I have heard some people deny that the bullet can be seen, but they are very much in error. It all depends on getting the right viewpoint. A few feet either way will render the missile invisible, but the right spot is soon found by experiment, and after that the thing is as plain as day."

A Difficult Pass.

"Why is marriage such a serious step, I wonder?" "Because you then come to a pass where you can no longer go single file."

TO MR. McCLEARY.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY PUNCTURES SOME FALSITIES.

A Sample of the Kind of Speeches with Which Gold Standard Advocates Surprise the Unwary—An Echo of the Late Congressional Campaign.

The pedagogue has found it profitable to mislead the people. He is no longer teaching school in Mankato, but is making money and fame on a large scale. We quote:

"Special Telegram to Minneapolis Tribune.—McCleary addressed a large and enthusiastic Republican meeting here tonight, delivering what is generally acknowledged to be one of the strongest contributions to the campaign in this state. He said in part: 'A problem well stated is half solved. "What is the silver question?" Stated in its simplest terms it is this: Shall we or shall we not permit the men who own silver bullion to carry that bullion to the mint of the United States and have it converted into coin for them at the rate of 371.25 grains of pure silver (or 412.5 grains standard silver) to the dollar, and shall the government authorize them to carry forth the coins thus made and use them according to their pleasure in the payment of debt or the transaction of business? To this question a large number of good, honest, right-minded, patriotic American citizens answer, "Yes, emphatically, yes; yes, quickly—the sooner the better!" Another large number of good, honest, right-minded, patriotic American citizens answer, "No, utterly, absolutely, unequivocally, no!" What is the present situation? The man who owns gold may take it to the mint of the United States and have it converted for him into the form of coin, at the rate of 23.22 grains of pure gold (or 25.8 grains of standard gold) to the dollar. This service is rendered for him by the government without any charge, and the coins are handed back to him with full authority to use them according to his pleasure in the payment of debts, or the transaction of business. To the man who owns gold we say yes; to the man who owns silver, we say no. By this statement of the case it would appear that Uncle Sam does not treat these two classes of his citizens equally well, and the sense of fairness in the minds of each of us prompts us, at first glance, to condemn his course of action. But every good man and woman is slow to believe as true that which reflects upon the good name of any one whom he or she has learned to honor. Such a man or woman feels that his proper course is to reserve judgment until all the facts have been ascertained. We all respect Uncle Sam; we all believe that he would not intentionally do wrong to anyone. So we are prompted to believe that there must be something else in the matter that has not yet been stated. And there is. The man who owns the gold submits to Uncle Sam this proposition: "Uncle Sam, here are 258 grains of standard gold, worth $10 coined or uncoined. Won't you be kind enough, Uncle Sam, to certify to this fact? The easiest way for you to certify to it is to put this gold up in the form of a coin and mark it $10." To this proposition Uncle Sam makes answer: "Why, certainly, my son; I am always glad to serve any one of my children when I can do so properly." The man who owns the silver desires permission to submit to Uncle Sam this proposition: "Uncle Sam, here are 412.5 grains of standard silver, worth, in the terms to which we are accustomed, 40 cents. Won't you be kind enough, Uncle Sam, to certify for me that it is worth 100 cents?" To this proposition Uncle Sam promptly makes answer: "Not if the court knows itself!" We thus see, in part at least, why Uncle Sam says "Yes" to one, and "No" to the other.'"

McCleary in all this is very adroit, and very liable to deceive the unthinking. And yet McCleary knows very well that for 5,000 years gold and silver stood on an equality, as to right of coinage, all over the world, wherever there was civilization. And he knows that twenty-four years ago all this was changed. In this country the change was made without being demanded in the platform of any political party, or without any previous discussion before the people, who are supposed to constitute the government of this republic. And this piece of rascally knavery produced the fall of the price of silver, and McCleary, instead of demanding that that gigantic wrong shall be righted, plants himself on the accomplished results of the wrong and demands that it shall be perpetual. Imagine McCleary in very cold weather campaigning in Minnesota. He has a magnificent astrachan fur-lined overcoat, worth $100. A thief steals it and leaves a tattered, shoddy garment, worth $5, in its place. McCleary demands redress. He seeks out the nearest justice of the peace, clad in the ragged robe the thief has left him. McCleary states his case. The justice is "in cahoots" with the thief. "What!" he cries, "you want me to make your tattered $5 coat worth $100! That is not what I am here for. The robbery is accomplished, the villainy enacted; it is not for me to overturn existing conditions." "But I am robbed!" shrieks McCleary. "Put me back where I stood before I was robbed. Give me back my overcoat. Here is this wretched rag. Give me an order for the arrest of the thief and the return of my coat." "It can't be did," says the justice. "Your demand is equivalent to making your coat worth $100. It can't be done—not if the court knows itself." And thereupon the indignant professor sells into the justice of the peace, blacks his eyes, knocks out his front teeth and punches him in the belly with his umbrella. And thereupon he is arrested for assault and battery, with intent to kill, tried by a jury of thieves (the foreman wearing his overcoat), and sent to prison. There let us leave him, while he writes a political address to the voters of the Second district, showing that representative government is a failure, and threatening to go back to Canada.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY.

Flood of Silver.

Regarding the flood of silver that would pour into this country should bimetallism be adopted, I think that entitled to less consideration than the proposition that "gold would instantly disappear." They belong to the same job lot of scarecrows. It will be remembered that Mr. Shurz said that there would be a tremendous contraction of the currency as a result of the adoption of bimetallism. Other equally sanguine monometallists predict, at the same time, the rest of the world would 'dump" its silver here almost immediately. Now silver could be "dumped" here only in exchange for something else. If for wheat, cotton, wool, or manufactured goods, I do not think it would be rejected, for our people desire to sell their commodities. If for gold, then it must take its place, dollar for dollar, and if it be a fifty-cent dollar, as Senator Thurston says it would be, then for every dollar of gold "driven out" two silver dollars would take its place. Surely little contraction of the currency would take place at the rate of substituting two dollars for one. The two notions that there would be a contraction of the currency and a flood of silver at the same time are hardly compatible. No nation can coin and retain more metallic money than it has profitable use for, because unless it is needed for business purposes and finds profitable employment, it will always float away to other places where there is a greater demand for it. Gold or silver money cannot be piled away above the money level of other countries and be made to stay there. It will seek its level just the same as anything else. Though the mints of the universe might be open to the coinage of silver for our use, but few million dollars more than could find profitable employment would stay here. Not a sound political economist from Adam Smith to the latest writer can be found to dispute that proposition. They are all of the same opinion as Dr. Wayland, who said of any country, "If its trade with other places is free, the superfluous money will float away, on the tide of commerce, to some point where it is needed, just as a surplus of wheat or cotton goods or any other commodity must do." If it cannot find profitable employment here as money it will go to the east, there to be used for money purposes, or to the melting pot, to be used in the industrial arts. You cannot "heap" up gold or silver in a free country and make it stay "heaped," any more than you can "heap" up water and make it stay "heaped."

When McKinley Was All Right.

On the 12th of February, 1891, only a little over seven years ago, Mr. McKinley said:

"During all of Grover Cleveland's years at the head of the government he was dishonoring one of our precious metals, one of our own great products, discrediting silver and enhancing the price of gold. He endeavored even before his inauguration to office to stop the coinage of silver dollars and afterward and to the end of his administration persistently used his power to that end. He was determined to contract the circulating medium, and to demonetize one of the coins of commerce, limit the volume of money among the people, make money scarce and therefore dear. He would have increased the value of money, and diminished the value of everything else—money the master, everything else the servant. He was not thinking of "the poor" then. He had left "their side." He was not standing forth in their defense. Cheap coats, cheap labor and dear money. The sponsor and promoter of these professing to stand guard over the welfare of the poor and lowly! Was there ever more inconsistency or reckless assumption?"

All these things sound very strange when compared with Mr. McKinley's utterances since he accepted the nomination for president on a gold standard platform, and they seem to justify sincere people in having but little faith in the man.

True Democratic Doctrine.

President Van Buren said in his message to congress in extra session in 1837, called because of the then financial crisis:

"It is not designed by the constitution that the government should assume the management of domestic or foreign exchange. It is indeed authorized to regulate by law the commerce between the states, and to provide a general standard of value or medium of exchange in gold and silver, but it is not its province to aid individuals in the transfer of their funds. As justly might it be called upon for transportation of their merchandise. These are operations of trade; they ought to be conducted by those who are interested in them, in the same manner that the incidental difficulties are encountered by other classes of citizens."

This was the Democratic doctrine of that period. It was just after the Democratic party had won its great and crowning victory in obtaining mastery of the money power. But the scene has changed. Now "money is king," and controls not only the action of the government, but the destinies of the people. It is no longer our servant, but our relentless master.

McKINLEY IN ATLANTA.

His Visit Made Memorable by a Notable Utterance.

President McKinley made memorable the first day of the Atlanta peace jubilee by a notable utterance in his speech before the joint session of the Georgia legislature Wednesday afternoon. His reception by the general assembly was warm and hearty in the extreme, and his speech was punctured with frequent outbursts of cheering. It is admitted on all sides that the address marked an epoch in history. During the address President McKinley said:

"Every soldier's grave made during the unfortunate civil war is a tribute to the American valor. And while, when those graves were made, we differed widely about the future of the government, those differences were long ago settled by the arbitrament of arms—and the time has now come in the evolution of sentiment and feeling under the providence of God, when in the spirit of fraternity we should share with one in the care of the graves of the confederate soldiers."

A wild cheer went up from every throat in the typical southern audience, a cheer that echoed and re-echoed through the chamber until it was taken up by the crowds outside. Old men who fought for the south rose from their seats and waved their hats. Of all the many conciliatory speeches which have been made since Grant said "Let there be peace," nothing has more deeply stirred a southern audience than the simple words of President McKinley.

Star Hunting.

Recently I have devoted my time to star hunting and satisfying a yearning desire to become a discoverer. I felt that I must discover something, whether there was anything new to be discovered or not. In the pioneer school houses, some time during the days of Job, I was taught to admire the genius and freshly mown hay odor of the late (about 76 years late) lamented Mr. Wm. Herschel as an astronomer and finder of nests of newly laid stars. If you believe the last sentence you will believe anything I write, and I always make it a point to refrain from telling the truth as much as possible. Consequently I want you to believe me.

Anyway, it is quite an honor to possess sufficient ability and suavity to go out in the gloaming and call up new stars to you at so much per call. It is also laborious. When you have found a good, fragrant star, you will obtain more or less light on the subject, according to the size of the star.

The first difficulty with which I had to contend was having no telescope. So I got a water pipe and glued two magic-lantern lenses in it, and began looking about for an elevation upon which to sit. I did not dare to get on the housetop, because everybody would see me, and might go to discovering infant stars themselves. Then I would not get on the smoke house, because being a country editor we did not have one. I was in a dilemma, whatever that is.

Finally I decided that my seat of operations should be the barn. It was very tall, and had a mysterious air about it, somewhat like that about a fresh college graduate before he gets accustomed to wearing his diploma. The mysterious air around the barn was caused by decaying vegetation, while that about the graduate is caused from sheer ignorance.

But I mounted the rotten roof with my improvised telescope thrown over my left scapula and dangling in the vicinity of the lumber vertebræ.

Looking cautiously around to see if any one was near, but seeing no one, I began searching the star vaults with the water pipe. I gazed at Mercury and Venus. I was glad to see the former, as it is rather skittish, and Copernicus grieved because he was never able to meet the planet. I had seen Venus without any trouble, while Captain Cook, the navigator, gave up the ghost near Hawaii, trying to see the untamed Venus.

I scooted my star-finder all around the circle of perpetual apparition, and the circle of occultation. But I didn't find anything. I was getting discouraged. I decided the Lick discoverers had just about licked up all the important stars, and while I was thinking so, my hired boy jabbed a pitchfork up through the roof to scare me. My telescope fell, the roof broke through, and I fell to the earth, making no discovery worthy of note except that then my right ascension and declination were about as near zero as anything ever get to be in this vale of tears.

Any one wishing to buy a telescope cheap may write me. I am no longer an astronomer.

JOHN EARL GARRISON.

A Tragic Death.

At Athens, Ga., Wednesday, Lieut. James H. Hoskinson, adjutant of the First Battalion of the Fifteenth Pennsylvania, met a tragic death on Clayton street in front of the postoffice. He was thrown violently from his horse, his head striking the ground with great force. A large artery in the brain was ruptured, compression followed by paralysis, and in two hours he was dead.

May Yet Rescue the Maine.

The navy department has not yet abandoned the hope of rescuing the Maine from Havana harbor, and bringing the wreck back to this country for rehabilitation, nor does it seem likely, from the interest taken by responsible wrecking experts, that the Cristobal Colon will permitted to pound to pieces on the shore west of Santiago. The board of construction has under consideration a formal proposition for the salvage of both vessels and their delivery at New York or such other ports in the United States as the government might select.

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The Sawfish.

More energetic than any of the sharks are the sawfish, which, however, are prolonged into a long beak of cartilage, which is [illegible] the fish is swimming in search of its prey. This beak is flattened, and is slightly curved [illegible] apart. The end of this beak is a formidable looking weapon [illegible] relatively soft, so that [illegible] ble of the feats popularly [illegible] it of piercing [illegible] timbers, etc. It attacks [illegible] a swift lateral thrust [illegible] neath them, the [illegible] boweling them. [illegible] the soft entrails, which are [illegible] the only food it can eat from the peculiar shape of its mouth. It has an enormous number of small teeth [illegible] times fifty rows in one [illegible] but they are evidently made for the rough duties required of them, [illegible] by the garbage-eating members of the family.

The farmers of Morrow county, Oregon, whose wheat ripened late, were forced to the use of flails, as the threshers refused to handle it because the late wheat is so tough it breaks the machines.

RELIEF FROM PAIN.

Women Everywhere Express their Gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham.

Mrs. T. A. WALDEN, Gibson, Ga., writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: Before taking your medicine, life was a burden to me. I never saw a well day. At my monthly period I suffered untold misery, and a great deal of the time I was troubled with a severe pain in my side. Before finishing the first bottle of your Vegetable Compound I could tell it was doing me good. I continued its use, also used the Liver Pills and Sanative Wash, and have been greatly helped. I would like to have you use my letter for the benefit of others."

Mrs. FLORENCE A. WOLFE, 515 Mulberry St., Lancaster, Ohio, writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: For two years I was troubled with what the local physicians told me was inflammation of the womb. Every month I suffered terribly. I had taken enough medicine from the doctors to cure any one, but obtained relief for a short time only. At last I concluded to write to you in regard to my case, and can say that by following your advice I am now perfectly well."

Mrs. W. R. BATES, Mansfield, La., writes: "Before writing to you I suffered dreadfully from painful menstruation, leucorrhœa and sore feeling in the lower part of the bowels. Now my friends want to know what makes me look so well. I do not lose one minute in telling them what has brought about this great change. I cannot praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound enough. It is the greatest remedy of the age."

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"For six years I was a victim of dyspepsia in its worst form. I could eat nothing but milk toast, and at times my stomach would not retain and digest even that. Last March I began taking CASCARETS and since then have steadily improved, until I am as well as ever was in my life."

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Wise Purpose [illegible]

Text: [illegible]

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[illegible] were three par[illegible] each of three [illegible] says nothing [illegible] longing to two [illegible] not know on [illegible] family voyage [illegible] the part of the [illegible] on which Noah stayed [illegible] had entered. The Lord shut him in, and there are many people now in the world who are as thoroughly shut in from [illegible] sickness, some by old age, some by special duties that will not allow them to get out, some surrounded by deluges of misfortune and trouble, and for them my sympathies are aroused, and from them I often receive messages, and this sermon, which I hope may do good to others, is more especially intended for them. To-day I address the shut in. "The Lord shut him in."

The world has no statistics as to the number of invalids. The physicians know something about it, and the angels of mercy, and the pastors, but who can tell us the number of blind eyes, and deaf ears, and diseased lungs, and congested livers, and jangled nerves, and neuralgic temples, and rheumatic feet, or how many took no food this morning because they had no appetite to eat, or digestive organs to assimilate, or every hour of the day you spend looking out of the window, or gazing at the particular figure on the wall, or listening to the clock's ticks men are being wrecked by the allurements and uncertainties of business life? How many forgeries are committed, how many trust funds are swamped, how many public moneys are being misappropriated, how many bankruptcies suffered! It may be, it is, very uncomfortable for Noah inside the ark, for the apartment is crowded and the air is vitiated with the breathing of so much human and [illegible]

No doubt, while on that voyage Noah and his three sons and all the four ladies of the antediluvian world often thought of the bright families and the green fields where they had walked and of the homes where they had lived. They had had many years of experiences. Noah was 600 years old at the time of this cabin [illegible] He had seen 600 springtimes, 600 summers, 600 autumns, 600 winters. We are not told how old his wife was at this [illegible] of earth and sky. The Bible tells the age of a great many men, but only once gives a woman's age. At one time it gives Abraham's age as 130 years and Jared's age as 962 years and Enoch's age as 365 years, and so up and down the Bible it gives the age of men, but does not give the age of women. Why? Because, I suppose, a woman's age is none of our business. But all the men and women that tossed in that oriental craft had lived long enough to remember a great many of the mercies and kindnesses of God, and they could not blot out, and I think they had no disposition to blot out the memory of those brightnesses, though now they were shut in. Neither should the shut in of our time forget the blessings of the past. Have you been blind for ten years? Thank God for the time when you saw as clearly as any of us can see and let the pageant of all the radiant landscapes and illumined skies which you ever looked upon kindle your rapturous gratitude. I do not see Raphael's "Madonna di San Sisto" in the picture gallery of Dresden, nor Rubens' "Descent From the Cross" at Antwerp, nor Michael Angelo's "Last Judgment" on the ceiling of the Vatican nor St. Sophia at Constantinople, nor the Parthenon on the Acropolis, nor the Taj Mahal of India, but shall I not thank God that I have seen them? Is it possible that such midnight darkness shall ever blast my vision that I cannot call them up again?

Again, notice that during that forty days of storm which rocked that ship on that universal ocean of Noah's time the door which shut the captain of the ship in, side the craft kept him from many outside perils. How those wrathful seas would like to have got their wet hands on Noah and pulled him out and sunk him! And do all of you of the great army of the shut in realize that, though you have special temptations where you are now, how much of the outside style of temptation you escape? Do you, the merchant incarcerated in the sick room, realize that every hour of the day you spend looking out of the window, or gazing at the particular figure on the wall, or listening to the clock's ticks men are being wrecked by the allurements and uncertainties of business life? How many forgeries are committed, how many trust funds are swamped, how many public moneys are being misappropriated, how many bankruptcies suffered! It may be, it is, very uncomfortable for Noah inside the ark, for the apartment is crowded and the air is vitiated with the breathing of so much human and [illegible]

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...animal life, but it is not half as bad for him ... as the pig he were outside the ark. There ... not an ox, or a camel, or an antelope, or ... a sheep inside the ark as badly off as the ... safest king outside. While you are on ... the hollow or lounge you will make no bad ... bargains, you will rush into no rash in... vestments you will avoid the mistakes ... that those kinds of men as good as you are ... every day buying.

Now, you see that there was a limit to the ... duration of the most ancient marria... ceremony. Long as the forty days of the de... luge had it morning dew-ish and the 150 ... days before the passengers could ... leave must have seemed to those eight ... people in the big boat like a small eternity. ... Rain, rain, rain!" said the wife of Noah. ... Will it never stop?" For forty mornings ... they looked out and saw not one patch of ... blue sky. Floating around amid the ... peaks of mountains Shem and Ham and ... Japhet had to hush the fears of their wives ... lest they should dash against the projects... ing rocks. But after awhile it cleared off, ... sunshine, glorious sunshine! The as... cending mists were folded up into ... clouds, which, instead of darken... ing the sky, only ornamented it. ... As they looked out of the windows these ... worn passengers rejoiced their hearts and ... rejoiced that the flood was over, and I ... think if God could stop such a storm as ... that He could stop any storm in your life-... time experience. If He can control a vul... cano in full fury, He can stop a summer hail ... that flies in at your window. At the right ... time He will put the rainbow on the cloud ... and the deluge of your misfortunes will ... dry up. I preach the doctrine of libera... tion, relief and disenthrallment. At just ... the right time the pain will cease, the ... bondage will drop, the fog dissolved will be ... liberated, the dress will fly out, the body ... and mind and soul will be free. Patience! ... Notice also that on the cessation of the ... deluge the dove shut its cage out, and they ... built their houses and cultivated their gar... dens and started a new world on the ruins ... of the old world that had been drowned ... out. Though Noah lived 950 years after ... this world-wide accident and no doubt his ... fellow passengers survived centuries I ... warrant they never got over talking about ... that voyage. Now I have seen Dore's ... pictures and many other pictures of the ... entrance into the ark, two and two, of the ... human family, and the animal creation ... into that ship which sailed between two ... worlds—antidiluvian world and the post... diluvian world—but I never saw a pict... ure of their coming out; yet their em... barkation was not more important than ... their disembarkation. Many a crew has ... refloated a ship that never landed. Wit... ness the steamer Portland, a few days ... ago, with 100 souls on board, going down ... with all its crew and passengers. Witness ... the line of sunken ships, reaching like a ... submarine cable of anguish across the ... ocean depths from America to Europe. If ... any ship might expect complete wreckage, ... the one Noah commanded might have ex... pected it. But not those who embarked ... disembarked. Over the plank reaching ... down the side of the ark to the Armenian ... cliffs on which they had been stranded the ... procession descended. No other wharf felt ... so solid or afforded such attractiveness as ... that upon which Ararat when the eight pas... sengers put their feet on it. And no sooner ... had the last one, the invalided wife of ... Japheth, been helped down the plank upon ... the rock than the other apartments of the ... ship were opened, and such a dash of bird ... and beast never filled the air as when the entire ... orchestra of robin redbreast, and morning... ing, and chaffinch, and mocking bird, and ... house swallow took wing into the bright ... sky, while the cattle began to low and the ... sheep to bleat and the horses to neigh for ... the pasture, which from the await... ingenuity now began to grow green ... and fragrant. I tell you vividly nothing ... interests me more in the tragedy from the ... first to the last act in the "exit" and the ... "event," than the fact that the "shut... ins" became the "shut outs." And I now ... close with this story all the inmates of the ... asylums and hospitals, and those prisons ... where men and women are unjustly entom... bed, and all the thousands who are ... bounded on the North and South and East ... and West by ills, by delays of misfor... tune and disaster. The ark of your trou... ble, if it does not land on some earthly ... height of victory and rest, will land ... on the heights celestial.

By a strange providence, for which I ... shall be for ever grateful, circumstances ... with which I think you are all familiar, I ... have address... through the newspaper ... press weekly... tens of thousands of ... invalids and children who cannot enter ... church on the Sabbath and hear their ex... cellent pastors because of the age of the ... hearers, or their illness, or the lameness ... of, or their incapacity to stay in one ... place an hour and a half, or their ... poverty, or their troubles of some sort ... will not let them go out of doors, and to ... them as much as to those who hear me I ... preach this sermon, as I preach many ... of my sermons, the invisible audience ... always vaster than the visible, some of ... them tossed on wilder seas than those ... that tossed the eight members of Noah's ... family, as I tested forty days of storm ... and five months of being shut in, as they ... were, it has been with those invalids five ... years of "shut in," or ten years of "shut ... in," or twenty years of "shut in." Oh, ... Supporting God! Help me to comfort them! ... Give me two hands full of salve for their ... wounds. When we were 300 miles out at ... sea, a hurricane struck us, and the life... boats were dashed from the davits and all ... the night in the cabin were put out by the ... rolling of the ship and the water which ... through the broken skylights had poured ... in.

And as I now find many in hurricanes of ... storm, though I cannot quiet the storm, ... I can strike a match to light up the dark... ness and I strike a match. "Whom the ... Lord loveth He chasteneth." I strike an... other match. "Weeping may endure for a ... night, but joy cometh in the morning." I ... strike another match. "We have a High ... Priest who can be touched with the feeling ... of our infirmities, and He was in all points ... tempted like as we are." Are you old? ... One breath of heaven will make you ever... lastingly young again. Have you aches ... and pains? They insure Christ's presence ... and sympathy, in which the darkest De... cember nights, which are the longest ... nights of the year, are the best? ... Here is a resurrected Christ whose ... voice is full of resurrectionary power. ... But I do not think that heaven is made up ... of any indiscriminate population. Some of ... my friends are so generous in their theol... ogy that they would let everybody in with... out reference to condition or character. ... I do not think that libertines or blasphem... ers and rejecters of God and His gospel ... have "letters of credit" that will draw any... thing from the bank of heaven. Pirate ... crafts will not be permitted to go up that ... harbor. If there are those who as to heaven ... are to be "shut ins," there are those who ... will belong to the "shut outs." Heaven ... has twelve gates, and while those twelve ... gates imply wide open entrance for those ... who are properly prepared to enter them ... they imply that there are at least twelve ... possibilities that many will be shut out, ... because a gate is of no use unless it ... can sometimes be closed. Heaven is not ... an unwashed mob. Show your tickets or ... you will not get in—tickets that you may ... get without money and without price tick... ets with a cross and a crown upon them. ... Let the unrepentant and the vile and the ... offscourings of earth enter heaven as they ... now are, and they would depreciate and ... demoralize it so that no one of us would ... want to enter, and those who are there ... would want to move out. The Bible speaks ... of the "withouts" as well as the "within... Revelation xxii., 15, "Without are dogs ... and sorcerers and whoremongers and ... murderers and idolaters and whosoever ... loveth and maketh a lie." Through the ... converting, pardoning, sanctifying grace ... of God may we at last be found among the ... shut ins and not among the shut outs!

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THE KHALIFA.

The Life and Characteristics of the Fugitive Dervish Chief.

Abdullah et Taishi Khalifa, whose power has been broken by the British forces under General Sir Herbert Kitchener, was the most powerful and successful of the three Khalifas of the three leading Arab tribes, that in 1882 helped the Mahdi to overthrow the government of Egypt in the eastern Soudan and establish the Mahdist despotism in its place. Each of these Khalifas commanded a distinct section of the Mahdi's army, and Abdullah's force had most to do with the annihilation of General Hicks and his army. Abdullah was the favorite of his master. The Mahdi believed that if he died Abdullah was the only man who could maintain the strange empire he had raised and keep the upper hand of the rapacious Soudanese tribes. Before his death the Mahdi nominated the Khalifa Abdullah as his successor, and thus the cruel and tyrannical Arab tribe of the Bagaras, whose leader was Abdullah, became the masters of the Egyptian Soudan and ruled it with a rod of iron. The Mahdi died on June 22, 1885, after three years of power, and Abdullah has since been known as "the Mahdi's successor." There was intense jealousy and disappointment on the part of the Danagla and Jaalin tribes, who had been the rulers, but now became the ruled. Civil war on account of Abdullah's accession was narrowly averted, but he was too strong for his enemies in the other tribes, and they finally chose the part of discretion just when all had been made ready for battle. The new ruler then made it his business to render the other tribes harmless. He reduced the power of the two other Khalifas, and they became men of little influence. He sent many of the Jaalin and Danagla Emirs in chains hundreds of miles up the Nile, and he permitted his Baggara to plunder the other tribes without mercy, under the pretext of levying taxes. There has been only one ruler of the Soudan for the past thirteen years, and he has been the Khalifa Abdullah. He maintained his policy of cruelly repressing all the people except his own tribe, until he was frightened very badly by the news that England and Egypt were getting ready to invade the country and overthrow his power. After that news reached Omdurman he made a great show of reversing his policy. He pardoned the imprisoned Emirs and tried in many ways to win back the disaffected people. The Khalifa's empire, within which not a particle of European influence has permeated since the Mahdi captured Khartoum, extends along the Nile from Dongola on the north to the neighborhood of Lado on the south, a distance of about thirteen hundred miles. Omdurman, the capital, just across the Nile from the ruins of Khartoum, is about midway between these points. The Khalifa lost Darfur, but still his empire extends from the western limits of Kordofan to Abyssinia on the east, and embraces about 700,000 square miles. During the thirteen years he has controlled the destinies of the Egyptian Soudan it is estimated that nearly three-fifths of its inhabitants have perished through war and famine. Constant warfare has greatly diminished the male population.

KEENE TURNED THE TABLES.

Several Wall street men, Mr. James R. Keene among them, combined some time ago to get control of the stock of the tobacco trust.

Their understanding was that none of them was to sell any of the stock until it had reached its highest possible figure, and then all were to sell at the same time.

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JAS. R. KEENE.

154¾. As soon as Mr. Keene discovered this he gave orders for the sale of his own holdings and before the other members of the clique were aware of what was happening Keene had made $1,500,000.

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Ernest Van Dyck, the grand opera singer, began life as a newspaper man.

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John D. Rockefeller, despite his millions, carries a plain, cheap silver watch, given him when he was a boy.

Buy the Rat.

A friend of the late Secretary Bayard writes: I was much amused at Mr. Bayard's recital of an incident some years before in which he and William R. Travers were actors. He said the rats had become such a nuisance in his house at Wilmington and were so aggressive that he went to New York in search of a terrier, and applied to Travers for information as to where he could find an establishment provided with such animals. Travers took him to a rat pit, whose proprietor was a celebrated sporting character, and Bayard stated the purpose of his visit, and that he must see the dog tried before he would purchase him. The man brought out a beautiful little terrier, and after putting him in the pit, pitched a fierce, gray-whiskered rat into the arena also. The adversaries confronted each other for an instant like two gladiators in ancient Rome, when suddenly the dog took to flight, pursued by the rat. "Buy the rat, Tom," shouted Travers; "buy the rat!"

Count Camillo Pecci, a grandnephew of Pope Leo XIII., and colonel of the Noble Guard, is about to visit this country and Cuba. The visit will be unofficial, and his stay in the country will only be incidental to his journey to Cuba. A few years ago Count Pecci was married to a Cuban woman who had inherited large plantations there.

A unique will, just published in Washington, Pa., is that of Jerome Plummer. His entire estate, valued at $75,000, after the death of his wife, is to be sold and the income used exclusively for the cause of temperance in Washington county.

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

Missouri Knights of Pythias Demand That the Union Label Be Placed on All the Printing They Have Done—A Strike in Porto Rico

K. of P. Want the Label.

Recently the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias of Missouri held its annual convention at Kansas City, and adopted a resolution requesting the officers to demand that all grand lodge printing bear the label, says the Typographical Journal. St. Louis Typographical union took the initiative by adopting resolutions, which were approved by Kansas City Union No. 80 and presented to the grand lodge by printer Pythians. The preamble and resolution are so apt and appropriate that they may serve as a model for others with a similar purpose in view, and we reproduce them:

"To the Officers and Members Grand Lodge Knight of Pythias of Missouri, in convention assembled, at Kansas City, Mo., October 18, 1898—Greeting:

"Whereas, The noble order of which we are proud to be member, owes a duty to the community as well as its members; and,

"Whereas, The order is largely composed of men who labor daily in the different vocations of the industrial field; and

"Whereas, Through the introduction of labor-saving machinery thousands of mechanics have been thrown out of employment, and this is especially true of the printers, many of whom are members of the order; and

"Whereas, We believe it our duty according to our knightly obligation to use every opportunate means to lessen human suffering and poverty; therefore, with that end in view, be it

"Resolved, That the grand keeper of records and seal be requested to in the future demand that all printing done through his office bear the label of the allied printing trades of North America, and that all local lodges be requested to use their moral influence to the same end; and be it further

"Resolved, That we pledge the moral support of the grand lodge of Missouri to every legitimate endeavor of the toilers of this commonwealth to better their condition in the industrial field.

A Fable with a Moral.

One of the toasters at the Michigan Federation of Labor convention told the following story:

A farmer leaning over his fence one day, wondering how he ever should harvest the great field of corn that lay back of him, when he saw a mule leisurely strolling up the highway and lazily cropping the grass that grew in abundance at the roadside.

"My friend," said the farmer, "get into the harness and help me get my crop into the barn, and I will give you all the corn that you can eat the days that you work."

"But how long shall I have to work each day?" quizzed the careful animal.

"Fourteen hours," said the farmer.

"Tut, tut," replied the mule. "But I can get all the grass I can eat in a day by working seven hours on this fertile roadside."

"Pshaw," retorted the farmer, beginning to get angry at being thwarted in his purpose, "your father was glad to work for me sixteen hours of the day, and here you are complaining against two hours less than that number."

"Too true," quoth the mule, "but you must remember my father was a jackass."

Work in the Navy Yards.

Secretary Long has recently issued an order amending the regulations relative to the employment of labor in all navy yards as follows:

Article 1574, paragraph 2, clause A, reads as follows:

"For work performed by reason of emergency between the hours of 6 a. m. and 8 p. m. in excess of eight hours, the same rate of pay shall be allowed as for eight hours' work."

Clause C provides that:

"Men who have rendered service during the day, who, by reason of emergency, are required to work in excess of eight hours, shall be paid for all such extra work performed after 8 p. m. and before 6 a. m. at the same rate per hour as for day work, with 50 per cent additional."

I have issued the following regulation circular:

"Article 1574, paragraph 2, strike out clauses A and C, and for clause A substitute the following:

"(A) For work performed by reason of extraordinary emergency, in excess of eight hours per day, the ordinary rate of pay, with 50 per cent additional, shall be allowed.

Porto Rico Printers Strike.

San Juan, Cablegram.—Ten days ago the San Juan Typographical Union held a meeting and adopted a new scale of prices, which in effect was an advance of 50 per cent over the previous scale under which they were working. By the old scale they made only [illegible] to $7 per week. The publishers were notified that the new scale would take effect on December 1. The publishers were apparently astounded by the demands of their men and the printers employed by the Correspondencia and Boletin were instantly discharged, with the result that those papers have not been published since Wednesday last. The union held a meeting and while it was in progress, the police, who had been sent by Munoi Rivers, the president of the island, arrived and commanded Santiago Iglesias, secretary ond treasurer of the union and its leading spirit, to leave the island instantly in pain of arrest. Such a summary method of settling a labor dispute may be the proper thing from the Spanish viewpoint, but it is likely the Americans will look at the matter in a different light.

What Is Organization?

It is the act of forming organs or instruments of action. In entering the field of labor it matters not whether by brain or hand, it is absolutely necessary for all wage-workers to band themselves together for self protection, and by so doing they protect one another. All reforms that have been accomplished has been done through organizations and unity of action, consequently it behooves the mechanic and laborer of this country to wake up to the fact that he is losing sight of his own interests, by allowing himself to be hoodwinked by those who seek to deprive him of his inalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The wage-workers of this or any other country can not accomplish anything individually, it must be by concerted action, therefore it is necessary for them to organize and educate, and not pass their lives in forging chains for themselves and then complain of weaving them. Signed, A Leather Worker.

Vessel Builders Hopeful.

From the Kennebec Journal: Not for very many years have Maine vessels managers in general felt so deep an interest in the prospects for business for a coming year. The close of the war has brought along, for Maine, at least, a new hope that her old-time sea prestige is coming back, in the new necessities set moving by our extensive foreign acquisitions and the general deep-water trade impetus which has been started. From all indications the biggest revival of commerce by sea that the United States ever saw is about to take place. The acquisition of oversea possessions—Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines and the new conditions of Cuba will necessitate a great enlargement of the merchant fleet of the United States. Only ships having an American register can trade between two ports of the United States. Therefore, the commerce between this country and our new possessions will require American ships. This means work for the ship yards, for the present fleet is inadequate for the work, and it is seldom that a foreign-built ship can get an American register.

Simple Gymnastics.

To remain young a woman must keep her joints limber; if neglected they become painful and stiff. Women groan with rheumatic pains when, if they exercised properly, rheumatism would be unheard of. Women sit by a fire and shiver with a cold when, if they encouraged gymnastics, the blood would circulate vigorously through the body. The following four simple exercises will greatly help to develop and preserve physical symmetry:

1. Stand erect, with hands outstretched, on a level with the shoulders, and slowly raise yourself on your toes as far as possible. Retain this position for an instant, and then sink back on to the entire foot. Do this twenty times a day at first, and increase each day to a reasonable limit.

2. Place the hands on the hips, and resting all the weight of the body on the right foot, slowly raise the left leg, and extend it in front of the body. Then bend at the knee, pointing the toe downward and bringing the foot up. Repeat this ten times at first. Then stand on the left foot and repeat the exercise in reverse.

3. Stand erect and lean over at the hips without bending the knees and try to touch the floor with the fingers. Day by day you will come nearer and nearer the floor. This exercise will make the body supple, and strengthen the back, and will encourage grace.

4. Extend the right arm, and placing the left on the hip, bend to right side as far as possible, and then reverse the exercise, which should be repeated ten times at first, and, like all the others, increased from day to day as much as circumstances will permit. This is an excellent general gymnastic. No woman should indulge any exercise to such an extent that even the slightest strain is possible. Fifteen minutes a day spent in exercise at home should result in muscular development, and greatly help to retain health.

Seeing Bullets as They Fly.

"As every sportsman knows," said an enthusiastic hunter, "it is easy to see a rifle bullet in the air, and those fired from the new high-power guns are very curious to look at. Stand a dozen yards away, at any range with a small caliber weapon using smokeless powder, and you'll see a strange, blush-white streak the instant the bullet strikes home. The streak is apparently a couple of inches wide and several feet long, and is more like a flash of light than anything else I can think of. With the old-fashioned Remington or Springfield carbine the bullet has the appearance of a long black rod and I don't know why there should be such a difference in the optical illusion produced by the smaller caliber. I have heard some people deny that the bullet can be seen, but they are very much in error. It all depends on getting the right viewpoint. A few feet either way will render the missile invisible, but the right spot is soon found by experiment, and after that the thing is as plain as day."

A Difficult Pass.

"Why is marriage such a serious step, I wonder?" "Because you then come to a pass where you can no longer go single file."

TO MR. M'CLEARY.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY PUNCTURES SOME FALSITIES.

A Sample of the Kind of Speeches with Which Gold Standard Advocates Surprise the Unwary—An Echo of the Late Congressional Campaign.

The pedagogue has found it profitable to mislead the people. He is no longer teaching school in Mankato, but is making money and fame on a large scale. We quote:

"Special Telegram to Minneapolis Tribune.—McCleary addressed a large and enthusiastic Republican meeting here tonight, dellvering what is generally acknowledged to be one of the strongest contributions to the campaign in this state. He said in part: 'A problem well stated is half solved. "What is the silver question?" Stated in its simplest terms it is this: Shall we or shall we not permit the men who own silver bullion to carry that bullion to the mint of the United States and have it converted into coin for them at the rate of 371.25 grains of pure silver for 412.5 grains standard silver) to the dollar, and shall the government authorize them to carry forth the coins thus made and use them according to their pleasure in the payment of debt or the transaction of business? To this question a large number of good, honest, right-minded, patriotic American citizens answer, "Yes, emphatically, yes; yes, quickly—the sooner the better!" Another large number of good, honest right-minded, patriotic American citizens answer, "No, utterly, absolutely, unequivocally, no!" What is the present situation? The man who owns gold may take it to the mint of the United States and have it converted for him into the form of coin, at the rate of 23.22 grains of pure gold (or 25.8 grains of standard gold) to the dollar. This service is rendered for him by the government without any charge, and the coins are handed back to him with full authority to use them according to his pleasure in the payment of debts, or the transaction of business. To the man who owns gold we say yes; to the man who owns silver, we say no. By this statement of the case it would appear that Uncle Sam does not treat these two classes of his citizens equally well, and the sense of fairness in the minds of each of us prompts us, at first glance, to condemn his course of action. But every good man and woman is slow to believe as true that which reflects upon the good name of any one whom he or she has learned to honor. Such a man or woman feels that his proper course is to reserve judgment until all the facts have been ascertained. We all respect Uncle Sam; we all believe that he would not intentionally do wrong to anyone. So we are prompted to believe that there must be something else in the matter that has not yet been stated. And there is. The man who owns the gold submits to Uncle Sam this proposition: "Uncle Sam, here are 258 grains of standard gold, worth $10 coined or uncoined. Won't you be kind enough, Uncle Sam, to certify to this fact? The easiest way for you to certify to it is to put this gold up in the form of a coin and mark it $10." To this proposition Uncle Sam makes answer: "Why, certainly, my son; I am always glad to serve any one of my children when I can do so properly." The man who owns the silver desires permission to submit to Uncle Sam this proposition: "Uncle Sam, here are 412.5 grains of standard silver, worth, in the terms to which we are accustomed, 40 cents. Won't you be kind enough, Uncle Sam, to certify for me that it is worth 100 cents?" To this proposition Uncle Sam promptly makes answer: "Not if the court knows itself!" We thus see, in part at least, why Uncle Sam says "Yes" to one, and "No" to the other."

McCleary in all this is very adroit, and very liable to deceive the unthinking. And yet McCleary knows very well that for 5,000 years gold and silver stood on an equality, as to right of coinage, all over the world, wherever there was civilization. And he knows that twenty-four years ago all this was changed. In this country the change was made without being demanded in the platform of any political party, or without any previous discussion before the people, who are supposed to constitute the government of this republic. And this piece of rascally knavery produced the fall of the price of silver, and McCleary, instead of demanding that that gigantic wrong shall be righted, plants himself on the accomplished results of the wrong and demands that it shall be perpetual. Imagine McCleary in very cold weather campaigning in Minnesota. He has a magnificent astrachan, fur-lined overcoat, worth $100. A thief steals it and leaves a tattered, shoddy garment, worth $5, in its place. McCleary demands redress. He seeks out the nearest justice of the peace, clad in the ragged robe the thief has left him. McCleary states his case. The justice is "in cahoots" with the thief. "What!" he cries, "you want me to make your tattered $5 coat worth $100! That is not what I am here for. The robbery is accomplished, the villainy enacted; it is not for me to overturn existing conditions." "But I am robbed!" shrieks McCleary. "Put me back where I stood before I was robbed. Give me back my overcoat. Here is this wretched rag. Give me an order for the arrest of the thief and the return of my coat." "I can't be did," says the justice, "your demand is equivalent to making my coat worth $100. It can't be done. Not if the court knows itself." And thereupon the indignant professor sells into the justice of the peace, bl[illegible]ks his eyes, knocks out his front teeth and punches him in the belly with his umbrella. And thereupon he is arrested for assault and battery, with intent to kill, tried by a jury of thieves (the foreman wearing his overcoat), and sent to prison. There let us leave him, while he writes a political address to the voters of the Second district, showing that representative government is a failure, and threatening to go back to Canada.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY.

Flood of Silver.

Regarding the flood of silver that would pour into this country should bimetallism be adopted, I think that entitled to less consideration than the proposition that "gold would instantly disappear." They belong to the same job lot of scarecrows. It will be remembered that Mr. Shurz said that there would be a tremendous contraction of the currency as a result of the adoption of bimetallism. Other equally sanguine monometallists predict, at the same time, the rest of the world would "dump" its silver here almost immediately. Now, silver could be "dumped" here only in exchange for something else. If for wheat, cotton, wool, or manufactured goods, I do not think it would be rejected, for our people desire to sell their commodities. If for gold, then it must take its place, dollar for dollar, and if it be a fifty-cent dollar, as Senator Thurston says it would be, then for every dollar of gold "driven out" two silver dollars would take its place. Surely little contraction of the currency would take place at the rate of substituting two dollars for one. The two notions that there would be a contraction of the currency and a flood of silver at the same time are hardly compatible. No nation can coin and retain more metallic money than it has profitable use for, because unless it is needed for business purposes and finds profitable employment, it will always float away to other places where there is a greater demand for it. Gold or silver money cannot be piled away above the money level of other countries and be made to stay there. It will seek its level just the same as anything else. Though the mints of the universe might be open to the coinage of silver for our use, but few million dollars more than could find profitable employment would stay here. Not a sound political economist from Adam Smith to the latest writer can be found to dispute that proposition. They are all of the same opinion as Dr. Wayland, who said of any country, "If its trade with other places is free, the superfluous money will float away, on the tide of commerce, to some point where it is needed, just as a surplus of wheat or cotton goods or any other commodity must do." If it cannot find profitable employment here as money it will go to the east, there to be used for money purposes, or to the melting pot, to be used in the industrial arts. You cannot "heap" up gold or silver in a free country and make it stay "heaped," any more than you can "heap" up water and make it stay "heaped."

When McKinley Was All Right.

On the 12th of February, 1891, only a little over seven years ago, Mr. McKinley said:

"During all of Grover Cleveland's years at the head of the government he was dishonoring one of our precious metals, one of our own great products, discrediting silver and enhancing the price of gold. He endeavored even before his inauguration to office to stop the coinage of silver dollars and afterward and to the end of his administration persistently used his power to that end. He was determined to contract the circulating medium, and to demonetize one of the coins of commerce, limit the volume of money among the people, make money scarce and therefore dear. He would have increased the value of money, and diminished the value of everything else—money the master, everything else the servant. He was not thinking of "the poor" then. He had left "their side." He was not standing forth in their defense. Cheap coats, cheap labor and dear money. The sponsor and promoter of these professing to stand guard over the welfare of the poor and lowly! Was there ever more inconsistency or reckless assumption?"

All these things sound very strange when compared with Mr. McKinley's utterances since he accepted the nomination for president on a gold standard platform, and they seem to justify sincere people in having but little faith in the man.

True Democratic Doctrine.

President Van Buren said in his message to congress in extra session in 1837, called because of the then financial crisis:

"It is not designed by the constitution that the government should assume the management of domestic or foreign exchange. It is indeed authorized to regulate by law the commerce between the states, and to provide a general standard of value or medium of exchange in gold and silver, but it is not its province to aid individuals in the transfer of their funds. As justly might it be called upon for transportation of their merchandise. These are operations of trade; they ought to be conducted by those who are interested in them, in the same manner that the incidental difficulties are encountered by other classes of citizens."

This was the Democratic doctrine of that period. It was just after the Democratic party had won its great and crowning victory in obtaining mastery of the money power. But the scene has changed. Now "money is king," and controls not only the action of the government, but the destinies of the people. It is no longer our servant, but our relentless master.

M'KINLEY IN ATLANTA.

His Visit Made Memorable by a Notable Utterance.

President McKinley made memorable the first day of the Atlanta peace jubilee by a notable utterance in his speech before the joint session of the Georgia legislature Wednesday afternoon. His reception by the general assembly was warm and hearty in the extreme, and his speech was punctured with frequent outbursts of cheering. It is admitted on all sides that the address marked an epoch in history. During the address President McKinley said:

"Every soldier's grave made during the unfortunate civil war is a tribute to the American valor. And while, when those graves were made, we differed widely about the future of the government, those differences were long ago settled by the arbitrament of arms—and the time has now come in the evolution of sentiment and feeling under the providence of God, when in the spirit of fraternity we should share with one in the care of the graves of the confederate soldiers."

A wild cheer went up from every throat in the typical southern audience, a cheer that echoed and re-echoed through the chamber until it was taken up by the crowds outside. Old men who fought for the south rose from their seats and waved their hats. Of all the many conciliatory speeches which have been made since Grant said "Let there be peace," nothing has more deeply stirred a southern audience than the simple words of President McKinley.

Star Hunting.

Recently I have devoted my time to star hunting and satisfying a yearning desire to become a discoverer. I felt that I must discover something, whether there was anything new to be discovered or not. In the pioneer school houses, some time during the days of Job, I was taught to admire the genius and freshly mown hay odor of the late (about 76 years late) lamented Mr. Wm. Herschel as an astronomer and finder of nests of newly laid stars. If you believe the last sentence you will believe anything I write, and I always make it a point to refrain from telling the truth as much as possible. Consequently I want you to believe me.

Anyway, it is quite an honor to possess sufficient ability and suavity to go out in the gloaming and call up new stars to you at so much per call. It is also laborious. When you have found a good, fragrant star, you will obtain more or less light on the subject; according to the size of the star.

The first difficulty with which I had to contend was having no telescope. So I got a water pipe and glued two magic-lantern lenses in it, and began looking about for an elevation upon which to sit. I did not dare to get on the housetop, because everybody would see me, and might go to discovering infant stars themselves. Then I would not get on the smoke house, because being a country editor we did not have one. I was in a dilemma, whatever that is.

Finally I decided that my seat of operations should be the barn. It was very tall, and had a mysterious air about it, somewhat like that about a fresh college graduate before he gets accustomed to wearing his diploma. The mysterious air around the barn was caused by decaying vegetation, while that about the graduate is caused from sheer ignorance.

But I mounted the rotten roof with my improvised telescope thrown over my left scapula and dangling in the vicinity of the lumber vertebrae.

Looking cautiously around to see if any one was near, but seeing no one, I began searching the star vaults with the water pipe. I gazed at Mercury and Venus. I was glad to see the former, as it is rather skittish, and Copernicus grieved because he was never able to meet the planet. I had seen Venus without any trouble, while Captain Cook, the navigator, gave up the ghost near Hawaii, trying to see the untamed Venus.

I scooted my star-finder all around the circle of perpetual apparition, and the circle of occultation. But I didn't find anything. I was getting discouraged. I decided the Lick discoverers had just about licked up all the important stars, and while I was thinking so, my hired boy jabbed a pitchfork up through the roof to scare me. My telescope fell, the roof broke through, and I fell to the earth, making no discovery worthy of note except that then my right ascension and declination were about as near zero as anything ever get to be in this vale of tears.

Any one wishing to buy a telescope cheap may write me. I am no longer an astronomer.

JOHN EARL GARRISON.

A Tragic Death.

At Athens, Ga., Wednesday, Lieut. James H. Hoskinson, adjutant of the First Battalion of the Fifteenth Pennsylvania, met a tragic death on Clayton street in front of the postoffice. He was thrown violently from his horse, his head striking the ground with great force. A large artery in the brain was ruptured, compression followed by paralysis, and in two hours he was dead.

May Yet Rescue the Maine.

The navy department has not yet abandoned the hope of rescuing the Maine from Havana harbor, and bringing the wreck back to this country for rehabilitation, nor does it seem likely, from the interest taken by responsible wrecking experts, that the Cristobal Colon will permitted to pound to pieces on the shore west of Santiago. The board of construction has under consideration a formal proposition for the salvage of both vessels and their delivery at New York or such other ports in the United States as the government might select.

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SERMON BY THE EMINENT DIVINE LAST SUNDAY.

"Light in Darkness"—A Discourse That Will Be Comforting to the ... and Helpless—Shut In For an All-Wise Purpose.

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... animal life, but it was not half as bad for him as though he were outside the ark. There ... or a camel, or an antelope, or a sheep ... the ark as badly off as the ... outside. While you are on the ... you will make no bad bargains, you will rush into no rash investments ... will avoid the mistakes ... such as good as you are ... every day making.

... that there was a limit to the ... of those ancient mariners ... the forty days of the deluge ... and the 150 ... before the passengers could go ... must have seemed to those eight ... in the big boat like a small eternity. Rain, rain, rain! said the wife of Noah. Will it never stop? For forty mornings they looked out and saw not one patch of blue sky. Floating around amid the peaks of mountains Shem and Ham and Japhet had to hush the fears of their wives lest they should dash against the projecting rocks. But after awhile it cleared off. Sunshine, glorious sunshine! The ascending mists were folded up into clouds, which instead of darkening the sky only ornamented it. As they looked out of the windows these worn passengers clapped their hands and rejoiced that the storm was over, and I think if God could stop such a storm as that He could stop any storm in your lifetime experience. If He can control a vulture in midsky, He can stop a summer bat that flies in at your window. At the right time He will put the rainbow on the cloud and the deluge of your misfortunes will ... I preach the doctrine of limitation, relief and disenthrallment. At just the right time the pain will cease, the bondage will drop, the imprisoned will be liberated, the fires will go out, the body and mind and soul will be free. Patience!

Notice also that on the cessation of the deluge the shut ins came out, and they built their houses and cultured their gardens and started a new world on the ruins of the old world that had been drowned out. Though Noah lived 350 years after that worldwide accident and no doubt his fellow passengers survived centuries I warrant they never got over talking about that voyage. Now I have seen Dore's pictures and many other pictures of the entrance into the ark, two and two, of the human family, and the animal creation into that ship which sailed between two worlds—antediluvian world and the postdiluvian world—but I never saw a picture of their coming out; yet their embarkation was not more important than their disembarkation. Many a crew has entered a ship that never landed. Witness the steamer Portland, a few days ago, with 100 souls on board, going down with all its crew and passengers. Witness the line of sunken ships, reaching like a submarine cable of anguish across the ocean depths from America to Europe. If any ship might expect complete wreckage, the one Noah commanded might have expected it. But not those who embarked disembarked. Over the plank reaching down the side of the ark to the Armenian cliffs on which they had been stranded the procession descended. No other wharf felt so solid or afforded such attractiveness as that height of Ararat when the eight passenger put their feet on it. And no sooner had the last one, the invalided wife of Japheth, been helped down the plank upon the rock than the other apartments of the ship were opened, and such a dash of bird music never filled the air as when the entire orchestra of robin redbreast, and morning-lark, and chaffinch, and mocking bird, and house swallow took wing into the bright sky, while the cattle began to low and the sheep to bleat and the horses to neigh for the pasture, which from the awful submergence had now begun to grow green and aromatic. I tell you plainly nothing interests me more in that tragedy from the first to the last act than the "exit" and the "exeunt," than the fact that the "shut-ins" became the "get outs." And I now close with this story all the inmates of the sick rooms and hospitals, and those prisons where men and women are unjustly endungeoned, and all the thousands who are bounded on the North and South and East and West by floods, by deluges of misfortune and disaster. The ark of your trouble, if it does not land on some earthly height of vindication and rescue, will land on the heights celestial.

By a strange providence, for which I shall be forever grateful, circumstances with which I think you are all familiar, I have admission through the newspaper press week by week to tens of thousands of God's dear children who cannot enter a church on the Sabbath and hear their excellent pastors because of the age of the sufferers or their illness, or the lameness of foot, or their incapacity to stay in one position an hour and a half, or their poverties, or their troubles of some sort will not let them go out of doors, and to them as much as to those who hear me I preach this sermon, as I preach many of my sermons, the invisible audience always vaster than the visible, some of them tossed on wilder seas than those that tossed the eight members of Noah's family, and instead of forty days of storm and five months of being shut in, as they were, it has been with these invalids five years of "shut in," or ten years of "shut in," or twenty years of "shut in." Oh, comforting God! Help me to comfort them! Give me two hands full of salve for their wounds. When we were 300 miles out at sea, a hurricane struck us, and the lifeboats were dashed from the davits and all the lights in the cabin were put out by the rolling of the ship and the water which through the broken skylights had poured in.

"And as I now find many in hurricanes of trouble, though I cannot quiet the storm, I can strike a match to light up the darkness, and I strike a match. "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth." I strike another match. "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." I strike another match. "We have a High Priest who can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, and He was in all points tempted like as we are." Are you old? One breath of heaven will make you everlastingly young again. Have you aches and pains? They insure Christ's presence and sympathy through the darkest December nights, which are the longest nights of the year. Are you bereft? Here is a resurrected Christ whose voice is full of resurrectionary power.

But do not think that heaven is made up of any indiscriminate population. Some of my friends are so generous in their theology that they would let everybody in without reference to condition or character. Do not think that libertines or blasphemers and rejecters of God and His gospel have "letters of credit" that will draw anything from the bank of heaven. Pirate crafts will not be permitted to go up that harbor. If there are those who as to heaven are to be "shut ins," there are those who will belong to the "shut outs." Heaven has twelve gates, and while those twelve gates imply wide open entrance for those who are properly prepared to enter them they imply that there are at least twelve possibilities that many will be shut out, because a gate is of no use unless it can sometimes be closed. Heaven is not an unwashed mob. Show your tickets or you will not get in—tickets that you may get without money and without price tickets with a cross and a crown upon them. Let the unrepentant and the vile and the offscourings of earth enter heaven as they now are, and they would depreciate and demoralize it so that no one of us would want to enter, and those who are there would want to move out. The Bible speaks of the "withouts" as well as the "withins." Revelation xxii., 15, "Without are dogs and sorcerers and whoremongers and murderers and idolaters and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie." Through the converting, pardoning, sanctifying grace of God may we at last be found among the shut ins and not among the shut outs!

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THE KHALIFA.

The Life and Characteristics of the Fugitive Dervish Chief.

Abdullah et Taishi Khalifa, whose power has been broken by the British forces under General Sir Herbert Kitchener, was the most powerful and successful of the three Khalifas of the three leading Arab tribes, that in 1882 helped the Mahdi to overthrow the government of Egypt in the eastern Soudan and establish the Mahdist despotism in its place. Each of these Khalifas commanded a distinct section of the Mahdi's army, and Abdullah's force had most to do with the annihilation of General Hicks and his army. Abdullah was the favorite of his master. The Mahdi believed that if he died Abdullah was the only man who could maintain the strange empire he had raised and keep the upper hand of the rapacious Soudanese tribes. Before his death the Mahdi nominated the Khalifa Abdullah as his successor, and thus the cruel and tyrannical Arab tribe of the Bagaras, whose leader was Abdullah, became the masters of the Egyptian Soudan and ruled it with a rod of iron. The Mahdi died on June 22, 1885, after three years of power, and Abdullah has since been known as "the Mahdi's successor." There was intense jealousy and disappointment on the part of the Danagla and Jaalin tribes, who had been the rulers, but now became the ruled. Civil war on account of Abdullah's accession was narrowly averted, but he was too strong for his enemies in the other tribes, and they finally chose the part of discretion just when all had been made ready for battle. The new ruler then made it his business to render the other tribes harmless. He reduced the power of the two other Khalifas, and they became men of little influence. He sent many of the Jaalin and Danagla Emirs in chains hundreds of miles up the Nile, and he permitted his Baggara to plunder the other tribes without mercy, under the pretext of levying taxes. There has been only one ruler of the Soudan for the past thirteen years, and he has been the Khalifa Abdullah. He maintained his policy of cruelly repressing all the people except his own tribe, until he was frightened very badly by the news that England and Egypt were getting ready to invade the country and overthrow his power. After that news reached Omdurman he made a great show of reversing his policy. He pardoned the imprisoned Emirs and tried in many ways to win back the disaffected people. The Khalifa's empire, within which not a particle of European influence has permeated since the Mahdi captured Khartoum, extends along the Nile from Dongola on the north to the neighborhood of Lado on the south, a distance of about thirteen hundred miles. Omdurman, the capital, just across the Nile from the ruins of Khartoum, is about midway between these points. The Khalifa lost Darfur, but still his empire extends from the western limits of Kordofan to Abyssinia on the east, and embraces about 700,000 square miles. During the thirteen years he has controlled the destinies of the Egyptian Soudan it is estimated that nearly three-fifths of its inhabitants have perished through war and famine. Constant warfare has greatly diminished the male population.

KEENE TURNED THE TABLES.

Several Wall street men, Mr. James R. Keene among them, combined some time ago to get control of the stock of the tobacco trust.

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JAS. R. KEENE.

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Ernest Van Dyck, the grand opera singer, began life as a newspaper man.

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Count Camillo Pecci, a grandnephew of Pope Leo XIII., and colonel of the Noble Guard, is about to visit this country and Cuba. The visit will be unofficial, and his stay in the country will only be incidental to his journey to Cuba. A few years ago Count Pecci was married to a Cuban woman who had inherited large plantations there.

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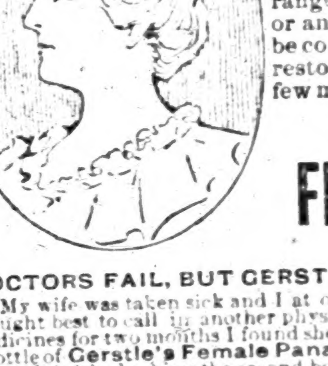

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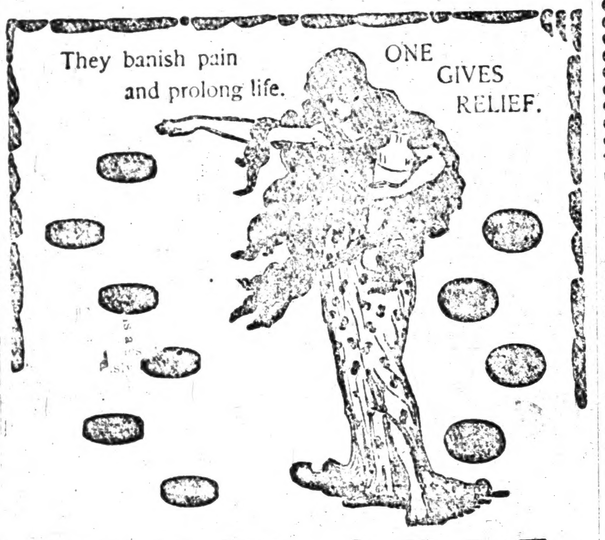

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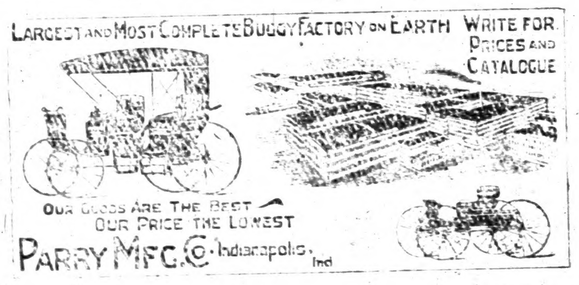

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At first where we camped the ... ass and underbrush was as high as ... man's head, and only one shade ... in the camp, and it is at the ... hard house, so no one likes to stay ... der it.

We have had plenty of grub to ... eat which consists of bread, ba... n, beef, hard tack, tomatoes, ... ans, coffee, sugar, salmon, corned ... ef, potatoes, etc. This will keep ... man alive if he eats enough of it.

We have been treated very nice ... by the Red Cross Society. They ... ve sent a great deal of good things ... our sick boys, and a great many ... ings to the other boys, but they ... d not get them as they were ... oked by the officers and the boys ... ver saw them. They sent us a ... eat many things, such as mos... ito bars, soft shoes, socks, under... ear, champagne and the like, but ... ey were gobbled up by the off... rs and we never saw them at all. ... Some of the officers treat their ... n right, while some of them are ... tal to the men. Most of them ... ve better jobs than they ever had ... fore, that is why they are so ... ean.

Some o the doctors we have had ... d not have any mercy on the men ... know men that stayed in the hos... tal for four or five days without ... ing a doctor, and when he did ... me around he would not do any ... ng for you. But of course it is ... fferent now; we have new doctors ... d some lady Red Cross nurses in ... r hospital.

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We have been in Cuba now ... months, during which time we have had our ups and downs. We have fought a greater fight than the ... fought at San Juan, not with ... swords, but with malarial fever. When we first came here the ... and mud was so deep and bad ... could hardly make your way ... but we went through ... without complaining. We had our ... as ever any regiment did. We ... to carry water a mile.

At first where we camped the ... and underbrush was as high as ... head, and only one shade ... in the camp, and it is at the ... house, so no one likes to stay ... it.

We have had plenty of army grub ... which consists of bread, ... bean, hard tack, tomatoes, ... onions, coffee, sugar, salmon, corned ... potatoes, etc. This will keep ... alive if he eats enough of it. ... have been treated very nicely ... the Red Cross Society. They ... sent a great deal of good things ... our sick boys, and a great many ... to the other boys, but they ... get them as they were ... by the officers and the boys ... saw them. They sent us a ... many things, such as mosquito ..., soft shoes, socks, underwear, champagne and the like, but they were gobbled up by the officers and we never saw them at all. Some of the officers treat their men right, while some of them are ... to the men. Most of them ... better jobs than they ever had ... that is why they are so ...

... the doctors we have had ... very mercy on the men ... men that stayed in the hospital ... four or five days without ... doctor, and when he did ... would he would not do any ... you. But of course it is ... now; we have new doctors ... lady Red Cross nurses in ... hospital.

... the worst officers have ... or gone home's sick, so we ... along all right again. ... been a big change in ... since we landed here. ... been cleaned, a ... department established, ... government is required ... department again. Instead ... receives, the privates give ... prepare for camp next ... carry big haversack, canteen ... blanket. The people seem ... with American rule. All ... quieted down, so the soldiers ... a good day to do. ... in our regiment will soon ... home.

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Mr. F. M. Athey, of Montgomery, spent the holidays in town.

Mr. J. C. Veazey, of Randolph, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. W. B. Dennis and wife have moved to Plumersville.

ONE STEP AT A TIME.

In dealing with their own territorial problems the people of the United States will do well if they adopt the motto, "One step at a time." A part, at least, of the discussion that certain well-meaning gentlemen had endeavored to arouse while the treaty of peace was still under negotiation concerned problems that may arise for future generations of Americans to solve, but that have not yet made their appearance in the practical and concrete form. The ratification of the treaty must at least precede some other questions. That the treaty will be ratified, no person of safe judgement and good opportunities for observation has ever for a moment doubted. The argument that the United States is not empowered by virtue of its Constitution to exercise the powers of sovereignty outside of the United States is to be set down merely as an intellectual diversion. It lies essentially in the nature of the modern state to grow and expand as it has reasonable opportunity. To suppose for a moment that a great nation like ours, of more than seventy million people, is in some way estopped by certain forms of words—agreed upon more than a hundred years ago by a relatively small number of people who are all of them now dead—from obeying those same laws of growth and development that inhere in the very nature of our race and of our political organism, is to ascribe to the written Constitution a character that none of its framers ever thought of giving to it. Many of the mistakes that the French have made in trying to establish colonial possessions have grown out of their fondness for regularizing everything and their desire to make all their acquisitions fit into some logical scheme of colonial organization and administrarion. We shall be strongly tempted to fall into the same error. Already the floodgates have burst, and the country is being inundated with a perfect torrent of metaphysics touching the nature of political sovereignty and the transcendental significance of annexation.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for January.

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Clanton Locals.

Mr. Durwood Fosher, of Birmingham, spent the holidays with parents here.

Mr. Joe Whitsell, of Anniston, was in town this week.

Misses Mollie Vines and Emma Pope, of the Girls' Industrial school at Montevallo, spent Xmas with their parents here.

Misses Lillie and Lela Adams have been spending the holidays with their parents, Judge and Mrs. Adams, and will return to the Judson Institute at Marion, tomorrow.

Mr. W. H. Smith, of Hanover, is spending this week with his parents here.

WOOED AND WON.

WILSON-WATTS.

When Miss Pearl Watts went to spend a few days with friends in Montgomery, and Mr. Newt Wilson went down on Tuesday, there were few, if any, of their friends anticipated their coming back home a happy married couple. Such was the case, however. They were married on Tuesday at the capital city, returning to Clanton same day. Newt is a general, whole-soled young fellow and Miss Pearl is one of Clanton's most charming young ladies. All their friends wish them many years of unalloyed happiness and prosperity.

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Mr. Walter Lenoir and Miss Rena Merchant were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. W. A. Wood performing the ceremony.

Mr. Will Gibbons, who has been away two years, returned last Friday to spend Christmas with relatives here.

Mr Frank Bazemore, of Weogufka, was a visitor in these parts last week.

Prof. Martin's school will close soon and it is said that he will go to the Briarfield school.

Mr. Johnson Vonderslice, of Perry county, spent Christmas holidays here.

The boys of this vicinity had a nice serenade Christmas eve night. Several nice dinners were given during Christmas, and all seemed to have a nice time and a merry Christmas.

We will have to be careful or we will soon be putting it 1898.

Wishing the Editor and all the readers of the BANNER a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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Saturday night the court house was packed to its fullest capacity, the occasion being the Christmas Tree given by the united churches. The tree was gaily decorated, but unfortunately Santa Claus had been delayed somewhere, and no presents were visible. The non-arrival of Santa Claus was partialy compensated for by a visit from his "Better Half" (Miss Willie Robinson) and "Jack Frost" (Master Will Mullins) and a beautiful "Fairy" (Miss Emmett Matthews) added enjoyment to the proceedings. A very pleasant evening was passed.

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Jemison.

Another fire last week destroyed the dwelling house of the widow Wooley. The furniture, etc., was saved, but the building was a total loss.

Married to night at the residence of the bride's parents near Jemison, Mr. W. J. Northcutt and Miss Minnie Williams, Rev. Charles Lowery officiating. We wish the happy couple a long and happy life.

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A long time I was a great sufferer from Liver and Stomach troubles. I had a dull pain in my left side under my heart. At times my side became swollen and the pain acute. My stomach was always sour and I would vomit every time I eat. My bowels were very irregular, causing me pain and distress. I tried many things without any benefit. I read of your medicine and concluded to try it, and am glad that I did. I felt better after the first dose. I continued to take Ramon's Liver Pills & Tonic Pellets until I was entirely cured.—J. D. W. Penland, Otto, Macon co., N. C. For sale by J. M. Stanfield.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Everybody in the county that is interested in the public road system is invited to meet at the Court House at Clanton on Tuesday, January 10, 1899, for the purpose of formulating some plan for the betterment of our public roads. Every body come!

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The World's Improved Balance.

The swift success of our aggressive policy has left the whole world in a far more stable position than we found it at the opening of the year. The annexation of Hawaii has given that interesting group of islands a settled status, and our assumption of responsibility for the Phillipines will speedily bring about a vastly improved situation in that populous archipelago. We ought to have no serious difficulto in assisting the Cubans to restore order throughout the island and to maintain fairly efficient institutions under republican forms. The wisest men in Spain are venturing to express somewhat boldly the releif that they feel in the wholesome chastening that has come to them in the painful year 1898. This view has been taken by business men especially, and prevailed in the conference of Spanish chambers of commerce that has met at Saragossa. Some of the most intelligent Spanish writecs are taking the ground that under modern conditions the responsibility of sovereignty over distant colonies is far more costly than profitable, and that except for the point of pride involved Spain is greatly better off without Cuba and the Philippines than with them. Of course the two situations are totally different. Cuba was entitled to one sort of administration and the Philippines to another. The Spaniards should have learned long ago to give Cuba to the Cubans in as complete a sense as the English have given Canada to the Canadians, while they should also have learned long ago to administer the Philippines strictly for the benefit of the population, following to a considerable extent the model of England in India. The time had come when it was too late to reform the abuses of Spain's bad colonial government, and there was no remedy except to abandon the colonial business altogether. This heroic remedy is one that the nations which need it never have the grace to administer to themselves. It has to be forced upon them from without. None the less, they may in good time learn to appreciate the service that has been done to them and forget the first smart. Spain may quite possibly have a bad year or two at home, with which to end the nineteenth century; but it is reasonable to predict that the Spaniards will open the twentieth with very excellent prospects. For the first time in years they have an undisturbed opportunity to give attention to home affairs.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for January.

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The government of the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, has directed that the pupils in all the official schools shall be taught to write and perform all manual tasks as well with one hand as with the other.

A Swiss anthropologist, on his return from Patagonia, brought home with him a complete collection of Patagonian skulls, and when the custom house proposed to tax them on the basis of animals' bones imported as manure, he protested that this was an insult to humanity. To his surprise his objection was listened to, and he received a receipt for the duty charged upon a higher scale, with the skulls entered as "returned emigrants' worn effects."

The young couple who have just finished a journey around the world on bicycles, found that nineteenth century instruments of civilization and sixteenth century adventures in barbarism may go together. It must have been exasperating to wheel at top speed over abominable roads to escape missile-throwing Chinese. It is easy to dart away from crowds who throw stones, but bad roads are trying to the temper. It is impressive that the best road they found in all the world was the 600-mile road to Calcutta, built in the forgotten ages by the Delhi mogul. This is a valuable contribution to knowledge. The mogul and his dusky Macadams little dreamed what strange vehicles would spin over the great road centuries after.

The act requiring the navy department to build four more monitors was passed before the lessons of the war had shown the defects of this class, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. Since the craft must be built it is well that they be the best of their kind. Thus it is gratifying that the plans are to be changed, and the new monitors made much larger and better than the old. They are valuable only for harbor defense, but they can go to sea at a pinch, and can make a long voyage if they do not have to encounter rough weather ships on the way. However, the country is not likely to build any more, as we are not likely to have any more scares about attacks on the coast. The Spanish war has shown that the place to defend our coasts is out at sea, wherever an enemy's fleet can be found.

The development of mines of ore and sulphur in Sicily has always been the cause of many strikes, on account of the low prices paid to the laborers. The government of Rome obtained recently from the Chambers a law guaranteeing financial support to sick or wounded and lame miners. The proprietors of the mines announced that they would decrease the wages of the workmen in a sufficient proportion to meet the extra expenses imposed upon them by the operation of the new law taxing property for the support of invalid laborers. The miners in the Province of Girgenti to the number of about a thousand have struck work, and, at last reports, the strike was still in progress; fortunately this time it was not accompanied by the violence and bloodshed which too often marked the labor troubles of Sicily.

The history of the last few years shows a succession of hostilities against England from all sides and in all quarters, none the less aggressive, none the less dangerous, than if they had been conducted in actual warfare, says the Sydney (New South Wales) Bulletin. Look at the intrigues of France in Egypt, in Siam, in Niagara, in Madagascar, or the Nile; look at the encroachments of Russia in Persia Afghanistan, the Pamirs; look at the characteristically prudent and cautious, but none the less real hostility of Germany in the Transvaal, in Zanzibar, in Samoa; look today at the unanimous exultation of the continent at the blows which are being struck at the prestige and commercial interests of England in the East. Everything seems to show that England must either make ignoble submission to a European aggressiveness which seeks to bleed her by fair means or foul, or take the risk of financial ruin, of possible effacement as a first-class power, in a desperate contest with the monster armies of her neighbors, to whom she appears as the one great obstacle to their designs.

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MISSIONARY CRUISE OF A DANISH COUNTESS.

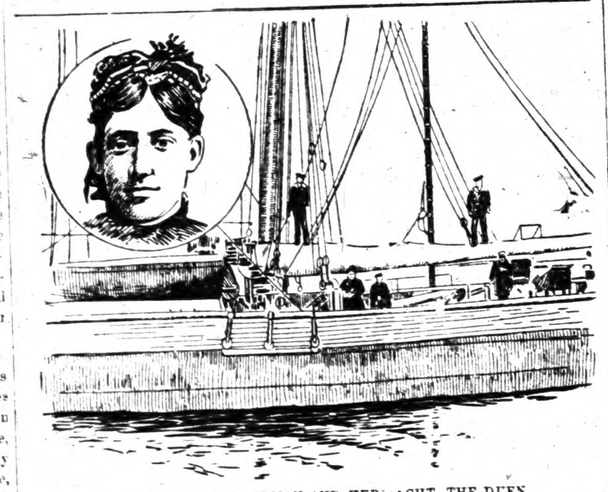
From Europe there have come to the United States at various times strange, weird persons, some bent on errands of philanthropy and others from motives of curiosity. Sailing around the Great Lakes in her own yacht is a woman who can take her place on the list. She is the Countess Schimmelman, from Denmark. She is not precisely a reformer, though she may see many things that she would like to have changed, but wherever she is she certainly does good. Over in Denmark, she says, she heard nothing but bad of America, but since arriving here she finds the truth of the American conviction that this is a pretty good country to live in after all.

At home she was the Queen's favorite, and she passed the first thirty years of her life exclusively at court. Then she got restless and wanted to see the wide, wide world, and try to alleviate some of the misery which she vaguely understood existed. She sold her property and bought a ship, and in this cruised about the Baltic in the summer and in Southern seas in the winter. She established coffee houses and did good in many little ways. Of recent years she stayed in the cities in the winter, and turned her ship for the time into a home for the poor boys who wanted to follow the sea.

Three years ago she bought the yacht Duen, or Dove, of Prince Waldemar, and by this time, her work becoming well known among the members of royalty, they contributed largely in aid of her enterprise. Her brothers, however, caused her arrest once and put her in an asylum. Upon her release she resumed her labors. Now she has come over to America in her yacht, and, having passed up the St. Lawrence, and through the Welland Canal, she is making a tour of the Upper Lakes with her three adopted sons, whom she brought over with her. She intends to visit her countrymen in the Northwest, so that when she returns home she will know whether to advise the thousands there who want to change their homes to come to to our promised land.

The Countess speaks English with ease. She is of medium height, has brown hair, blue eyes and a clear, clean-cut profile. She presents the appearance of a German matron who has several winters to see before she turns forty, writes a reporter who visited her on her queer craft at Chicago. A very slight cap did not hide the waves of soft brown hair that fell about her forehead. When she did not talk in her slight foreign accent she smiled as she listened to a guest who was more than likely trying to answer some question the Countess had asked about the suffering in Chicago among the poor.

"I like Americans," she said; "you have no caste and the poorest laboring man is a gentleman. I have great hopes for success in Chicago. The sailors I have spoken with and the men on the docks tell me the condition of the men in Chicago is not as bad as I have been led to believe." The Countess picked up Walter Wyckoff's book, "The Workers," from her table. "This is all the source of my information as to the poor of Chicago at present," she said, "but is it true you have 200,000 men unemployed here every winter?"



COUNTESS SCHIMMELMAN AND HER YACHT, THE DUEN.

The guest to whom the question was put doubted the statement and the Countess said she had been skeptical as to its truth from what she had seen during the few hours she had been in Chicago. "Workingmen in England and the United States are so much better provided for than those on the continent," said the Countess, as she shook her head.

Her work in evangelical and practical—teaching the precepts of religion and at the same time looking after temporal wants as best she can.

One of her objects in visiting the great lakes is to inspect lands in Canada on Lake Superior, where she is anxious to establish a colony for the poor.

The Countess Adeline Schimmelman is a member of a Danish noble family. Until taking up missionary work among sailors she was a favorite at the courts of Copenhagen and Berlin. When she decided to help the unfortunate many of the wealthy and titled families of Europe came to her assistance, for she is not wealthy. In her yacht she has visited nearly all of the large seaports of the world in the last three years. During the summer she secures chairs and holds services on the deck of her boat. In winter she is obliged to go to a hall.

SMALLEST CHURCH IN ENGLAND.

Where Is Its Counterpart in America?—Seats Only Thirty Persons.

Where is the smallest church in America? It would be interesting to know. The smallest church in England has been discovered at Lullington, in Sussex. The village itself is on so small a scale that the miniature church, some sixteen feet square, is quite large enough to supply its needs. Built in mediæval times upon a slight eminence within a short distance of Alfriston, famous for its sixteenth century hostelry, the church is reached by a path which passes through charming scenery. The present structure stands upon the site of the chancel of the building destroyed during the Cromwellian struggles, and at the same time the church records disappeared, so that even the name of the patron saint is not now known. Some idea of the diminutive appearance of the building, which accommodates only about thirty worshipers, can be gathered from a glance at our illustration. Inside the small sanctuary the large pulpit completely dwarfs the scanty sitting accommodation. The belfry is more for ornament than use, and the birds are allowed to retain undisputed possession.

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Curious Transference of Heat.

A correspondent of Nature, who is associated with the observatory at Toulouse, calls attention to a very singular phenomenon, the scientific explanation of which he seeks. Take a bar of iron in the hand by one end and plunge the other end in the fire, heating it strongly, but not so much that the hand cannot retain its hold. Then plunge the heated end in a pail of cold water. Immediately the end held in the hand becomes so hot that it is impossible to retain it in the fingers. This phenomenon, said by the correspondent to be familiar to workmen in iron, is ascribed by them to some repellant action which they suppose the sudden cold to exert upon the heat contained in the iron, which is thus driven to the opposite extremity.

The novelist who occasionally lectures is in great danger of degenerating into a lecturer who occasionally writes novels.

NEW YORK FASHIONS.

Late Hints For the Wardrobes . Those Who Like to Be Correctly Gowned.

NEW YORK CITY (Special).—The cloth gowns show every week some new feature, so that it seems to be necessary to have three or four in one

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wardrobe in order to be correctly gowned, states Harper's Bazar. The skirts of all the gowns are made long, and as close-fitting as possible over the hips, and many of them have jackets or long cutaway coats. There is no doubt that the long coats and cloaks are much the fashion this year, and are

SKIRT AND WAIST FOR A YOUNG LADY.

being imported all the time. A smart walking gown is made with a velvet skirt, and over this is worn a long redingote of beige cloth that entirely covers the skirt. In front there is a flounce, of the same material as the redingote, that starts at the waist in a narrow width, and it gradually broadens out until it reaches part way up the coat. The upper part of the coat is finished with a deep collar that forms a wavy cape, and there is a high stock-collar and vest of velvet, and inside the stock-collar is a high flaring collar also of the velvet. On the front of this coat are large fancy buttons. The sleeves are small, but have a little fulness at the top. They are very long, and are finished around the wrist with a ruffled cuff. To wear with this coat is a hat of felt, something in a sailor shape, trimmed with rosettes of velvet and stiff wings. The same gown in two shades of green is effective also.

A Popular Mode.

The model shown in the large engraving is desirable for either silk or woolen fabrics, charming combinations being effected by making flounce and broad collar of contrasting material. This is also a good design for remodelling, as the waist can be lengthened over a new lining, the collar of new material giving a stylish finish. A flounce to match collar will give added length as well as style to the skirt, and the decoration may be as simple or as elaborate as desired.

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Muffs to Match the Hat.

Fancy muffs of velvet to match the hat are displayed very temptingly among the extravagant novelties. They are flat in effect and made with a double ruffle at each end, but large in size. A stylish sable muff in a similar style has a wide circular frill at each end, is lined with white satin and is finished on the edges with tiny short tails set on two or three inches apart all around.

The Boy's Fashions.

The small boy of fashion is arrayed in blouse and knickerbockers for ordinary wear. The trousers are slightly full and loose, depending a little from the band which is worn above the knee. Boys like this style much better than the fitted knee breeches heretofore worn.

Worn on the Hats.

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Ribbon Frills For the Gown.

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Out-of-Door Toilet For a Tot.

A stylish out-of-door toilet for a tiny miss is here represented in rich red serge coating, trimmed with Persian lamb fur and tiny frills of black satin ribbon. Flare bonnet of red velvet, with red taffeta bows and tie strings, black soft quills and border of Persian lamb. The Empire style needs no introduction. It is graceful and becoming to little folks, the cape collar with its circular ripple ruffle being also a revival of a former style and at this time a very popular feature.

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Capes for cold-weather wear are either in shawlpoint or seamless circular shape, and nearly every model is of three-quarter length.

THE CHICAGO RIVER

An Open Sewer Navigable for Vessels for Nine Sixteen Miles Length.

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In this strange predicament this little stream flows wretchedly backward, loaded with the largest and most valuable collection of vessels that ever crowded an inland sea. It is one tumultuous highway, far more exciting than Broadway and somewhat less charming than the Hudson. The city uses it as an emptying place for its sewers and the Street Cleaning Department as a dumping ground for its waste, and yet it is the most valuable factor in the life of Chicago, and the one more than all else that has made the city what it is to-day. No other river in the wide world possesses or pretends to the appearance of this peculiar stream. In its busiest hours it is a sight for gods and men. A mere creek, it struggles with the burden of an ocean. The great deep-draught propellers tear the water into splittering fragments. Their huge stacks often hide the entire stream from view with great clouds of smoke. The ingoing and outgoing vessels quarrel for the right of way with all the vehemence inherent in gongs and whistles. Tug pilots handle their craft with a skill that would put to shame the manners of the heavy teamsters in a crowded New York lane.

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The payments through clearing clearing houses have been for the week 26.5 per cent greater than last year and 12.4 per cent greater than in 1892, and for the month 17.8 per cent greater than in 1892. Until now no greater volume of business has ever been done in the history of this country than in the closing month of this year.

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General Palma of the Junta Issues a Proclamation.

General T. Estrada Palma, of the Cuban junta, issued a proclamation on behalf of the Cuban revolutionary party, in which he says:

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HOBSON CALLED DOWN.

That Kissing Mania Resulted in Being "Advised" As to His Conduct.

Bitter disappointment is felt in Washington over the action of Lieutenant Hobson. Naval circles are intensely wrought up over his action, and the deepest resentment is shown toward him for his conduct in the west.

It is stated among navy officials that Secretary Long telegraphed Lieutenant Hobson, urging him to desist from his mode of receiving his admirers at receptions tendered him. Secretary Long has been urged to recall the hero of the Merrimac and administer a rebuke, but he declined to do this. Instead, however, he is said to have adopted the milder form of advising him as to his mode of conduct, urging him to desist, as he was imperiling his reputation and cheapening his glorious act of courage.

LIST OF NAVAL PROMOTIONS.

Commodore Kautz Made Rear Admiral. Other Promotions.

The retirement of Rear Admiral Bunce Sunday will result in the promotion of the following named officers: Commodore Albert Kautz to be rear admiral; Captain Frederick B. Rodgers to be commodore, Commander Edwin White to be captain, Lieutenant Commander C. C. Cornwell to be commander, Lieutenant (junior grade) T. C. Fenton to be lieutenant, Ensign L. A. Kaiser to be lieutenant (junior grade).

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The Vienna correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph says: "Several hundred Montenegrain soldiers, who were recently overtaken by a snow storm in the Lara Pass, were frozen to death. The expedition sent to their rescue found the snow drifts so heavy that it was impossible to save them."

Brooke En Route for Cuba.

General Brooke and the members of his staff left Friday noon for Miami, where they will take a steamer for Havana.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The ginnery of Tom Amaud, at Summerville, was destroyed by fire Saturday, entailing a heavy loss. The insurance on the destroyed property amounts to $4,000.

The city council of Montgomery will put in fifteen miles of reinforced water mains and dig artesian wells necessary to give more water than can be needed for the city's consumption for years to come.

Dr. R. A. Moseley, former Republican State chairman, has sold his newspaper, The Birmingham Times, to C. F. Schofield, of Bridgeport. The sale has revived the report that Dr. Moseley is to be appointed consul to Singapore

Disorderly Soldiers.

J. P. Billups, traveling passenger agent of the Southern railway, who has been in Columbia, Tenn., attending the mustering out of the First and Second Mississippi Regiments, says the soldiers behaved outrageously after having been let out of the service. They perforated the depot with pistol balls, and were guilty of many acts of violence.

A battalion of the First Texas sailed from Savannah for Cuba.

PEACE TREATY DELIVERED

To President McKinley Late Saturday Afternoon.

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Interesting Ceremony Accompanied the Presentation of the Christmas Offering. The Document Will be Presented to Senate After Reassembling.

President McKinley received from the American peace commission late Saturday afternoon the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain. In presenting this momentous document, Judge Day, as chairman of the commission, said it represented the earnest efforts of the American representatives at Paris, and that it was submitted with the hope that it would redound to the credit glory of the American nation.

Accepting the treaty from the hands of Judge Day, the president responded with heartfelt thanks and congratulations to the commission as a body and to the members individually. He spoke of all that had been accomplished and of the happy method by which difficult questions had been adjusted.

The formal ceremony of delivering the treaty to the president occurred in the blue room, and lasted half an hour.

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HOBSON SAILS FOR MANILA.

Immense Crowds on the Streets Cheer the Young Alabamian.

Lieut. Richmond Pearson Hobson sailed from San Francisco for the Philippines on the steamer Gaelic Saturday. He will report to Admiral Dewey on his arrival and will undertake the work of raising and preparing for service, under the United States flag, the vessels of Admiral Montejo, which suffered so severely under the attack of Admiral Dewey's squadron. An immense crowd was at the dock to witness his departure. Cheers upon cheers were given for him as he passed along the streets, and he was compelled at several points to say a few words to the people.

TROOPS PATROLING HAVANA.

Rioting at Monserrat Results in One Killed and Several Wounded.

The United States troops began Sunday evening a regular patrol of the city of Havana in order to guard against possible disorders. The Bando, issued on Friday by Capt.-Gen. Castellanos, prohibiting crowds from assembling in the streets, has been generally observed. Saturday night there was some disturbance, said to have been caused by liquor in Monserrat place. A shot was fired about midnight from a roof at a group of people below, and many shots were returned at figures vaguely seen on the roof. An unidentified man was killed and three were wounded in other affrays.

BROKE THE RECORD.

Tremendous Receipts of Cotton at Houston, Tex.

The cotton receipts at Houston, Tex., for the first months of the present season have been 2,000,000 bales, a record never equaled by an interior town or port of the United States, and which will be celebrated with a banquet, to which all the prominent civic officials and cotton men will be invited. The 2,000,000-bale mark has never been reached in an entire season before by an interior town.

FOOD FOR CUBANS.

Uncle Sam Makes the Starving Islanders a Christmas Present.

WASHINGTON.—The Secretary of war has received the following cablegram from Major-General Lee at Havana Seven thousand rations have been sent to Guines and about 40,000 to other points in Havana province. Rations are also being distributed in the city of Havana, including 2,000 cans of condensed milk to sick and debilitated women and children.

Fatal Street Duel.

At Harrison, Ark., Frank Pace, ex-prosecuting attorney, and his brother, Henry, met Henry M. Aderholtz, a prominent stockman, on the street, and a duel ensued, in which Aderholtz was mortally wounded. The trouble grew out of a difficulty a few days ago between Aderholtz and Captain Pace, father of the brothers, in which Captain Pace was dangerously shot and a bystander killed by a stray bullet.

Three Men Shot.

A fight occurred Saturday night twelve miles west of Stevenson, on Little Coal creek, between the three Beene brothers on one side and the two Ashley brothers on the other. K. Beene was shot through the heart and killed. John Ashley was shot through the stomach and fatally wounded. James Ashley was shot through the right lung and may recover. It was the result of whiskey and an old feud. **The two Beenes not wounded have fled the country.**

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Postmaster Appointed.

Arthur Coleman has been appointed postmaster at Hamburg, Perry county.

Sequel to a Shooting Affray.

George R. Mason, who was shot by Percy Clarke at Selma several weeks ago, died from the effects of the wound.

Accidentally Shot.

Clem Goff, of Cullman, was accidentally shot by Charles Buldrum Sunday. The shot entered the stomach, and the victim is not expected to live.

Killed in a Runaway.

In Birmingham Sunday morning a team of mules belonging to the Brown Lumber company and driven by Ed Allen, colored, ran away. Mr. Brown heard of the mishap and went to the scene, where he found the driver dead in the road.

Mobile's Cotton Mill.

A tract of land containing twenty-five acres at Mobile has been secured by purchase for the Mobile Cotton Mill by Messrs. Pollock, Hamill and others, and the erection of the building, for which plans and contracts are ready, will begin at once.

A $40,000 Fire at Birmingham.

The entire plant of the Tennessee Packing company, at Birmingham, together with a big stock of fresh and cured meat, burned Sunday. Loss, $40,000; insurance, $10,000. The cause of the fire is a mystery. This is the second time the plant has been burned.

Movement of Troops at Huntsville.

The First United States Infantry has been ordered to move from Huntsville to Havana. The First battalion leaves for Port Tampa and the Second battalion goes to Charleston Tuesday. The Third battalion will go to Port Tampa on January 4. The Second battalion of the Second engineers has been ordered to Havana.

A Selma Boy Killed in a Wreck.

Tom Sullivan, a well-known young man of Selma, who had enlisted in the regular army, was killed in a railroad wreck in Florida last week. The young man was only about 18 years old. He enlisted as a volunteer in Company M, of the Second Alabama regiment, and on his command being mustered out, joined the regulars at St. Francis Barracks.

Quarreled Over a Game of Cards.

At Alexandria Sunday night, Jim Mitchell and Doc McClelland quarreled over a game of cards. Both drew pistols and fired. McClelland's shot struck Mitchell in the forehead, tearing off the top of the skull and killing him instantly. Mitchell's ball struck McClelland directly over the heart, but flattened itself against a knife in his pocket, thereby saving his life.

Gruesome Find.

News comes from Bibb county of the discovery of the dead body of an unknown man in Alligator creek, near the plantation of Nix Smith. The corpse was in such a state of decomposition that it was impossible to tell whether it was a white man or a negro. The clothing and suspenders were filled with small holes, evidently made by shot, which leads to the conclusion that the man was shot to death.

Assistant Postmaster at Decatur Murdered

Ed Sparkman, the assistant postmaster at Decatur, was stabbed late Monday afternoon by a tramp. He died from the effects of the wound a short time afterward. Keeler, the assassin, is in jail at Cullman. The report from Decatur is lacking in many of the important details, which are yet to be explained. What Keeler's motive in stabbing Sparkman was is a profound mystery, even in Decatur.

Burglar Killed.

At an early hour Friday morning, while a northbound Louisville & Nashville freight train was waiting for another freight on the siding at Hartselle, Anderson Nesbitt, a negro brakeman, attempted to break into the residence of Dr. Joe Turney for the purpose of robbery. As he was about to gain entrance through a window, Dr. Turney emptied a double-barreled shotgun into Nesbitt's face, killing him instantly. Dr. Turney was not arrested.

Decision Against the University.

The report of the commission to examine the merits of the university's claims against the state of more than $2,000,000 has decided against the university in every case. The commission consisted of Judge J. J. Mitchell, of Florence; Judge Lapsley, of Anniston, and Dr. E. A. Smith, of the university. Dr. Smith submits a minority report finding for the university in each of the three cases submitted. The matter caused a deal of discussion in the general assembly two years ago, when that body came near deciding to recognize the entire debt claimed. As a compromise measure the commission was appointed as stated.

FILIPINO CONGRESS

Unanimously Adjourned Owing to Difficulty in Formulating a Constitution.

The so-called congress of the revolutionary government of the Filipinos, which had been in session for some time at Maloles, Philippine Islands, has unanimously adjourned owing to the difficulty of formulating a constitution.

The cabinet of President Aguinaldo appointed at Bacoor on July 25 last and named in the Bacoor proclamation issued that day, has resigned.

WILL SEIZE WAKE ISLAND.

The Bennington Is Ordered to Take Possession at Once.

FINAL EXCHANGE OF FLAGS IN CUBA

Will Take Place in Havana January 1. Cubans Will Accept Any Policy McKinley Inaugurates—Asleep Five Months.

WASHINGTON.—The government has determined to hoist the flag over an island far out in the Pacific ocean, and orders were sent out late Friday afternoon to the commander of the Bennington, Captain Taussig, which is now at Honolulu, to proceed at once to take possession in the name of the United States government, of Wake Island, lying in latitude 19 north, 166 east. It is distant about 2,000 miles from the Hawaiian Islands and 1,300 from Guam. It is almost in a direct line between these possessions of the United States and is admirably adapted for use as a station for a Pacific cable to connect the Philippines with Hawaii and the United States. It is about three miles in length and encloses a lagoon of salt water. It is scarcely capable in itself of sustaining life, but it is expected that a cable station can be maintained by erecting a plant for the supply of water.

A cable station in this locality is deemed to be absolutely necessary to the maintenance of a cable, and for that reason the American Peace Commissioners at Paris endeavored to secure one of the Caroline Islands, but without success. Wake Island is said to be by rights already American territory, for in 1851 Admiral Wilkes surveyed the place and asserted title. It is not inhabited so far as known at the present time, though in the past some guano gatherers have temporarily lived on the island.

PROGRAMME AGREED UPON.

Final Exchange of Flags in Cuba Will Take Place January 1.

At the joint meeting of the United States and Spanish military commissioners in Havana Friday, the programme was finally agreed upon for the exchange of flags on January 1 at noon.

It was agreed at the meeting that the Spanish troops remaining in Cuba after January 1 should be considered in the light of foreign troops in a friendly country and to be accorded the privileges usually granted under international law.

The Spanish sick in the hospitals will remain under the safeguard of the American flag, the Spanish authorities providing medicines, attendance and food, repatriating them on recovery.

CUBAN GOVERNMENT.

Will Accept Unreservedly Any Policy McKinley Inaugurates.

The Havana correspondent of the London Times says: President McKinley will have an unfettered hand here. A majority of the Cubans are prepared to accept unreservedly any regime treating them justly and insuring the tranquility of the island. The Spanish residents are also contented to accept the inevitable, believing that their interests will be protected and themselves fairly treated. Therefore, the way is clear to establish any system of government the Washington authorities may see fit to impose.

ASLEEP FIVE MONTHS.

A Young Woman Who Had Been in a Trance Five Months Awakes.

Tony Broshiet, a young woman 22 years of age, who has been in a trance for the past five months, at her home in Milwaukee, Wis., was brought to her normal condition through the influence of hypnotism. Miss Brosheit retired, as usual, in her apartments on the 23d of July last. On the following morning when it was time to awaken, she kept on sleeping, and though at times she would open her eyes, she seemed unconscious of her surroundings. At last an application of "suggestive therapeutics," a form of hypnotism, was tried and the patient was successfully brought out of her trance. She had been kept alive with liquid food.

The regular work of the second term of the University of Alabama will begin January 3, next. That will be an advantageous time for new students to enter, as will February 15 (the middle of the session), or March 19 (the beginning of the third term). Students may, however, enter any day during the session.

The Saturday Telegram, Selma, Ala., has printed Hobson's great Selma speech and his Montgomery speech, with personal data. It will be mailed upon receipt of 10 cents; four copies or 24 cents in stamps.

Hitt May Go to St. Petersburg.

A dispatch from Washington says: The indications are that Robert E. Hitt, of Illinois, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, has been asked to accept the Ambassadorship to Russia, by the President.

Sagasta Seriously Ill.

The condition of Senor Sagasta, of Spain, now causes great anxiety. Six physicians were in consultation Friday regarding his case and concurred that he is suffering from bronchial pneumonia.

Judicious advertising pays.

HAWAII'S athletes.

Could Give Us Points in Running and Swimming.

The Hawaiian native is especially fond of athletics, and shows to advantage in a tug of war, foot racing and broad jumping. As a long distance runner his speed and endurance would excite the envy of more than one professional. In olden times, runners were the only means of sending important messages from one chief or tribe to another, and the Hawaiian forefathers seem to have handed down all the essentials which go to make up a good race.

If a Hawaiian does well as an athlete on terra firma, he certainly excels in the water. For diving and swimming he seems to have a natural aptitude. In the early days of the missionary the "men of the cloth" tell in their records how it was no uncommon thing for a native to swim from one island to another. Diving they also delight in. A native often throws himself head first from a cliff fifty or sixty feet high into a shallow pool scarcely ten or twelve feet deep. As his body strikes the water it arches like a bow, with his head almost to his heels, and the next instant shoots to the surface with a broad grin on his face. A Kanaka, in fact, is well night amphibious. In infancy he learns to swim almost unconsciously. There is probably not a native boy or girl ten years of age who could not give us "cards and spades" in the water and they beat us, without half trying. Ofttimes a Kanaka spends the entire day along the shore, now gliding through the water, suddenly disappearing and bobbing up thirty or forty yards from where you last saw him; next clambering over the coral reefs and ledges in search of opihis (Hawaiian oysters), and again stretched at full length on the warm sand, face upturned to the sky.

A New Gas Engine.

A new carbon dioxide engine, recently brought to notice by William F. Roberts, of Philadelphia, is based on the principle and its application of making the gas simply a vehicle for carrying heat energy to the engines, by means of which it is transformed into energy in such a form that it can readily be utilized as power. That is, the engine is actuated by the carbon dioxides used expansively upon the piston in a manner similar to that employed in steam engines, but with the piston area reduced proportionately to the amount of power as compared with steam.

For use in the engine the carbon dioxide gas is stored in a liquid form in a cylinder prepared for the purpose, it being led from this in small tubes through a heating apparatus, where it is brought to a temperature of about 150 to 200 degrees Fahrenheit, at which temperature it is introduced into the engine. By means of a specially adapted system of valves, the gas at this high temperature and pressure is passed into the cylinders of the engine and then withdrawn from the latter at a temperature below thirty-two degrees Fahrenheit.

The gas—a waste product in many lines of manufacturing—is relatively cheap in its liquid form, and for such an engine it is claimed that, being compact, powerful, and economical of operation, it can be adopted with success in many places where steam and electricity are now employed.

Oxford and the House of Commons

Of the 670 members of the House of Commons, 142, or just one over one-fifth, are described as having been educated at Oxford. An examination of the numbers which the different colleges contribute to this total reveals some interesting particulars. Christ Church easily heads the list with fifty. This number includes three members of the present cabinet—Sir M. Hicks-Beach, Mr. Chaplin, and Mr. Long—and also the two members for the university—Sir John Mowbray and Mr. T. E. Talbot. Balliol makes a good second, its share being twenty-eight, including such prominent politicians as Sir M. W. Ridley and Mr. Asquith. In proportion to the members, University shows up exceedingly well with fourteen, and this includes, curiously enough, Lord Cranborne and Lord Hugh Cecil, and also Mr. Herbert Gladstone. New College, with thirteen, Exeter with nine, and Corpus with six, stand next in order, several colleges number two or three each, while Lincoln and Trinity have only one representative apiece in the House, but in the cases of these colleges the lack of quantity is fully atoned for by the distinguished character of their alumni, for they are Mr. John Morley and Prof. Bryce.—Westminster Gazette.

Buttermilk as a Medicine.

Long experience has demonstrated buttermilk to be an agent of superior digestibility. It is indeed, a true milk peptone; that is, milk already partially digested, the coagulation of the coagulable portion being loose and flaky, and not of that firm, indigestible nature which is the result of the action of the gastric juice upon sweet cow's milk. It is a decided laxative, a fact which must be borne in mind in the treatment of typhoid fever, and which may be turned to advantage in the treatment of habitual constipation. It is a diuretic, and may be used to an advantage in some kidney troubles. It resembles koumiss in its nature, and, with the exception of that article, it is the most grateful, refreshing and digestible of the products of milk. It is invaluable in the treatment of diabetis, either exclusively or alternating with skim milk. In some cases of gastric ulcer and cancer of the stomach, it is the only food that can be retained.—Elgin

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR to all is the hearty greeting of THE BANNER, and may 1899 prove to be the brightest and most prosperous year of the century.

WILL our correspondents kindly make it a rule to send in their communications not later than Tuesday of each week. We are obliged to hold over some received only this morning.

THE election of a Mayor and Councilmen for the town of Clanton does not appear to be causing much excitement. No matter who is elected we hope that every exertion will be made and every possible cent utilized this next year in the improvement of our streets. Other matters can wait.

THE Christmas holidays have been marred by an unusual number of accidents with pistols and fire-crackers. There may be some little excuse for accidents caused by fire-crackers, but those by guns should be thoroughly investigated, and if malice or undue carelessness is shown the perpetrators should be brought to justice.

THE eclipse of the moon on Tuesday night was a splendid natural spectacle with which to conclude the Christmas festivities. As the shades of night began to fall and the moon arose the spectators noticed that one edge of the orb of night was in shadow which gradually extended over the whole surface, completely obscuring it. It was a beautiful clear night, and the watchers everywhere had one of the best opportunities to witness a total eclipse.

IT will be remembered that about six weeks ago George R. Mason, a prominent Populist of Dallas county, during a political dispute with Percy Clark, editor of the Selma Telegram, was shot and wounded by the latter. Mason died on Monday morning, and Clark, who was spending Christmas in Montgomery, as soon as he heard the news, returned to Selma and surrendered to the authorities. He is to have a preliminary trial before the Mayor of Selma to-day. The whole occurrence is greatly deplored by the friends of both parties.

THE coming constitutional convention is already causing much speculation among the people as to its probable outcome. Discussions are going on as to what the convention will attempt to do, and who will be possible candidates. THE BANNER has at present no information regarding any candidates from Chilton or from this senatorial district, and begs the people to earnestly consider the best men to be found for this purpose.

THE cotton receipts at Clanton are already greater than any previous entire season. But Houston, Texas, has broken the record, having this season already received two million bales, and the secretary of the cotton exchange there estimates that six hundred thousand bales will yet be received during the remainder of the season. The two million bale mark has never been reached in an entire season before by an interior town. In 1894-95, the record crop year of the United States, Houston's receipts were the largest in the country, but were two hundred thousand short of two million. There is no doubt but that this year's crop is the largest ever made.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

THE fourth section of the Constitutional Convention bill, provides that the delegates shall be citizens of the State and qualified electors, and "that the delegates from the State at large shall be apportioned so that one of the same shall be a resident citizen of each the senatorial districts." This section also provides that any person holding an office of profit under the State or Federal governments can be elected a delegate to the convention.

Section 5 follows the present election law in making the Judge of Probate, the Clerk of the Circuit Caurt, and the Sheriff the returning board to canvass the returns, and they are to meet at the court house of each county on the Saturday following the election. The board will have first to find out how many votes were cast in favor of holding the convention, and how many against it. They will then ascertain how many votes were cast for each delegate, and immediately are to certify such votes to the Secretary of State.

Sections 6 and 7 provides that the Governor, the Secretary of State and the Attorney-General shall meet on the third Tuesday in July, 1899, and canvass the returns from the State. If it is found that a majority of votes have been cast for the convention they are then to ascertain what persons were elected from the State at large, and who were elected delegates from each county. The Secretary of State will issue certificates to the persons so elected, and the Governor is to give public notice in three daily papers in three different portions of the State that the convention is to be held, and call upon the delegates-elect to assemble in the House of Representatives in Montgomery on Tuesday after the first Monday in August, 1899, at meridian, and proceed to organize "by the election of a president from among themselves, and such other officers (who need not be delegates) as the convention may deem necessary for the proper performance of the duty assigned to the convention. Said convention shall continue in session until it shall by careful revision and amendment of the present constitution frame and adopt a revised constitution for this State."

The eighth section makes the convention "the exclusive judge of the election, qualification and returns of its own members." And "Any person desiring to contest the election of a person certified as being elected a delegate to said convention may do so in the same manner as an election of a member of the Lower House of the General Assembly is contested, and by giving the same bond, and testimony shall be taken in the same method."

Section 9 provides that the Convention shall be supplied with stationery, reports and documents, etc., the same as the General Assembly. The officers of the convention are to receive the same compensation as corresponding officers of the House of Representatives are by law allowed, and delegates will be allowed the same per diem and mileage as members of the General Assembly. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or one of the Associate Justices, will call the convention to order and preside until temporary officers are elected. The most important clause in this section is that which provides that "per diem compensation shall not be allowed or paid to any member of the convention for a longer time than fifty days."

Section 10 provides for the convention filing with the Secretary of State, within one week of its adjournment, "a clean and correct copy of the constitution which said convention may adopt." The convention is to cause a correct journal of its proceedings to be kept.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. J. M. Stanfield.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 7, 1898

The eighteenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor in session recently at Kansas City, emphatically re-asserted its fidelity to Free Silver, declared in favor of the 8 hour work day, rejected socialism and re-elected President Gompers by an almost unanimous vote. Organizers will be at once put to work to strengthen the order in the south and west.

The work of combining the Pottery companies of the United States under the name of the American Pottery Company with a capitalization of $20,000,000, has been completed; and the Trusts are not all dead yet.

The Democratic leaders of Iowa recently held a conference in Des Moines for the purpose of discussing the issues of the next campaign They declared in favor of Bimetallism but the question of ratio was not given prominence. They announced oppositio to Trusts, Territorial expansion, increase in the army as contemplated by the Hull bill, retirement of the Greenbacks and fusion with any other political party.

Ex Governor Altgeld, of Illinois, announces that he will make the race for Mayor of Chicago in the spring against Carter Harrison, jr. on an Independent ticket, and the "Chicago and municipal ownership" platform. Notwithstanding the fact that he has strong supporters many of the ex governor's friends think he is making a mistake to antagonize Mayor Harrison after the great victory he has just won over street railway franchise thieves

Senator J. K. Jones, of Arkansas Chairman of the Democratic national committee, is quoted as saying that Wm. J. Bryan of Nebraska, would in all probability be the Democratic nominee for president in 1900 with Free Silver and opposition to Trusts as the dominant issues.

There has been much talk lately about the negotiation of a Russian loan in the United States and the bankers of the Windy City, on the lake, are of the opinion that this country has money to "burn" and that no trouble will be encountered by Russia in securing all the money desired here.

Tally one for the United States Senate. By a vote of 30 to 8, that body has refused to consider the Proctor Cuban-Porto Rican junketing resolution providing for a committee of five to go to Cuba and Porto Rico and investigate the social, political, military and financial conditions of the natives. Many Republicans, to their credit, be it said, joined with the Democrats in voting down the resolution.

The latest game of "freeze out" is an Ice Cream Trust recently formed at Chicago. What next!

Ex-comptroller of the currency, A. B. Hepburn of New York, vice-president of the City National Bank where the Standard Oil millions are deposited, "is shedding crocodile tears over the fate of the rich man whom he fears will soon have to go to work. This is what he says: "The return from wealth is growing gradually smaller, while the return from labor in this country is growing larger. The man of wealth must be prepared to adjust himself to rapidly changing conditions. Unless he will bring his own ability and energy to reinforce his money he must change his mode of living and adopt economies which have not been necessary in bygone years.

Senator Marion Butler, chairman o the Populist national committee has offered an amendment to the pension law, providing for the payment of pensions to all ex-confederate soldiers. Senator Butler's intentions may be the best, but his amendment is not meeting with general favor, even among the men whom it is intended to benefit.

Will wonders never cease? The National Board of Trade committee on postal affairs has reported a resolution favoring the establishment of Postal Savings Banks by the government. When such bodies favor a move of this kind it is clearly evident that the sentiment in behalf of such things must be growing.

Senator Joe Blackburn, of Kentucky, the gallant Silver Democrat who was defeated two years ago for the U. S. Senate by a gold-bug will be a candidate again next year for the same position with better prospects of success. A. R.

Delicate Children

They do not complain of anything in particular. They eat enough, but keep thin and pale. They appear fairly well, but have no strength. You cannot say they are really sick, and so you call them delicate.

What can be done for them?

Our answer is the same that the best physicians have been giving for a quarter of a century. Give them

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Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz' Thus writes W. G. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. Y. Trial bottles free at Clanton Drug co. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

It is becoming more evident each day that the Democratic program in 1900 will be anti monopoly, anti-expansion and Bimetallism. Col. Bryan has already sounded the keynote of the next campaign in the following recent statement: "The sentiment against the trusts is a growing sentiment, because more and more people are feeling the injustice done by these combinations of capital, and because the subject is becoming better understood among people generally. To believe that the trusts can permanently exist in the United States is to believe that wrong committed indirectly and upon a large scale is less objectionable than wrong committed directly.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by J. S. Johnson jr.

EX Secretary of State, John Sherman, is doing considerable talking since being kicked out of McKinley's cabinet In a recent interview he says, "negotiations were in progress to purchase Cuba when the war spirit developed. Now what have we got for all our expense? Some islands in the Philippines for instance, which are worth about $200,000 per annum in commerce, increased indebtedness of $200,000,000 and a lot of islands inhabited mainly by man-eaters And the most distressing feature of the affair is that we are now about to be called upon to pay $20,000,000 for territory that we could have taken without spending a dollar." It must not be forgotten that John is a Republican.

If you feel Dull, Languid, Broken Down, Debilitated have Weak Stomach or Indigestion, use Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

Pains in Head, Neck, Shoulders, Back, Front, Sides, Hips and Limbs are readily cured by Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 20,214.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 27, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on February 4, 1899, viz.: William R. Dawson, Homestead entry No. 28,812, for the Ne 1-4 of Ne 1-4, Section 6, To. 22 n of R 14 e s-2.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: O. H. Hodgens, G. W. Hodgens, C. C. Cost, D. C. Hibbard, all of Jemison, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

The sooner a cough or cold is cured without harm to the sufferer the better. Lingering colds are dangerous, Hacking cough is distressing. One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures it. Why suffer when such a cough cure is within reach? It is pleasant to the taste. J. M. Stanfield.

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Come early, and get your choice before it is all gone. This is not a bluff, but a hard fact.

Thanking you for past favors and soliciting your future patronage,

I am yours respectfully,

J. DAMSKY.

MAPLESVILLE, ALABAMA

A Merry Xmas

TO YOU!

Come and see us, and our prices and our goods will make you feel merry.

Owing to the low price of Cotton we are closing out our entire line of

Mens', Youths' & Children's Clothing

at prices lower than was ever heard of before rather than carry them over. We guarantee a fit and a bargain to the purchaser.

Our shoe business is increasing, as we sell SOLID LEATHER SHOES as cheap as paper ones are sold. We handle only the J. K. Orr shoe. OUR PRICES CAN'T BE BEAT. All we ask is a trial then if you can't be pleased, no harm is done.

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When you wish to wire any one call on us, as you can talk over the 'Phone cheaper than you can Telegraph, and more to your satisfaction, as you are your own operator. Bring your families to our store that they may see it.

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TOWN ITEMS

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Mr. I. B. Dean of Sylacauga is spending the holidays with his parents here.

Mr. Penny, of Vincent, is visiting his brother, Mr. F. W. Penny.

Mr. Russell McDaniel, of Montgomery, spent the holidays at home here.

Mr. F. C. Pinkston is again assistant depot agent.

Messrs. Scott and Eugene Chestnutt are down from Birmingham for the holidays.

Mr. S. J. Collins of Blountsville is spending the holidays with his parents at Strasburg.

Mr. J. T. Anderson, of Pletchers, was in town Friday.

If troubled with Dizziness, Furred Tongue, Bitter Taste in Mouth, Bloated Feeling after eating, Constipation or Sick Headache, use Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

An enjoyable Christmas party was given at the hospitable home of Mr. J. P. VanDerveer on Monday.

Messrs. Evans Pockard and Caldwell McMorris went to the capital city Tuesday.

Miss Blanche Foshee, who has been studying at the Athens Female College, is passing the vacation at home with her parents.

Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets Prevent and cure Palpitation of Heart, Dizziness, Sick Headache, Chilly Sensations

Mr. H. W. Tickner, of the Montgomery Journal, is amongst our Xmas visitors.

Mr. Charlie Merritt and Miss Nellie Merritt are at home for the holidays.

Mr. Renfroe Mullins, of Howard college, is at home spending the vacation.

Messrs. R. C. Middleton, of Birmingham, and A. C. Middleton, of Shorters, paid a Xmas visit to their parents here.

Dr. J. B. Adams of Randolph, spent Xmas with his father, Judge Adams.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by J. S. Johnson jr.

Mr. W. L. Kemp, of Waugh, spent the holidays with parents here.

Mr. Lonnie Smith, of Anniston, spent Xmas in town.

Late to bed and early to rise prepares a man for his home in the skies But early to bed and a Little Early Riser, the pill that makes life longer and better and wiser. J. M. Stanfield.

Mr. P. M. Moore of Carney, spent Xmas with his family here.

Mr. Pierce Parker, of Birmingham spent the holidays in town.

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Mr. Russell McDaniel, of Montgomery, spent the holidays at home.

Mr. F. C. Pinkston is again at Depot depot agent.

Misses Scott and Eugene Chesnut came down from Birmingham to spend the holidays.

Mr. S. J. Collins of Blountsville is spending the holidays with his parents at Strasburg.

Mr. J. I. Anderson, of Fletcher, was in town Friday.

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Mr. J. E. Adams of Randolph, spent Xmas with his father, Judge Adams.

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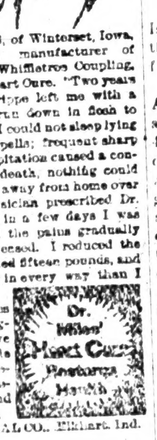

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Final Proof Notice

Notice No. 20181.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 14 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on January 28th, 1899, viz. Frank Henry Hammond entry No. 28518, for the Se¼ of nw¼, sw¼ of ne¼, Section 30, Township 21 in Range 13 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John A. Lowery, of Clear Creek, Ala.; William H. Shaw, of Clear Creek, Ala.; Oliver C. McGraw, of Clear Creek, Ala.; George B. Armstrong, of Montevallo, Ala.

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale given in a certain mortgage executed on the 15th day of November, 1897, by H. L. Beason to John Headley, and recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, Alabama, in Book No. 42 of Mortgages Pages 619, 620, the undersigned will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the Court House at Clanton in Chilton county, Alabama, on

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1899,

the following described real and personal property, to wit:

The south half of northwest fourth of Section two (2), Township twenty (20), Range thirteen (13), containing eighty (80) acres, more or less; also one Chilled Iron Log Wagon and outfit consisting of Loading Chains, etc. Also said property is situated in Chilton county, Alabama.

Said sale will be made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage and costs and expenses incident to said sale.

Dated at Clanton, Ala., Dec. 6 1898.

JOAN HEADLEY, Mortgagee
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Commissioner's Sale.

In pursuance and in accordance with the terms and directions of a commission issued and directed to the undersigned by the Hon. S. M. Adams, Judge of Probate of Chilton county, bearing date the 26th day of December, 1898, I will proceed to sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction at Stanton, Alabama, on Wednesday, January 4 1899, the following described personal property, to-wit:

One red cow, no horns, about six years old. One white cow, no horns about ten years old, and her calf. One red and white spotted cow, no horns, about six years old, and her calf, and one red and brindle spotted cow, no horns, about six years old, and her calf, and one black and white spotted bull, about four years old. One bay mare about four years old. One gray mule about 15 years old. One mouse colored mule about eleven years old. One heather bed and property is to be sold under the decree of said court for the purpose of a division of the proceeds among the several owners thereof.

J. H. JOHNSON
Commissioner.

Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama }
Chilton County }

In Probate Court in the matter of Rol'y Latham, deceased, J. H. Shoults Administrator

To E. Latham, Grady, Kent County, Texas; J. C. Latham, Aquilla, Hill County, Texas; L. C. Latham, Hollands, Bell County, Texas.

You will take notice that this day came J. H. Shoults, administrator of the estate of said decedent, and filed his application in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain lands described therein, for the purpose of partition among the heirs described in said application.

And it was ordered that Monday, the 6 day of February, 1899, be, and the same is hereby appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time and place you in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

S. M. ADAMS,
Judge of Probate.

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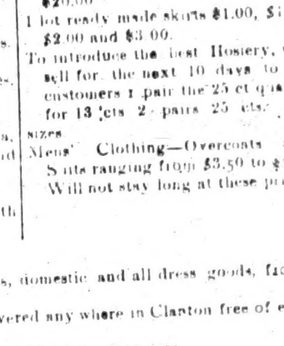

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

The Eight Hour Movement in Australia—Tremendous Demonstration by the Union Labor Forces of the City of Sydney—General Labor Notes.

The Rain Upon the Roof.

(An old favorite.)

Long ago a poet dreaming,
Weaving fancy's warp and woof,
Penned a tender, soothing poem
On the "Rain upon the Roof."

Once I read it, and its beauty
Filled my heart with memories sweet;
Days of childhood fluttered round me,
Violets sprang beneath my feet.

And my gentle, loving mother
Spoke again in accents mild,
Curbing every wayward passion
Of her happy, thoughtless child.

Then I heard the swallows twittering
Underneath the cabin eaves,
And the laughing shout of Willie
Up among the maple leaves.

Then I blessed the poet's dreaming,
Blessed his fancy's warp and woof,
And I wept o'er memories treasured,
As the rain fell on the roof.

Years ago I lost the poem,
But its sweetness lingered still,
As the freshness of the valley
Marks where flowed the springtime rill.

Lost to reach, but not to feeling;
For the rain-drop never fails
O'er my head with pattering music,
But it peoples memory's halls.

With the old familiar faces
Loved and treasured long ago,
Treasured now as in life's springtime—
For no change my heart can know.

And I live again my childhood
In the home far, far away;
Roam the woodland, orchard, wildwood,
With my playmates still at play;

Then my gray hairs press the pillow,
Holding all the world aloof,
Dreaming sweetly as I listen
To the rain upon the roof.

Every pattering drop that falleth
Seemeth like an angel's tread,
Bringing messages of mercy
To the weary heart and head.

Pleasant thoughts of years departed,
Pleasant soothings for to-day,
Earnest longings for to-morrow,
Hoping for the far away;

For I know each drop that falleth
Comes to bless the thirsty earth,
Making seed to bud and blossom,
Springing all things into birth.

As the radiant bow that scattereth
All our faithlessness with proof
Of a seedtime and a harvest,
So the rain upon the roof.

—Mrs. F. B. Gage.

Eight Hour Day.

Oct. 3 was celebrated as Eight-hour day in Sydney. The principal feature of the celebration was the procession of trade societies through the streets, headed by the eight-hour banner, and attended by their own banners and half a dozen bands. The following societies took part in the procession: Seamen, Progressive Carpenters, Coachmakers, Amalgamated Engineers, Typographical, Bookbinders, Lithographic, Letterpress Machinists, Coopers, Pressers, Glass Workers, Boilermakers, United Laborers, Butchers, Bricklayers, Tinsmiths, Amalgamated Carpenters, Gas Stokers, Australasian Engineers, Furniture Trades, Painters, Plasterers, Shipwrights, Bakers, Plumbers, Stonemasons, Ironmolders.

Punctually at 9 o'clock the head marshal, Mr. G. Moody, gave the order to march, and the cavalcade, headed by a detachment of mounted troopers, moved from the Trades Hall into George, Park, College, Oxford, and Bourke streets, and thence to the Agricultural Ground. All along the route crowds lined the roadway on both sides.

About 15,000 people attended the Agricultural Ground, Moore Park, to witness the sports and military tournament, which began at 10 o'clock, and concluded about 6. The military contests were the feature of the day, some excellent horsemanship being shown. Other sports were well contested, and the whole combined to make a capital day's outing for those who invested the "nimble bob."

The chairman, in proposing "The Day We Celebrate," referred to the progress of the eight-hour movement, and he expressed regret that restrictive legislation in regard to the hours of labor was not more advanced in this colony. Reference was made to the rejection of the bill to legalize the Art Union, which had hitherto been a prominent feature in connection with the demonstration. The bill could have been opposed only through ignorance, because the committee only desired to have the same privileges which were granted to artists in connection with the holding of art unions.—The Worker, Sidney, Australia.

Immigration for 1898.

The number of immigrants who have come to the United States during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, was [illegible],299, while the number for the preceding year was 230,832; thus it is observed that notwithstanding the war immigration has not decreased to any appreciable extent.

Of this number 44,473 were illiterate, 23 per cent of those above the age of fifteen years not being able to read or write. More than half of these immigrants came from Austria-Hungary, Italy, Poland and Russia, while not quite a third came from Great Britain, France, Germany and Scandinavia.

It is evident from the immigration reports for the past few years that that class of immigration usually undesired is becoming few[illegible] number each year, while the [illegible] desirable immigration is increasing at an alarming rate. This is accounted for by the known fact that a desire to better one's condition is the sole cause of immigration. So long as industrial conditions [illegible] United States were far superior to [illegible] Great Britain, France and [illegible] ...king people o[illegible]se countries immigrated to the United States in large numbers, but when the wage reductions and lack of employment of the present decade became known in those countries it was a debatable question as to which of the countries afforded a native of Europe the most desirable home.

Japan's Watch Industry.

Notwithstanding the cheap labor in Japan and strenuous efforts made to manufacture watches by the Japanese, that country continues to import great numbers of watches and clocks from Switzerland and the United States. In 1897 $816,000 of Swiss watches and $109,610 of American watches were imported, while for the first six months of 1898 Switzerland supplied Japan with watches to the value of $564,065, and the United States sent watches amounting in value to $82,845.

It is stated that the American watches are held in high repute by the Japanese, but the Swiss watches being much the cheapest the latter are most popular with the masses. A showy case counts for more than an accurate timepiece with most people in that country. Concerning the conditions of the watch industry and the price of labor, a leading paper of Tokyo says: "A member of the Osaka Watch company says that the wages paid to the workers in that factory are certainly much lower than those paid in European or American factories; yet, despite this fact, the business of watchmaking is not a paying one in Japan. Lack of skill among the mechanics is one of the reasons given for this state of affairs."

Self-Lighting Gas Burners.

The Matchless Gas Lighting syndicate of London now have on exhibition a self-lighting gas burner, which is said to perform perfectly the duties expected of it. It is described as follows:

"As in previous devices of the same kind, the catalytic properties of spongy platinum are employed to effect the actual ignition, the novelty in the apparatus on view consisting in an automatic bye-pass valve. On turning on the tap to the burner, the gas, in the first instance, flows through this bye-pass to a small jet, through which it escapes and impinges on a particle of spongy platinum. The latter quickly ignites the escaping jet, and the flame thus produced heats a wire connected by suitable linkages with the bye-pass valve in such a way that as the wire expands the by-pass closes, opening at the same time a passage to the main jet. The lighting device is intended, in the main, for use with incandescent burners, but is also fitted to the ordinary."

The Municipal Problem.

While the citizens of American municipalities are crouching in fear, expecting momentarily to have their very homes given to corporations seeking franchises at the hands of aldermen, the people of European cities are discussing a very different problem. Instead of corporations ruling the municipalities of the monarchies and military power of the Old World as they do in the American republic the people are there taking things in their own hands.

Much has been said of the municipal gas and water plants and street railways of Great Britain, but now the news comes that the great strike of laborers in Paris (which was "lost," according to press reports), has resulted in the discontinuance of municipal "contracts" and the direct employment of laborers by the city in public works.

Labor Notes.

The cigarmakers spend $30,000 a year advertising their label.

The percentage of successful strikes of workingmen is greater this year than ever before.

A. L. Fife, a Chicago printer, was fined $100 for using the printer's label without authority.

The union scale is the living wage, the life line beyond which the workers will not allow themselves to be forced.

The strike of 600 shoe lasters at Brocton, Mass., has been settled by the committee. As a result 78 new members were initiated at one meeting.

The leather trust will shut down 100 tanneries to raise the price of leather. The man or concern that controls the means of production is the ruler, whatever you may think or say about it. The people, therefore should have control.

Thos. J. Kidd, Geo. Zentner, and Michael Troeber, accused of conspiracy to injure the business of the Paine Lumber Co., of Oshkosh, Wis., during the Woodworkers strike, were acquitted in the Municipal Court November 2d. The jury was out one hour.

Political Arithmetic.

In Australia, as in the United States, school-teachers need a large discretion. Here, for example, is a story from the Sydney Telegraph: A New South Wales country school-teacher set a boy a question in compound proportion for home work one evening. It happened to include the circumstance of "men working ten hours a day in order to complete a certain work." Next morning the unsuspecting teacher, in looking over the little pack of exercises, found "Jim's" sum unattempted, and the following letter attached to the page: "Sur—I refuse to let Jim do his sum you give him last nite has it looks to me to be a slur at 8-hour sistum enny sum not more than 8 hours he is welcum to do but not more. Yours truly, Abram Blank, senr."

An examination of the newspapers shows that they are able to prove any old thing of George Washington's farewell address.

COST OF IMPERIALISM.

ARMY BUDGET THE HIGHEST ON EARTH.

Shall This Unheard-of Burden of Taxation Be Borne by the People or Shall They Protest and Be Called Anarchists?

Secretary Alger, by asking for over $165,000,000 for the support of the regular army in time of peace, has raised two questions that touch the heart and the pocket of every American citizen who does not profit by legalized injustice and oppression. These questions are: "Shall the United States be more heavily taxed for military purposes than any other country on earth?" "Shall this unheard-of burden of taxation be carried almost exclusively by people of small means, while the wealth our armaments protect goes free?" If we spend $166,000,000 a year for the army, $150,000,000 for pensions and $50,000,000 for the navy, we shall be paying $366,000,000 for military purposes. That is nearly twice as much as any power in Europe pays for the same objects. It is more than we paid in taxes for the entire support of the government as lately as last year. The amount Secretary Alger asks for the army alone is more than Germany pays for her army and navy combined. We have been accustomed to commiserate the European peasant, crushed under the intolerable burden of standing armies, and now we are asked, with no necessity whatever, to subject ourselves to a burden twice as great. But the distribution of this burden of taxation is even worse than the load itself. Mr. Rockefeller, to take the most conspicuous specimen of a class, has a fortune of over $300,000,000. His power to accumulate, possess and increase this fortune depends upon the protection of the government. Mr. Rockefeller's income is over $20,000,000 a year. That is equal to the combined incomes of forty thousand families. Each living on annual earnings of $500. Under the Republican system of national taxation, which is based not on resources, but on personal consumption, Mr. Rockefeller's income, if divided among forty thousand families, would be taxed forty thousand times; concentrated in his hands, it need be taxed only once. In other words, with forty thousand times the means of a workingman, Mr. Rockefeller is not obliged to pay more than a workingman's taxes. In some respects he pays less. He uses no beer or tobacco, and so escapes the taxation levied on those humble luxuries. He does not play cards, and so does not pay for the revenue stamp on every pack. He does not live in rented rooms, and so is not taxed for his lease and his rent receipts. He does not borrow money on mortgage, subject to a mortgage stamp tax. He has his family physician, and so does not buy taxed proprietary medicines. He drinks no more tea than a sewing girl starving on four dollars a week, and if he used a quality as fine as that sipped by the emperor of China he would still pay only the sewing girl's tax of ten cents a pound. He uses no more taxed sugar than is consumed by a day laborer, and wears little more taxed clothing. Practically all of Mr. Rockefeller's gigantic income is absolutely exempt from national taxation, while every person of moderate means is taxed to the earth. Is that right? The Democracy does not think so. It believes that incomes and not family expenditures should be the measure of taxation. No extravagance in government. Necessary expenses to be met by fair methods of taxation. There is an issue ready made to the hand of the Democracy, and it is a winning one.

Free Silver Night Schools.

The organization of these schools is becoming widespread. The movement was started by Mr. George Burr Smith, attorney, of Chicago, Ill. A number of years ago, when a teacher in a country school, Mr. Smith observed, while explaining examples in exchange to a class in arithmetic, that an increasing rate of exchange with India, China, Japan, the South American states, and all countries using the silver standard, would cause untold depression in this country; for, prices being fixed in the countries using the cheaper money, would necessarily be reduced in this country, just in proportion as the rate of exchange increased. In 1895 the rate of exchange had doubled, so that our prices had decreased one-half. The effect was felt more in this country, as we were a debtor nation, so that no matter how much prices decreased, our debts must be paid with the dearer money.

The organization of these schools requires no elaborate speech making. Leaflets are furnished containing problems which show, first, the cause of the low price, next the effect upon the producing classes. A third list of problems show the foreclosure of mortgages which follows a rising money standard. Examples are also given which show the distribution of the wealth of the nation, the rise of powerful corporations, and the effect upon labor.

Leaflets for a school of twenty-five members may be obtained from the local Democratic or silver committees. Collections are taken at the close of the meetings to pay for the literature and the expenses of the county organization in furthering the movement.

Age of Combines.

From the Indianapolis Sentinel: The tin plate combine just formed is the most extensive affair of the kind ever formed in this country, as it includes all the plants in the country but four—two in Pennsylvania, one in West Virginia and one in Missouri. To avoid anti-trust laws the new concern is organized as a corporation under the New Jersey laws, with $20,000,000 preferred stock and $30,000,000 common stock. Of this sum the purchase of the plants represents $12,000,000 and the proposed working capital $6,000,000. The remainder is pure water. The preferred stock is to have 7 per cent cumulative dividends, all over this, if any, going to the common stock. To pay the dividends on preferred stock will therefore be required $1,260,000, and to pay only 6 per cent on the common stock will be required $1,080,000, or a total of $2,940,000. The promoters claim, however, that the common stock will earn more than the preferred, since the latter is limited to 7 per cent. Allowing, however, only 6 per cent for the common stock, it would require about 50 cents a box profit on 6,000,000 boxes a year to earn these dividends. This shows what tremendous earning capacity the promoters are basing estimates on, and the earning capacity is chiefly due to our tariff law, which taxes every home for the benefit of these infant promoters.

For Cheap Wheat and Dear Flour.

Every householder in this nation will have cause to regret the success of the Republican party every time he buys a pound of flour, for under the protection of that party the great milling trust has been found to control the price of bread. Thomas A. McIntyre, who went to England to obtain the consent of British stockholders in American flour mills to the formation of a combination of the principal mills in this country, so as to make a trust controlling the output, returned on the White Star steamship Majestic. He said when he landed that his mission had been successful. The object of Mr. McIntyre's trip to Europe was to obtain the consent of Richard Glyn, the president, and other stockholders of the Pillsbury-Washburn mills, to a plan to form all the great milling interests of America into a gigantic flour trust. Immediately Mr. McIntyre hurried to his office in the Produce Exchange building, where he remained closeted with his partners for several hours. To his friends, privately, Mr McIntyre is said to have strongly intimated that his mission abroad had been successful, and that the great combination, which will control about three-fourths of the world's breadstuffs, will surely be formed. It is said that the capital of the new trust will be $150,000,000 and the capacity 95,000 barrels of flour a day. There will, it is said, be included in the combination the following mills:

Mills—	Daily capacity, brls.
Hecker-Jones-Jewell, New York.	11,000
Pillsbury-Washburn, Minneapolis	25,000
Washburn-Crosby, Minneapolis..	17,000
Northwestern Consolidated Flour Milling Co., Minneapolis	15,000
Imperial Mill Company, Duluth.	8,000
Anchor Mills, Duluth	4,000
Daisy Mills, Duluth	6,000
William Lispman Mills, Superior	2,500
Freeman's Mills, Superior	2,500
Minkota Mills, Superior	1,000
Daisy Mills, Milwaukee	3,000
Total daily capacity	95,000
Total wheat consumed daily, bushels.	500,000
Total mill feed produced daily, tons.	10,000

Approving Trusts.

From the Chicago Chronicle: A new combination in restraint of trade has been organized in the state of New Jersey, where eight of the large rubber companies, manufacturing all kinds of rubber goods, excepting shoes and clothing, consolidated with a capital of $5,000,000. At its meeting in Washington the National Board of Trade had under consideration the question of trusts and combines. The resolution was offered requesting congress to use its power to prevent combinations restrictive of full and free competition. This resolution failed because it did not receive the necessary two-thirds vote. The resolution was irrelevant, because the fact is that congress did all that it could reasonably be expected to do when it passed the Sherman anti-trust bill, which is now upon the statute book as a law. If, in defeating the resolution inimical to combinations, the board had gone a step further and placed itself on record as commending the chief magistrate of the United States for failure to enforce the Sherman anti-trust law, notwithstanding repeated, manifest, notorious, current violations of the same, it would have proceeded quite in accordance with its failure to express itself as hostile to illicit combinations, out of which one of its members said "he himself was making something handsome." The national administration gives no efficacy to the voice of congress condemning combinations in restraint of trade and holds idle in this respect every one of the United States district attorneys the republic over.

"In Coin."

For the benefit of public creditors, congress, by the act of March 18, 1869, pledged the faith of the United States to the payment, in coin or its equivalent, of all its outstanding obligations. It is not pretended by any one that the government has ever assumed any severer or more onerous duty to its creditors than that declared by this act, or that it has at any time undertaken to pay any of its obligations otherwise than in coin? "Dollars" are the things to be paid—coin dollars, fabricated under and in pursuance of our coinage laws, each dollar to consist in or be represented by 412½ grains of standard silver or 25 8-10 grains of standard gold—that is, the weight of the silver in the silver dollar was to be sixteen times the weight of the gold in the gold dollar.

WIT AND HUMOR.

Up-to-Date Jokes and Witticisms From the Comic Papers.

A TOUCHING TALE.

The playwright with his manuscript
Went sadly on his way,
Three score and more of managers
Refused his play that day;
Then from a corner dark there sprang
A robber bold and masked,
And of the author, with a gun
His life or money asked.
"I've nothing but this play, I'll swear,"
Replied the trembling scribe;
"All say it is not worth the string
With which the cover's tied."
The robber snatched the manuscript
And fled without delay.
"Thank Heaven! At last!" the playwright cried,
"A man who'll take my play!"

DRY GOODS AND VERBS.

"How did you happen to lose your situation?"

"Too much accuracy. I was showing a piece of goods to a customer who asked me if it would wash. And I said no, it wouldn't, but if she'd get somebody to wash it I thought it would stand it."

AN INDICATION OF HIS POWERS.

"They say Triggsby is one of the smoothest talkers in the business."

"Well, they're right. If Triggsby wanted to, I'll bet he could go to the general office of the gas company and induce them to put in electric lights."

A TRIFLE THIN.

Barber (insinuatingly)—Your hair is a trifle thin, sir.

Victim (grimly)—So is your chance of selling me a bottle of your justly-celebrated hair restorer.

KWANG SU MARKS AN EPOCH.

"A man can die for his country but once," said the Court Philosopher.

"I presume," was the Chinese Emperor's comment, "that you are quoting something written before my day."

LITTLE GEORGIE'S RETURN.

"Ellen, has George come home from school yet?" called Mrs. Snaggs to her servant.

"Yes, ma'am," came back the answer.

"Where is he?"

"I haven't seen him."

"How do you know, then, that he's home?"

"Because the cat's a-hidin' under the dresser."

FAILED TO CONCILIATE.

As the conventional young man sat talking with the conventional young woman the conventional stern father came in.

The young man would fain be sociable and at ease.

"The open door"——began he.

"The front door is open at this minute," said the father.

CHALLENGED FOR CAUSE.

Attorney for the Defense—Now, then, will you please have the goodness to tell us whether you believe in punishing people for committing crimes?

Would-Be Juror—I do.

Attorney—I suppose you can read and write, too, and that you sometimes do those things?

Would-Be Juror—Yes, sir.

Attorney—Challenged for cause.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE.

Papa (severely).—Did you ask mamma if you could have that apple?

Three-year-old.—Yes, sir.

"Be careful now. I'll ask mamma."

"Truly, papa, I asked her, but she said I couldn't have it."

NO TIME TO LISTEN.

He—My dear, I have just written a little master-piece. I call it—ah—"How to be master of the household." Wouldn't you like to hear it?

"No, Samuel. I'm going off for a day's golf. You stay with the twins until I return."

RIGHT ON TIME, THEN.

He—By George, you never were on time in your life. You're always keeping me waiting. You nev—no, I'll take it back. I remember now that there was one exception.

She (sarcastically)—Oh, indeed! And when was that, pray?

He—When you met me at the altar. You bet you were right on the dot then.

READY FOR SETTLEMENT.

"That Harkins will case which has been in the courts for several years will soon be settled now," said Lawyer Habeas.

"Yes," assented Lawyer Corpus, "I understand the property is about all gone."

THE WAY IT WAS.

"This," said the school friend, who had not seen her for a year, "this is the girl who vowed to me that she never would belong to any man."

"I don't," said she, who had been married the matter of some months or so, "he belongs to me."

The Acme of Domestic Discipline.

A perfectly trained husband is one who gives the impression that the hardest work of his life was in coaxing his wife to marry him.—Atchinson Daily Globe.

Schley Presented With Sword.

Rear Admiral Schley was the recipient of a handsome and costly sword, scabbard and belt, presented to him in behalf of the people of Philadelphia and other cities in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, who contributed to a fund established for the purpose. The sword, scabbard and belt represent a cost of $4,200. The blade is of fine Damascus steel, appropriately engraved, and the hilt is elaborately decorated with diamonds and other precious stones.

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A Woman Superintendent.

In London there is a woman, Miss Penman, who has control over more than 500 conductors in the employ of the London Tramways company. Miss Penman is the only woman in England who occupies the very unique position of superintendent of street railway conductors. She engages all the conductors—500 all told—and the inspectors, receives their reports from day to day, and superintends the numerous details appertaining to the distribution of tickets, the checking of the men's daily returns and the dismissal of men when occasion arises.

A Railroad Across the Desert.

Leroy Beaulieu, an eminent French scientist, is forming a French syndicate for the construction of a railroad across the desert of Sahara. He argues that Britain could not have checked the French progress in Africa if this railway had been built some years ago when it was first proposed.

A Tie in Births.

It is a curious fact that exactly as many boys as girls were born in London during the week before last—1,348 of each, making 2,696 births in all. Such a "tie" is of rare occurrence. There was, however, a similar equality in the second week of May, 1894, when 1,167 of each sex were born.

Different View.

"How unlucky you have always been with your love affairs," said McBride pityingly to his friend Tenterhook. "On the contrary," replied Tenterhook, "every girl I ever fell in love with has married some one else."—Judge.

Queer.

"Was your ship crippled by the storm?" asked the reporter. "She was not," replied the captain, "though she lost all of her hands."—Indianapolis Journal.

When passenger trains are telescoped the passengers are apt to see the stars.

Does Your Head Ache?

Are your nerves weak? Can't you sleep well? Pain in your back? Lack energy? Appetite poor? Digestion bad? Boils or pimples? These are sure signs of poisoning.

From what poisons?

From poisons that are always found in constipated bowels.

If the contents of the bowels are not removed from the body each day, as nature intended, these poisonous substances are sure to be absorbed into the blood, always causing suffering and frequently causing severe disease.

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They daily insure an easy and natural movement of the bowels.

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Mrs. FLORENCE A. WOLFE, 515 Mulberry St., Lancaster, Ohio, writes: "DEAR Mrs. PINKHAM: For two years I was troubled with what the physicians told me was inflammation of the womb. Every month I suffered terribly. I had taken enough medicine from the doctors to cure any one, but obtained relief for a short time only. At last I concluded to write you, and to my case, and can say that by following your advice I am now perfectly well."

Mrs. W. R. BATES, Mansfield, La., writes: "Before writing to you I suffered terribly from painful menstruation, headache and sore feeling in the lower part of the bowels. Now my health is what makes me a perfect woman. I cannot hesitate one minute in telling what has brought me from a great change. I cannot say enough in praise of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It is the greatest medicine in the world for all the ills of the age."

DYSPEPSIA

"For six years I was a victim of dyspepsia. I could not eat nothing ... and all of that my stomach would ... CASCARETS and since then ... until I am as well as ever." (David H. McGriff, Newark, O.

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worn passing through that awful storm, and I rejoiced that the storm was over, and I think if God could stop such a storm as that He could stop any storm in your lifetime experience. If He can control a vulture in mid-sky, He can stop a summer hail that flies in at your window. At the right time He will put the rainbow on the cloud and the deluge of your misfortunes will dry up. I preach the doctrine of limitation, relief and disenthrallment. At just the right time the pain will cease, the bondage will drop, the imprisoned will be liberated, the fires will go out, the body and mind and soul will be free. Patience!

Notice also that on the cessation of the deluge the shut ins came out, and they built their houses and cultivated their gardens and started a new world on the ruins of the old world that had been drowned out. Though Noah lived 350 years after this world-wide accident and no doubt his fellow passengers survived centuries, I warrant they never got over talking about that voyage. Now I have seen Dore's pictures and many other pictures of the entrance into the ark, two and two, of the human family, and the animal creation into that ship which sailed between two worlds—antidiluvian world and the postdiluvian world—but I never saw a picture of their coming out; yet their embarkation was not more important than their disembarkation. Many a crew has entered a ship that never landed. Witness the steamer Portland, a few days ago, with 100 souls on board, going down with all its crew and passengers. Witness the line of sunken ships, reaching like a submarine cable of anguish across the ocean depths from America to Europe. If any ship might expect complete wreckage, the one Noah commanded might have expected it. "But no; those who embarked disembarked. Under the plank reaching down the side of the ark to the Armenian hills on which they had been stranded the procession proceeded. No other wharf felt so solid or afforded such attractiveness as that height of Ararat when the eight passenger put their feet on it. And no sooner had the last one, the invalided wife of Japheth, been helped down the plank upon the rock than the other apartments of the ship were opened, and such a dash of bird and insect never filled the air as when the entire orchestra of robin redbreast and mourning-dove, and catbird, and mocking bird, and house swallow took wing into the bright sky, while the cattle began to low and the sheep to bleat and the horses to neigh for the pasture, which from the awful submergence of a year began to grow green and fragrance. I tell you plainly shutting interests me more in that tragedy from the first to the last not than the "exit" and the "exeunt," than the fact that the "shut-ins became the "shut outs." And I now cheer with them are all the inmates of the sick rooms and hospitals, and those prisons where men and women are unjustly entombed, and all the thousands who are stranded in the North and South and East and West by the ills by deluges of misfortune and disaster. The ark of your trouble, if it does not land on some earthly height of vindication and rescue, will land on the heights celestial.

By a strange providence, for which I shall be forever grateful, circumstances with which I think you are all familiar, I have admission through the newspaper press week by week to tens of thousands of God's dear children who cannot enter church on the Sabbath and hear their excellent pastors because of the age of the sufferers, or their illness, or the lameness of their feet, or their inability to stay in one position an hour and a half, or their worries, or their troubles of some sort will not let them go out of doors, and to them as much as to those who hear me I preach this sermon, as I preach many of my sermons, the invisible audience always vaster than the visible, some of them tossed on wilder seas than those that tossed the eight members of Noah's family, and instead of forty days of storm and five minutes of being shut in, as they were, it has been with these invalids five years of "shut in," or ten years of "shut in," or twenty years of "shut in." Oh, comforting God! Help me to comfort them! Give me two hands full of salve for their wounds. When we were 300 miles out at sea, if a hurricane struck us, and the lifeboats were dashed from the davits and all the lights in the cabin were put out by the rolling of the ship and the water which through the broken skylights had poured in.

And as I now find many in hurricanes of trouble, though I cannot quiet the storm, I can strike a match to light up the darkness, and I strike a match. "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth." I strike another match. "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." I strike another match. "We have a High Priest who can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, and He was in all points tempted like as we are. Are you old? One breath of heaven will make you everlastingly young again. Have you aches and pains? They insure Christ's presence and sympathy through the darkest December nights, which are the longest nights of the year. Are you bereft? Here is a disarrested Christ whose voice is full of resurrectionary power. But do not think that heaven is made up of any indiscriminate population. Some of our friends are so dangerous in their theology that they would let everybody in without reference to condition or character. Do not think that libertines or blasphemers and rejecters of God and His gospel have "letters of credit" that will draw anything from the bank of heaven. Pirate crafts will not be permitted to go up that harbor. If there are those who as to heaven are to be "shut ins," there are those who will belong to the "shut outs." Heaven has twelve gates, and while those twelve gates imply wide open entrance for those who are properly prepared to enter them they imply that there are at least twelve possibilities that many will be shut out, because a gate is of no use unless it can sometimes be closed. Heaven is not an unwashed mob. Show your tickets or you will not get in—tickets that you may get without money and without price tickets with a cross and a crown upon them. Let the unrepentant and the vile and the offscourings of earth enter heaven as they now are, and they would depreciate and demoralize it so that no one of us would want to enter, and those who are there would want to move out. The Bible speaks of the "withouts" as well as the "withins." Revelation xxii., 15, "Without are dogs and sorcerers and whoremongers and murderers and idolaters and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie." Through the converting, pardoning, sanctifying grace of God may we at last be found among the shut ins and not among the shut outs!

A Gigantic Flour Syndicate.

A $150,000,000 flour trust, which includes a combination of all the leading mills in this country, has been formed.

tribes. Before his death the Mahdi nominated the Khalifa Abdullah as his successor, and thus the cruel and tyrannical Arab tribe of the Bagaras, whose leader was Abdullah, became the masters of the Egyptian Soudan and ruled it with a rod of iron. The Mahdi died on June 22, 1885, after three years of power, and Abdullah has since been known as "the Mahdi's successor." There was intense jealousy and disappointment on the part of the Danagla and Jaalin tribes, who had been the rulers, but now became the ruled. Civil war on account of Abdullah's accession was narrowly averted, but he was too strong for his enemies in the other tribes, and they finally chose the part of discretion just when all had been made ready for battle. The new ruler then made it his business to render the other tribes harmless. He reduced the power of the two other Khalifas, and they became men of little influence. He sent many of the Jaalin and Danagla Emirs in chains hundreds of miles up the Nile, and he permitted his Baggara to plunder the other tribes without mercy, under the pretext of levying taxes. There has been only one ruler of the Soudan for the past thirteen years, and he has been the Khalifa Abdullah. He maintained his policy of cruelly repressing all the people except his own tribe, until he was frightened very badly by the news that England and Egypt were getting ready to invade the country and overthrow his power. After that news reached Omdurman he made a great show of reversing his policy. He pardoned the imprisoned Emirs and tried in many ways to win back the disaffected people. The Khalifa's empire, within which not a particle of European influence has permeated since the Mahdi captured Khartoum, extends along the Nile from Dongola on the north to the neighborhood of Lado on the south, a distance of about thirteen hundred miles. Omdurman, the capital, just across the Nile from the ruins of Khartoum, is about midway between these points. The Khalifa lost Darfur, but still his empire extends from the western limits of Kordofan to Abyssinia on the east, and embraces about 700,000 square miles. During the thirteen years he has controlled the destinies of the Egyptian Soudan it is estimated that nearly three-fifths of its inhabitants have perished through war and famine. Constant warfare has greatly diminished the male population.

KEENE TURNED THE TABLES.

Several Wall street men, Mr. James R. Keene among them, combined some time ago to get control of the stock of the tobacco trust.

Their understanding was that none of them was to sell any of the stock until it had reached its highest possible figure, and then all were to sell at the same time.

Ten days ago Keene discovered that this agreement was not being lived up to by some of his colleagues. They were beginning to sell on the quiet, it is said, as soon as the stock reached

JAS. R. KEENE.

154¾. As soon as Mr. Keene discovered this he gave orders for the sale of his own holdings and before the other members of the clique were aware of what was happening Keene had made $1,500,000.

By that time the tobacco trust's stock was down to 115¼, having declined 39¼ points.

Ernest Van Dyck, the grand opera singer, began life as a newspaper man.

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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

Missouri Knights of Pythias Demand That the Union Label Be Placed on All the Printing They Have Done—A Strike in Porto Rico

K. of P. Want the Label.

Recently the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias of Missouri held its annual convention at Kansas City, and adopted a resolution requesting the officers to demand that all grand lodge printing bear the label, says the Typographical Journal. St. Louis Typographical union took the initiative by adopting resolutions, which were approved by Kansas City Union No. 80, and presented to the grand lodge by printer Pythians. The preamble and resolutions are so apt and appropriate that they may serve as a model for others with a similar purpose in view, and we reproduce them:

"To the Officers and Members Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Missouri, in convention assembled at Kansas City, Mo., October 18, 1898—Greeting:

"Whereas, The noble order of which we are proud to be members owes a duty to the community as well as its members, and,

"Whereas, The order is largely composed of men who labor daily in the different vocations of the industrial field; and

"Whereas, Through the introduction of labor-saving machinery thousands of mechanics have been thrown out of employment, and this is especially true of the printers, many of whom are members of the order; and

"Whereas, We believe it our duty according to our knightly obligation to use every opportunate means to lessen human suffering and poverty; therefore, with that end in view, be it

"Resolved, That the grand keeper of records and seal be requested to in the future demand that all printing done through his office bear the label of the allied printing trades of North America, and that all local lodges be requested to use their moral influence to the same end; and be it further

"Resolved, That we pledge the moral support of the grand lodge of Missouri to every legitimate endeavor of the toilers of this commonwealth to better their condition in the industrial field.

A Fable with a Moral.

One of the toasters at the Michigan Federation of Labor convention told the following story:

A farmer leaning over his fence one day, wondering how he ever should harvest the great field of corn that lay back of him, when he saw a mule leisurely strolling up the highway and lazily cropping the grass that grew in abundance at the roadside.

"My friend," said the farmer, "get into the harness and help me get my crop into the barn, and I will give you all the corn that you can eat the days that you work."

"But how long shall I have to work each day?" quizzed the careful animal.

"Fourteen hours," said the farmer.

"Tut, tut," replied the mule. "But I can get all the grass I can eat in a day by working seven hours on this fertile roadside."

"Pshaw!" retorted the farmer, beginning to get angry at being thwarted in his purpose, "your father was glad to work for me sixteen hours of the day, and here you are complaining against two hours less than that number."

"Too true," quoth the mule, "but you must remember my father was a jackass."

Work in the Navy Yards.

Secretary Long has recently issued an order amending the regulations relative to the employment of labor in all navy yards as follows:

Article 1574, paragraph 2, clause A, reads as follows:

"For work performed by reason of emergency between the hours of 6 a. m. and 8 p. m. in excess of eight hours, the same rate of pay shall be allowed as for eight hours' work."

Clause C provides that:

"Men who have rendered service during the day, who, by reason of emergency, are required to work in excess of eight hours, shall be paid for all such extra work performed after 8 p. m. and before 6 a. m. at the same rate per hour as for day work, with 50 per cent additional."

I have issued the following regulation circular:

"Article 1574, paragraph 2, strike out clauses A and C, and for clause A substitute the following:

"(a) For work performed by reason of extraordinary emergency, in excess of eight hours per day, the ordinary rate of pay, with 50 per cent additional, shall be allowed.

Porto Rico Printers Strike.

San Juan, Cablegram.—Ten days ago the San Juan Typographical Union held a meeting and adopted a new scale of prices, which in effect was an advance of 50 per cent over the previous scale under which they were working. By the old scale they made only [illegible] to $7 per week. The publishers were notified that the new scale would take effect on December 1. The publishers were apparently astounded by the demands of their men and the printers employed by the Correspondencia and Boletin were instantly discharged, with the result that those papers have not been published since Wednesday last. The union held a meeting and while it was in progress, the police, who had been sent by Munoz Rivera, the president of the island, arrived and commanded Santiago Iglesias, secretary and treasurer of the union and its leading spirit, to leave the island instantly in pain of arrest. Such a summary method of settling a labor dispute may be the proper thing from the Spanish viewpoint, but it is likely the Americans will look at the matter in a different light.

What Is Organization?

It is the act of forming organs or instruments of action. In entering the field of labor it matters not whether by brain or hand, it is absolutely necessary for all wage-workers to band themselves together for self protection and by so doing they protect one another. All reforms that have been accomplished has been done through organizations and unity of action, consequently it behooves the mechanic and laborer of this country to wake up to the fact that he is losing sight of his own interests, by allowing himself to be hoodwinked by those who seek to deprive him of his inaliable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The wage-workers of this or any other country can not accomplish anything individually, it must be by concerted action, therefore it is necessary for them to organize and educate, and not pass their lives in forging chains for themselves and then complain of weaving them. Signed, A Leather Worker.

Vessel Builders Hopeful.

From the Kennebec Journal. Not for very many years have Maine vessels managers in general felt so deep an interest in the prospects for business for a coming year. The close of the war has brought along, for Maine, at least, a new hope that her old-time sea prestige is coming back, in the new necessities set moving by our extensive foreign acquisitions and the general deep-water trade impetus which has been started. From all indications the biggest revival of commerce by sea that the United States ever saw is about to take place. The acquisition of oversea possessions—Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines and the new conditions of Cuba will necessitate a great enlargement of the merchant fleet of the United States. Only ships having an American register can trade between two ports of the United States. Therefore, the commerce between this country and our new possessions will require American ships. This means work for the ship yards, for the present fleet is inadequate for the work, and it is seldom that a foreign-built ship can get an American register.

Simple Gymnastics.

To remain young a woman must keep her joints limber; if neglected they become painful and stiff. Women groan with rheumatic pains when, if they exercised properly, rheumatism would be unheard of. Women sit by a fire and shiver with a cold when, if they encouraged gymnastics, the blood would circulate vigorously through the body.

The following four simple exercises will greatly help to develop and preserve physical symmetry:

1. Stand erect, with hands outstretched, on a level with the shoulders, and slowly raise yourself on your toes as far as possible. Retain this position for an instant, and then sink back on to the entire foot. Do this twenty times a day at first, and increase each day to a reasonable limit.

2. Place the hands on the hips, and, resting all the weight of the body on the right foot, slowly raise the left leg, and extend it in front of the body. Then bend at the knee, pointing the toe downward and bringing the foot up. Repeat this ten times at first. Then stand on the left foot and repeat the exercise in reverse.

3. Stand erect and lean over at the hips without bending the knees and try to touch the floor with the fingers. Day by day you will come nearer and nearer the floor. This exercise will make the body supple, and strengthen the back, and will encourage grace.

4. Extend the right arm, and placing the left on the hip, bend to right side as far as possible, and then reverse the exercise, which should be repeated ten times at first, and, like all the others, increased from day to day as much as circumstances will permit. This is an excellent general gymnastic. No woman should indulge any exercise to such an extent that even the slightest strain is possible. Fifteen minutes a day spent in exercise at home should result in muscular development, and greatly help to retain health.

Seeing Bullets as They Fly.

"As every sportsman knows," said an enthusiastic hunter, "it is easy to see a rifle bullet in the air, and those fired from the new high-power guns are very curious to look at. Stand a dozen yards away at any range with a small caliber weapon using smokeless powder, and you'll see a strange, blush-white streak the instant the bullet strikes home. The streak is apparently a couple of inches wide and several feet long, and is more like a flash of light than anything else I can think of. With the old-fashioned Remington or Springfield carbine the bullet has the appearance of a long black rod, and I don't know why there should be such a difference in the optical illusion produced by the smaller caliber. I have heard some people deny that the bullet can be seen, but they are very much in error. It all depends on getting the right viewpoint. A few feet either way will render the missile invisible, but the right spot is soon found by experiment, and after that the thing is as plain as day."

A Difficult Pass.

"Why is marriage such a serious step, I wonder?" "Because you then come to a pass where you can no longer go single file."

TO MR. M'CLEARY.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY PUNCTURES SOME FALSITIES.

A Sample of the Kind of Speeches with Which Gold Standard Advocates Surprise the Unwary—An Echo of the Late Congressional Campaign.

The pedagogue has found it profitable to mislead the people. He is no longer teaching school in Mankato, but is making money and fame on a large scale. We quote:

"Special Telegram to Minneapolis Tribune.—McCleary addressed a large and enthusiastic Republican meeting here tonight, delivering what is generally acknowledged to be one of the strongest contributions to the campaign in this state. He said in part: 'A problem well stated is half solved. "What is the silver question?" Stated in its simplest terms it is this: Shall we or shall we not permit the men who own silver bullion to carry that bullion to the mint of the United States and have it converted into coin for them at the rate of 371.25 grains of pure silver (or 412.5 grains standard silver) to the dollar, and shall the government authorize them to carry forth the coins thus made and use them according to their pleasure in the payment of debt or the transaction of business? To this question a large number of good, honest, right-minded, patriotic American citizens answer, "Yes, emphatically, yes, yes, quickly—the sooner the better!" Another large number of good, honest right-minded, patriotic American citizens answer, "No, utterly, absolutely, unequivocally, no!" What is the present situation? The man who owns gold may take it to the mint of the United States and have it converted for him into the form of coin, at the rate of 23.22 grains of pure gold (or 25.8 grains of standard gold) to the dollar. This service is rendered for him by the government without any charge, and the coins are handed back to him with full authority to use them according to his pleasure in the payment of debts, or the transaction of business. To the man who owns gold we say yes; to the man who owns silver, we say no. By this statement of the case it would appear that Uncle Sam does not treat these two classes of his citizens equally well, and the sense of fairness in the minds of each of us prompts us, at first glance, to condemn his course of action. But every good man and woman is slow to believe as true that which reflects upon the good name of any one whom he or she has learned to honor. Such a man or woman feels that his proper course is to reserve judgment until all the facts have been ascertained. We all respect Uncle Sam; we all believe that he would not intentionally do wrong to anyone. So we are prompted to believe that there must be something else in the matter that has not yet been stated. And there is. The man who owns the gold submits to Uncle Sam this proposition: "Uncle Sam, here are 258 grains of standard gold, worth $10 coined or uncoined. Won't you be kind enough, Uncle Sam, to certify to this fact? The easiest way for you to certify to it is to put this gold up in the form of a coin and mark it $10." To this proposition Uncle Sam makes answer: "Why, certainly, my son; I am always glad to serve any one of my children when I can do so properly." The man who owns the silver desires permission to submit to Uncle Sam this proposition: "Uncle Sam, here are 412.5 grains of standard silver, worth, in the terms to which we are accustomed, 40 cents. Won't you be kind enough, Uncle Sam, to certify for me that it is worth 100 cents?" To this proposition Uncle Sam promptly makes answer: "Not if the court knows itself!" We thus see, in part at least, why Uncle Sam says "Yes" to one, and "No" to the other.'"

McCleary in all this is very adroit, and very liable to deceive the unthinking. And yet McCleary knows very well that for 5,000 years gold and silver stood on an equality, as to right of coinage, all over the world, wherever there was civilization. And he knows that twenty-four years ago all this was changed. In this country the change was made without being demanded in the platform of any political party, or without any previous discussion before the people, who are supposed to constitute the government of this republic. And this piece of rascally knavery produced the fall of the price of silver, and McCleary, instead of demanding that that gigantic wrong shall be righted, plants himself on the accomplished results of the wrong and demands that it shall be perpetual. Imagine McCleary in very cold weather campaigning in Minnesota. He has a magnificent astrachan fur-lined overcoat, worth $100. A thief steals it and leaves a tattered, shoddy garment, worth $5, in its place. McCleary demands redress. He seeks out the nearest justice of the peace, clad in the ragged robe the thief has left him. McCleary states his case. The justice is "in cahoots" with the thief. "What!" he cries, "you want me to make your tattered $5 coat worth $100! That is not what I am here for. The robbery is accomplished, the villainy enacted; it is not for me to overturn existing conditions." "But I am robbed!" shrieks McCleary. "Put me back where I stood before I was robbed. Give me back my own coat. Here is this wretched rag. Give me an order for the arrest of the thief and the return of my coat." "It can't be did," says the justice. "Your demand is equivalent to making a coat worth $100. It can't be done—not if the court knows itself." And thereupon the indignant professor sails into the justice of the peace, blacks his eyes, knocks out his front teeth and punches him in the belly with his umbrella. And thereupon he is arrested for assault and battery, with intent to kill, tried by a jury of thieves (the foreman wearing his overcoat), and sent to prison. There let us leave him, while he writes a political address to the voters of the Second district, showing that representative government is a failure, and threatening to go back to Canada.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY.

Flood of Silver.

Regarding the flood of silver that would pour into this country should bimetallism be adopted, I think that entitled to less consideration than the proposition that "gold would instantly disappear." They belong to the same job lot of scarecrows. It will be remembered that Mr. Shurz said that there would be a tremendous contraction of the currency as a result of the adoption of bimetallism. Other equally sanguine monometallists predict, at the same time, the rest of the world would 'dump' its silver here almost immediately. Now, silver could be "dumped" here only in exchange for something else. If for wheat, cotton, wool, or manufactured goods, I do not think it would be rejected, for our people desire to sell their commodities. If for gold, then it must take its place, dollar for dollar, and if it be a fifty-cent dollar, as Senator Thurston says it would be, then for every dollar of gold "driven out" two silver dollars would take its place. Surely little contraction of the currency would take place at the rate of substituting two dollars for one. The two notions that there would be a contraction of the currency and a flood of silver at the same time are hardly compatible. No nation can coin and retain more metallic money than it has profitable use for, because unless it is needed for business purposes and finds profitable employment, it will always float away to other places where there is a greater demand for it. Gold or silver money cannot be piled away above the money level of other countries and be made to stay there. It will seek its level just the same as anything else. Though the mints of the universe might be open to the coinage of silver for our use, but few million dollars more than could find profitable employment would stay here. Not a sound political economist from Adam Smith to the latest writer can be found to dispute that proposition. They are all of the same opinion as Dr. Wayland, who said of any country, "If its trade with other places is free, the superfluous money will float away, on the tide of commerce, to some point where it is needed, just as a surplus of wheat or cotton goods or any other commodity must do." If it cannot find profitable employment here as money it will go to the east, there to be used for money purposes, or to the melting pot, to be used in the industrial arts. You cannot "heap" up gold or silver in a free country and make it stay "heaped," any more than you can "heap" up water and make it stay "heaped."

When McKinley Was All Right.

On the 12th of February, 1891, only a little over seven years ago, Mr. McKinley said:

"During all of Grover Cleveland's years at the head of the government he was dishonoring one of our precious metals, one of our own great products, discrediting silver and enhancing the price of gold. He endeavored even before his inauguration to office to stop the coinage of silver dollars and afterward and to the end of his administration persistently used his power to that end. He was determined to contract the circulating medium, and to demonetize one of the coins of commerce, limit the volume of money among the people, make money scarce and therefore dear. He would have increased the value of money, and diminished the value of everything else—money the master, everything else the servant. He was not thinking of 'the poor' then. He had left 'their side.' He was not standing forth in their defense. Cheap coats, cheap labor and dear money. The sponsor and promoter of these professing to stand guard over the welfare of the poor and lowly! Was there ever more inconsistency or reckless assumption?"

All these things sound very strange when compared with Mr. McKinley's utterances since he accepted the nomination for president on a gold standard platform, and they seem to justify sincere people in having but little faith in the man.

True Democratic Doctrine.

President Van Buren said in his message to congress in extra session in 1837, called because of the then financial crisis:

"It is not designed by the constitution that the government should assume the management of domestic or foreign exchange. It is indeed authorized to regulate by law the commerce between the states, and to provide a general standard of value or medium of exchange in gold and silver, but it is not its province to aid individuals in the transfer of their funds. As justly might it be called upon for transportation of their merchandise. These are operations of trade; they ought to be conducted by those who are interested in them, in the same manner that the incidental difficulties are encountered by other classes of citizens."

This was the Democratic doctrine of that period. It was just after the Democratic party had won its great and crowning victory in obtaining mastery of the money power. But the scene has changed. Now "money is king," and controls not only the action of the government, but the destinies of the people. It is no longer our servant, but our relentless master.

M'KINLEY IN ATLANTA.

His Visit Made Memorable by a Notable Utterance.

President McKinley made memorable the first day of the Atlanta peace jubilee by a notable utterance in his speech before the joint session of the Georgia legislature Wednesday afternoon. His reception by the general assembly was warm and hearty in the extreme, and his speech was punctured with frequent outbursts of cheering. It is admitted on all sides that the address marked an epoch in history. During the address President McKinley said:

"Every soldier's grave made during the unfortunate civil war is a tribute to the American valor. And while, when those graves were made, we differed widely about the future of the government, those differences were long ago settled by the arbitrament of arms—and the time has now come in the evolution of sentiment and feeling under the providence of God, when in the spirit of fraternity we should share with one in the care of the graves of the confederate soldiers."

A wild cheer went up from every throat in the typical southern audience, a cheer that echoed and re-echoed through the chamber until it was taken up by the crowds outside. Old men who fought for the south rose from their seats and waved their hats. Of all the many conciliatory speeches which have been made since Grant said "Let there be peace," nothing has more deeply stirred a southern audience than the simple words of President McKinley.

Star Hunting.

Recently I have devoted my time to star hunting and satisfying a yearning desire to become a discoverer. I felt that I must discover something, whether there was anything new to be discovered or not. In the pioneer school houses, some time during the days of Job, I was taught to admire the genius and freshly mown hay odor of the late (about 76 years late) lamented Mr. Wm. Herschel as an astronomer and finder of nests of newly laid stars. If you believe the last sentence you will believe anything; I write, and I always make it a point to refrain from telling the truth as much as possible. Consequently I want you to believe me.

Anyway, it is quite an honor to possess sufficient ability and suavity to go out in the gloaming and call up new stars to you at so much per call. It is also laborious. When you have found a good, fragrant star, you will obtain more or less light on the subject; according to the size of the star.

The first difficulty with which I had to contend was having no telescope. So I got a water pipe and glued two magic-lantern lenses in it, and began looking about for an elevation upon which to sit. I did not dare to get on the housetop, because everybody would see me, and might go to discovering infant stars themselves. Then I would not get on the smoke house, because being a country editor we did not have one. I was in a dilemma, whatever that is.

Finally I decided that my seat of operations should be the barn. It was very tall, and had a mysterious air about it, somewhat like that about a fresh college graduate before he gets accustomed to wearing his diploma. The mysterious air around the barn was caused by decaying vegetation, while that about the graduate is caused from sheer ignorance.

But I mounted the rotten roof with my improvised telescope thrown over my left scapula and dangling in the vicinity of the lumber vertebrae.

Looking cautiously around to see if any one was near, but seeing no one, I began searching the star vaults with the water pipe. I gazed at Mercury and Venus. I was glad to see the former, as it is rather skittish, and Copernicus grieved because he was never able to meet the planet. I had seen Venus without any trouble, while Captain Cook, the navigator, gave up the ghost near Hawaii, trying to see the untamed Venus.

I scooted my star-finder all around the circle of perpetual apparition, and the circle of occultation. But I didn't find anything. I was getting discouraged. I decided the Lick discoverers had just about licked up all the important stars, and while I was thinking so, my hired boy jabbed a pitchfork up through the roof to scare me. My telescope fell, the roof broke through, and I fell to the earth, making no discovery worthy of note except that then my right ascension and declination were about as near zero as anything ever get to be in this vale of tears.

Any one wishing to buy a telescope cheap may write me. I am no longer an astronomer.

JOHN EARL GARRISON.

A Tragic Death.

At Athens, Ga., Wednesday, Lieut. James H. Hoskinson, adjutant of the First Battalion of the Fifteenth Pennsylvania, met a tragic death on Clayton street in front of the postoffice. He was thrown violently from his horse, his head striking the ground with great force. A large artery in the brain was ruptured, compression followed by paralysis, and in two hours he was dead.

May Yet Rescue the Maine.

The navy department has not yet abandoned the hope of rescuing the Maine from Havana harbor, and bringing the wreck back to this country for rehabilitation, nor does it seem likely, from the interest taken by responsible wrecking experts, that the Cristobal Colon will permitted to pound to pieces on the shore west of Santiago. The board of construction has under consideration a formal proposition for the salvage of both vessels and their delivery at New York or such other ports in the United States as the government might select.

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... there is a limit to the ... ancient marin... the forty days of the ... and 150 ... the passengers could go ... must have seemed to ... in the big boat like an eternity. "Rain, rain, rain!" said the wife of Noah. "Will it never stop?" For forty mornings they looked out and saw not one patch of blue sky. Floating around amid the peaks of mountains Shem and Ham and Japheth had to hush the fears of their wives lest they should dash against the projecting rocks. But after awhile it cleared off. Sunshine, glorious sunshine! The ascending mists were folded up into clouds, which instead of darkening the sky only ornamented it. As they looked out of the windows these worn passengers clasped their hands and rejoiced that the storm was over, and I think if God could stop such a storm as that He could stop any storm in your life-time experience. If He can control a vulture in the sky, He can stop a summer hat that flies out at your window. At the right time He will put the rainbow on the cloud and the leaves of your misfortunes will dry up. I preach the doctrine of limitation, relief and disenthrallment. At just the right time the pain will cease, the bondage will drop, the imprisoned will be liberated, the fires will go out, the body and mind and soul will be free. Patience!

Notice also that on the cessation of the deluge the shut ins came out, and they built their houses and cultured their gardens and started a new world on the ruins of the old world that had been drowned out. Though Noah lived 350 years after that worldwide accident and no doubt his fellow passengers survived centuries I warrant they never got over talking about that voyage. Now I have seen Dore's pictures and many other pictures of the entrance into the ark, two and two, of the human family, and the animal creation into that ship which sailed between two worlds—antediluvian world and the postdiluvian world—but I never saw a picture of their coming out, yet their embarkation was not more important than their disembarkation. Many a crew has entered a ship that never landed. Witness the steamer Portland, a few days ago, with 100 souls on board, going down with all its crew and passengers. Witness the line of sunken ships, reaching like a submarine cable of anguish across the ocean depths from America to Europe. If any ship might expect complete wreckage, the one Noah commanded might have expected it. But not those who embarked disembarked. Over the plank reaching down the side of the ark to the Armenian cliffs on which they had been stranded the procession descended. No other wharf felt so solid or afforded such attractiveness as that height of Ararat when the eight passenger put their feet on it. And no sooner had the last one, the invalided wife of Japheth, been helped down the plank upon the rock than the other apartments of the ship were opened, and such a dash of bird music never filled the air as when the entire orchestra of robin redbreast, and nightingales, and chaffinch, and mocking bird, and house swallow took wing into the bright sky, while the cattle began to low and the sheep to bleat and the horses to neigh for the pasture, which from the awful submergence and now began to grow green and aromatic. I tell you plainly nothing interests me more in that tragedy from the first to the last act than the "exit" and the "exeunt," than the fact that the "shut-ins" became the "get outs." And I now cheer with this story all the inmates of the sickrooms and hospitals, and those prisons where men and women are unjustly enduring, and all the thousands who are ... in the North and South and East and West by floods, by deluges of misfortune and disaster. The ark of your trouble, if it does not land on some earthly height of vindication and rescue, will land on the heights celestial.

"By a strange providence, for which I shall be forever grateful, circumstances with which I think you are all familiar, I have admission through the newspaper press week by week to tens of thousands of God's dear children who cannot enter a church on the Sabbath and hear their excellent pastors because of the age of the sufferers, or their illness, or the lameness of foot, or their incapacity to stay in one position an hour and a half, or their poverties, or their troubles of some sort will not let them go out of doors, and to them as much as to those who hear me I preach this sermon, as I preach many of my sermons, the invisible audience always vaster than the visible, some of them tossed on wilder seas than those that tossed the eight members of Noah's family, and instead of forty days of storm and five months of being shut in, as they were, it has been with those invalids five years of "shut in," or ten years of "shut in," or twenty years of "shut in." Oh, comforting God! Help me to comfort them! Give me two hands full of salve for their wounds. When we were 300 miles out at sea, a hurricane struck us, and the lifeboats were dashed from the davits and all the lights in the cabin were put out by the rolling of the ship and the water which through the broken skylights had poured in.

"And as I now find many in hurricanes of trouble, though I cannot quiet the storm, I can strike a match to light up the darkness, and I strike a match. 'Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth.' I strike another match. 'Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.' I strike another match. 'We have a High Priest who can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, and He was in all points tempted like as we are.' Are you old? One breath of heaven will make you everlastingly young again. Have you aches and pains? They insure Christ's presence and sympathy through the darkest December nights, which are the longest nights of the year. Are you bereft? Here is a resurrected Christ whose voice is full of resurrectionary power.

But do not think that heaven is made up of any indiscriminate population. Some of my friends are so generous in their theology that they would let everybody in without reference to condition or character. Do not think that libertines or blasphemers and rejecters of God and His gospel have "letters of credit" that will draw anything from the bank of heaven. Pirate crafts will not be permitted to go up that harbor. If there are those who as to heaven are to be "shut ins," there are those who will belong to the "shut outs." Heaven has twelve gates, and while those twelve gates imply wide open entrance for those who are properly prepared to enter them they imply that there are at least twelve possibilities that many will be shut out, because a gate is of no use unless it can sometimes be closed. Heaven is not an unwashed mob. Show your tickets or you will not get in—tickets that you may get without money and without price tickets with a cross and a crown upon them. Let the unrepentant and the vile and the offscourings of earth enter heaven as they now are, and they would depreciate and demoralize it so that no one of us would want to enter, and those who are there would want to move out. The Bible speaks of the "withouts" as well as the "withins." Revelation xxii., 15, "Without are dogs and sorcerers and whoremongers and murderers and idolaters and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie." Through the converting, pardoning, sanctifying grace of God may we at last be found among the shut ins and not among the shut outs!

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The Life and Characteristics of the Fugitive Dervish Chief.

Abdullah et Taishi Khalifa, whose power has been broken by the British forces under General Sir Herbert Kitchener, was the most powerful and successful of the three Khalifas of the three leading Arab tribes, that in 1882 helped the Mahdi to overthrow the government of Egypt in the eastern Soudan and establish the Mahdist despotism in its place. Each of these Khalifas commanded a distinct section of the Mahdi's army, and Abdullah's force had most to do with the annihilation of General Hicks and his army. Abdullah was the favorite of his master. The Mahdi believed that if he died Abdullah was the only man who could maintain the strange empire he had raised and keep the upper hand of the rapacious Soudanese tribes. Before his death the Mahdi nominated the Khalifa Abdullah as his successor, and thus the cruel and tyrannical Arab tribe of the Bagaras, whose leader was Abdullah, became the masters of the Egyptian Soudan and ruled it with a rod of iron. The Mahdi died on June 22, 1885, after three years of power, and Abdullah has since been known as "the Mahdi's successor." There was intense jealousy and disappointment on the part of the Danagla and Jaalin tribes, who had been the rulers, but now became the ruled. Civil war on account of Abdullah's accession was narrowly averted, but he was too strong for his enemies in the other tribes, and they finally chose the part of discretion just when all had been made ready for battle. The new ruler then made it his business to render the other tribes harmless. He reduced the power of the two other Khalifas, and they became men of little influence. He sent many of the Jaalin and Danagla Emirs in chains hundreds of miles up the Nile, and he permitted his Baggara to plunder the other tribes without mercy, under the pretext of levying taxes. There has been only one ruler of the Soudan for the past thirteen years, and he has been the Khalifa Abdullah. He maintained his policy of cruelly repressing all the people except his own tribe, until he was frightened very badly by the news that England and Egypt were getting ready to invade the country and overthrow his power. After that news reached Omdurman he made a great show of reversing his policy. He pardoned the imprisoned Emirs and tried in many ways to win back the disaffected people. The Khalifa's empire, within which not a particle of European influence has permeated since the Mahdi captured Khartoum, extends along the Nile from Dongola on the north to the neighborhood of Lado on the south, a distance of about thirteen hundred miles. Omdurman, the capital, just across the Nile from the ruins of Khartoum, is about midway between these points. The Khalifa lost Darfur, but still his empire extends from the western limits of Kordofan to Abyssinia on the east, and embraces about 700,000 square miles. During the thirteen years he has controlled the destinies of the Egyptian Soudan it is estimated that nearly three-fifths of its inhabitants have perished through war and famine. Constant warfare has greatly diminished the male population.

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Count Camillo Pecci, a grandnephew of Pope Leo XIII., and colonel of the Noble Guard, is about to visit this country and Cuba. The visit will be unofficial, and his stay in the country will only be incidental to his journey to Cuba. A few years ago Count Pecci was married to a Cuban woman who had inherited large plantations there.

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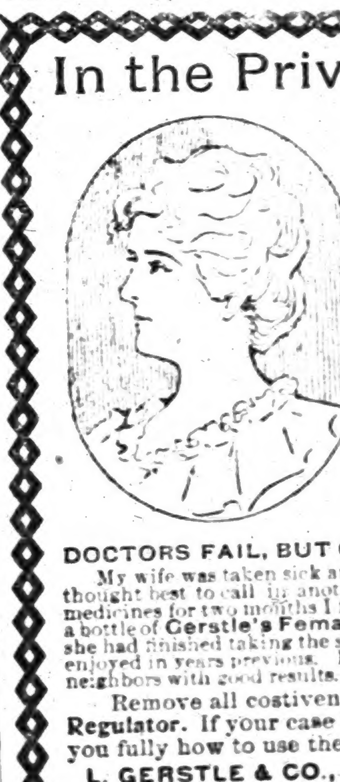

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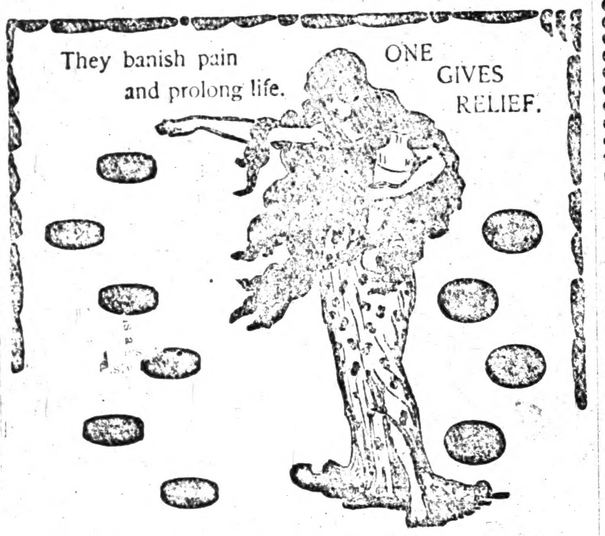

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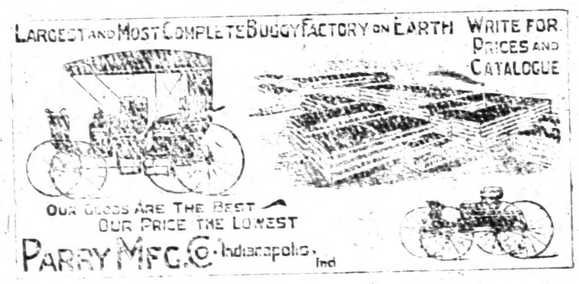

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At first where we camped the grass and underbrush was as high as a man's head, and only one shade tree in the camp, and it is at the guard house, so no one likes to stay under it.

We have had plenty of grub, but what we eat which consists of bread, bacon, beef, hard tack, tomatoes, beans, coffee, sugar, salmon, corned beef, potatoes, etc. This will keep a man alive if he eats enough of it.

We have been treated very nice by the Red Cross Society. They have sent a great deal of good things for our sick boys, and a great many things to the other boys, but they did not get them as they were looked by the officers and the boys never saw them. They sent us a great many things, such as mosquito bars, soft shoes, socks, underwear, champagne and the like, but they were gobbled up by the officers and we never saw them at all.

Some of the officers treat their men right, while some of them are brutal to the men. Most of them have better jobs than they ever had before, that is why they are so mean.

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Some of the worst officers have resigned, or gone home sick, so we are moving along alright again.

There has been a big change in everything since we landed here. The streets have been cleaned, a sanitary department established, a civil government has been started, a civil department again, business has revived, the printers have begun to prepare for ... everything has come to life around. The people seem satisfied with American rule. All ... have quieted down, and ... have less guard duty to do. I don't ... to come home.

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Mr. F. M. Athey, of Montgomery, spent the holidays in town.

Mr. J. C. Veazey, of Randolph county was in town Tuesday.

W. B. Dennis and wife returned to Plumersville.

ONE STEP AT A TIME.

In dealing with their own territorial problems the people of the United States will do well if they adopt the motto, "One step at a time." A part, at least, of the discussion that certain well-meaning gentlemen had endeavored to arouse while the treaty of peace was still under negotiation concerned problems that may arise for future generations of Americans to solve, but that have not yet made their appearance in the practical and concrete form. The ratification of the treaty must at least precede some other questions. That the treaty will be ratified, no person of safe judgement and good opportunities for observation has ever for a moment doubted. The argument that the United States is not empowered by virtue of its Constitution to exercise the powers of sovereignty outside of the United States is to be set down merely as an intellectual diversion. It lies essentially in the nature of the modern state to grow and expand as it has reasonable opportunity. To suppose for a moment that a great nation like ours, of more than seventy million people, is in some way estopped by certain forms of words—agreed upon more than a hundred years ago by a relatively small number of people who are all of them now dead—from obeying those same laws of growth and development that inhere in the very nature of our race and of our political organism, is to ascribe to the written Constitution a character that none of its framers ever thought of giving to it. Many of the mistakes that the French have made in trying to establish colonial possessions have grown out of their fondness for regularizing everything and their desire to make all their acquisitions fit into some logical scheme of colonial organization and administrarion. We shall be strongly tempted to fall into the same error. Already the floodgates have burst, and the country is being inundated with a perfect torrent of metaphysics touching the nature of political sovereignty and the transcendental significance of annexation.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for January.

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Clanton Locals.

Mr. Durwood Fosher, of Birmingham, spent the holidays with parents here.

Mr. Joe Whisenl, of Anniston, was in town this week.

Misses Mollie Vines and Emma Pons, of the Girls' Industrial school at Montevallo, spent Xmas with their parents here.

Misses Lillie and Lela Adams have been spending the holidays with their parents, Judge and Mrs. Adams, and will return to the Judson Institute at Marion to-morrow.

Mr. W. H. Smith, of Hanover, is spending this week with his parents here.

WOOED AND WON.

WILSON-WATTS.

When Miss Pearl Watts went to spend a few days with friends in Montgomery, and Mr. Newt Wilson went down on Tuesday, there were few, if any, of their friends anticipated their coming back home a happy married couple. Such was the case, however. They were married on Tuesday at the capital city, returning to Clanton same day. Newt is a general, wholesoled young fellow and Miss Pearl is one of Clanton's most charming young ladies. All their friends wish them many years of unalloyed happiness and prosperity.

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Macedonia.

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Mr. Walter Lenoir and Miss Rena Merchant were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. W. A. Wood performing the ceremony.

Mr. Will Gibbons, who has been away two years, returned last Friday to spend Christmas with relatives here.

Mr Frank Bazemore, of Weogufka, was a visitor in these parts last week.

Prof. Martin's school will close soon and it is said that he will go to the Briarfield school.

Mr. Johnson Vinderslice, of Perry county, spent Christmas holidays here.

The boys of this vicinity had a nice serenade Christmas eve night. Several nice dinners were given during Christmas, and all seemed to have a nice time and a merry Christmas.

We will have to be careful or we will soon be putting it 1898.

Wishing the Editor and all the readers of the BANNER a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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Saturday night the court house was packed to its fullest capacity, the occasion being the Christmas Tree given by the united churches. The tree was gaily decorated, but unfortunately Santa Claus had been delayed somewhere, and no presents were visible. The non-arrival of Santa Claus was partially compensated for by a visit from his "Better Half" (Miss Willie Robinson) and "Jack Frost" (Master Will Mullins) and a beautiful "Fairy" (Miss Emmett Matthews) added enjoyment to the proceedings. A very pleasant evening was passed.

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Jemison.

Another fire last week destroyed the dwelling house of the widow Wooley. The furniture, etc., was saved, but the building was a total loss.

Married to night at the residence of the bride's parents near Jemison, Mr. W. J. Northcutt and Miss Minnie Williams. Rev. Charles Lowery officiating. We wish the happy couple a long and happy life.

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A long time I was a great sufferer from Liver and Stomach troubles. I had a dull pain in my left side under my heart. At times my side became swollen and the pain acute. My stomach was always sour and I would vomit every time I eat. My bowels were very irregular, causing me pain and distress. I tried many things without any benefit. I read of your medicine and concluded to try it, and am glad that I did. I felt better after the first dose. I continued to take Ramon's Liver Pills & Tonic Pellets until I was entirely cured.—D. W. Penland, Otto, Macon co., N. C. For sale by J. M. Stanfield.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Everybody in the county that is interested in the public road system is invited to meet at the Court House at Clanton on Tuesday, January 10, 1899, for the purpose of formulating some plan for the betterment of our public roads. Everybody come!

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The World's Improved Balance.

The swift success of our aggressive policy has left the whole world in a far more stable position than we found it at the opening of the year. The annexation of Hawaii has given that interesting group of islands a settled status, and our assumption of responsibility for the Phillipines will speedily bring about a vastly improved situation in that populous archipelago. We ought to have no serious difficulto in assisting the Cubans to restore order throughout the island and to maintain fairly efficient institutions under republican forms. The wisest men in Spain are venturing to express somewhat boldly the relief that they feel in the wholesome chastening that has come to them in the painful year 1898. This view has been taken by business men especially, and prevailed in the conference of Spanish chambers of commerce that has met at Saragossa. Some of the most intelligent Spanish writers are taking the ground that under modern conditions the responsibility of sovereignty over distant colonies is far more costly than profitable, and that except for the point of pride involved Spain is greatly better off without Cuba and the Philippines than with them. Of course the two situations are totally different. Cuba was entitled to one sort of administration and the Philippines to another. The Spaniards should have learned long ago to give Cuba to the Cubans in as complete a sense as the English have given Canada to the Canadians, while they should also have learned long ago to administer the Philippines strictly for the benefit of the population, following to a considerable extent the model of England in India. The time had come when it was too late to reform the abuses of Spain's bad colonial government, and there was no remedy except to abandon the colonial business altogether. This heroic remedy is one that the nations which need it never have the grace to administer to themselves. It has to be forced upon them from without. None the less, they may in good time learn to appreciate the service that has been done to them and forget the first smart. Spain may quite possibly have a bad year or two at home, with which to end the nineteenth century; but it is reasonable to predict that the Spaniards will open the twentieth with very excellent prospects. For the first time in years they have an undisturbed opportunity to give attention to home affairs.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for January.

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The government of the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, has directed that the pupils in all the official schools shall be taught to write and perform all manual tasks as well with one hand as with the other.

A Swiss anthropologist, on his return from Patagonia, brought home with him a complete collection of Patagonian skulls, and when the custom house proposed to tax them on the basis of animals' bones imported as manure, he protested that this was an insult to humanity. To his surprise his objection was listened to, and he received a receipt for the duty charged upon a higher scale, with the skulls entered as "returned emigrants' worn effects."

The young couple who have just finished a journey around the world on bicycles, found that nineteenth century instruments of civilization and sixteenth century adventures in barbarism may go together. It must have been exasperating to wheel at top speed over abominable roads to escape missile-throwing Chinese. It is easy to dart away from crowds who throw stones, but bad roads are trying to the temper. It is impressive that the best road they found in all the world was the 600-mile road to Calcutta, built in the forgotten ages by the Delhi mogul. This is a valuable contribution to knowledge. The mogul and his dusky Macadams little dreamed what strange vehicles would spin over the great road centuries after.

The act requiring the navy department to build four more monitors was passed before the lessons of the war had shown the defects of this class, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. Since the craft must be built it is well that they be the best of their kind. Thus it is gratifying that the plans are to be changed, and the new monitors made much larger and better than the old. They are valuable only for harbor defense, but they can go to sea at a pinch, and can make a long voyage if they do not have to encounter rough weather ships on the way. However, the country is not likely to build any more, as we are not likely to have any more scares about attacks on the coast. The Spanish war has shown that the place to defend our coasts is out at sea, wherever an enemy's fleet can be found.

The development of mines of ore and sulphur in Sicily has always been the cause of many strikes, on account of the low prices paid to the laborers. The government of Rome obtained recently from the Chambers a law guaranteeing financial support to sick or wounded and lame miners. The proprietors of the mines announced that they would decrease the wages of the workmen in a sufficient proportion to meet the extra expenses imposed upon them by the operation of the new law taxing property for the support of invalid laborers. The miners in the Province of Girgenti to the number of about a thousand have struck work, and, at last reports, the strike was still in progress; fortunately this time it was not accompanied by the violence and bloodshed which too often marked the labor troubles of Sicily.

The history of the last few years shows a succession of hostilities against England from all sides and in all quarters, none the less aggressive, none the less dangerous, than if they had been conducted in actual warfare, says the Sydney (New South Wales) Bulletin. Look at the intrigues of France in Egypt, in Siam, in Niagara, in Madagascar, or the Nile; look at the encroachments of Russia in Persia Afghanistan, the Pamirs; look at the characteristically prudent and cautious, but none the less real hostility of Germany in the Transvaal, in Zanzibar, in Samoa; look today at the unanimous exultation of the continent at the blows which are being struck at the prestige and commercial interests of England in the East. Everything seems to show that England must either make ignoble submission to a European aggressiveness which seeks to bleed her by fair means or foul, or take the risk of financial ruin, of possible effacement as a first-class power, in a desperate contest with the monster armies of her neighbors, to whom she appears as the one great obstacle to their designs.

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MISSIONARY CRUISE OF A DANISH COUNTESS.

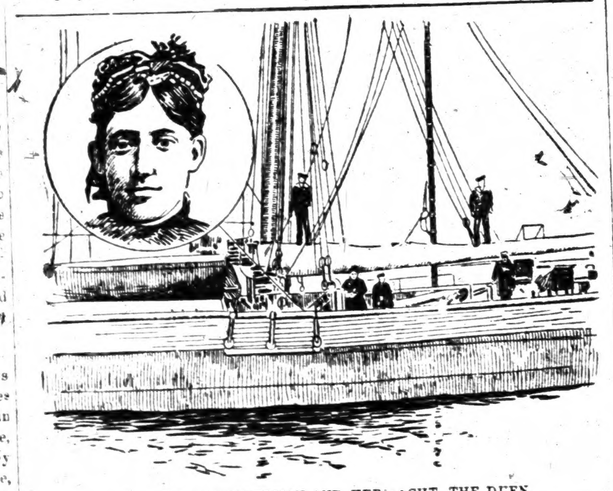
From Europe there have come to the United States at various times strange, weird persons, some bent on errands of philanthropy and others from motives of curiosity. Sailing around the Great Lakes in her own yacht is a woman who can take her place on the list. She is the Countess Schimmelman, from Denmark. She is not precisely a reformer, though she may see many things that she would like to have changed, but wherever she is she certainly does good. Over in Denmark, she says, she heard nothing but bad of America, but since arriving here she finds the truth of the American conviction that this is a pretty good country to live in after all.

At home she was the Queen's favorite, and she passed the first thirty years of her life exclusively at court. Then she got restless and wanted to see the wide, wide world, and try to alleviate some of the misery which she vaguely understood existed. She sold her property and bought a ship, and in this cruised about the Baltic in the summer and in Southern seas in the winter. She established coffee houses and did good in many little ways. Of recent years she stayed in the cities in the winter, and turned her ship for the time into a home for the poor boys who wanted to follow the sea.

Three years ago she bought the yacht Duen, or Dove, of Prince Waldemar, and by this time, her work becoming well known among the members of royalty, they contributed largely in aid of her enterprise. Her brothers, however, caused her arrest once and put her in an asylum. Upon her release she resumed her labors. Now she has come over to America in her yacht, and, having passed up the St. Lawrence, and through the Welland Canal, she is making a tour of the Upper Lakes with her three adopted sons, whom she brought over with her. She intends to visit her countrymen in the Northwest, so that when she returns home she will know whether to advise the thousands there who want to change their homes to come to our promised land.

The Countess speaks English with ease. She is of medium height, has brown hair, blue eyes and a clear, clean-cut profile. She presents the appearance of a German matron who has several winters to see before she turns forty, writes a reporter who visited her on her queer craft at Chicago. A very slight cap did not hide the waves of soft brown hair that fell about her forehead. When she did not talk in her slight foreign accent she smiled as she listened to a guest who was more than likely trying to answer some question the Countess had asked about the suffering in Chicago among the poor.

"I like Americans," she said; "you have no caste and the poorest laboring man is a gentleman. I have great hopes for success in Chicago. The sailors I have spoken with and the men on the docks tell me the condition of the men in Chicago is not as bad as I have been led to believe." The Countess picked up Walter Wyckoff's book, "The Workers," from her table. "This is all the source of my information as to the poor of Chicago at present," she said, "but is it true you have 200,000 men unemployed here every winter?"



COUNTESS SCHIMMELMAN AND HER YACHT, THE DUEN.

The guest to whom the question was put doubted the statement and the Countess said she had been skeptical as to its truth from what she had seen during the few hours she had been in Chicago. "Workingmen in England and the United States are so much better provided for than those on the continent," said the Countess, as she shook her head.

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One of her objects in visiting the great lakes is to inspect lands in Canada on Lake Superior, where she is anxious to establish a colony for the poor.

The Countess Adeline Schimmelman is a member of a Danish noble family. Until taking up missionary work among sailors she was a favorite at the courts of Copenhagen and Berlin. When she decided to help the unfortunate many of the wealthy and titled families of Europe came to her assistance, for she is not wealthy. In her yacht she has visited nearly all of the large seaports of the world in the last three years. During the summer she secures chairs and holds services on the deck of her boat. In winter she is obliged to go to a hall.

SMALLEST CHURCH IN ENGLAND.

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Where is the smallest church in America? It would be interesting to know. The smallest church in England has been discovered at Lullington, in Sussex. The village itself is on so small a scale that the miniature church, some sixteen feet square, is quite large enough to supply its needs. Built in mediæval times upon a slight eminence within a short distance of Alfriston, famous for its sixteenth century hostelry, the church is reached by a path which passes through charming scenery. The present structure stands upon the site of the chancel of the building destroyed during the Cromwellian struggles, and at the same time the church records disappeared, so that even the name of the patron saint is not now known. Some idea of the diminutive appearance of the building, which accommodates only about thirty worshipers, can be gathered from a glance at our illustration. Inside the small sanctuary the large pulpit completely dwarfs the scanty sitting accommodation. The belfry is more for ornament than use, and the birds are allowed to retain undisputed possession.

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Late Hints For the Wardrobes . Those Who Like to Be Correctly Gowned.

NEW YORK CITY (Special).—The cloth gowns show every week some new feature, so that it seems to be necessary to have three or four in one wardrobe in order to be correctly gowned, states Harper's Bazar. The skirts of all the gowns are made long, and as close-fitting as possible over the hips, and many of them have jackets of long cutaway coats. There is no doubt that the long coats and cloaks are much the fashion this year, and are being imported all the time. A smart walking gown is made with a velvet skirt, and over this is worn a long redingote of beige cloth that entirely covers the skirt. In front there is a flounce, of the same material as the redingote, that starts at the waist in a narrow width, and it gradually broadens out until it reaches part way up the coat. The upper part of the coat is finished with a deep collar that forms a wavy cape, and there is a high stock-collar and vest of velvet, and inside the stock-collar is a high flaring collar also of the velvet. On the front of this coat are large fancy buttons. The sleeves are small, but have a little fulness at the top. They are very long, and are finished around the wrist with a ruffled cuff. To wear with this coat is a hat of felt, something in a sailor shape, trimmed with rosettes of velvet and stiff wings. The same gown in two shades of green is effective also.

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The Boy's.

The small boy of fashion is arrayed in blouse and knickerbockers for ordinary wear. The trousers are slightly full and loose, depending a little from the band which is worn above the knee. Boys like this style much better than the fitted knee breeches heretofore worn.

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One novel and beautiful fibre which is used extensively on hats shows a coarse, lace-like mesh of heavy silk thread, woven with chenille cord. A variation of this is of coarse-meshed lace, interwoven with double zephyr wool.

Ribbon Frills For the Gown.

The liking for narrow ribbon frills and ruches increases—if that is possible. Three, four and even five ribbons of assorted colors are frequently combined to complete the trimming of a gown.

The Fashionable Jewelry.

Neck chains, lockets and crosses are fashionable. The slender gold chains strung with jewels are of course preferred. The most ultra chain ties about the throat and pear shape pearls finish the ends.

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A stylish out-of-door toilet for a tiny miss is here represented in rich red serge coating, trimmed with Persian lamb fur and tiny frills of black satin ribbon. Flare bonnet, of red velvet, with red taffeta bows and tie strings, black soft quills and border of Persian lamb. The Empire style needs no introduction. It is graceful and becoming to little folks, the cape collar with its circular ripple ruffle being also a revival of a former style and at this time a very popular feature.

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An Open Sewer Navigable for Vessels for Nine Sixteen Miles Lenght.

The smallest and busiest river in the world. Where do you think that is? Theodore Dreiser locates it in Chicago and has this to say about it: The peculiarity of this little stream is that it is the smaller river doing the largest business in the world, or in other words, the busiest river in the world. In the next place, it has the greatest depth for the narrowest width of any known river. In the third place, it has the largest number of bridges spanning it of any river of equal or greater length, barring the Missouri—a total of fifty two bridges. All these are draw or swinging bridges and carry a traffic of their own exceeding almost as important as that which passes below. Next, this river has little or no current to speak of, and flows upward instead of down. It is the only known river whose current has been turned round and made to flow the other way. Lastly, it is a sort of an orphan river, for while most rivers and harbors are owned and cared for by the United States government, the Secretary of War whose province it is to care for these things will have nothing to do with it, and Chicago repairs it only sufficient for its now needs, but lays no claim to the right of way.

In this strange predicament the little stream flows wretchedly backward, loaded with the largest and most valuable collection of vessels that ever crowded an inland sea. It is one tumultuous highway, far more exciting than Broadway and somewhat less charming than the Hudson. The city uses it as an emptying place for its sewers and the Street Cleaning Department as a dumping ground for its waste, and yet it is the most valuable factor in the life of Chicago and the one more than all else that has made the city what it is to-day. No other river in the wide world possesses or pretends to the appearance of this peculiar stream. In its busiest hours it is a sight for gods and men. A mere creek, it struggles with the burden of an ocean. The great deep-draught propellers tear the water into splattering fragments. Their huge stacks often hide the entire stream from view with great clouds of smoke. The ingoing and outgoing vessels quarrel for the right of way with all the vehemence inherent in gongs and whistles. Tug pilots handle their craft with a skill that would put to shame the manners of the heavy teamsters in a crowded New York lane.

The longest branch of the river today is more than ten miles in length, and the total length of all branches is sixteen. At its mouth it is no more than 200 feet wide, and the fact that it is the same width a mile or two upstream is due to the fact that it was made so by excavation and dredging. At one time (1850) it was 200 feet wide at Lake street, 175 feet wide at Randolph, a block further on, 165 feet at Washington, 175 feet at Madison and these but single blocks apart and so on until it became unnavigable by boats drawing ten feet of water. In that year, however, it was dredged and made a uniform width of 200 feet in the south branch, and it is kept that width by the walls of the immense buildings which have now encroached to the very water's edge, and which in most cases form the only banks visible.

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Last year the exports were in volume greater than in any previous month in the history of the country, but this year the three weeks' report shows an increase of 25 per cent against nine per cent in imports, which would indicate much more than $70,000,000 excess of exports this month.

The payments through clearing clearing houses have been for the week 26.5 per cent greater than last year and 12.4 per cent greater than in 1892, and for the month 17.8 per cent greater than in 1892. Until now no greater volume of business has ever been done in the history of this country than in the closing month of this year.

CUBANS RETURN THANKS.

General Palma of the Junta Issues a Proclamation.

General T. Estrada Palma, of the Cuban junta, issued a proclamation on behalf of the Cuban revolutionary party, in which he says:

"Now that Cuba is redeemed from the yoke of Spain and the last vestige of the tyranical rule of that country has been wiped from this continent, I wish to extend to our compatriots, and, in fact, all who in the time of strife and need furthered the cause of Cuba libre, on behalf of the Cuban revolutionary party, my sincere thanks. Cuba is now assured of independence and prosperity, and the need for contributions to the party which were so generously made by our friends from the incipiency of the revolution, February 24, 1895, is ended, and the work removed to another field. The island needs vast improvement, and it is to this end that all patriotic Cubans should bend their efforts."

HOBSON CALLED DOWN.

That Kissing Mania Resulted in Being "Advised" As to His Conduct.

Bitter disappointment is felt in Washington over the action of Lieutenant Hobson. Naval circles are intensely wrought up over his action, and the deepest resentment is shown toward him for his conduct in the west.

It is stated among navy officials that Secretary Long telegraphed Lieutenant Hobson, urging him to desist from his mode of receiving his admirers at receptions tendered him. Secretary Long has been urged to recall the hero of the Merrimac and administer a rebuke, but he declined to do this. Instead, however, he is said to have adopted the milder form of advising him as to his mode of conduct, urging him to desist, as he was imperiling his reputation and cheapening his glorious act of courage.

LIST OF NAVAL PROMOTIONS.

Commodore Kautz Made Rear Admiral. Other Promotions.

The retirement of Rear Admiral Bunce Sunday will result in the promotion of the following named officers: Commodore Albert Kautz to be rear admiral; Captain Frederick R. Rodgers to be commodore, Commander Edwin White to be captain, Lieutenant Commander C. C. Cornwell to be commander, Lieutenant (junior grade) T. C. Fenton to be lieutenant, Ensign L. A. Kaiser to be lieutenant (junior grade).

Hundreds of Soldiers Frozen.

The Vienna correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph says: "Several hundred Montenegrain soldiers, who were recently overtaken by a snow storm in the Lara Pass, were frozen to death. The expedition sent to their rescue found the snow drifts so heavy that it was impossible to save them."

Brooke En Route for Cuba.

General Brooke and the members of his staff left Friday noon for Miami, where they will take a steamer for Havana.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The ginnery of Tom Amaud, at Summerville, was destroyed by fire Saturday, entailing a heavy loss. The insurance on the destroyed property amounts to $4,000.

The city council of Montgomery will put in fifteen miles of reinforced water mains and dig artesian wells necessary to give more water than can be needed for the city's consumption for years to come.

Dr. R. A. Moseley, former Republican State chairman, has sold his newspaper, The Birmingham Times, to C. P. Schofield, of Bridgeport. The sale has revived the report that Dr. Moseley is to be appointed consul to Singapore.

Disorderly Soldiers.

J. P. Billups, traveling passenger agent of the Southern railway, who has been in Columbia, Tenn., attending the mustering out of the First and Second Mississippi Regiments, says the soldiers behaved outrageously after having been let out of the service. They perforated the depot with pistol balls, and were guilty of many acts of violence.

A battalion of the First Texas sailed from Savannah for Cuba.

PEACE TREATY DELIVERED

To President McKinley Late Saturday Afternoon.

TREATY WILL NOT BE MADE PUBLIC YET.

Interesting Ceremony Accompanied the Presentation of the Christmas Offering. The Document Will be Presented to Senate After Reassembling.

President McKinley received from the American peace commission late Saturday afternoon the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain. In presenting this momentous document, Judge Day, as chairman of the commission, said it represented the earnest efforts of the American representatives at Paris, and that it was submitted with the hope that it would redound to the credit ...glory of the American nation.

Accepting the treaty from the hands of Judge Day, the president responded with heartfelt thanks and congratulations to the commission as a body and to the members individually. He spoke of all that had been accomplished and of the happy method by which difficult questions had been adjusted.

The formal ceremony of delivering the treaty to the president occurred in the blue room, and lasted half an hour.

It was stated after the delivery of the treaty to the president that it would not be made public at present, the usual courtesy to the senate requiring that it should be submitted to that body before being made public. In the meantime, it will remain in the custody of the state department for safe-keeping, although copies of it will be in the hands of the president for such consideration as may be needed.

HOBSON SAILS FOR MANILA.

Immense Crowds on the Streets Cheer the Young Alabamian.

Lieut. Richmond Pearson Hobson sailed from San Francisco for the Philippines on the steamer Gaelic Saturday. He will report to Admiral Dewey on his arrival and will undertake the work of raising and preparing for service, under the United States flag, the vessels of Admiral Montejo, which suffered so severely under the attack of Admiral Dewey's squadron. An immense crowd was at the dock to witness his departure. Cheers upon cheers were given for him as he passed along the streets, and he was compelled at several points to say a few words to the people.

TROOPS PATROLING HAVANA.

Rioting at Monserrat Results in One Killed and Several Wounded.

The United States troops began Sunday evening a regular patrol of the city of Havana in order to guard against possible disorders. The Bando, issued on Friday by Capt.-Gen. Castellanos, prohibiting crowds from assembling in the streets, has been generally observed. Saturday night there was some disturbance, said to have been caused by liquor in Montserrat place. A shot was fired about midnight from a roof at a group of people below, and many shots were returned at figures vaguely seen on the roof. An unidentified man was killed and three were wounded in other affrays.

BROKE THE RECORD.

Tremendous Receipts of Cotton at Houston, Tex.

The cotton receipts at Houston, Tex., for the first months of the present season have been 2,000,000 bales, a record never equaled by an interior town or port of the United States, and which will be celebrated with a banquet, to which all the prominent civic officials and cotton men will be invited. The 2,000,000-bale mark has never been reached in an entire season before by an interior town.

FOOD FOR CUBANS.

Uncle Sam Makes the Starving Islanders a Christmas Present.

WASHINGTON.—The Secretary of war has received the following cablegram from Major-General Lee at Havana. Seven thousand rations have been sent to Guines and about 40,000 to other points in Havana province. Rations are also being distributed in the city of Havana, including 2,000 cans of condensed milk to sick and debilitated women and children.

Fatal Street Duel.

At Harrison, Ark., Frank Pace, ex-prosecuting attorney, and his brother, Henry, met Henry M. Aderholtz, a prominent stockman, on the street, and a duel ensued, in which Aderholtz was mortally wounded. The trouble grew out of a difficulty a few days ago between Aderholtz and Captain Pace, father of the brothers, in which Captain Pace was dangerously shot and a bystander killed by a stray bullet.

Three Men Shot.

A fight occurred Saturday night twelve miles west of Stevenson, on Little Coal creek, between the three Beene brothers on one side and the two Ashley brothers on the other. K. Beene was shot through the heart and killed. John Ashley was shot through the stomach and fatally wounded. James Ashley was shot through the right lung and may recover. It was the result of whiskey and an old feud. **The two Beenes not wounded have fled the country.**

CURRENT EVENTS IN ALABAMA.

Postmaster Appointed.

Arthur Coleman has been appointed postmaster at Hamburg, Perry county.

Sequel to a Shooting Affray.

George R. Mason, who was shot by Percy Clarke at Selma several weeks ago, died from the effects of the wound.

Accidentally Shot.

Clem Goff, of Cullman, was accidentally shot by Charles Buldrum Sunday. The shot entered the stomach, and the victim is not expected to live.

Killed in a Runaway.

In Birmingham Sunday morning a team of mules belonging to the Brown Lumber company and driven by Ed Allen, colored, ran away. Mr. Brown heard of the mishap and went to the scene, where he found the driver dead in the road.

Mobile's Cotton Mill.

A tract of land containing twenty-five acres at Mobile has been secured by purchase for the Mobile Cotton Mill by Messrs. Pollock, Hamill and others, and the erection of the building, for which plans and contracts are ready, will begin at once.

A $40,000 Fire at Birmingham.

The entire plant of the Tennessee Packing company, at Birmingham, together with a big stock of fresh and cured meat, burned Sunday. Loss, $40,000; insurance, $10,000. The cause of the fire is a mystery. This is the second time the plant has been burned.

Movement of Troops at Huntsville.

The First United States Infantry has been ordered to move from Huntsville to Havana. The First battalion leaves for Port Tampa and the Second battalion goes to Charleston Tuesday. The Third battalion will go to Port Tampa on January 4. The Second battalion of the Second engineers has been ordered to Havana.

A Selma Boy Killed in a Wreck.

Tom Sullivan, a well-known young man of Selma, who had enlisted in the regular army, was killed in a railroad wreck in Florida last week. The young man was only about 18 years old. He enlisted as a volunteer in Company M, of the Second Alabama regiment, and on his command being mustered out, joined the regulars at St. Francis Barracks.

Quarreled Over a Game of Cards.

At Alexandria Sunday night, Jim Mitchell and Doc McClelland quarreled over a game of cards. Both drew pistols and fired. McClelland's shot struck Mitchell in the forehead, tearing off the top of the skull and killing him instantly. Mitchell's ball struck McClelland directly over the heart, but flattened itself against a knife in his pocket, thereby saving his life.

Gruesome Find.

News comes from Bibb county of the discovery of the dead body of an unknown man in Alligator creek, near the plantation of Nix Smith. The corpse was in such a state of decomposition that it was impossible to tell whether it was a white man or a negro. The clothing and suspenders were filled with small holes, evidently made by shot, which leads to the conclusion that the man was shot to death.

Assistant Postmaster at Decatur Murdered

Ed Sparkman, the assistant postmaster at Decatur, was stabbed late Monday afternoon by a tramp. He died from the effects of the wound s short time afterward. Keeler, the assassin, is in jail at Cullman. The report from Decatur is lacking in many of the important details, which are yet to be explained. What Keeler's motive in stabbing Sparkman was is a profound mystery, even in Decatur.

Burglar Killed.

At an early hour Friday morning, while a northbound Louisville & Nashville freight train was waiting for another freight on the siding at Hartselle, Anderson Nesbitt, a negro brakeman, attempted to break into the residence of Dr. Joe Turney for the purpose of robbery. As he was about to gain entrance through a window, Dr. Turney emptied a double-barreled shotgun into Nesbitt's face, killing him instantly. Dr. Turney was not arrested.

Decision Against the University.

The report of the commission to examine the merits of the university's claims against the state of more than $2,000,000 has decided against the university in every case. The commission consisted of Judge J. J. Mitchell, of Florence; Judge Lapsley, of Anniston, and Dr. E. A. Smith, of the university. Dr. Smith submits a minority report finding for the university in each of the three cases submitted. The matter caused a deal of discussion in the general assembly two years ago, when that body came near deciding to recognize the entire debt claimed. As a compromise measure the commission was appointed as stated.

FILIPINO CONGRESS

Unanimously Adjourned Owing to Difficulty in Formulating a Constitution.

The so-called congress of the revolutionary government of the Filipinos, which had been in session for some time at Maloles, Philippine Islands, has unanimously adjourned owing to the difficulty of formulating a constitution.

The cabinet of President Aguinaldo appointed at Bacoor on July 25 last and named in the Bacoor proclamation issued that day, has resigned.

WILL SEIZE WAKE ISLAND.

The Bennington Is Ordered to Take Possession at Once.

FINAL EXCHANGE OF FLAGS IN CUBA

Will Take Place in Havana January 1. Cubans Will Accept Any Policy McKinley Inaugurates—Asleep Five Months.

WASHINGTON.—The government has determined to hoist the flag over an island far out in the Pacific ocean, and orders were sent out late Friday afternoon to the commander of the Bennington, Captain Taussig, which is now at Honolulu, to proceed at once to take possession in the name of the United States government, of Wake Island, lying in latitude 19 north, 166 east. It is distant about 2,000 miles from the Hawaiian Islands and 1,300 from Guam. It is almost in a direct line between these possessions of the United States and is admirably adapted for use as a station for a Pacific cable to connect the Philippines with Hawaii and the United States. It is about three miles in length and encloses a lagoon of salt water. It is scarcely capable in itself of sustaining life, but it is expected that a cable station can be maintained by erecting a plant for the supply of water.

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PROGRAMME AGREED UPON.

Final Exchange of Flags in Cuba Will Take Place January 1.

At the joint meeting of the United States and Spanish military commissioners in Havana Friday, the programme was finally agreed upon for the exchange of flags on January 1 at noon.

It was agreed at the meeting that the Spanish troops remaining in Cuba after January 1 should be considered in the light of foreign troops in a friendly country and to be accorded the privileges usually granted under international law.

The Spanish sick in the hospitals will remain under the safeguard of the American flag, the Spanish authorities providing medicines, attendance and food, repatriating them on recovery.

CUBAN GOVERNMENT.

Will Accept Unreservedly Any Policy McKinley Inaugurates.

The Havana correspondent of the London Times says: President McKinley will have an unfettered hand here. A majority of the Cubans are prepared to accept unreservedly any regime treating them justly and insuring the tranquility of the island. The Spanish residents are also contented to accept the inevitable, believing that their interests will be protected and themselves fairly treated. Therefore, the way is clear to establish any system of government the Washington authorities may see fit to impose.

ASLEEP FIVE MONTHS.

A Young Woman Who Had Been in a Trance Five Months Awakes.

Tony Broshiet, a young woman 22 years of age, who has been in a trance for the past five months, at her home in Milwaukee, Wis., was brought to her normal condition through the influence of hypnotism. Miss Brosheit retired, as usual, in her apartments on the 23d of July last. On the following morning when it was time to awaken, she kept on sleeping, and though at times she would open her eyes, she seemed unconscious of her surroundings. At last an application of "suggestive therapeutics," a form of hypnotism, was tried and the patient was successfully brought out of her trance. She had been kept alive with liquid food.

The regular work of the second term of the University of Alabama will begin January 3, next. That will be an advantageous time for new students to enter, as will February 15 (the middle of the session), or March 19 (the beginning of the third term). Students may, however, enter any day during the session.

The Saturday Telegram, Selma, Ala., has printed Hobson's great Selma speech and his Montgomery speech, with personal data. It will be mailed upon receipt of 10 cents; four copies or 24 cents in stamps.

Hitt May Go to St. Petersburg.

A dispatch from Washington says: The indications are that Robert E. Hitt, of Illinois, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, has been asked to accept the Ambassadorship to Russia, by the President.

Sagasta Seriously Ill.

The condition of Senor Sagasta, of Spain, now causes great anxiety. Six physicians were in consultation Friday regarding his case and concurred that he is suffering from bronchial pneumonia.

Judicious advertising pays.

HAWAII'S ATHLETES.

Could Give Us Points in Running and Swimming.

The Hawaiian native is especially fond of athletics, and shows to advantage in a tug of war, foot racing and broad jumping. As a long distance runner his speed and endurance would excite the envy of more than one professional. "In olden times, runners were the only means of sending important messages from one chief or tribe to another, and the Hawaiian forefathers seem to have handed down all the essentials which go to make up a good race.

If a Hawaiian does well as an athlete on terra firma, he certainly excels in the water. For diving and swimming he seems to have a natural aptitude. In the early days of the missionary the "men of the cloth" tell in their records how it was no uncommon thing for a native to swim from one island to another. Diving they also delight in. A native often throws himself head first from a cliff fifty or sixty feet high into a shallow pool scarcely ten or twelve feet deep. As his body strikes the water it arches like a bow, with his head almost to his heels, and the next instant shoots to the surface with a broad grin on his face. A Kanaka, in fact, is well night amphibious. In infancy he learns to swim almost unconsciously. There is probably not a native boy or girl ten years of age who could not give us "cards and spades" in the water and they beat us, without half trying. Of times a Kanaka spends the entire day along the shore, now gliding through the water, suddenly disappearing and bobbing up thirty or forty yards from where you last saw him; next clambering over the coral reefs and ledges in search of opihis (Hawaiian oysters), and again stretched at full length on the warm sand, face upturned to the sky.

A New Gas Engine.

A new carbon dioxide engine, recently brought to notice by William F. Roberts, of Philadelphia, is based on the principle and its application of making the gas simply a vehicle for carrying heat energy to the engines, by means of which it is transformed into energy in such a form that it can readily be utilized as power. That is, the engine is actuated by the carbon dioxides used expansively upon the piston in a manner similar to that employed in steam engines, but with the piston area reduced proportionately to the amount of power as compared with steam.

For use in the engine the carbon dioxide gas is stored in a liquid form in a cylinder prepared for the purpose, it being led from this in small tubes through a heating apparatus, where it is brought to a temperature of about 150 to 200 degrees Fahrenheit, at which temperature it is introduced into the engine. By means of a specially adapted system of valves, the gas at this high temperature and pressure is passed into the cylinders of the engine and then withdrawn from the latter at a temperature below thirty-two degrees Fahrenheit.

The gas—a waste product in many lines of manufacturing—is relatively cheap in its liquid form, and for such an engine it is claimed that, being compact, powerful, and economical of operation, it can be adopted with success in many places where steam and electricity are now employed.

Oxford and the House of Commons

Of the 670 members of the House of Commons, 142, or just one over one-fifth, are described as having been educated at Oxford. An examination of the numbers which the different colleges contribute to this total reveals some interesting particulars. Christ Church easily heads the list with fifty. This number includes three members of the present cabinet—Sir M. Hicks-Beach, Mr. Chaplin, and Mr. Long—and also the two members for the university—Sir John Mowbray and Mr. T. E. Talbot. Balliol makes a good second, its share being twenty-eight, including such prominent politicians as Sir M. W. Ridley and Mr. Asquith. In proportion to the members, University shows up exceedingly well with fourteen, and this includes, curiously enough, Lord Cranborne and Lord Hugh Cecil, and also Mr. Herbert Gladstone. New College, with thirteen, Exeter with nine, and Corpus with six, stand next in order, several colleges number two or three each, while Lincoln and Trinity have only one representative apiece in the House, but in the cases of these colleges the lack of quantity is fully atoned for by the distinguished character of their alumni, for they are Mr. John Morley and Prof. Bryce.—Westminister Gazette.

Buttermilk as a Medicine.

Long experience has demonstrated buttermilk to be an agent of superior digestibility. It is indeed, a true milk peptone; that is, milk already partially digested, the coagulation of the coagulable portion being loose and flaky, and not of that firm, indigestible nature which is the result of the action of the gastric juice upon sweet cow's milk. It is a decided laxative, a fact which must be borne in mind in the treatment of typhoid fever, and which may be turned to advantage in the treatment of habitual constipation. It is a diuretic, and may be used to an advantage in some kidney troubles. It resembles koumiss in its nature, and, with the exception of that article, it is the most grateful, refreshing and digestible of the products of milk. It is invaluable in the treatment of diabetis, either exclusively or alternating with skim milk. In some cases of gastric ulcer and cancer of the stomach, it is the only food that can be retained.—Elgin.

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR to all is the hearty greeting of THE BANNER, and may 1899 prove to be the brightest and most prosperous year of the century.

WILL our correspondents kindly make it a rule to send in their communications not later than Tuesday of each week. We are obliged to hold over some received only this morning.

THE election of a Mayor and Councilmen for the town of Clanton does not appear to be causing much excitement. No matter who is elected we hope that every exertion will be made and every possible cent utilized this next year in the improvement of our streets. Other matters can wait.

THE Christmas holidays have been marred by an unusual number of accidents with pistols and fire-crackers. There may be some little excuse for accidents caused by fire-crackers, but those by guns should be thoroughly investigated, and if malice or undue carelessness is shown the perpetrators should be brought to justice.

THE eclipse of the moon on Tuesday night was a splendid natural spectacle with which to conclude the Christmas festivities. As the shades of night began to fall and the moon arose the spectators noticed that one edge of the orb of night was in shadow which gradually extended over the whole surface, completely obscuring it. It was a beautiful clear night, and the watchers everywhere had one of the best opportunities to witness a total eclipse.

IT will be remembered that about six weeks ago George R. Mason, a prominent Populist of Dallas county, during a political dispute with Percy Clark, editor of the Selma Telegram, was shot and wounded by the latter. Mason died on Monday morning, and Clark, who was spending Christmas in Montgomery, as soon as he heard the news, returned to Selma and surrendered to the authorities. He is to have a preliminary trial before the Mayor of Selma to-day. The whole occurrence is greatly deplored by the friends of both parties.

THE coming constitutional convention is already causing much speculation among the people as to its probable outcome. Discussions are going on as to what the convention will attempt to do, and who will be possible candidates. THE BANNER has at present no information regarding any candidates from Chilton or from this senatorial district, and begs the people to earnestly consider the best men to be found for this purpose.

THE cotton receipts at Clanton are already greater than any previous entire season. But Houston, Texas, has broken the record, having this season already received two million bales, and the secretary of the cotton exchange there estimates that six hundred thousand bales will yet be received during the remainder of the season. The two million bale mark has never been reached in an entire season before by an interior town. In 1894-95, the record crop year of the United States, Houston's receipts were the largest in the country, but were two hundred thousand short of two million. There is no doubt but that this year's crop is the largest ever made.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

THE fourth section of the Constitutional Convention bill, provides that the delegates shall be citizens of the State and qualified electors, and "that the delegates from the State at large shall be apportioned so that one of the same shall be a resident citizen of each the senatorial districts." This section also provides that any person holding an office of profit under the State or Federal governments can be elected a delegate to the convention.

Section 5 follows the present election law in making the Judge of Probate, the Clerk of the Circuit Caurt, and the Sheriff the returning board to canvass the returns, and they are to meet at the court house of each county on the Saturday following the election. The board will have first to find out how many votes were cast in favor of holding the convention, and how many against it. They will then ascertain how many votes were cast for each delegate, and immediately are to certify such votes to the Secretary of State.

Sections 6 and 7 provides that the Governor, the Secretary of State and the Attorney-General shall meet on the third Tuesday in July, 1899, and canvass the returns from the State. If it is found that a majority of votes have been cast for the convention they are then to ascertain what persons were elected from the State at large, and who were elected delegates from each county. The Secretary of State will issue certificates to the persons so elected, and the Governor is to give public notice in three daily papers in three different portions of the State that the convention is to be held, and call upon the delegates-elect to assemble in the House of Representatives in Montgomery on Tuesday after the first Monday in August, 1899, at meridian, and proceed to organize "by the election of a president from among themselves, and such other officers (who need not be delegates) as the convention may deem necessary for the proper performance of the duty assigned to the convention. Said convention shall continue in session until it shall by careful revision and amendment of the present constitution frame and adopt a revised constitution for this State."

The eighth section makes the convention "the exclusive judge of the election, qualification and returns of its own members." And "Any person desiring to contest the election of a person certified as being elected a delegate to said convention may do so in the same manner as an election of a member of the Lower House of the General Assembly is contested, and by giving the same bond, and testimony shall be taken in the same method."

Section 9 provides that the Convention shall be supplied with stationery, reports and documents, etc., the same as the General Assembly. The officers of the convention are to receive the same compensation as corresponding officers of the House of Representatives are by law allowed, and delegates will be allowed the same per diem and mileage as members of the General Assembly. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or one of the Associate Justices, will call the convention to order and preside until temporary officers are elected. The most important clause in this section is that which provides that "per diem compensation shall not be allowed or paid to any member of the convention for a longer time than fifty days."

Section 10 provides for the convention filing with the Secretary of State, within one week of its adjournment, "a clean and correct copy of the constitution which said convention may adopt." The convention is to cause a correct journal of its proceedings to be kept.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. J. M. Stanfield.

Political Pointers.

Peoples Party Press Bureau
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 7, 1898

The eighteenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor in session recently at Kansas City, emphatically re-asserted its fidelity to Free Silver, declared in favor of the 8 hour work day, rejected socialism and re-elected President Gompers by an almost unanimous vote. Organizers will be at once put to work to strengthen the order in the south and west.

The work of combining the Pottery companies of the United States under the name of the American Pottery Company with a capitalization of $20,000,000, has been completed; and the Trusts are not all dead yet.

The Democratic leaders of Iowa recently held a conference in Des Moines for the purpose of discussing the issues of the next campaign. They declared in favor of Bimetallism but the question of ratio was not given prominence. They announced oppositio to Trusts, Territorial expansion, increase in the army as contemplated by the Hull bill, retirement of the Greenbacks and fusion with any other political party.

Ex Governor Altgeld, of Illinois, announces that he will make the race for Mayor of Chicago in the spring against Carter Harrison, jr. on an Independent ticket, and the "Chicago and municipal ownership" platform. Notwithstanding the fact that he has strong supporters many of the ex governor's friends think he is making a mistake to antagonize Mayor Harrison after the great victory he has just won over street railway franchise thieves

Senator J. K. Jones, of Arkansas Chairman of the Democratic national committee, is quoted as saying that Wm. J. Bryan of Nebraska, would in all probability be the Democratic nominee for president in 1900 with Free Silver and opposition to Trusts as the dominant issues.

There has been much talk lately about the negotiation of a Russian loan in the United States and the bankers of the Windy City, on the lake, are of the opinion that this country has money to "burn" and that no trouble will be encountered by Russia in securing all the money desired here.

Tally one for the United States Senate. By a vote of 30 to 8, that body has refused to consider the Proctor Cuban-Porto Rican junketing resolution providing for a committee of five to go to Cuba and Porto Rico and investigate the social, political, military and financial conditions of the natives. Many Republicans, to their credit, be it said, joined with the Democrats in voting down the resolution.

The latest game of "freeze out" is an Ice Cream Trust recently formed at Chicago. What next!

Ex-comptroller of the currency, A. B. Hepburn of New York, vice-president of the City National Bank where the Standard Oil millions are deposited, is shedding crocodile tears over the fate of the rich man whom he fears will soon have to go to work. This is what he says: "The return from wealth is growing gradually smaller, while the return from labor in this country is growing larger. The man of wealth must be prepared to adjust himself to rapidly changing conditions. Unless he will bring his own ability and energy to reinforce his money he must change his mode of living and adopt economies which have not been necessary in bygone years.

Senator Marion Butler, chairman o the Populist national committee has offered an amendment to the pension law, providing for the payment of pensions to all ex-confederate soldiers. Senator Butler's intentions may be the best, but his amendment is not meeting with general favor, even among the men whom it is intended to benefit.

Will wonders never cease? The National Board of Trade committee on postal affairs has reported a resolution favoring the establishment of Postal Savings Banks by the government. When such bodies favor a move of this kind it is clearly evident that the sentiment in behalf of such things must be growing.

Senator Joe Blackburn, of Kentucky, the gallant Silver Democrat who was defeated two years ago for the U. S. Senate by a gold-bug will be a candidate again next year for the same position with better prospects of success. A. R.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz' Thus writes W. G. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. Y. Trial bottles free at Clanton Drug co. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

It is becoming more evident each day that the Democratic program in 1900 will be anti monopoly, anti-expansion and Bimetallism. Col. Bryan has already sounded the keynote of the next campaign in the following recent statement: "The sentiment against the trusts is a growing sentiment, because more and more people are feeling the injustice done by these combinations of capital, and because the subject is becoming better understood among people generally. To believe that the trusts can permanently exist in the United States is to believe that wrong committed indirectly and upon a large scale is less objectionable than wrong committed directly.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by J. S. Johnson jr.

Ex Secretary of State, John Sherman, is doing considerable talking since being kicked out of McKinley's cabinet. In a recent interview he says, "negotiations were in progress to purchase Cuba when the war spirit developed. Now what have we got for all our expense? Some islands in the Philippines for instance, which are worth about $200,000 per annum in commerce, increased indebtedness of $200,000,000 and a lot of islands inhabited mainly by man-eaters. And the most distressing feature of the affair is that we are now about to be called upon to pay $20,000,000 for territory that we could have taken without spending a dollar." It must not be forgotten that John is a Republican.

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Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 20,214.
Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 27, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on February 4, 1899, viz.: William R. Dawson, Homestead entry No. 28,812, for the Ne 1-4 of Ne 1-4, Section 6, To. 22 n of R 13 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz.: O. H. Hodgens, G. W. Hodgens, C. C. Cost, D. C. Hibbard, all of Jemison, Ala.

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Mr. H. W. Tickner, of the Montgomery Journal, is amongst our Xmas visitors.

Mr. Charlie Merritt and Miss Nellie Merritt are at home for the holidays.

Mr. Renfroe Mullins, of Howard college, is at home spending the vacation.

Messrs. R. C. Middleton, of Birmingham, and A. C. Middleton, of Shorters, paid a Xmas visit to their parents here.

Dr. J. B. Adams of Randolph, spent Xmas with his father, Judge Adams.

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Mr. W. L. Kemp, of Waugh, spent the holidays with parents here.

Mr. Lonnie Smith, of Anniston, spent Xmas in town.

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Mr. J. E. Adams of Randolph, spent Xmas with his father, Judge Adams.

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Mr. W. L. Kemp, of Waugh, spent the holidays with parents here.

Mr. Jerome Smith, of Anniston, was in town Friday.

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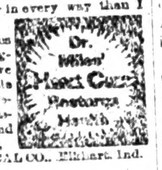

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Final Proof Notice.

Notice No. 20181.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala.,
December 14 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Clanton, Ala., on January 28 th, 1899, viz. Frank Henry Henscread entry No. 28518, for the Se ¼ of nw ¼ sw ¼ of ne ¼, Section 30, Township 21 in Range 13 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John A. Lowery, of Clear Creek, Ala.; William H. Shaw, of Clear Creek, Ala.; Oliver C. McGraw, of Clear Creek, Ala.; George B. Armstrong, of Montevallo, Ala.

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale given in a certain mortgage executed on the 15th day of November, 1897, by H. L. Deason to John Headley, and recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Chilton county, Alabama, in Book No. 42 of Mortgages, Pages 619, 620, the undersigned will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the Court House at Clanton in Chilton county, Alabama, on

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1898,

the following described real and personal property, to wit:

The south half of northwest fourth of Section two (2), Township twenty (20), Range thirteen (13), containing eighty (80) acres, more or less; also one Chilhee steel Log Wagon and outfit consisting of Loading Chains, etc. All of said property is situated in Chilton county, Alabama.

Said sale will be made for the purpose of satisfying said mortgage and all costs and expenses incident to said sale.

Dated at Clanton, Ala., Dec. 6, 1898.

JOAN HEADLEY, Mortgagee
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Commissioner's Sale.

In pursuance and in accordance with the terms and directions of a commission issued and directed to the undersigned by the Hon. S. M. Adams, Judge of Probate of Chilton county, bearing date the 26th day of December, 1898, I will proceed to sell to the highest bidder for cash at public auction at Stanley, Alabama, on Wednesday, January 4, 1899, the following described personal property, to wit:

One red cow, no horns, about six years old. One white cow, no horns, about ten years old, and her calf. One red and white spotted cow, no horns, about six years old, and her calf, and one red and white spotted cow, no horns, about three years old, and her calf, and one black and white spotted bull, about four years old. One bay mare about four years old. One gray mule about 15 years old. One mouse colored mule about eleven years old. One leather top buggy and harness. Which said property is to be sold under the decree of said court for the purpose of a division of the proceeds among the several owners thereof.

J. H. JOHNSON,
Commissioner.

Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama,
Chilton County.

In Probate Court in the matter of Rolly Latham, deceased, J. H. Shoults Administrator.

To E. Latham, Grady, Kent County, Texas; J. C. Latham, Aquilla, Hill County, Texas; L. C. Latham, Hollands Bell County, Texas.

You will take notice that this day came J. H. Shoults, administrator of the estate of said decedent, and filed his application in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain lands described therein, for the purpose of partition among the heirs described in said application.

And it was ordered that Monday, the 6 day of February, 1899, be, and the same is hereby appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time any part es in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

S. M. ADAMS,
Judge of Probate.

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A fine assortment of Glass, China, Tin and Granate Ware, Dolls and Toys.
11 Children's Jackets $2.00.
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1 dozen Plush Capes $3.00 to $5.00 worth $18.00
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A few Ladies' Jackets left that are perfectly beautiful. Have to be seen to be appreciated $5.00 worth $20.00
1 lot ready made skirts $1.00, $1.50 $2.00 and $3.00.
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LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SOME ITEMS OF INTEREST TO UNION WORKMEN.

The Eight Hour Movement in Australia—Tremendous Demonstration by the Union Labor Forces of the City of Sydney—General Labor Notes.

The Rain Upon the Roof.

(An old favorite.)

Long ago a poet dreaming,
Weaving fancy's warp and woof,
Penned a tender, soothing poem
On the "Rain upon the Roof."

Once I read it, and its beauty
Filled my heart with memories sweet;
Days of childhood fluttered round me,
Violets sprang beneath my feet.

And my gentle, loving mother
Spoke again in accents mild,
Curbing every wayward passion
Of her happy, thoughtless child.

Then I heard the swallows twittering
Underneath the cabin eaves,
And the laughing shout of Willie
Up among the maple leaves.

Then I blessed the poet's dreaming,
Blessed his fancy's warp and woof,
And I wept o'er memories treasured,
As the rain fell on the roof.

Years ago I lost the poem,
But its sweetness lingered still,
As the freshness of the valley
Marks where flowed the springtime rill.

Lost to reach, but not to feeling;
For the raindrop never falls
O'er my head with pattering music,
But it peoples memory's halls.

With the old familiar faces
Loved and treasured long ago,
Treasured now as in life's springtime—
For no change my heart can know.

And I live again my childhood
In the home far, far away;
Roam the woodland, orchard, wildwood,
With my playmates still at play;

Then my gray hairs press the pillow,
Holding all the world aloof,
Dreaming sweetly as I listen
To the rain upon the roof.

Every pattering drop that falleth
Seemeth like an angel's tread,
Bringing messages of mercy
To the weary heart and head.

Pleasant thoughts of years departed,
Pleasant soothings for to-day,
Earnest longings for to-morrow,
Hoping for the far away;

For I know each drop that falleth
Comes to bless the thirsty earth,
Making seed to bud and blossom,
Springing all things into birth.

As the radiant bow that scattereth
All our faithlessness with proof
Of a seedtime and a harvest,
So the rain upon the roof.

—Mrs. F. B. Gage.

Eight Hour Day.

Oct. 3 was celebrated as Eight-hour day in Sydney. The principal feature of the celebration was the procession of trade societies through the streets, headed by the eight-hour banner, and attended by their own banners and half a dozen bands. The following societies took part in the procession:

Seamen, Progressive Carpenters, Coachmakers, Amalgamated Engineers, Typographical, Bookbinders, Lithographic, Letterpress Machinists, Coopers, Pressers, Glass Workers, Boilermakers, United Laborers, Butchers, Bricklayers, Tinsmiths, Amalgamated Carpenters, Gas Stokers, Australasian Engineers, Furniture Trades, Painters, Plasterers, Shipwrights, Bakers, Plumbers, Stonemasons, Ironmolders.

Punctually at 9 o'clock the head marshal, Mr. G. Moody, gave the order to march, and the cavalcade, headed by a detachment of mounted troopers, moved from the Trades Hall into George, Park, College, Oxford, and Bourke streets, and thence to the Agricultural Ground. All along the route crowds lined the roadway on both sides.

About 15,000 people attended the Agricultural Ground, Moore Park, to witness the sports and military tournament, which began at 10 o'clock, and concluded about 6. The military contests were the feature of the day, some excellent horsemanship being shown. Other sports were well contested, and the whole combined to make a capital day's outing for those who invested the "nimble bob."

The chairman, in proposing "The Day We Celebrate," referred to the progress of the eight-hour movement, and he expressed regret that restrictive legislation in regard to the hours of labor was not more advanced in this colony. Reference was made to the rejection of the bill to legalize the Art Union, which had hitherto been a prominent feature in connection with the demonstration. The bill could have been opposed only through ignorance, because the committee only desired to have the same privileges which were granted to artists in connection with the holding of art unions.—The Worker, Sidney, Australia.

Immigration for 1898.

The number of immigrants who have come to the United States during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, was [illegible],299, while the number for the preceding year was 230,832; thus it is observed that notwithstanding the war immigration has not decreased to any appreciable extent.

Of this number 44,473 were illiterate, 23 per cent of those above the age of fifteen years not being able to read or write. More than half of these immigrants came from Austria-Hungary, Italy, Poland and Russia, while not quite a third came from Great Britain, France, Germany and Scandinavia.

It is evident from the immigration reports for the past few years that that class of immigration usually known as [illegible]ed desirable is becoming few[illegible]mber each year, while the [illegible] undesirable immigration is increasing at an alarming rate. This is accounted for by the known fact that a desire to better one's condition is the sole cause of immigration. So long as industrial conditions [illegible]nited States were far superior to [illegible]reat Britain, France and [illegible]ost every [illegible]king people of those countries immigrated to the United States in large numbers, but when the wage reductions and lack of employment of the present decade became known in those countries it was a debatable question as to which of the countries afforded a native of Europe the most desirable home.

Japan's Watch Industry.

Notwithstanding the cheap labor in Japan and strenuous efforts made to manufacture watches by the Japanese, that country continues to import great numbers of watches and clocks from Switzerland and the United States. In 1897 $816,000 of Swiss watches and $109,610 of American watches were imported, while for the first six months of 1898 Switzerland supplied Japan with watches to the value of $564,065, and the United States sent watches amounting in value to $82,845.

It is stated that the American watches are held in high repute by the Japanese, but the Swiss watches being much the cheapest the latter are most popular with the masses. A showy case counts for more than an accurate timepiece with most people in that country. Concerning the conditions of the watch industry and the price of labor, a leading paper of Tokyo says: "A member of the Osaka Watch company says that the wages paid to the workers in that factory are certainly much lower than those paid in European or American factories; yet, despite this fact, the business of watchmaking is not a paying one in Japan. Lack of skill among the mechanics is one of the reasons given for this state of affairs."

Self-Lighting Gas Burners.

The Matchless Gas Lighting syndicate of London now have on exhibition a self-lighting gas burner, which is said to perform perfectly the duties expected of it. It is described as follows:

"As in previous devices of the same kind, the catalytic properties of spongy platinum are employed to effect the actual ignition, the novelty in the apparatus on view consisting in an automatic bye-pass valve. On turning on the tap to the burner, the gas, in the first instance, flows through this bye-pass to a small jet, through which it escapes and impinges on a particle of spongy platinum. The latter quickly ignites the escaping jet, and the flame thus produced heats a wire connected by suitable linkages with the bye-pass valve in such a way that as the wire expands the by-pass closes, opening at the same time a passage to the main jet. The lighting device is intended, in the main, for use with incandescent burners, but is also fitted to the ordinary."

The Municipal Problem.

While the citizens of American municipalities are crouching in fear, expecting momentarily to have their very homes given to corporations seeking franchises at the hands of aldermen, the people of European cities are discussing a very different problem. Instead of corporations ruling the municipalities of the monarchies and military power of the Old World as they do in the American republic the people are there taking things in their own hands.

Much has been said of the municipal gas and water plants and street railways of Great Britain, but now the news comes that the great strike of laborers in Paris (which was "lost," according to press reports), has resulted in the discontinuance of municipal "contracts" and the direct employment of laborers by the city in public works.

Labor Notes.

The cigarmakers spend $30,000 a year advertising their label.

The percentage of successful strikes of workingmen is greater this year than ever before.

A. L. Fife, a Chicago printer, was fined $160 for using the printer's label without authority.

The union scale is the living wage, the life line beyond which the workers will not allow themselves to be forced.

The strike of 600 shoe lasters at Brocton, Mass., has been settled by the committee. As a result 78 new members were initiated at one meeting.

The leather trust will shut down 100 tanneries to raise the price of leather. The man or concern that controls the means of production is the ruler, whatever you may think or say about it. The people, therefore should have control.

Thos. J. Kidd, Geo. Zentner, and Michael Troeber, accused of conspiracy to injure the business of the Paine Lumber Co., of Oshkosh, Wis., during the Woodworkers strike, were acquitted in the Municipal Court November 2d. The jury was out one hour.

Political Arithmetic.

In Australia, as in the United States, school-teachers need a large discretion. Here, for example, is a story from the Sydney Telegraph: A New South Wales country school-teacher set a boy a question in compound proportion for home work one evening. It happened to include the circumstance of "men working ten hours a day in order to complete a certain work." Next morning the unsuspecting teacher, in looking over the little pack of exercises, found "Jim's" sum unattempted, and the following letter attached to the page: "Sur—I refuse to let Jim do his sum you give him last nite has it looks to me to be a slur at 8-hour sistum enny sum not more than 8 hours he is welcum to do but not more. Yours truly, Abram Blank, senr."

An examination of the newspapers shows that they are able to prove any old thing of George Washington's farewell address.

COST OF IMPERIALISM.

ARMY BUDGET THE HIGHEST ON EARTH.

Shall This Unheard-of Burden of Taxation Be Borne by the People or Shall They Protest and Be Called Anarchists?

Secretary Alger, by asking for over $165,000,000 for the support of the regular army in time of peace, has raised two questions that touch the heart and the pocket of every American citizen who does not profit by legalized injustice and oppression. These questions are: "Shall the United States be more heavily taxed for military purposes than any other country on earth?" "Shall this unheard-of burden of taxation be carried almost exclusively by people of small means, while the wealth our armaments protect goes free?" If we spend $166,000,000 a year for the army, $150,000,000 for pensions and $50,000,000 for the navy, we shall be paying $366,000,000 for military purposes. That is nearly twice as much as any power in Europe pays for the same objects. It is more than we paid in taxes for the entire support of the government as lately as last year. The amount Secretary Alger asks for the army alone is more than Germany pays for her army and navy combined. We have been accustomed to commiserate the European peasant, crushed under the intolerable burden of standing armies, and now we are asked, with no necessity whatever, to subject ourselves to a burden twice as great. But the distribution of this burden of taxation is even worse than the load itself. Mr. Rockefeller, to take the most conspicuous specimen of a class, has a fortune of over $300,000,000. His power to accumulate, possess and increase this fortune depends upon the protection of the government. Mr. Rockefeller's income is over $20,000,000 a year. That is equal to the combined incomes of forty thousand families, each living on annual earnings of $500. Under the Republican system of national taxation, which is based not on resources, but on personal consumption, Mr. Rockefeller's income, if divided among forty thousand families, would be taxed forty thousand times; concentrated in his hands, it need be taxed only once. In other words, with forty thousand times the means of a workingman, Mr. Rockefeller is not obliged to pay more than a workingman's taxes. In some respects he pays less. He uses no beer or tobacco, and so escapes the taxation levied on those humble luxuries. He does not play cards, and so does not pay for the revenue stamp on every pack. He does not live in rented rooms, and so is not taxed for his lease and his rent receipts. He does not borrow money on mortgage, subject to a mortgage stamp tax. He has his family physician, and so does not buy taxed proprietary medicines. He drinks no more tea than a sewing girl starving on four dollars a week, and if he used a quality as fine as that sipped by the emperor of China he would still pay only the sewing girl's tax of ten cents a pound. He uses no more taxed sugar than is consumed by a day laborer, and wears little more taxed clothing. Practically all of Mr. Rockefeller's gigantic income is absolutely exempt from national taxation, while every person of moderate means is taxed to the earth. Is that right? The Democracy does not think so. It believes that incomes and not family expenditures should be the measure of taxation. No extravagance in government. Necessary expenses to be met by fair methods of taxation. There is an issue ready made to the hand of the Democracy, and it is a winning one.

Free Silver Night Schools.

The organization of these schools is becoming widespread. The movement was started by Mr. George Burr Smith, attorney, of Chicago, Ill. A number of years ago, when a teacher in a country school, Mr. Smith observed, while explaining examples in exchange to a class in arithmetic, that an increasing rate of exchange with India, China, Japan, the South American states, and all countries using the silver standard, would cause untold depression in this country; for, prices being fixed in the countries using the cheaper money, would necessarily be reduced in this country, just in proportion as the rate of exchange increased. In 1895 the rate of exchange had doubled, so that our prices had decreased one-half. The effect was felt more in this country, as we were a debtor nation, so that no matter how much prices decreased, our debts must be paid with the dearer money.

The organization of these schools requires no elaborate speech making. Leaflets are furnished containing problems which show, first, the cause of the low price, next the effect upon the producing classes. A third list of problems show the foreclosure of mortgages which follows a rising money standard. Examples are also given which show the distribution of the wealth of the nation, the rise of powerful corporations, and the effect upon labor.

Leaflets for a school of twenty-five members may be obtained from the local Democratic or silver committees. Collections are taken at the close of the meetings to pay for the literature and the expenses of the county organization in furthering the movement.

Age of Combines.

From the Indianapolis Sentinel: The tin plate combine just formed is the most extensive affair of the kind ever formed in this country, as it includes all the plants in the country but four—two in Pennsylvania, one in West Virginia and one in Missouri. To avoid anti-trust laws the new concern is organized as a corporation under the New Jersey laws, with $20,000,000 preferred stock and $30,000,000 common stock. Of this sum the purchase of the plants represents $12,000,000 and the proposed working capital $6,000,000. The remainder is pure water. The preferred stock is to have 7 per cent cumulative dividends, all over this, if any, going to the common stock. To pay the dividends on preferred stock will therefore be required $1,260,000, and to pay only 6 per cent on the common stock will be required $1,080,000, or a total of $2,940,000. The promoters claim, however, that the common stock will earn more than the preferred, since the latter is limited to 7 per cent. Allowing, however, only 6 per cent for the common stock, it would require about 50 cents a box profit on 6,000,000 boxes a year to earn these dividends. This shows what tremendous earning capacity the promoters are basing estimates on, and the earning capacity is chiefly due to our tariff law, which taxes every home for the benefit of these infant promoters.

For Cheap Wheat and Dear Flour.

Every householder in this nation will have cause to regret the success of the Republican party every time he buys a pound of flour, for under the protection of that party the great milling trust has been found to control the price of bread. Thomas A. McIntyre, who went to England to obtain the consent of British stockholders in American flour mills to the formation of a combination of the principal mills in this country, so as to make a trust controlling the output, returned on the White Star steamship Majestic. He said when he landed that his mission had been successful. The object of Mr. McIntyre's trip to Europe was to obtain the consent of Richard Glyn, the president, and other stockholders of the Pillsbury-Washburn mills, to a plan to form all the great milling interests of America into a gigantic flour trust. Immediately Mr. McIntyre hurried to his office in the Produce Exchange building, where he remained closeted with his partners for several hours. To his friends, privately, Mr McIntyre is said to have strongly intimated that his mission abroad had been successful, and that the great combination, which will control about three-fourths of the world's breadstuffs, will surely be formed. It is said that the capital of the new trust will be $150,000,000 and the capacity 95,000 barrels of flour a day. There will, it is said, be included in the combination the following mills:

Mills—	Daily capacity, brls.
Hecker-Jones-Jewell, New York.	11,000
Pillsbury-Washburn, Minneapolis	25,000
Washburn-Crosby, Minneapolis..	17,000
Northwestern Consolidated Flour Milling Co., Minneapolis	15,000
Imperial Mill Company, Duluth.	8,000
Anchor Mills, Duluth	4,000
Daisy Mills, Duluth	6,000
William Lispman Mills, Superior	2,500
Freeman's Mills, Superior	2,500
Minkota Mills, Superior	1,000
Daisy Mills, Milwaukee	3,000
Total daily capacity	95,000

Total wheat consumed daily, 500,000 bushels.

Total mill feed produced daily, 10,000 tons.

Approving Trusts.

From the Chicago Chronicle: A new combination in restraint of trade has been organized in the state of New Jersey, where eight of the large rubber companies, manufacturing all kinds of rubber goods, excepting shoes and clothing, consolidated with a capital of $5,000,000. At its meeting in Washington the National Board of Trade had under consideration the question of trusts and combines. The resolution was offered requesting congress to use its power to prevent combinations restrictive of full and free competition. This resolution failed because it did not receive the necessary two-thirds vote. The resolution was irrelevant, because the fact is that congress did all that it could reasonably be expected to do when it passed the Sherman anti-trust bill, which is now upon the statute book as a law. If, in defeating the resolution inimical to combinations, the board had gone a step further and placed itself on record as commending the chief magistrate of the United States for failure to enforce the Sherman anti-trust law, notwithstanding repeated, manifest, notorious, current violations of the same, it would have proceeded quite in accordance with its failure to express itself as hostile to illicit combinations, out of which one of its members said "he himself was making something handsome." The national administration gives no efficacy to the voice of congress condemning combinations in restraint of trade and holds idle in this respect every one of the United States district attorneys the republic over.

"In Coin."

For the benefit of public creditors, congress, by the act of March 18, 1869, pledged the faith of the United States to the payment, in coin or its equivalent, of all its outstanding obligations. It is not pretended by any one that the government has ever assumed any severer or more onerous duty to its creditors than that declared by this act, or that it has at any time undertaken to pay any of its obligations otherwise than in coin? "Dollars" are the things to be paid—coin dollars, fabricated under and in pursuance of our coinage laws, each dollar to consist in or be represented by 412½ grains of standard silver or 25 8-10 grains of standard gold—that is, the weight of the silver in the silver dollar was to be sixteen times the weight of the gold in the gold dollar.

WIT AND HUMOR.

Up-to-Date Jokes and Witticisms From the Comic Papers.

A TOUCHING TALE.

The playwright with his manuscript
Went sadly on his way,
Three score and more of managers
Refused his play that day;
Then from a corner dark there sprang
A robber bold and masked,
And of the author, with a gun
His life or money asked.
"I've nothing but this play, I'll swear,"
Replied the trembling scribe;
"All say it is not worth the string
With which the cover's tied."
The robber snatched the manuscript
And fled without delay.
"Thank Heaven! At last!" the playwright cried,
"A man who'll take my play!"

DRY GOODS AND VERBS.

"How did you happen to lose your situation?"

"Too much accuracy. I was showing a piece of goods to a customer who asked me if it would wash. And I said no, it wouldn't, but if she'd get somebody to wash it I thought it would stand it."

AN INDICATION OF HIS POWERS.

"They say Triggsby is one of the smoothest talkers in the business."

"Well, they're right. If Triggsby wanted to, I'll bet he could go to the general office of the gas company and induce them to put in electric lights."

A TRIFLE THIN.

Barber (insinuatingly)—Your hair is a trifle thin, sir.

Victim (grimly)—So is your chance of selling me a bottle of your justly-celebrated hair restorer.

KWANG SU MARKS AN EPOCH.

"A man can die for his country but once," said the Court Philosopher.

"I presume," was the Chinese Emperor's comment, "that you are quoting something written before my day."

LITTLE GEORGIE'S RETURN.

"Ellen, has George come home from school yet?" called Mrs. Snaggs to her servant.

"Yes, ma'am," came back the answer.

"Where is he?"

"I haven't seen him."

"How do you know, then, that he's home?"

"Because the cat's a-hidin' under the dresser."

FAILED TO CONCILIATE.

As the conventional young man sat talking with the conventional young woman the conventional stern father came in.

The young man would fain be sociable and at ease.

"The open door"——began he.

"The front door is open at this minute," said the father.

CHALLENGED FOR CAUSE.

Attorney for the Defense—Now, then, will you please have the goodness to tell us whether you believe in punishing people for committing crimes?

Would-Be Juror—I do.

Attorney—I suppose you can read and write, too, and that you sometimes do those things?

Would-Be Juror—Yes, sir.

Attorney—Challenged for cause.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE.

Papa (severely).—Did you ask mamma if you could have that apple?

Three-year-old.—Yes, sir.

"Be careful now. I'll ask mamma."

"Truly, papa, I asked her, but she said I couldn't have it."

NO TIME TO LISTEN.

He—My dear, I have just written a little master-piece. I call it—ah—"How to be master of the household." Wouldn't you like to hear it?

"No, Samuel. I'm going off for a day's golf. You stay with the twins until I return."

RIGHT ON TIME, THEN.

He—By George, you never were on time in your life. You're always keeping me waiting. You nev—no, I'll take it back. I remember now that there was one exception.

She (sarcastically)—Oh, indeed! And when was that, pray?

He—When you met me at the altar. You bet you were right on the dot then.

READY FOR SETTLEMENT.

"That Harkins will case which has been in the courts for several years will soon be settled now," said Lawyer Habeas.

"Yes," assented Lawyer Corpus, "I understand the property is about all gone."

THE WAY IT WAS.

"This," said the school friend, who had not seen her for a year, "this is the girl who vowed to me that she never would belong to any man."

"I don't," said she, who had been married the matter of some months or so, "he belongs to me."

The Acme of Domestic Discipline.

A perfectly trained husband is one who gives the impression that the hardest work of his life was in coaxing his wife to marry him.—Atchinson Daily Globe.

Schley Presented With Sword.

Rear Admiral Schley was the recipient of a handsome and costly sword, scabbard and belt, presented to him in behalf of the people of Philadelphia and other cities in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, who contributed to a fund established for the purpose. The sword, scabbard and belt represent a cost of $4,200. The blade is of fine Damascus steel, appropriately engraved, and the hilt is elaborately decorated with diamonds and other precious stones.

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A Railroad Across the Desert.

Leroy Beaulieu, an eminent French scientist, is forming a French syndicate for the construction of a railroad across the desert of Sahara. He argues that Britain could not have checked the French progress in Africa if this railway had been built some years ago when it was first proposed.

A Tie in Births.

It is a curious fact that exactly as many boys as girls were born in London during the week before last—1,348 of each, making 2,696 births in all. Such a "tie" is of rare occurrence. There was, however, a similar equality in the second week of May, 1894, when 1,167 of each sex were born.

Different View.

"How unlucky you have always been with your love affairs," said McBride pityingly to his friend Tenterhook. "On the contrary," replied Tenterhook, "every girl I ever fell in love with has married some one else."—Judge.

Queer.

"Was your ship crippled by the storm?" asked the reporter. "She was not," replied the captain, "though she lost all of her hands."—Indianapolis Journal.

When passenger trains are telescoped the passengers are apt to see the stars.

Does Your Head Ache?

Are your nerves weak? Can't you sleep well? Pain in your back? Lack energy? Appetite poor? Digestion bad? Boils or pimples? These are sure signs of poisoning.

From what poisons?

From poisons that are always found in constipated bowels.

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